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DATE: April 23, 2020

SUBJECT: "Revised Staff Guidance for the Management of Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Facilities or Programs Operated and/or Certified by the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities" online training available in Statewide Learning Management System

SUGGESTED DISTRIBUTION

- Agency Managers
- Nurses
- Training Staff

On April 20, 2020, the New York State Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) issued the "Revised Staff Guidance for the Management of Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Facilities or Programs Operated and/or Certified by the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities." The intent of this training is to assist providers in executing the guidelines. This training will provide information to agencies on:

- Visitation and Community Outings
- Staffing Health Checks for All Settings
- Staffing Practices with Suspected or Confirmed Cases of COVID-19
- Strategies to Reduce the Spread of COVID-19
- Infection Prevention & Control through use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

How to register: Register in the Statewide Learning Management System (SLMS). If you need to create an account, instructions can be found on our website or by selecting the link below.

- Create SLMS Account

If you already have an account:

- Click the following link to enroll (sign in required): OPWDD-EL-StaffGuidance

If you have any questions, please contact Talent Development and Training at (518) 473-1190 or by email: talentdevelopment@opwdd.ny.gov

Thank you for your attention to this important information.

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