

# Policy Transmittal Developmental Disabilities Services



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**Topic:** Developmental Disabilities

**Due date:**

**Transmitting (check the box that best applies):**

- New policy   
  Policy change   
  Policy clarification   
  Executive letter  
 Administrative Rule   
  Manual update   
  Other: Temporary Policy Suspension

**Applies to (check all that apply):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All DHS employees                                | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors                                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging: Types A and B | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aging and People with Disabilities    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self Sufficiency Programs                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Intensive In Home Services           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County DD program managers            | <input type="checkbox"/> Stabilization and Crisis Unit (SACU)                            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support Service Brokerage Directors   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): Nursing Facilities           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Residential Services             |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Programs                           |  |

<b>Policy/rule title:</b>	Temporary policy changes to Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) process for DD assessments during COVID-19 pandemic.		
<b>Policy/rule number(s):</b>	411-070-0043	<b>Release number:</b>	v1
<b>Effective date:</b>	Immediately	<b>Expiration date:</b>	
<b>References:</b>			
<b>Web address:</b>			

**Discussion/interpretation:**

This policy guidance is to inform those who are involved in the Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) program of temporary policy changes related to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). Under federal policy the PASRR program requires individuals entering nursing facilities (NF) who have been identified as having

an intellectual or developmental disability to have a PASRR Level II or Resident Review under certain conditions. This policy is currently being suspended under CMS (Centers for Medicaid Services) approval.

### **Implementation/transition instructions:**

Nursing Facilities:

For individuals identified as meeting criteria for needing an IDD PASRR assessment, NFs can anticipate a delayed assessment. While this policy suspends all assessments being completed for the next 30 days, NF's are still expected to notify DHS of any admissions that come into the NFs during this policy suspension. DHS has also instituted a visitor restriction policy for NF's and other long term care settings that limits visitors to only essential individuals. For more details on this see the link below.

<http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/spd/transmit/pt/2020/pt20019.pdf>

NF's should continue to make referrals to the PASRR-II Coordinator in anticipation of the emergency policy being lifted. In doing so, the PASRR-II Coordinator will be able to resume PASRR Level II and Resident Review operations and be able to deliver assessments in a timely manner as soon as the restriction of visitors in NFs are lifted.

NF's should submit the following information to the PASRR-II Coordinator at the contact email below.

- Face-sheet
- History & Physical
- PASRR Level I (if available)
- Nursing Care Plan
- Any Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, or Speech Therapy notes and evaluations

### **Local/branch action required:**

For APD/AAA Case Managers and Transition Coordinators:

Case managers must continue to process all requests for NF level of care without an IDD PASRR-II completed. Case managers must contact the PASRR-II Coordinator to notify the PASRR-II Coordinator if any individuals with IDD needs to discharge to a NF, but in accordance with the suspended policy, case managers may not deny discharge to a NF for not having an IDD PASRR-II assessment completed. If the Case Manager or Transition Coordinator have concerns about discharge and the NF's ability to meet the individuals IDD needs, reach out to the PASRR-II Coordinator for assistance. This

policy change will be in effect until written communication is issued revoking it.

**Central office action required:**

The PASRR-II Coordinator will conduct assessments as soon as the temporary policy suspension is lifted. NF's are also encouraged to reach out for technical assistance around supporting individuals with IDD who are admitted.

**Field/stakeholder review:**     Yes     No

**If yes, reviewed by:**

**Filing instructions:**

*If you have any questions about this policy, contact:*

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