

INFORMATIONAL MEMO

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Purpose and Audience:

The purpose of this Informational Memo is to inform stakeholders of a revision to the audience and agenda of the upcoming technical assistance meeting co-hosted by the Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (Department) and the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment (CDPHE). The Department will also be addressing the topic of Individual Residential Service and Supports (IRSS) and Group Residential Service and Supports (GRSS) during this meeting. This meeting is open to all interested stakeholders, including Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver members, guardians and relatives of members, advocates, service provider agencies and Case Management Agencies.

Information:

Since the onset of the COVID-10 pandemic, the Department has worked to provide updated guidance and requirements related to the operations of Individual Residential Service and Supports (IRSS), Group Residential Service and Supports (GRSS), Adult Day Services (ADS) and Day Habilitation Services, which include both Specialized Habilitation (SH) and Supported Community Connections (SCC). The Department recognizes that as COVID-19 restrictions are lifting and county-level restrictions are lessening, providers have a number of questions about how they are able to operate congregate group settings moving forward. Therefore, the Department, along with CDPHE, will be hosting a technical assistance meeting for services provider agencies and stakeholders to answer questions and provide information where possible.

Technical Assistance Meeting for All-Day Program, IRSS, and GRSS Providers

The Department seeks to engage service provider agencies, waiver members, family members, advocates, and case managers through a technical assistance opportunity to provide clarity and the most recent information on Limited Health Care, IRSS and GRSS settings and how these settings can reopen and operate for the remainder of the Public Health Emergency (PHE). During this meeting, stakeholders will have opportunities to ask questions regarding the reopening and operations of day program, IRSS and GRSS services. Stakeholders interested in this topic are encouraged to hold the date for the following technical assistance opportunity:

Technical Assistance Meeting for Day Program, IRSS and GRSS Providers

Date and Time:

Friday, March 12, 2021 at 1 – 2 p.m.

To access the Day Program, IRSS and GRSS Technical Assistance Meeting, please use the following link:

https://cohcpf.adobeconnect.com/dayprogram/

Call-In Phone Number: 1-877-820-7831

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Attachment:

None

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