



Announcement

ODP's Listening Sessions for ID Waiver Renewal

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The mission of the Office of Developmental Programs is to support Pennsylvanians with developmental disabilities to achieve greater independence, choice and opportunity in their lives.

AUDIENCE: All interested parties

PURPOSE: The Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) is planning five Listening Sessions at sites across the Commonwealth along with two conference calls to allow all stakeholders the opportunity to voice ideas for updating and improving the Intellectual Disability Waivers.

DISCUSSION: ODP's Consolidated and Person/Family Directed Support Waivers expire on June 30, 2017, requiring ODP to apply for renewals. As a result, ODP is in the initial stages of discussions for updating and changing the waiver content. In preparation, we are asking our stakeholders for their ideas and suggestions. ODP has scheduled five Listening Sessions at local sites across the Commonwealth to allow our stakeholders to voice their input. There will also be two conference calls conducted to allow individuals who are not able to attend a local session to add their ideas. **Registration is required at each session (local or conference call). Initial comments will be limited to 5 minutes so everyone who has comments will have an opportunity to give them.**

Registration may be completed online at the following link:

<http://www.bettertogether.tiu11.org/odp-waiver-renewal-session/>

or by calling 1-844-300-4250.

The Listening Sessions are not meant to replace the Public Forums. At this stage of the process, ODP is looking only for input on updates and changes. Public Forums will occur later in the process after the waiver renewals have been drafted for submission to CMS.

The following are the dates, times and locations for the locally scheduled sessions across the Commonwealth:

| Session Date | Select the Time | Region | Location |
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| October 15, 2015 | 1:00 – 3:00 pm 6:00 – 8:00 pm | Western | Sheraton Erie Bayfront 55 West Bay Drive Erie, PA 16507 |
| October 16, 2015 | 10:00 am – 12:00 pm 1:30 – 3:30 pm | Western | Pine Community Center 100 Pine Park Drive Wexford, PA 15090 |
| November 4, 2015 | 1:00 – 3:00 pm 6:00 – 8:00 pm | Central | Central Penn Conference Center 600 Valley Road Summerdale, PA 17093 |
| November 16, 2015 | 1:00 – 3:00 pm 6:00 – 8:00 pm | Northeast | Quality Inn Wilkes-Barre 800 Kidder Street Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702 |
| December 7, 2015 | 1:00 – 3:00 pm | Southeast | 11th Floor (room 1154A) 801 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 |
| December 7, 2015 | 6:00 – 8:00 pm | Southeast | Church on the Mall, Plymouth Meeting Mall 500 West Germantown Pike Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462 |

The dates and times for the two conference calls are as follows:

[November 12, 2015 – 5:00 – 7:00 pm](#)

[December 11, 2015 – 1:00 – 3:00 pm](#)

You may also direct any questions to 1-844-300-4250.