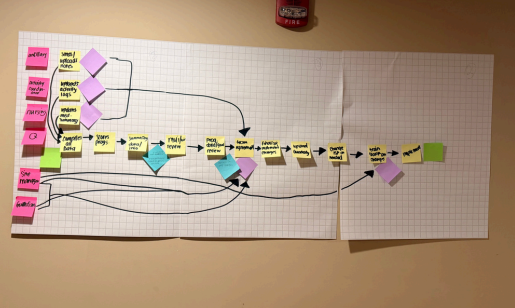


OPRA FRIDAY FIVE

News, Resources and Events for OPRA Members

JANUARY 23, 2026



QIDP Event: OPRA recently hosted another successful Q Peer Learning session, bringing together QIDPs from across the state for a day focused on connection, reflection, process mapping, and practical problem-solving. Qs participated in some guided networking designed to move past job titles and create space for meaningful peer-to-peer conversation. The remainder of the day focused on quarterly reviews, including what surveyors expect to

see, how quarterlies support continuous active treatment, and—most importantly—the process behind them. Thank you to Dan Conners, Maria Robbins, and entire team at St. Joe's for making everyone feel so welcome. Please reach out to [Rachel](#) for more info about these events.

MUI Report Analysis: Reminder that agency providers must complete their MUI Annual Review Analysis and submit it to their County Board by February 28. The review must include all the elements outlined in [OAC 5123-17-02 \(N\)\(1\)-\(3\)](#). The department has provided an [Annual Report Template](#) that is available in the Health and Welfare Toolkit on the website.

EVV: "Ohio Medicaid will host the January EVV Stakeholder Workgroup virtually on Monday, January 26, 2:30-4 p.m. Workgroup participants are invited to share their experiences, ideas, and challenges about Ohio's EVV program." [Click here to register.](#)

Keith's Law Enrollment: "Any person with a diagnosed disability, who drives or regularly has someone with a communication disability in their vehicle, can voluntarily enroll in a database that connects to the Law Enforcement Agencies Data System (LEADS). The law enforcement officer can then be made aware that the driver or a person in the vehicle may have difficulty communicating and can approach the vehicle with awareness to reduce any potential misunderstandings or problems." [You can click on the link to learn more and/or enroll.](#)

Last week the OPRA team shared several upcoming events over the next few weeks/months including our [CEO/CFO Network Meeting](#), upcoming [Tech Town Halls](#), [Policy Committee](#) and a [Just Culture Learning Collaborative 101 Webinar](#). Check your email, click the above links or check the calendar on the [OPRA website](#) for more info on these events and opportunities.



In Case You Missed It...

Additional Updates From The OPRA Team and System Partners

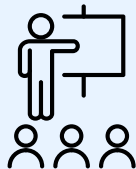
Memo Monday: Click here to read this week's [DODD Memo Monday](#), which includes the Keith's Law verification forms, Updates to Place on the Path to Community Employment (PPCE) in OTS, Office of Compliance Updates, and Training Opportunities.

Call for Celebrations! In 2026, we're excited to close out our Friday calls with member celebrations, ending each call on a positive note and a bit of good news. If there's something you'd like Pete or the team to celebrate during a Friday call, we'd love to hear it! This could include retirements, milestones, big events, great stories, birthdays, or any other moments worth recognizing. Please email [Scott](#) with the subject line "OPRA Celebrations" and let us know what you'd like us to celebrate.

CALL FOR SPEAKER PROPOSALS!!

Deadline to Submit is Monday, February 16, 2026

Cleveland is the city where rock & roll found its name—and where greatness is celebrated every day. Just steps from the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, OPRA's 2026 Great Provider Summit invites you to Get Ready for Greatness. Join us as we turn up the volume on what it takes to lead in the next era of I/DD services—through strategic leadership, operational excellence, workforce investment, and advocacy that shapes the future of our field. OPRA invites you to submit session proposals that are practical, forward-thinking, and equipped with concrete tools and strategies to help providers reach Hall of Fame-level impact and performance. [Click to submit!](#)



OOD Podcast: Per OOD; "In the latest [OOD Works Podcast episode](#), we feature Representatives Brian Lorenz and Gary Click, along with Keith Jesse, whose personal experience inspired [House Bill 144—Keith's Law](#). This legislation supports Ohioans with disabilities during emergencies by building on the Communication Disability Law and introducing a voluntary statewide database to help first responders identify individuals with disabilities before arriving on the scene."

Upcoming Events

1/26: OPRA Policy Committee Meeting

2/2: OPRA CEO & CFO Network

Click [here](#) for a full list of upcoming DODD training events

News & Resources

"Keith's Law helps first responders support communication needs"

"Congress clinches bipartisan health deal"

"Assessment tool for Nebraskans with I/DD leaves families 'scrambling'"

"Medicaid Group VIII Work and Community Engagement Requirement Communications Partner Packet"



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