

Division of Developmental Disabilities

NOTICE AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The Division of Developmental Disabilities is seeking public comment on a proposed new **Provider Manual Chapter 77 Qualified Vendors Supporting Members with Animals**. This policy provides guidance for Qualified Vendors when supporting Members with animals, identifying Service Animals, Support Animals, and Pets. Included are questions a Qualified Vendor may ask, as well as guidance for when a Qualified Vendor may request removal of an animal from a service setting.

Dates: Public comment will be open for 30 days beginning January 2, 2025, and closing February 1, 2025. Comments must be received no later than February 1, 2025, 11:59 pm, Arizona time.

Instructions: (Complete instructions are located on the Division's <u>webpage</u>)

- The policy may be viewed by clicking <u>here</u>.
- Comments may be submitted online by clicking here.
- Use the line numbers to reference specific comments.
- Do not include any information that you consider confidential or inappropriate for public disclosure.

If access to the online form is not available, comments can be submitted by email to the DDD Policy Unit at DDDpolicy@azdes.gov.

- Submit your comments, along with your full name, mailing address, and phone number.
- If you represent an organization, include the organization's name.

For further information contact the DDD Policy Unit at DDDpolicy@azdes.gov.