

Public Forums Now Available

As you may know, the Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) is making an important improvement to the way services are coordinated. The Medicaid Service Coordination (MSC) program which is currently used to coordinate services will be replaced by a new and improved program called Health Home Care Management beginning July 1, 2018. Health Home Care Management will continue to provide the service coordination that people currently receive, and will also provide coordination of other services, such as health care and mental health supports.

Health Home Care Management Services will be provided by Care Coordination Organizations (CCOs), new entities formed by existing providers of developmental disability services. To provide you with information about the transition, OPWDD and the CCOs are hosting regional public forums across the State.

*These forums are intended to educate the people we support about the transition. In order to accommodate the greatest number of individuals with developmental disabilities and their family members, we ask that you attend no more than one People First Care Coordination public forum. **The same information will be presented at all regional forums, regardless of location and date.***

You are cordially invited to attend the forum most convenient to your location:

FINGER LAKES

April 12th – 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Mary Cariola Children's Center

1000 Elmwood Avenue

Door 1

Rochester, NY

REGISTRATION CONTACT PERSON: AMY HOFFOWER –

amy.hoffower@opwdd.ny.gov 585-241-5760

WESTERN NY

April 11th – 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Genesee Orleans ARC

38 Woodrow Road

Batavia, NY

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NORTH COUNTRY

April 2nd - 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Tupper Lake High School – (Auditorium)

25 Chaney Avenue
Tupper Lake, NY

REGISTRATION CONTACT PERSON: ERIC PASTERNAK –
eric.pasternak@opwdd.ny.gov 518-359-4330

SOUTHERN TIER

April 3rd – 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Southern Tier Independence Center (STIC)
135 E. Frederick St.
Binghamton, NY

REGISTRATION CONTACT PERSON: DAYNA SARACENO -
dayna.saraceno@opwdd.ny.gov 607-771-7784, ext. 124

CENTRAL NY

April 4th – 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Central NY DDRO
NYS Fairgrounds
581 State Fair Blvd.
Syracuse, NY

REGISTRATION CONTACT PERSON: RHODA BARRON -
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CAPITAL DISTRICT

April 3rd – 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
O.D. Heck and v/c to Saratoga Care Lane site
Capital District DDRO
500 Balltown Road
Schenectady, NY

REGISTRATION CONTACT PERSON: KAREN FRANCISCO –
karen.francisco@opwdd.ny.gov -518-388-0431

HUDSON VALLEY

April 12th – 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Thiells and v/c to Tarrytown Office in Westchester
Hudson Valley DDRO
5 Wilbur Road
Thiells, NY

REGISTRATION CONTACT PERSON: VALERIE AUSTIN –
valerie.j.austin@opwdd.ny.gov – 845-947-6060

NEW YORK CITY

April 12th - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Heartshare

177 Livingston Street
Brooklyn, NY

April 19th - 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Staten Island Developmental Disabilities Services Office (SIDDSO)
930 Willowbrook Road - (In the Bubble, near 12G) located at
The Elizabeth Connelly Center – Building 40-41)
Staten Island, NY

April 24th – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Bronx Developmental Disabilities Services Office (BXDDSO)
2400 Halsey Street
Bronx, NY

REGISTRATION CONTACT PERSON: SELENA PRUDEN –
selena.j.pruden@opwdd.ny.gov – **646-766-3655**

LONG ISLAND

April 2nd – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Independent Group Home Living (IGHL)
Administration
221 North Sunrise Service Road
Manorville, NY 11949

April 11th – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

OPWDD Regional Office
415A Oser Avenue – Multipurpose Room
Hauppauge, NY 11741

April 18th – 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Adults and Children with Learning and Developmental Disabilities, Inc. (ACLD)
807 S Oyster Bay Road
Bethpage, NY 11714

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To register for the forum nearest to you, please call or e-mail the regional office staff listed above by three business days before the event.

Each forum will be hosted by OPWDD's Regional Office Director and will have OPWDD and CCO representatives on hand to answer any questions.

Find out what you need to know and get your questions answered at the OPWDD regional People First Care Coordination forum nearest you – we hope to see you there.

