

In the LOOP

Waiver Survey Feedback

The Division of Developmental Disabilities recently conducted a survey of the Missouri Children's Developmental Disabilities Waiver (MOCDD) and the Partnership for Hope (PfH) waiver recipients to determine satisfaction with the services funded by the Division. Below are comments received that capture the level of satisfaction of individuals, families, and stakeholders who responded to the survey.

- No comments; just want to thank you all for the great job that is done managing the PFH waiver.
- The services have been fantastic; I only wish they included music therapy.
- The waiver has been a lifesaver for my daughter. We as a family would never be able to meet her extensive needs without the supports that she currently receives because of this waiver.
- We would not be able to survive without this help!
- Yes, this waiver has helped my child and our family tremendously. It is one of our biggest blessings and we are so thankful!!
- Very important and needed!!!

2022 Virtual Summit Offers Opportunities to

Learn About Assistive Technology

Have you ever wondered if you, your family member, or someone you support might benefit from using Assistive Technology? Or maybe you have wondered if there might be something available that could help you navigate easier around your home or community more independently. Assistive Technology can range from a simple adaptive toothbrush holder to a more sophisticated in-home web-based support.

The Division of Developmental Disabilities promotes [Technology First](#) by helping people look at items, devices, equipment, and systems that can help support a person's capabilities and increase independence in many areas. The Division is hosting a Virtual [Technology Summit](#) that offers three days of virtual learning, exploring, and experiencing how technology can increase independence, community connections, and employment opportunities. The Summit will take place on three different dates: February 3, 17, and 24, 2022, 9:00am-1:00pm each day. Sessions will be recorded and available on the [webpage](#) for those who are unable to attend the live events. [Register](#) for keynote speaker sessions.

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A Division priority is to provide timely updates to all stakeholders on the ConneXion case management project. ConneXion has a dedicated [webpage](#) that has been recently updated.

Highlights include:

- All health indicators in green status;
- Currently in Design/Build and Configuration phase;
- Project currently 63% complete;
- Schedule has been re-baselined/updated and includes additional contract amendments;
- Revised Go-Live date May 2023; project end date May 2024.
- Includes a 60-day pilot period and required stabilization and certification period for Center for Medicare Services (CMS);
- Project is expected to last 42 months from initiation to close-out.

Self-Advocate and Family Feedback Needed

The Division of Developmental Disabilities invites self-advocates and families to provide feedback on the Missouri Quality Outcomes (MOQO). The MOQO framework supports people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to lead self-determined lives and guides service planning to focus on what is important to the person. To participate in a Town Hall discussion, take this short [survey](#). After completing the survey, you will be contacted by a team member with a date and time of the Town Hall meeting.

For questions, contact Eryiel Mascardo at emascardo@umkc.edu or Caitlin Bartley at caitlin.bartley@dmh.mo.gov.

ECHO Autism Communities Symposium 2022

April 7, 2022

This symposium event brings experts and participants together to learn about specific topics related to Autism.

“The ECHO Autism Symposium unites professionals globally around key concepts to ignite important conversations and take action together. Learn from leading experts as we engage in empowering ourselves and each other through knowledge, practice, and advocacy.” – Dr. Kristin Sohl

[Register for this free virtual event.](#)

March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month!

Watch for email blasts and Facebook posts as the Division celebrates!

Stay Connected

A Division priority is to provide ongoing and consistent communication with all stakeholders, including individuals, families, service and case management providers, service partners, and state team members. To promote timely and effective messaging, the Division uses a variety of approaches, including [monthly information webinars](#), [daily email blasts](#), [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), and the [Division website updates](#). If you have not done so already, you are encouraged to participate in Division communication efforts and share these efforts with others.

