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Service Provider Update

Non Residential Service Providers Re-Opening Checklist

It is anticipated that Non-Residential Day Service and other in-person Service Providers will begin to re-open services for ELARC clients, continue to provide remote/alternate traditional services, and continue to provide Alternative Services when California is scheduled to re-open on June 15, 2021, per the announcement by Governor Gavin Newsom. ELARC has developed a checklist of what should be addressed to provide services in-person or transitioning your program participants back into in person services. We are asking all Non-Residential Day Service and in-person Service Providers to complete this checklist and return it to ELARC no later than June 15, 2021. ELARC may be reviewing checklists prior to approval of services, during service delivery, or as related to an audit of services provided during the State of Emergency. This checklist is provided as a supportive guide to prepare ELARC providers for the return of in-person services. It must be noted that **this checklist is subject to change depending on a variety of factors including but not limited to public health orders, DDS directives, and CCL PINs.** [View the Fillable PDF Checklist here.](#)

DDS Directives Update

The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) continues to release and update directives. View all on the [DDS Website COVID 19 Directives](#) page.

DDS Directive 01-042121: In-Person Monitoring Visits

Regional centers are going to restart visiting people living outside of their family home to make sure they are healthy and safe. Per previous DDS Directive(s) regional centers stopped doing in-person visits during the pandemic. Now that many people are vaccinated and not as many people are getting sick from COVID-19, regional centers will restart in-person visits for individuals living outside of their family home. Regional center staff will follow COVID19 safety guidelines when conducting these visits. [Read the Directive on the DDS website](#)

DDS Directive 02-042121: Visits to Individuals Residing In Licensed Residential Facilities

Due to the ongoing incidence of COVID-19 and associated risks, it is recommended that individuals who reside in licensed residential settings continue to utilize caution when considering in-person visits with family and friends. If and when personal visits occur, such visits shall be conducted in accordance with local county public health orders and relevant guidelines issued by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) and/or California Department of Public Health (CDPH). If there are differing requirements between the most current Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, CDSS, CDPH, DDS, and local health department guidance or health orders, licensees should follow the strictest requirements. However, there may be times where a licensee will need to contact their regional center for assistance in reconciling these differences, especially if the requirements appear to be in conflict with the best interest of residents. Regional center staff shall work with service providers to ensure visitation and risk mitigation protocols are in compliance with the most restrictive local, state and federal guidelines for COVID-19 safety at the time. [Read the Directive on the DDS website](#)

CCL Informational Call on May 5

PIN 21-24-ASC announces an upcoming informational call with Adult and Senior Care (ASC) licensees and their staff on May 5, 2021 regarding COVID-19 inspections and the new infection control domain for ASC facilities.

[PIN 21-24-ASC: Informational Call Regarding Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(Covid-19\) Inspections: The New Infection Control Domain](#)

Previous PINs are available at the [CCLD website](#)

Absence Payment Attestation Update

Regional Centers have been advised that DDS is working on updated guidance regarding the process for the absence payment attestation, which will not be linked to the submission of provider claims. Please note, the attestation language related to absence payments during the COVID-19 State of Emergency has been removed from the provider certification in eBilling. More information will be shared upon receipt from DDS.

Weekly Provider Check In Continues through May and June

ELARC Weekly Provider Check Ins are every Friday from 1:30 to 2:30 pm. As COVID – 19 continues to affect everyone’s lives, DDS continues to provide information and training on Alternative Services as well as continues to update existing and release new directives at this time.

Additionally, State and Local Public Health Guidances are updated frequently, including information about re opening guidelines, testing and vaccine distribution. Because information is still developing ELARC invites all service providers to join in this weekly Friday at 1:30 discussion in order to stay informed and work together.

[View the flyer with the zoom link for the meeting here](#)

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