

Welcome



Provider Meeting
July 13, 2023



WELCOME to OUR TEAM

 Ashtabula County Board
of Developmental Disabilities
WELCOME!



Haylee Mott
Community Outreach Specialist



DSP Of the Month

May Winners

- Dinah Pal
- Stacey Matthews
- Dylan Nickels (NEO Support Solutions)



June Winners

- Amber Saba
- Melanie Barley
- Julianne Hannah (Independent provider)

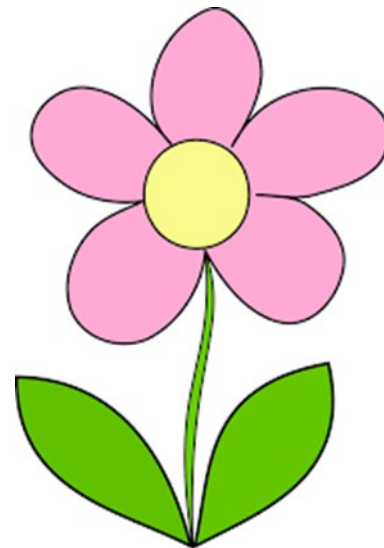
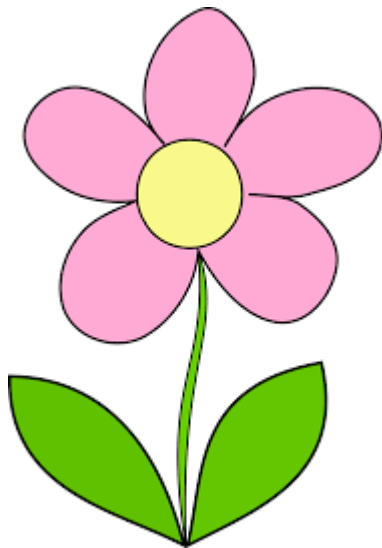


July DSP's Of the Month

Shelly Pyle- Active Day

Riley Kackley- Skills for Life

Kelly Connolly- Willing Hands



Congratulations

Thank you
for your
service!



Pam Rose

Never forget you are
a piece that helped
make a difference!



Congratulations!



James Kemmerle
Investigative Services and Support
Manager



Budget Updates



- Investing in DSPs and Services
- Supporting Families
- Increasing Advocacy and Accessibility
- Investing in Youth with complex needs



Toni Scurpa- Acbdd Superintendent



Strategic Planning

The process of setting goals and creating a blueprint for an organizations future all relative to our Mission, Vision, Core Values, Goals , Objectives and Action Plans.



Help us build our system even stronger by participating in one or all of the options below.

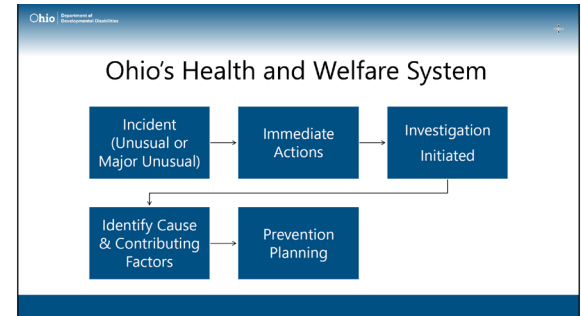
How can you be a part of the 2024-2026 strategic plan:

- Surveys- 15-20 questions- Time commitment no more than 30 mins
- Focus Groups- Time commitment could be 2-3 hours.



Prevention Plan Writing

- Involvement of the individual and guardian (as applies)
- Shared amongst appropriate providers
- Is not a means to an end
- Specific to the individual case and far reaching systems.
- May include technology adaptations
- Clearly states what the support is, why it is needed, and what is expected
- Ensure necessary resources are available
- Includes a responsible party



Presented by- James Kemmerle & Staci Long



ICF Vaccine Requirements

Final Rule will take effect August 4, 2023 and will address the three specific COVID-19 mandates.

- **First-** the final rule withdraws the interim rule's requirement that all healthcare workers regulated by CMS be fully vaccinated.
- **Second-** The final rule permanently adopts policies requiring covered healthcare providers to continue to educate and offer COVID-19 vaccinations to staff and residents. This aligns with CMS approach for other infectious diseases (Influenza)
- **Third-** the final rule removes expired COVID-19 Testing requirements.

Note: It is important to make sure your policies are up to date.



Important updates

- DSP compensation survey Due- July 16, 2023
- Retention Bonus Submission- July 15, 2023
- RMN annual Analysis Extended for ICF's/ DCs and County Boards
- OhioISP updates- Access
- Strategic Planning participation July 28,2023



6.5% Retention Program Agency Provider Payment Schedule

Reporting and Payment Timelines

Service provision	Provider Opt-In Start	Provider Opt-In End	Retention Payment <u>Processing</u> Date	Retention Payment to agency DSP	Data Collection From Provider
April - June 2022	1/3/23	1/16/23	1/18/23	3/15/23	4/15/23
July - September 2022	1/3/23	1/16/23	1/25/23	3/15/23	4/15/23
October - December 2022	1/3/23	1/16/23	2/1/23	3/15/23	4/15/23
January - March 2023	4/3/23	4/18/23	5/3/23	6/15/23	7/15/23
April - June 2023	7/3/23	7/16/23	8/2/23	9/15/23	10/15/23
July - September 2023	10/2/23	10/16/23	11/1/23	12/15/23	1/15/24

*Payment dates (provider and DSP) are not the exact date payments will be processed

*Retention payments to the DSP must be issued by date listed



Upcoming Provider Training

- ❖ **NEW-** MUI Refereshers Training- July 20, 2023
- ❖ Initial Medication Certification Category 1– July 24 & 25 (**This class is full**)
- ❖ Initial Provider Training- August 1, 2023
- ❖ Annual Provider Training- August 2, 2023
- ❖ CPR/First Aid Blended Learning – August 7, 2023
- ❖ Initial Medication Administration Category 2 & 3- August 21, 2023
- ❖ Renewal Medication Certification Category 1, 2 & 3 – August 22, 2023

All classes listed above are open for registration on the Ashtabula County Board of Developmental Disabilities website under the Provider support tab.

<https://www.ashtabuladd.org/>



THANK YOU!

~Community Counseling Center ~Help Me Grow ~Ashtabula Aspire/Steps
Towards Success ~Ashtabula County Educational Services ~Homesafe
~Ravenwood ~CME ~Brightview Health ~Lake Area Recovery Center
~Catholic Charities of Ashtabula ~University Hospitals and Geneva
Medical Center ~Signature Health ~Molina Healthcare Inc. ~REM Ohio
~Viaquest Day and Employment Services ~Clearwater Homes ~
Achieving Dreams ~Active Day ~Ashtabula County Residential Services
~Accessible home Services ~Rest Assured ~Safe In Home ~New
Avenues to Independence ~Ashtabula County Board of Developmental
Disabilities ~Three Borthers Creamery ~Community Action Agency



THANK YOU



DSP Appreciation

September - 2023



Today < > September 2023							Month		
SUN 27	MON 28	TUE 29	WED 30	THU 31	FRI Sep 1	SAT 2			
3	4	5	6 ● 11am ActiveDay ● 1:30pm Vitality	7 ● 11am Maples I, III, V	8 ● 11am PEGI ● 1:30pm Devoted Guid	9			
10	11 ● 11am Brighter Horizo ● 1:30pm Leeda Northe	12 ● 11am Achieving Drea ● 1:30pm A Lasting Imp	13	14	15 ● 11am Willing Hands ● 1:30pm New Avenues	16			
17	18 ● 11am DiamondStar ● 1:30pm Accessible H	19 ● 11am REM ● 2:30pm Victory Home	20 ● 11am Manor Home ● 1:30pm Richwood Re:	21 ● 11am Walden Resider ● 1:30pm Viaquest Day	22 ● 11am CLW ● 1:30pm Grape Escape	23			
24	25 INDEPENDENT PROVIDERS- Pick up at CB	26	27	28	29	30			



July Community Outreach Activities



HEARTS OF GOLD

Livestock show

The Hearts of Gold Livestock show will showcase the talents of special needs youth and adults from Ashtabula County, as they pair up with a 4-H show buddy.

Participants will be matched with a 4-H mentor, have the opportunity to meet with them prior to the Fair, and receive free entry to the Fair on Friday to participate.

All participants are expected to be accompanied by a guardian/aid the day of the show.



Social Inclusion Activity

Individuals may visit on their own schedule, any time the park is open this season.

**Limited Tickets Available
Must Pre-Register with ACBDD**



HERE'S THE SCOOP

Ice cream Pop-Ups coming near you!!

July 3rd ~ Dairy Queen, 1009 Main St., Conneaut
July 11th ~ Dairy Oasis, 295 E Main St., Andover
July 20th ~ Whippy Dip, 2448 W Center St., Ashtabula
July 24th ~ Whip-N-Dip, 4840 Ohio 534, Geneva-On-The-Lake

Meet  Ashtabula County Board of Developmental Disabilities for **FREE** ice cream from 5:00-6:00 pm



Work of Heart

Monthly Art Program
Submissions Due by the 15th of every month
Canvas size not to exceed 9x12

 Ashtabula County Board of Developmental Disabilities



STROLL AND ROLL CLUB

Each Thursday in July
10:00 am - 10:30 am



SHOWING:
INDIANA JONES AND THE
DIAL OF DESTINY
Monday, July 10th
AMC Theater-Ashtabula
MUST PRE-REGISTER
Limited Tickets Available



Upcoming Activities

Ashtabula County



When: Meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 6:00pm-8:00pm

Where: Ashtabula County Board of DD
(2505 South Ridge Road East Kingsville, OH 44004)

Bobby Hayes



H2O Band

LIVE MUSIC AT WALNUT BEACH

Mark your calendars and come out to

Walnut Beach Thursday, July 20th from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

to hear the H2O Band perform

an entertaining mix of contemporary and classic cover songs. They bring the audience together for a great time with stirring renditions of many 50's & 60's favorites, 80's/90's, and current Hits.

Ashtabula County



When: Meetings are held the 3rd Friday of each month from 5:00pm-6:30pm

Where: Vitality Supported Living
471 Madison Street Conneaut, OH
(Parking lot and door on right side)

Video Game and Board Game Night
Tuesday, July 25th
4:00pm-7:00pm
at the Ashtabula County
Board of Developmental Disabilities
PRE-REGISTER RECOMMENDED

The banner features a light blue background with illustrations of video game controllers, a Nintendo Switch, and various board game pieces like cards and dice.

SUMMER BEACH "BALL"
Saturday, August 5th
6:00pm - 8:00pm
Dance Sponsored by: **SUNSET**
TRANSPORTATION
440-855-5314

The banner features a beach theme with a large beach ball on the left and a sunset logo on the right.

Advocacy Training

Each month there is a theme that guides the discussions.

- June- What is Advocacy? (Internet Safety)
- July- The 24 Bill of Rights. (Hygiene)
- August- Vision Boards (talking about our dreams and hopes for the future)
- September - Feelings/Emotions/ & DSP appreciation cards
- October: The Importance of Knowing Ourselves; strengths/weaknesses
- November: The Importance of Listening; Gratitude & Reflection
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Open MIC & Questions



Thank You!



Next Provider meeting
August 11, 2023
1:00 PM-3:00 PM



**Provider Meeting
July 13, 2023
1:00PM-3:00PM
AGENDA**

- A. Welcome Haylee Mott- Community Outreach Specialist
- B. DSP of the Month Nominations (DSP of the month is now featured on our Website)
Don't forget to nominate an exceptional DSP each month. Use the link below, or visit our website to nominate someone on your team.
<https://forms.gle/KGUL89HjD223UfyB6>

This months Winners are-

- Riley Kackley- Brighter Horizons
- Shelly Pyle- Active Day (PCS)
- Kelly Connolly- Willing Hands

Thank you all for your exceptional services to individuals in Ashtabula County! July's DSP's of the month will be honored during August's Board meeting along with August's DSP's of the month.

- C. County Board and State Updates
- a. Legislative & Budget Updates- Toni Scurpa- **Governor Dewine signed the budget on July 3, 2023. This will affect funding for fiscal years 2024 and 2025. This is the largest investment made for the DD population. Agencies will begin to see increases in their funding beginning 1/1/24 and again on 7/1/24. For intermediate care facilities, they received their first increase on 7/1/23 and a second funding increase on 7/1/24. This funding will help providers be able to pay a competitive wage to their employees that will also include a \$1 increase/contribution made by County Boards. This will support an average DSP wage of \$18p/h starting 1/1/24 and \$19 p/h starting on 7/1/24. Intermediate Care facilities will also receive appropriated funding that will support their DSP wage of \$17 P/H on 7/1/23 and an increase to \$18 p/h on 7/1/24. Average wages are monitored through the wage verification survey for waiver providers, and through ICF cost reports for ICF's. Please see the link for more information regarding the budget discussions. [Click here](#)**

- b. Strategic Planning updates and requests- **Please use the link below to opt into being a part of the strategic planning process you can participate by being a part of focus groups or completing survey's as the are sent out. <https://forms.gle/A57R8uLPVhXRDCsE6>**
- c. Prevention Plan Writing- James Kemmerle & Staci Long- **Prevention plans are meant to be a joint/team process between the SSA, and the provider. Conversations should be initiated at the time of the incident, with the intention to have the same goal in mind, How to prevent from re-occurrence. SSA's will be setting a 2 week reminder prior to the closure date to make sure prevention plans have been discussed, and verification of changes and training has been completed. All these dates should be indicated on the form for your reference. Investigative Services and Support department rely on the SSA to share communications they have with the providers regarding prevention planning. Always reach out to the ISS department if you have questions regarding MUI/UI's and prevention plan writing.**
- d. OhioISP Updates- (Access)- **Ashtabula County Board of DD along with a small select amount of counties were able to start transitioning to the OHIO ISP earlier than most counties. Approximately 80% of our individual's ISP's should already have an active OHIO ISP. In the process of this transition there have been some snags that have made accessing the OHIO ISP not easy. If you have an individual that is receiving the Ohio ISP members of their team will receive emails that instruct you to click a link in order to view the ISP. At this time this link does not allow you to view the ISP, once all of the systems are connected correctly this will work. But at this time you can disregard that email. As long as you have access to Brittco you can access the OHIO ISP for the individuals that you support. You will see an OhioISP tab on the left side of your home screen when you log into Brittco. If you have any questions on how to access the OhioISP please reach out to Andrea Klimko and I will be happy to guide you through the process.**
- e. ICF- Vaccine requirements- **CMS vaccine requirements were released on June 5, 2023 and will be effective August 4, 2023. This Final Rule, Withdraws the vaccination requirements set forth in the IFR "OMNIBUS COVID-19 Health Care Staff Vaccination". Although this is not effective until August 4, CMS states they will no longer be enforcing the vaccination requirement effective immediately. – This rule also adopts policies requiring covered healthcare providers to continue to educate and offer COVID-19 vaccinations to staff and residents. Keeping COVID aligned with other protocols for infectious diseases. Lastly the final rule removes expired COVID-19 testing requirements.**
- f. RMN Annual Analysis Extensions- ICF's/DCs & CBs- **Due to RMN reports not properly functioning correctly for portal users DODD is granting an**

extension to users complete their RMN annual Analysis. All 2022 Annual analysis will be due along with 2023 Annual Analysis on March 15, 2024

- g. DSP Compensation **Survey due by July 16**
- h. Retention Bonus submission-
- i. Pop in reviews occurring across Ohio- Day programs-ODH survey's- **These survey's should be complete at this time. The Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General notified DODD of its intent to preform an audit of Adult Day Services providers to Ohio Medicaid recipients. These audits were completed as a pop in survey with little if any notification. These surveys were intended to review and assess the state processes and Ohio's compliance with regulations. We were informed that there were 20 Day programs that were chosen to receive an audit. While we are pretty sure these are complete please let us know at the county board if you have experienced this in the last month. If they do come through they are legitimate audits that are being conducted.**
- j. Provider Training open classes-

Initial Staff Training- August 1, 2023- 8:30-4:30PM

Annual Staff Training- August 2, 2023 - 8:30-4:30PM

Initial and annual staff training covers all the elements required by DODD for initial and annual training for your staff.

CPR/First Aid- August 7, 2023 9:00AM, 10:00AM, & 11:00AM

This course is a blended learning course with the majority of the coursework completed online and then a 1 hour in person skills session with a CPR certified instructor from NEON.

Medication Administration Initial Category 2- August 21, 2023 12:30- 4:30PM

Medication Administration Initial Category 3 August 21, 2023 - 8:00- 12:00PM

MUI/UI Refresher training- August 24, 2023- 9:00-11:30AM

You will receive a certificate that may be applied towards your annual training.

Medication Administration Category 1 Initial Training (2 Days) September 25 & 26, 2023- 8:00-4:00PM (both days)

All trainings are held at the Ashtabula County Board of Developmental Disabilities, 2505 South Ridge Rd East, Kingsville, OH.

- D. Resource Fair Highlights- **Thank you to everyone that supported the provider resource fair either by attending or by having a table set up at the fair. This was truly an amazing event with over 200 people in attendance and 23 vendors on site. I could not have gotten this done without you all. Be on the look out to start planning for next year. I am looking forward to continuing to hold this resource fair every year.**
- E. DSP Appreciation- September- **It is hard to believe September will be here very soon. This year for DSP Appreciation we would like to host a luncheon for 1- 2 providers a day onsite at your office or day program. We hope this will allow us more time to show our appreciation directly to the staff. I will be reaching out to all of you soon to discuss what dates and times work best for you.**

F. Community Inclusion Activities- Angela Thomas & Haylee Mott

- a. July activities- All social Inclusion Activities are available for registration on the ACBDD website. **August 5 is our Beach Ball hosted by Sunset Transportation. This will include food, DJ and a magician. If you have not already please make sure that you register for this event!**
- b. Advocacy Training- **Angela Thomas will visit a total of 9-day programs 1xmonthly throughout the year to discuss various advocacy topics. Each month there is a theme that she will discuss, but she also has received many suggestions from the programs she is visiting. Angela's goal is to increase advocacy among individuals that we support. See below for the upcoming months topics.**
 - June- What is Advocacy? (Internet Safety)
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Open Mic

Next Provider meeting August 10, 2023- MBS presentation & OPRA presentation