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DODD Issues Guidance Allowing Remote Day Array Supports

Earlier this evening, DODD released new guidance, permitting, within certain parameters virtual or remote day array services. The guidance outlines how adult day support, as well as vocational habilitation and other array/employment services can be provided through technology.

These virtual services must be authorized through the county board and can only be provided at time when individuals are not receiving other services.

OPRA has advocated for the use of remote adult day services since the beginning of this crisis and are pleased DODD was able to allow these temporary changes. However, we have and are still advocating with DODD and system partners to enact other provisions to support day array providers, including emergency relief through retainers or alternate temporary service models through the Appendix K waiver. Earlier this week, OPRA sent a letter to Governor DeWine, urging the administration to apply for Appendix K and 1135 waivers to CMS to support DD providers.

[To read the guidance on remote day array services, click here.](#)

[DODD will be holding a webinar on these changes and issues pertaining to day array on April 17.](#)

Please email Scott at smarks@opra.org with any questions or feedback on this guidance.

RVI Informs Community on Need for PPE



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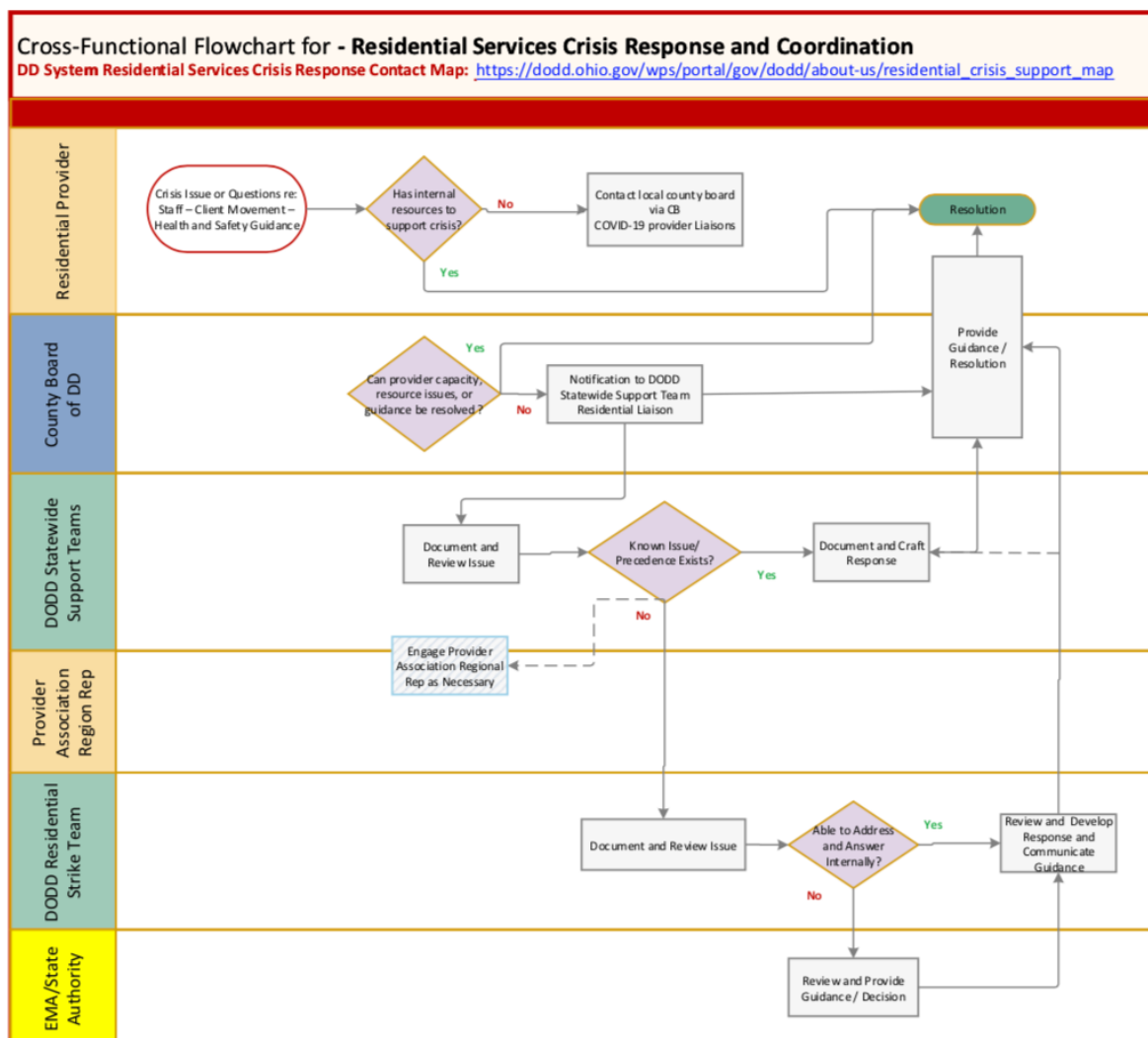
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DODD Shares Revised Crisis Support Plan

Earlier today, DODD sent out a revised Regional Residential Crisis Support Plan and the Cross-Functional Flowchart for Residential Resource Crisis Response and Coordination. This process is intended to assist providers who are experiencing a lack of capacity or staffing from COVID-19, with DODD reps available to support local teams as needed.

Sara Lawson is the DODD lead for this project and can be reached at sara.lawson@dodd.ohio.gov or contact Pete at Pmoore@opra.org with any questions about the support plan.

[The DD System Residential Services Crisis Response Contacts map can be found on the DODD website here.](https://dodd.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/dodd/about-us/residential_crisis_support_map)



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MUI Unit Shares Data on Covid-19 in Ohio's DD System

Earlier today, Scott Phillips, lead of DODD's MUI division shared the latest data on Covid-19 Infections in the DD system. According to the latest MUI reporting, DODD shared the following;

"-In Ohio, we have had 4 deaths reported within our service delivery system. (Lucas County-2 , Miami-1 and Hamilton -1).

-72 people have had Unanticipated Hospitalization MUI's reported and have been tested for COVID-19. (Of the 72 people tested 43 were negative, 19 were positive and 10 are pending).

-68% Male and 32% female.

-The average age is 52.....With the oldest person being 79 and the youngest being 12.

-28 of the 88 counties have reported hospitalizations involving COVID-19.

-Hamilton County leads our data with 9 people hospitalized, followed by Franklin 7, Cuyahoga 7 and Portage 4 Lucas with 5.

NODC is the only Developmental Center with positive cases at this time."

DODD Updates:

With so many changes and memos coming from DODD this week, we have attempted to compile all of the week's updates here below.

[4/9: Temporary Changes to Day Services](#)

[4/8: Guidance- Waiver Disenrollment](#)

[4/7: Latest Guidance including updated DSP Training guidance.](#)

[4/6: Memo Monday: DODD withdraws grant opportunities, DDP, IAF Assessments suspended for ICFs.](#)

[4/3 Latest Guidance: Including single, maximum spending cap for L1 waivers and spotlight of ARC Industries!](#)

[4/2: Latest DODD Guidance and Resources: Including Best Practices for Family Visitation to Residential Settings and Environmental Accessibility Adaptations \(Home Mods\).](#)

[4/1: Guidance: Initial Medication Administration Remote Training](#)

[4/1: Provider Inventory Details and List](#)

