

Open for Public Comment: Concept Paper on Selective Contracting for Residential and Supports Coordination Services

ODP Announcement 23-042

AUDIENCE:

All Interested Parties

PURPOSE:

To announce a 45-day public comment period on the Office of Developmental Programs' (ODP) proposal to implement Selective Contracting for Residential and Supports Coordination (SC) services. Public comment will be accepted until 11:59pm on July 10, 2023.

DISCUSSION:

ODP intends to change the way providers are enrolled, qualified, and paid to deliver the following services through selective contracting:

- Residential Habilitation, Supported Living, and Life Sharing in the Consolidated and Community Living Waivers
- Supports Coordination in the Consolidated, Community Living, and Person/Family Directed Support (P/FDS) Waivers
- Targeted Support Management in the Medicaid State Plan

Selective Contracting allows ODP to improve the quality of these services by:

- Moving beyond contracting with any willing and qualified provider and instead requiring providers to meet specific criteria set by ODP.
- Developing a class of “preferred providers” using new performance standards that align with *Everyday Lives*.
- Aligning payment with outcomes.

Attached to this announcement is a Selective Contracting Concept Paper, which provides a general overview and technical details associated with ODP’s current ideas about selective contracting.

ODP will also be hosting stakeholder webinars to review the concepts in the attached Selecting Contracting Concept Paper, answer questions, and provide an opportunity for public comment.

Stakeholder Sessions:

ODP Selective Contracting Information and Public Comment Session for Providers

Date: June 6, 2023

Time: 10:00am - 11:30am

[Providers Click Here to Register](#)

ODP Selective Contracting Information and Public Comment Session for Individuals

Date: June 7, 2023

Time: 10:00am - 11:30am

[Individuals Click Here to Register](#)

ODP Selective Contracting Information and Public Comment Session for Families

Date: June 7, 2023

Time: 2:00pm - 3:30pm

[Families Click Here to Register](#)

ODP Selective Contracting Information and Public Comment Session for General Stakeholders

Date: June 21, 2023

Time: 10:00am - 11:30am

[General Stakeholders Click Here to Register](#)

Anyone who is interested in participating in these webinars may do so by phone but will need a computer to submit questions or public comments during the webinar. If you are unable to attend a session, a recording will be made available by June 12. ODP will publish a communication when the recording is available.

Public Comment:

Comments received by **11:59pm on July 10, 2023**, will be reviewed and considered by ODP in determining how to implement selective contracting. Public comment may be submitted through one of the following methods:

1. **Electronic** submission through email at the following email address: **rapwodp_outreach@pa.gov**
2. **Written** submission through mail, addressed to:
Julie Mochon, Department of Human Services, Office of Developmental Programs - 625 Forster Street, Room 510, Harrisburg, PA 17120

3. **Verbal** submission through one of the public comment webinars. Comments from stakeholders identified for each session will be prioritized.

CONTACT:

Questions about this communication should be directed to

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ATTACHMENT:

- Selective Contracting Concept Paper: Residential and Supports Coordination Services for the Office of Developmental Programs