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INDIVIDUAL'S NAME: **DOB:** **TABS ID#:**

SERVICE AMENDMENT REQUEST FORM

BEFORE USING THIS FORM, READ INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS STARTING ON PAGE 10.

This form should be submitted ONLY for one of the following (for more information, see pages 10 & 11 of this form):

- ✓ **Adding an additional HCBS waiver service:** Individual is requesting to add a new HCBS waiver service. **Do not use this form for service(s) previously authorized.**
- ✓ **Increasing service amount:** Individual requesting an increase in service amount for an existing HCBS waiver service
- ✓ **Changing provider:** Individual is notifying DDRO of a change in provider

INSTRUCTIONS: Please provide all information requested below. If you have any questions or need assistance, contact your DDRO office. Submission of incomplete forms and/or forms with incorrect information may cause delays or may result in the request being returned, requiring resubmission.

☐ **This request is a resubmission, and replaces a previous form submitted on**

INDIVIDUAL'S NAME:	**DOB:**	**TABS ID#:**
ADDRESS:	**COUNTY:**	**MEDICAID #:**
	PHONE:	
	EMAIL:	
CURRENT LIVING SITUATION (e.g., at home, IRA):		
PRIMARY CONTACT PERSON:	**RELATIONSHIP:**	
ADDRESS (if different from applicant):	**PHONE:**	
	EMAIL:	

CARE MANAGER COMPLETING THIS FORM:	**TITLE:**
CCO NAME:	**PHONE:**
CCO ADDRESS:	**EMAIL:**
	SUPERVISOR NAME:
BROKER NAME (when applicable):	**SUPERVISOR'S EMAIL:**

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY
DIAGNOSIS (LIST ALL CURRENT):
DESCRIBE AMBULATION STATUS:
LIST ANY OTHER RELEVANT CONDITIONS (when present):

ISPM OVERALL SCORE:		**DATE OF DDP2:**	
DOMAIN SCORES	**HEALTH:**	**BEHAVIORAL:**	**ADAPTIVE:**

EDUCATION INFORMATION

Is the individual currently attending school? ☐ Yes ☐ No 10 Month Student ☐ 12 Month Student ☐

If you answered "yes" to the above question, the following questions below are required. If you answered "no," skip this section.

Name of School: _____ School Type: ☐ Day ☐ In-State Residential ☐ Out-of-State Residential ☐ Other, specify: _____

Projected Graduation Date: _____ (If unsure of the exact date, enter June 1st & year of anticipated graduation, e.g., 06/01/2019).

DDRO Staff Only: If the individual is in school, please forward contact information and Education Information to Local School Transition Coordinator or Residential School Transition Coordinator as appropriate.

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CURRENT OPWDD SERVICES

List all services currently received through OPWDD. Please include the provider name and service amount.

SERVICE TYPE	ANNUAL NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED UNITS OF SERVICES	ANNUAL NUMBER OF UNITS OF SERVICES RECEIVED	PROVIDER NAME

NON-OPWDD SERVICES & NATURAL SUPPORTS

List all current non-OPWDD services. These include formal services provided by another state agency, county, and/or another service system. Please also list any natural supports the individual has in their life, including those provided by family, friends, neighbors and community. Note: in some cases, a daily schedule may be requested.

SERVICE OR SUPPORT TYPE	DESCRIPTION AND ANNUAL AMOUNT OF SERVICES, INCLUDING PROVIDER NAME (WHEN APPLICABLE)

OPWDD SERVICES TO BE DROPPED OR REDUCED

If the service(s) requested on this form are intended to replace existing service(s) or result in reduction in service amount, list the service(s) being dropped or reduced below (include service amount when applicable.)

NOTE: WHEN APPLICABLE, A DDP1 TO DROP MUST BE SUBMITTED BY PROVIDER AGENCY PRIOR TO ENROLLMENT IN THE NEW AUTHORIZED SERVICES.

SERVICE TYPE (to be DROPPED or REDUCED)	Drop	Reduce	ANNUAL NUMBER OF UNITS OF SERVICES RECEIVED	PROVIDER NAME
	☐	☐		
	☐	☐		
	☐	☐		
	☐	☐		
	☐	☐		

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SERVICES REQUESTED

INSTRUCTIONS: Please provide the required information below. If you have any questions or need assistance, contact your DDRO office. Submission of incomplete forms and/or forms with incorrect information may cause delays or may result in the request being returned, requiring resubmission.

COMMUNITY HABILITATION (CH)

Request Type (check all that apply):

☐ **This request is to ADD this as a new service** (i.e., individual does not receive any CH currently)

☐ **This request is to INCREASE units** (i.e., individual currently receives CH and needs an increase in the number of units to be received)

☐ **This is a change of provider only** (i.e., individual is switching from one provider to another with same number of units)

☐ **This is to add a new/additional provider only** (i.e., individual is adding another provider that is different from the existing provider)

Service Type:

☐ **Direct Provider-Purchased** (if individual is Self-Directed, check this box only if this service is not already included in an approved Self-Directed Budget)

☐**Agency Supported Self-Directed** with Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Billing Units/Service Units Calculators (Choose one):

Annual Billing Units Requested (1 unit = 1/4 hour)**:** _____

Calculates to

Annual Service Units Requested (1 unit = 1 hour)**:** ___

OR

Annual Service Units Requested (1 unit = 1 hour)**:** ___

Calculates to

Annual Billing Units Requested (1 unit = 1/4 hour)**:** _____

Provider Information (Include if a provider has been identified and agreed to provide this service)

Provider Agency Name: _____ Agency Contact Name: _____

Agency Email: _____ Projected Start Date: _____

When individual has selected multiple providers for this service, list additional agency names here:

_____

Justification for service and description of how it supports the individual's goals (please provide specific details):

_____

Additional Information that may be useful to the DDRO in consideration of this service request (optional):

_____

COMMUNITY TRANSITION SERVICES

(Used for individuals moving out of certified residential settings to live independently)

Request Type (check all that apply):

☐ **check here if requesting this service**

Note: Fiscal Intermediary required, 1-time expenditure, up to $3000. Allowable expenses can be reimbursed if the expense was incurred no more than ninety days before or after the individual's move to the new residence.

Fiscal Intermediary (FI) Provider (if known):

Agency Name: _____

Date of expected move:

Brief explanation of plan for move: _____

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DAY HABILITATION

Request Type (check all that apply):

☐ **This request is to ADD this as a new service**
☐ **This request is to INCREASE units (e.g., individual currently receives DH and needs an increase in amount)**
☐ **This is change of provider only**
☐ **This is to add a new/additional provider only**

GROUP DAY HABILITATION INFORMATION

Group Day Habilitation Units Requested (annual amount):
Requesting: ☐ **Without Walls _____**
☐ **Site-Based (in a certified setting) _____**
(1 unit = minimum of 4 hours or more per day,
½ unit = minimum of 2 and less than 4 hours per day)

- 5 days/week = 215 units
- 4 days = 172 units
- 3 days = 129 units
- 2 days = 86 units
- 1 day = 43 units
- ½ day = 21 units

☐ Check if requested increase is with existing provider
Provider Information
Provider Agency Name: _____
Agency Contact Name: _____
Agency Email: _____
Projected Start Date: _____

When individual has selected multiple providers for this service, list additional agency names here:
_____

Justification for service and description of how it supports the individual's goals:
_____
Additional Information that may be useful to the DDRO in consideration of this service request (optional):
_____

SUPPLEMENTAL GROUP DAY HABILITATION INFORMATION –

Service provided Saturday, Sunday or Monday-Friday starting at 3pm or later

Supplemental Day Habilitation Units Requested (annual amount):
Requesting: ☐ **Without Walls _____**
☐ **Site-Based (in a certified setting) _____**
1 unit = minimum of 4 hours or more per day,
½ unit = minimum of 2 and less than 4 hours per day

- Full = 100 units
- Half = 50 units

☐ Check if requested increase is with existing provider
Provider Information
Provider Agency Name: _____
Agency Contact Name: _____
Agency Email: _____
Projected Start Date: _____
When individual has selected multiple providers for this service, list additional agency names here:
_____

Justification for service and description of how it supports the individual's goals:
_____
Additional Information that may be useful to the DDRO in consideration of this service request (optional):
_____

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FAMILY EDUCATION and TRAINING (FET)

Request Type (check all that apply):
☐ **This request is to ADD this as a new service**
☐ **This is a change of provider only**
☐ **This is to add a new/additional provider only**

Annual Units Requested: _____ (up to 2 units per year; a unit of service can be up to 2 hours)	**Provider Information** Provider Agency Name: _____ Agency Contact Name: _____ Agency Email: _____ Projected Start Date: _____ **When individual has selected multiple providers for this service, list additional agency names here:** _____

Justification for service and description of how it supports the individual's goals:

_____

Additional Information that may be useful to the DDRO in consideration of this service request (optional):

_____

PATHWAY TO EMPLOYMENT

Request Type (check all that apply):
☐ **This request is to ADD this as a new service**
☐ **This is a change of provider only**

Has the individual participated in Pathway to Employment previously? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, which agency provided the service? _____
If yes, have the 278 hours or 365 days been used yet? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, enter *Request to Bill Additional Pathway to Employment Services:*
Approval Number _____ Date Sent _____ Pathway Agency _____

Unit of Service = 278 hours
Provider Information
Provider Agency Name: _____ Agency Contact Name: _____
Agency Email: _____ Projected Start Date: _____

Justification for service and amount requested:
_____

PREVOCATIONAL SERVICES – Community Based (CBPV)

Request Type (check all that apply):
☐ **This request is to ADD this as a new service**
☐ **This request is to INCREASE units (i.e., individual currently receives PreVoc and needs an increase in amount)**
☐ **This is a change of provider only**

Choose a calculator: **Annual Billing Units Requested** (1 unit = 1/4 hour): _____ → **Annual Service Units Calculation** (1 unit = 1 hour): _____ **OR** **Annual Service Units Requested** (1 unit = 1 hour): _____ → **Annual Billing Units Calculation** (1 unit = 1/4 hour): _____	**Provider Information if Identified (Include if a provider has been identified and agreed to provide this service)** Provider Agency Name: _____ Agency Contact Name: _____ Agency Email: _____ Projected Start Date: _____

Will the individual earn wages? (Prevoc wages are at or below 50% of prevailing wage) ☐ Yes ☐ No

Justification for service and amount requested:
_____

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PREVOCATIONAL SERVICES – Site Based (SBPV)

(Only for providers with locations that are already approved by OPWDD)

The agency identified has OPWDD Central Office approval for new enrollments in Site Based Prevocational Service. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Request Type (check all that apply):

☐ **This request is to ADD this as a new service**
☐ **This request is to INCREASE units (i.e., individual currently receives PreVoc and needs an increase in amount)**
☐ **This is a change of provider only**
☐ **This is to add a new/additional provider only**

Is this a student leaving high school requesting Site Based Prevocational Services? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, did the person complete an ACCES-VR assessment as required by the Workforce Innovations Opportunity Act (WIOA)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Units Requested (annual amount):

_____ ☐ **Site-based**
(1 unit = minimum of 4 hours or more per day, ½ unit = minimum of 2 and less than 4 hours per day)

Projected Start Date: _____

Provider Information if Identified:

Provider Agency Name: _____ Agency Contact Name: _____
Agency Email: _____ Site Program Code: _____

When individual has selected multiple providers for this service, list additional agency names here:

_____

Will the individual earn wages? (Prevoc wages are at or below 50% of prevailing wage) ☐ Yes ☐ No

Justification for service and amount requested:

_____

RESPITE - (HCBS Waiver Respite)

Request Type (check all that apply):

☐ **This request is to ADD this as a new service**
☐ **This request is to INCREASE units (e.g., individual currently receives respite and needs an increase in amount)**
☐ **This is a change of provider only**
☐ **This is to add a new/additional provider only**

Annual Respite Billing Units Requested: _____ → **Annual Respite Service Units Calculation=** _____
(1 unit = 1/4 hour) (1 unit = 1 hour)

OR

Annual Respite Service Units Requested: _____ → **Annual Respite Billing Units Calculation=** _____

☐ **Direct Provider-Purchased** (if individual is Self-Directed, check this box only if this service is not already included in an approved Self-Directed Budget)

☐ **Agency Supported Self-Directed** with MOU

Provider Information

Provider Agency Name: _____ Agency Contact Name: _____
Agency Email: _____ Projected Start Date: _____

Additional Information that may be useful to the DDRO in consideration of this service request (optional):

_____

When individual has selected multiple providers for this service, list additional agency name here:

_____

Justification for service and amount requested:

_____

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SELF-DIRECTED BUDGET AUTHORITY (Budget to be developed, request falls within Personal Resource Account (PRA))

☐ **NEW request for Self-Direction (SD) Fiscal Intermediary (FI) & Broker (i.e., individual is new to self-direction)**

Note: all participants and/or their families interested in Self-Direction are expected to attend a required two-hour Self-Direction orientation. Please contact the Self-Direction Liaison at your Regional Office for orientation session dates and times.

Proposed Fiscal Intermediary Provider (if known): _____
Proposed Broker (if known): _____
Proposed Budget Type (if known): Residential Only ☐ Other Than Residential Only ☐ Both ☐
Comments: _____

Note: *This form **is not required** when requesting a change in FI or amending the following services within the SD Budget: self-hired staff, Individual Directed Goods and Services (IDGS), brokerage, Live-In Caregiver (LIC), Other Than Personal Services (OTPS), Family Reimbursed Respite (FRR) and Housing Subsidy. These changes should be processed directly between the Broker and the DDRO Self-Direction Liaison.*

This form may not be required in your Region when requesting a change in Agency Supported Self-Directed with MOU Community Habilitation, SEMP, and Respite. For questions, check with the Self-Direction Liaison in your district.

This form ***is required*** when *adding or increasing Direct Provider-Purchased services. For these requests, please follow the usual Service Amendment Request Form process for the service being requested.*

SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT (OPWDD HCBS waiver SEMP)

Request Type (check all that apply):
☐ **This request is to ADD this as a new service**
☐ **This is a change of provider only**

Service Type:
☐ **Direct Provider-Purchased** (not Self-Directed)
☐ **Self-Directed** ☐ Yes ☐ No
If Yes, which type of self-directed service? (check all that apply)
☐ Self-Directed Direct Provider-Purchased ☐ Agency Supported Self-Directed with MOU ☐ Self-Hired Staff

Employment status: Is the individual currently employed?
☐ **Yes** (if yes, complete **EXTENDED SEMP SECTION** below)
☐ **No** (if no, complete **INTENSIVE SEMP SECTION** below)

Provider Information (SEMP Provider or Fiscal Intermediary):
Provider Agency Name: _____ Agency Contact Name: _____
Agency Email: _____

EXTENDED SEMP

Projected EXTENDED SEMP service enrollment date:
Name of business where individual is employed: _____
Does the individual earn a wage that is at or above the applicable federal/state/county minimum wage? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Is this job in an integrated setting in the community? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Justification for service and amount requested:
_____

INTENSIVE SEMP (includes ETP)

Individual enrolling in Intensive SEMP *does not have a job, has completed Discovery, has participated in ACCES-VR or ETP (or is applying for ETP), and has addressed identified challenges to employment.*

Is the individual currently receiving ACCES-VR services? ☐ Yes ☐ No **If Yes, anticipated completion date:** _____
Projected INTENSIVE SEMP services enrollment date:
Select one (one of the following is required for enrollment in Intensive SEMP):
☐ A ***Request to Bill OPWDD SEMP Intensive Services*** form has been approved:
Approval Number: _____ **Date Sent:** _____ **Intensive SEMP Agency:**_____
☐ The individual is applying for ETP and ETP has been approved to start by the ETP Supervisor? ☐Yes ☐No
Justification for service and amount requested:
_____

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CARE MANAGER SIGNATURE	
☐ **Required** - Please attest by checking this box that a person-centered conversation with the individual about their needs has occurred and that you are requesting a service that the individual wants, that promotes community integration and is being provided in the least restrictive environment. **Date of person-centered discussion:**	
Signature – Care Manager signature is required: • **Signature confirms that the individual or their designated legal representative has agreed to the requested changes.** • Electronic signature is preferred and electronic submission is required. • You may also sign the document by hand, scan the signed document and submit it electronically.	
Electronic Signature	**Date of Signature:**
Hand-signed Signature	**Date of Signature:**

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DDRO RESPONSE TO SERVICE REQUEST

SERVICE	SERVICE APPROVED	NUMBER OF ANNUAL SERVICE UNITS APPROVED (hourly or daily)
COMMUNITY HABILITATION (CH):		
☐ **CH – Direct Provider-Purchased** (Self-Directed and not Self-Directed)	☐ Yes ☐ No	
☐ **CH – Agency Supported Self-Directed with MOU**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
COMMUNITY TRANSITION SERVICES:		
☐ **Community Transition Services**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
DAY HABILITATION:		
☐ **Group Day Habilitation – Without Walls**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
☐ **Group Day Habilitation – Site-Based (in a certified setting)**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
☐ **Supplemental Group Day Habilitation – Without Walls**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
☐ **Supplemental Group Day Habilitation – Site-Based (in a certified setting)**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
FAMILY EDUCATION and TRAINING (FET):		
☐ **Family Education and Training (FET)**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
PATHWAY TO EMPLOYMENT:		
☐ **Pathway to Employment**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
PREVOCATIONAL SERVICES:		
☐ **Community Prevocational Services – Hourly**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
☐ **Prevocational Services – Site-based**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
RESPITE (OPWDD HCBS Waiver Respite):		
☐ **Respite – Direct Provider-Purchased** (Self-Directed and not Self-Directed)	☐ Yes ☐ No	
☐ **Respite – Agency Supported Self-Directed with MOU**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
SELF-DIRECTION with BUDGET AUTHORITY: (Budget to be developed, request falls within PRA)		
☐ **NEW request for Self-Direction Fiscal Intermediary & Broker**	☐ Yes ☐ No	
SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT (OPWDD HCBS Waiver SEMP):		
☐ **EXTENDED SEMP – *Direct Provider-Purchased*** – Individual is currently employed (Self-Directed and not Self-Directed)	☐ Yes ☐ No	
☐ **EXTENDED SEMP – *Agency Supported Self-Directed with MOU*** – Individual is currently employed	☐ Yes ☐ No	
☐ **INTENSIVE SEMP – *Direct Provider-Purchased*** – Individual is NOT currently employed (Self-Directed and not Self-Directed)	☐ Yes ☐ No	
☐ **INTENSIVE SEMP – *Agency Supported Self-Directed with MOU*** – Individual is NOT currently employed	☐ Yes ☐ No	

DDRO SIGNATURE – Signature below confirms DDRO determinations regarding requested changes.

Comments:

DDRO Signature (electronic signature required):	Date of Signature:

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SERVICE AMENDMENT REQUEST FORM SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

This form is used by care managers to request amendments to services for those individuals who are not required to go through the Front Door. In order for the DDRO to consider the service request, please follow instructions below:

1. **Please check below on page 11 for information about those <u>services that do not require submission</u> of this form.**

2. As part of the process, the care manager completes and submits the Service Amendment Request Form (SARF) electronically via the district specific CCO Alert email box. **The CCO Alert email box is to be used for the SARF form only.** Below are instructions and guidance for CCO Alert email box usage. **Supporting documents for the SARF form should be submitted in CHOICES** using the Documentation Submission Form.
   - The reason chosen for submission on the Documentation Submission should be "Service Authorization."
   - If uploading SARF supporting documents, they must adhere to the naming convention:
     Naming Convention: Last name_first name_TABS ID_YYYY_MM_DD_Document Name

     Example: Peterman_Jacopo_201249_2018_02_28_Applicationforparticipation
     Peterman_Jacopo_201249_2018_02_28_SARFSupportingdocument
   - When submitting documents in CHOICES, the CM must notify the DDRO district via CCO Alert email that the document has been submitted electronically and is ready for review (see guidance for CCO Alert email below).

WHO SHOULD <u>NOT</u> USE THIS FORM?

INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE REQUIRED TO ACCESS SERVICES THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR PROCESS SHOULD <u>NOT</u> USE THIS FORM OR THE SERVICE AMENDMENT PROCESS.

THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS MUST USE THE FRONT DOOR PROCESS:

- Individuals for whom OPWDD eligibility has not been established.
- An OPWDD eligible person not currently receiving Health Home Care Management Services or Basic HCBS Plan Support from a CCO.
- An OPWDD eligible person receiving Health Home Care Management Services or Basic HCBS Plan Support but **not** receiving other services who is now requesting an HCBS Waiver service.
- An OPWDD eligible individual who has had a break in waiver services for 1 year or more.
- An OPWDD eligible person who is not receiving any HCBS Waiver services and is now requesting HCBS services.
- OPWDD eligible young adults who are transitioning from community or residential schools into the OPWDD system for the first time or who are requesting a new HCBS waiver service because of transition.
- Individuals transitioning into the community from specialized settings such as nursing homes, prisons or intermediate care facilities (ICFs).

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SERVICES FOR WHICH COMPLETING A SERVICE AMENDMENT FORM IS ***NOT REQUIRED***

SERVICE TYPE:	HOW TO APPLY FOR SERVICE:
CERTIFIED RESIDENTIAL SERVICES	Follow Certified Residential Opportunities Protocol: Care manager contacts DDRO for assistance.
ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATIONS (EMODS) AND/OR ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY	Follow the established application process, submitting all required application materials to the DDRO.
FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES (FSS) - NON-WAIVER SERVICES	Includes Family Reimbursed Respite, Family Reimbursement, Recreation, Service Access Assistance, Educational Advocacy. Individual/family works directly with provider agency and FSS liaison at the DDRO to apply for available services. When the individual has a care manager, the care manager helps to facilitate this process between the provider agency and the FSS liaison.
HOME OF YOUR OWN (HOYO)	For more information, contact the DDRO.
INDIVIDUAL SUPPORTS AND SERVICES (ISS)	Care manager contacts ISS providers directly. If unable to locate an ISS provider agency with available funding, care manager contacts DDRO ISS liaison for assistance.
INTENSIVE BEHAVIORAL (IB) SERVICE	Follow the established application process, submitting all required application materials to the DDRO.
INTENSIVE WAIVER RESPITE	After units are approved, the respite provider agency submits "Intensive Respite Approval Form" as directed.
SELF-DIRECTION	This form is not required when requesting a change in Fiscal Intermediary (FI) or amending the following services within the Self-Direction Budget: self-hired staff, IDGS, brokerage, Live-In Caregiver (LIC), Other Than Personal Services (OTPS), Family Reimbursed Respite (FRR), and Housing Subsidy. Changes to these services should be processed directly between the Broker and Self-Direction Liaison. This form may not be required in your Region when requesting a change in Agency Supported Self-Directed with MOU Community Habilitation, SEMP, and Respite. For questions, check with the Self-Direction Liaison in your district.

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Guidance for Usage of the OPWDD DDRO Specific CCO Alert Email Boxes

To promote easy communication between CCOs and OPWDD Regional Offices Front Door, electronic alert mailboxes have been created for use by the CCOs. The email boxes are to be used to alert DDRO districts of document(s) uploaded into CHOICES waiting for review and to submit specific forms for processing. The email box addresses have a standard format, with the district name being the only distinguishing difference.

REGION	DISTRICT	EMAIL ADDRESS
1	Finger Lakes	opwdd.sm.ccoalertFingerLakes@opwdd.ny.gov
1	Western	opwdd.sm.ccoalertWesternNY@opwdd.ny.gov
2	Broome	opwdd.sm.ccoalertBroome@opwdd.ny.gov
2	Central NY	opwdd.sm.ccoalertCentralNewYork@opwdd.ny.gov
2	Sunmount	opwdd.sm.ccoalertSunmount@opwdd.ny.gov
3	Capital	opwdd.sm.ccoalertCapitalDistrict@opwdd.ny.gov
3	Hudson Valley	opwdd.sm.ccoalertHudsonValley@opwdd.ny.gov
3	Taconic	opwdd.sm.ccoalertTaconic@opwdd.ny.gov
4	Bernard Fineson-Queens	opwdd.sm.ccoalertBernardFineson@opwdd.ny.gov
4	Brooklyn	opwdd.sm.ccoalertBrooklyn@opwdd.ny.gov
4	Metro-Manhattan	opwdd.sm.ccoalertMetroManhattan@opwdd.ny.gov
4	Metro-Bronx	opwdd.sm.ccoalertMetroBronx@opwdd.ny.gov
4	Staten Island	opwdd.sm.ccoalertStatenIsland@opwdd.ny.gov
5	Long Island	opwdd.sm.ccoalertLongIsland@opwdd.ny.gov

Forms* CCOs should submit to the CCO Alert email boxes for processing are:

- Request for TABS ID and Transmittal Form for Determination of Developmental Disability; and
- Service Amendment Request Form (SARF).

The SARF is a fillable PDF and can be electronically signed.

* **Only these two forms are to be submitted to the CCO Alert email. Supporting documents are uploaded into CHOICES**.

CCO Alert emails are required to:

- Alert the specific DDRO of the supporting document(s) that have been uploaded into CHOICES awaiting DDRO action, and/or
- Submit any of the two forms mentioned above for DDRO processing *via CCO Alert email*.

Email Alert Types:

- *Eligibility*- Supporting Documents for OPWDD Eligibility Determination
- *Level of Care Determination (LCED)*- Documents and forms
- *Waiver Forms* – Application for Participation and Documentation of Choice
- *Request for Service Authorization- RSA and supporting documents* -Life Plan or Alternative Documents
- *Notice of Decision* – CCO enrollment
- *Notice of Decision* – CCO disenrollment/transfer

Email Form Types:

- *Request for TABS ID Form*
- *Service Amendment Request Form (SARF)***

Email Requirements for CCO submission to CCO alert mailboxes:

- Identify the correct district to send alert/form via the district specific email box
- In the subject line of email, please provide the type of form being submitted or uploaded into CHOICES per guidance. **(revised July 2019)**
  - Type of Form/Alert:
    - Ex., Eligibility Determination
    - Ex., Level of Care Determination (LCED)
    - Ex., TABS ID Request
    - Ex., Request for Service Authorization (RSA)
    - Ex., Service Authorization Request Form (SARF)
    - Ex., Waiver Forms
- **In the body of the email please provide the individual's name and TABS ID. DO NOT PUT THE NAME OR TABS ID FOR THE INDIVIDUAL IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF THE EMAIL. In addition, in case there are questions regarding the documents relating to the alert or form submission, please include the name of the person to contact in the body of the email.**
  - **Ex. Robert Johnson TABS ID 12345**
  - **Ex., Contact Information: Jane Doe, Intake Worker, ACA CCO 518.369.3693, Jdoe@ACA.com**

The OPWDD Regional Office DDRO Actions:

- Reviews the CCO Alerts email box at least daily and notifies the appropriate recipient.
- Staff processes the electronically submitted form, and
- Uploads completed electronically signed form to individual's record in CHOICES.

***Instructions to electronically sign and send the Service Amendment Request Form (SARF) for processing*

CCO Actions:

- CCO care manager (CM) electronically signs SARF on page 8. (Electronic signature must be created and authenticated before first time use.)
- When the electronic signature is requested you must "Save As" before your signature will appear on the SARF. This process keeps the form "live" allowing the DDRO to sign electronically.
- Care manager emails electronically signed SARF *as an **attachment*** to the DDRO CCO email Alerts mailbox for review and processing by the DDRO.

DO NOT *print and scan the electronically signed form to send it.* Only hand signed forms are to be printed, scanned and sent via email Alerts mailbox.

DDRO Actions:

- DDRO receives the electronically signed SARF. The request is reviewed, processed and the form is electronically signed by the DDRO on page 9.
- DDRO saves the two party (CM and DDRO) signed form as a PDF making it non-editable- "dead document" by:
  - Go to File- Select Print
  - Go to the Printer Drop Down box and select = Adobe PDF or Cute PDF Writer
  - Select Print to Adobe PDF or Cute PDF Writer
  - Rename document using CHOICES Naming Convention
- Upload SARF to individual's supporting documents in CHOICES.
- Notify Care Manager via email that document has been processed.

The hand signed SARF should be scanned and submitted to the Email Alert mailbox for processing. DDRO will process, sign and upload form to individual's supporting documents.

The CCO Alert email boxes should only be used for the above topics. If you have any questions, please contact your DDRO.