

OPRA FRIDAY FIVE

News, Resources and Events for OPRA Members

July 10, 2026

HB 795/SB 315: Governor [Mike DeWine signed Senate Bill 315](#) into law this week, enacting a broad package of Medicaid program integrity and anti-fraud measures. His signature caps off a chaotic, month-long period of legislative activity. The bill goes into effect in October, 90 days from the Governor's signature. We anticipate the Ohio Department of Medicaid will release additional guidance and information on how they will implement the new requirements throughout SB 315. Please reach out to [Christine](#) with any questions.

Claims Reviews: During our recent Residential Resources Committee meeting, Stephanie Deters from DODD's Office of Compliance shared that the Office of Compliance would soon begin incorporating claims reviews into its compliance review process. If you were unable to attend, the meeting recording is available on the OPRA website. [Last week's Memo Monday](#) confirms that these claims reviews will begin August 1, 2026. Please see the notice below for additional information. To help you prepare for these reviews, [linked here is a previous issue of the Great Provider Playbook](#) focused on service documentation, including the required documentation elements that support billing and claims. Please reach out to [Rachel](#) with any questions.

ADS Rule: Over the last few months, we've discussed [changes to the Adult Day Support rule](#) in response to findings from an Inspector General report from 2024. The rule mostly updates environmental/physical standards based on health and safety findings from that report. The rule also updates/modifies the definition of an 'Integrated Community Setting' as required to bill at the CI-enhanced rate. As the rule goes into effect next week on July 16th, we are seeking additional guidance on some of the new elements, especially the environmental standards as they would apply to service settings in the community or not operated by a provider. Please reach out to [Scott](#) with questions or feedback.

Employment Resources: At last week's Employment Services Committee, [we shared this powerpoint](#) with a variety of employment service resources, apps and tech solutions. That presentation is linked here. OPRA does not endorse or promote any of these products, which range from free to licensed technology, but encourage interested members to explore and learn more.

Trivia! Last week we sent out [this 4th of July \(and OPRA potpourri\) themed Trivia challenge](#). The challenge is open until midnight tonight (friday) and we will announce a winner next week!



Speaker Proposals: OPRA is pleased to announce "The Call for Speaker Proposals" is officially open for the 2026 OPRA Annual Conference on October 22-23, 2026 at the Hilton Polaris, 8700 in Columbus OH. All proposals must be submitted with a clear outline ensuring your sessions are practical, forward-thinking and offer concrete tools and strategies for driving excellence in I/DD services. We look forward to seeing your proposals. [Click here to submit!](#)



In Case You Missed It...

Additional Updates From The OPRA Team and System Partners

Memo Monday: Click here to read this week's [Memo Monday](#), which includes info on the upcoming Tech Summit 2026, Self-Employment Lunch and Learn, the Statewide Behavior Support Workshop, and the "What Works for Work" Virtual Training Hours.



OPRA's "Call for Award Nominations" is now open for the 2026 OPRA Annual Awards. The Annual Awards Ceremony will be held at the Hilton Columbus/Polaris on Friday, October 23rd. The purpose of the OPRA Annual Awards is to honor dedicated service professionals, groups and volunteers who have made outstanding contributions in the I/DD Field. All nominations must be submitted no later than Monday, August 17th. [Click here to learn more and submit a nomination.](#)

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.

We Would Like to Welcome These
Newest Provider Members to the
OPRA Community

Patty's People First

Autism Society of Greater Akron

Gifted Touch Home Care Solutions

Innovative Support Services

Optimum Care Corporation

AM Friends Family Healthcare

Upcoming Events

6/15: OPRA Business Operations
Committee Meeting

6/15: OPRA QIDP Peer Learning Initiative

6/20: OPRA CEO/CFO Network

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

News & Resources

"DeWine signs bill requiring Ohio Medicaid home
health workers electronically check in"

"Ohio Gov. DeWine signs Joshua Alert bill for
missing children with autism"

"Opinion: Ohio wisely takes aim at Medicaid
home care fraud"

[Sedgwick July Safety and OSHA Articles](#)





COMPLIMENTARY INVITATION

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2026 IDD & BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYMPOSIUM SERIES

Beyond One Diagnosis: *Managing Medication Complexity in IDD*

Hilton Columbus at Easton
3900 Chagrin Drive, Columbus, OH

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2026 | 9:00AM - 4:30PM

(Registration and hot breakfast buffet begin at 8:15AM)



4.25 CE Credits



Complimentary Registration



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Meals and Reshments Provided

What We'll Cover:

- ✓ Medication Complexity in IDD
- ✓ Antidepressant Treatment in IDD
- ✓ Psychiatric and Seizure Disorder Overlap
- ✓ Co-Occurring Conditions in Epilepsy and IDD
- ✓ Tardive Dyskinesia in IDD (Non-CE)



Featuring:

Nanette Wrobel, RPh

Award-Winning IDD Clinical Educator

Who Should Attend

- ✓ Nursing Leaders
- ✓ Prescribers
- ✓ QIDPs
- ✓ Clinical Directors
- ✓ Behavioral Health Leaders
- ✓ IDD Professionals



Reserve Your Seat
Space is Limited

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EMBRACE HEALTHCARE
A TARRYTOWN EXPOCARE PHARMACY

This planned learning activity is pending approval by the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities Ohio Board of Nursing Approver Unit for Nursing Continuing Education (#OBN-010-93) Each nurse is responsible to ensure their licensing agency accepts nursing CEs approved by Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities Ohio Board of Nursing