

4 Key Principles Essential for Compliance with the HCBS Final Rule:

Choices

Choice is the right, power, or opportunity to choose; option.

Rights

A person's right is that which is morally, legally, or ethically proper.

Opportunities

An opportunity is a good position, chance, or prospect, as for advancement or success; "a set of circumstances that makes it possible to do something".

Community Integration

Integration means to give or cause to give equal opportunity and consideration to.

Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) March

March Agenda Item

What everybody ought to know about the DDS Survey...



ELARC is here to support our vendor community and to ensure that services provided to the individuals we serve are not affected.

Providers of regional center services are required to complete a self-assessment as an integral step in measuring their level of compliance with the HCBS Final Rule. The Department (DDS) is utilizing an online platform developed by a contracted company, OIG Compliance Now, to complete this step. Both providers and regional centers have access to the online platform since *January 27, 2020*. Service providers should have received a unique login via email from OIG Compliance Now.

The Department has notified regional centers that the Provider Self-Assessment will be available online for service providers to complete and submit no later than <u>March 31, 2020</u>. In order to have as many surveys completed as possible with available support DDS is recommending that service providers try to have their assessments submitted by <u>March 13, 2020</u>. If the assessment is not completed by March 31, 2020 the service provider will receive an on-site compliance review visit by the DDS Team.

ELARC Community Services Specialists (CSS) can assist providers in completing the survey. You may contact your assigned CSS to schedule a one on one appointment or phone appointment. In addition, you could access the online portal OIG videos, DDS web Events at the DDS website about the survey completion, utilize the chat feature on the portal or help desk for technical problems with OIG.

Technical Assistance Lab Sessions on navigating the self-assessment will be available to providers by the Community Services Unit at ELARC on the following dates: *March 4, 2019 from 9:00-11:00 am, March 10, 2019 from 2:00-4:00 pm and on March 12, 2019 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm*

Please RSVP and specify who (name/title) will be participating *to*: **Teresa Campa at <u>tcampa@elarc.org</u>**. **The seating is** limited to #9 spaces per session and it will be first come first served.

Please discuss this item with your team, and assign a note taker to compile questions, concerns or thoughts about the information above. Please provide to <u>Maribel Garcia</u> at <u>margarcia@elarc.org</u> by 4/30/2020. Thank you.