

OPRA FRIDAY 5

News, Resources and Events for OPRA Members

DECEMBER 13, 2019



Upcoming Events

12/16: OPRA Policy Committee Conference Call

12/18: Ohio Single ISP Workgroup Meeting

News and Resources

"Congress weighs renewal of 'money follows the person'." Click to Read...

"Settlement Orders Ohio To Improve Education For Students With Disabilities" Click to Read...

"SNAP rule to have effects in Appalachia and on Ohio Medicaid work requirements" Click to Read...

"Ohio Bill Would Require More Adult Changing Tables In Restrooms" Click to Read...

THE WEEK'S TOP 5

OPRA Residential Waiver Committee: Thanks to all who participated in our first 'residential waiver' committee meeting. The focus of the kick-off meeting was to discuss and develop 'we believe' statements for many important policy issues impacting residential providers. Topics included the statewide ISP, wage verification, Monthly Rate Calculator (MRC), EVV and PUCO. To learn more about the discussions, please contact Pete at Pmoore@opra.org. This committee will meet next on [Feb. 19, 2020](#).

OPRA ICF Committee: We would also like to thank Tina Evans and Sarah Lawson of DODD who presented this week to OPRA's ICF Committee. Topics of conversation included Multi-Systems Youth (MSY), Quality Indicators, the Development Rule, and OPRA's priorities to promote the specialized services offered through ICF members. For more information, please contact Pete at Pmoore@opra.org.

Multi-Systems Youth: OPRA staff participated in a meeting hosted by the Ohio Family and Children First Council on a major budget initiative to expand support to multi-systems youth. The outcome of this initiative is the development of a strategic report on how the state should best support Ohio's multi system youth. The report, which will be submitted to the Governor, legislature, and public will outline barriers, best practices, and suggestions for collaboration between the various human service entities serving Ohio's children with complex needs. The report should be available at the beginning of the new year. To learn more about this initiative, click [here](#) or contact Christine at Ctouvelle@opra.org.

Back to Basics Training: DODD staff and representatives from stakeholder associations met Thursday to discuss the evolution of the Back2Basics training series started by OPRA and DODD two years ago. The group discussed potentially rebranding the series, training topics, and how to engage more providers. If you have suggestions on topics or have any questions, please contact either Christine or Anita.

Single ISP Update: Over the past week, much progress has been made in the development of the assessment portion of the single, statewide ISP. A small sub-committee, which includes OPRA staff and members, have been tasked with streamlining, re-formatting and standardizing the once 80-page assessment. The full ISP workgroup will reconvene next Wednesday to review the streamlined (6-8 pages!) version of the assessment. To learn more, click [here](#) or contact Scott at smarks@opra.org with any questions.



IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Updates From The OPRA Team and System Partners

DODD Memo Monday: This week's round up of memorandums from DODD included updates on the NCIS Adult In-person Interviews, The Family First Prevention Services Act and the Restrictive Measures Notification annual data. To read the memos, click [here](#).

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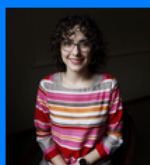


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