

COVID-19: What we know today

Supply Deliveries

LCBDD staff is ordering basic supplies (Thank you Gary & Brandi!), and they should be delivered to E.S. Weiant on Thursdays. Brandi plans to take requested items to Providers on Thursday afternoon. Please let Brandi know what you need, and make arrangements for someone to receive the items. brandi.body@lcountydd.org

Federal Relief Bills info.

[Attached is an email with some initial explanation of what's in the two new Federal relief bills.](#)

Coronavirus & People on the Autism Spectrum

Upcoming Webinar: 04/30/2020, 1 PM Eastern Time (U.S.)

Ongoing schedule changes and uncertainty due to the spread of the Coronavirus can present special challenges. Tune in to hear ideas for providing compassionate support to individuals on the autism spectrum who are experiencing disruptions and anxiety related to the virus and its impact.

Register here: <https://www.autism.org/coronavirus/>

Guidance: DODD Billing Concessions March 19, 2020 | [DODD](#)

- Services authorized through electronic means (by telephone, email, etc.) will be reimbursed without being reflected in DODD's Payment Authorization for Waiver Services (PAWS) system. County board of developmental disabilities should document the authorization locally through TCM case notes when possible, or by any other means available.
- An approved prior authorization (PA) will not be required for services that exceed the Ohio Developmental Disabilities Profile (ODDP) funding range for people enrolled in the Individual Options (IO) Waiver.
- DODD's Medicaid Services System (MSS) will not prevent the submission of claims that exceed the three percent (3%) limitation within the Monthly Rate Calculator (MRC).
- Homemaker/Personal Care (HPC) services will be permitted to be delivered and reimbursed on the same day as Ohio Shared Living, if needed and authorized by the person's individual service plan (ISP) team.
- Services for Level One Waiver enrollees will be reimbursed up to the total available funding within the waiver, which includes the current amount available for non-adult day array services (\$6,750), plus the amounts currently available for adult day array services and Non-Medical Transportation.
- The \$8,520 Emergency Services Benefit for the Level One Waiver will continue to be available, in addition to the funding reference in the previous bullet.
- The individual cost caps for the Self-Empowered Life Funding (SELF) Waiver are not being changed, but if enrollees have a need for services that exceed the established cost caps for children or for adults, county boards are being asked to identify ways to meet the specific needs.

- Independent providers are permitted to exceed the 60-hour ceiling per week for providing services, if necessary, to maintain the health and safety of the people receiving supports, if needed and authorized by the person's ISP team. In an effort to ensure service authorization and billing requirements are not undue barriers to service delivery and provider reimbursement throughout the coronavirus (COVID-19) state of emergency, the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD) is making the following changes to its processes for services delivered on or after March 12,

Small Business Administration (SBA) Economic Injury Loans

As you have probably heard, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine announced yesterday that the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) approved the request to allow small businesses and nonprofits in Ohio to apply for low-interest, long-term loans of up to \$2 million through the [SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan](#) program. When completing the application, check "economic Injury" so that the form populates correctly with your specific city.

Additional details about the SBA Loan application process:

- Loan applications can be completed online at disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/ or applicants can obtain a paper application by calling 1-800-659-2955. Online submissions are recommended.
- Once an application has been submitted, the SBA will review the information and determine eligibility.
- Once the SBA approves an applicant's submission, they will close on the loan and the cash will be deposited into the applicant's account.
- To expedite the application process, applicants should have the following documents ready: complete copies of their most recent federal income tax return and a completed and signed [IRS Form 4506T](#), a schedule of liabilities, personal financial statement, monthly sales figures, a current year-to-date profit-and-loss statement, and a year-end profit-and-loss statement and balance sheet for that tax year if the most recent federal income tax return has not been filed.