

Robert P. Astorino
County Executive

Department of Community Mental Health
Sherbta Amler, M.D.
Acting Commissioner

Dear Parent, Guardian and/Advocate,

Welcome to the Developmental Disabilities unit of the Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health (DCMH). Our unit works closely with the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) and serves as the single point of entry into the OPWDD system for Westchester County residents. Our goal is to assist you with the process of applying for eligibility, provide you with information and resources, connect you with vital community contacts, and help you to access appropriate services now or in the future.

Please note that eligibility within the OPWDD system is required prior to obtaining OPWDD services. In order to be deemed eligible for OPWDD services you will need to complete and submit to us the following:

1. Developmental Disabilities Registration form
2. Consent form
3. Eligibility Materials
 - A medical assessment including a physical evaluation completed within 1 year
 - A current psychological evaluation (such as a WAIS-IV, WISC-IV, WIPPSI, C-TONI-II Leiter-R, or Stanford Binet V).
 - Current adaptive behavior information:
 - For psychiatrically stable adults and children whose IQ falls below 60, an adaptive behavior assessment or clinical report of functional skills completed within the past 3 years is acceptable).
 - For psychiatrically stable applicants with a Full Scale IQ of 60 or greater a standardized measure of adaptive functioning (such as the Vineland II or ABAS II) typically completed within 1 year for children and within the past 1-2 years for adults.
 - A current psychosocial history including birth and developmental history.
 - Clinical information completed prior to age of 22 documenting the presence of a qualifying condition in the absence of an intellectual disability (i.e. neurological evaluation, genetic testing, developmental pediatric evaluation, imaging or EEG reports, comprehensive ASD-specific assessment).

Once we receive the completed registration forms and evaluations, we will submit to OPWDD. Their office will make a determination within a three month timeframe and will contact you by mail once the determination has been made.

If you have questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



Matthew Faulkner
Community Work Assistant

Please submit your registration and documentation to:
Department of Community Mental Health
C/o Matthew Faulkner
112 East Post Road, 2nd floor
White Plains, NY 10601
(914) 995-5253/mqf3@westchestergov.com

Revised 5/12/14

Developmental Disabilities Registration

Date: _____

Applicant's First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Current Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone #() _____ - _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Age: _____ SS# _____ - _____ - _____ SSI/D? _____

Private Insurance: Y/N Company/Policy #: _____ Medicaid#: _____

Disability Information (Please check all that apply:)

I.Q.: _____ Level of Mental Retardation: Mild: _____ Moderate: _____ Severe: _____ Profound: _____
Epilepsy/Seizure disorder _____ Cerebral Palsy _____ Autism _____ Neurological Impairment _____
Orthopedic Impairment: _____ Emotional Disability or Mental Health Diagnosis _____
Other: _____ Ambulatory (Y/N) Uses: Wheelchair _____ Walker _____ Crutches _____ Orthotics _____
Verbal (Y/N) Adaptive Devices _____

Relationship of Correspondent (Check One) Parent Legal Guardian Advocate

Name: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: () _____ - _____ Work: () _____ - _____ Cell: () _____ - _____

School or Day Program: _____ Program Contact _____

Phone () _____ - _____ Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Is Applicant Currently seeking services: (Check any that apply)

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|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> In-Home Residential Habilitation | <input type="checkbox"/> Day Habilitation/Day Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Supportive Employment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medicaid Service Coordination | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Respite |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Support Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Modifications | <input type="checkbox"/> Residential Opportunity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain) _____ | | |

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CONSENT FOR RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

I hereby authorize the release of information from the records of:

Consumer Name

To the Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health, 112 East Post Road, White Plains, NY 10601 for the purpose of arranging needed services. I understand this authorization does give Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health the authority to release said information when there is a need to arrange services on behalf of the above named client.

I understand that I may revoke this consent at any time.

Consumer's Signature

Signature of person authorized to act
on behalf of consumer

Relationship of authorized person

Relationship of authorized person

Address of authorized person

Witnessed by:

Signature

Address

Date: _____



Putting People First

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PROFILE REGISTRATION / MOVEMENT FORM

Fill out Items 1 through 7, and 18 including "completed by" and "phone number" on every DDP-1. Complete other items as required.

1	PURPOSE:			<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Demographic Data Change	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Moved Out of State	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Died
				<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Add	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Remove	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 Transferred within agency
2	TABS ID: (# known)					
3	PERSON'S NAME		LAST	FIRST		MI
4	SEX:	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 MALE	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 FEMALE	5	DATE OF BIRTH.	MO DAY YR
6	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE					
7	AGENCY NAME			PROGRAM NAME		
8	REMOVE PROGRAM CODE:				9	ADD PROGRAM CODE:
10	REMOVE / ADD DATE:	MO	DAY	YR		
11	RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: (please print)					
	NAME					
	STREET					
	CITY					
	STATE					
	ZIP					
12	INDIVIDUAL'S RESIDENCE TYPE: (mark only one)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Alone		<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Department of Social Services Residence or Foster Care Home		<input type="checkbox"/> 7 OPWDD / Agency Operated Residence	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 With Friends / Housemates		<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Nursing Facility		<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Other (specify)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 With Member of His / Her Own Family		<input type="checkbox"/> 6 Homeless or Shelter			
13	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:			14	PERSON'S MEDICAID NUMBER (CIN):	
15	ETHNICITY / RACE:					
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 White		<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Hispanic		<input type="checkbox"/> 5 American Indian / Alaskan	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Black		<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Asian or Pacific Islander		<input type="checkbox"/> 6 Other	
16	DISABILITIES: Indicate "1" for Primary (mark only one) and "2" for All Other Disabilities: (mark as many as apply)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Developmental Delay	<input type="checkbox"/> 8 Psychiatric Disability	<input type="checkbox"/> 15 Fetal Alcohol Syndrome			
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Mental Retardation	<input type="checkbox"/> 9 Chronic Physical / Medical Condition	<input type="checkbox"/> 16 Narcolepsy			
	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Autism	<input type="checkbox"/> 10 Sensory Impairment	<input type="checkbox"/> 17 Neurofibromatosis			
	<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Cerebral Palsy	<input type="checkbox"/> 11 Undetermined	<input type="checkbox"/> 18 (Code Not Valid at this Time)			
	<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Epilepsy / Seizure Disorder	<input type="checkbox"/> 12 Other (specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> 19 Spine Blinde			
	<input type="checkbox"/> 6 Learning Disability	<input type="checkbox"/> 13 Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)	<input type="checkbox"/> 20 Tourette Syndrome			
	<input type="checkbox"/> 7 Other Neurological Impairment	<input type="checkbox"/> 14 Prader-Willi Syndrome (PWS)	<input type="checkbox"/> 21 Toxic Substance Exposure			
	<input type="checkbox"/> 22 Child Under 5 Unable to Diagnose					
17	PREFERRED LANGUAGE:					
	Spoken		Nonverbal		Understood	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 English	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Spanish	<input type="checkbox"/> 97 None	<input type="checkbox"/> 98 Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Sign	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 English
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18	DATE COMPLETED			MO	DAY	YR
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	COMPLETED BY: (Print staff name)		PHONE NUMBER.

HUDSON VALLEY DDSO, WESTCHESTER OFFICE
SHORT TERM FAMILY ASSISTANCE GRANTS

These programs were developed for families who do not have a service coordinator or a case manager and/or OPWDD eligibility to assist them in getting the eligibility completed and helping identify needed services.

Advocates for Exceptional Children, Inc.

33 Cimarron Rd.
Putnam Valley, NY 10579
Attn: Regina Filannino
845-526-1177

Short Term Family Assistance, This grant will help families who do not have Medicaid and/or OPWDD eligibility to get into the system and to be helped in identifying the services they need. Families will be empowered by educating them to learn to navigate the system themselves.

Cardinal McCloskey

115 Stevens Ave.
Valhalla, NY 10595
914-997-8000

Attn: **MSC** Supervisor, Maggie Story x147

Short Term Family Assistance: Service Coordination for those needing assistance applying for Medicaid, OPWDD, and/or other benefits and services.

Cerebral Palsy of Westchester (CPW)

Expanded as of 1/1/14

1186 King St.
Rye Brook, NY 10573
Attn: Lauren Bassin, Supervisor
914-937-3800 x 224
Lessie Lacy 914-937-3800 x355

CPW staff will assist families needing services with identifying resources in the community and working with families to access services such as applying for Medicaid, coordinating referral materials for eligibility, working with school districts in an advocacy role, assistance with obtaining guardianship, accessing services.

Select Human Services

17-19 Marble Ave.
Pleasantville, NY 10570

Attn: Debra McGinness, 914-741-6300 x128

Assistance for families in applying for OPWDD eligibility, Medicaid and Medicaid waiver services. Select Human Services offers a full complement of services such as Medicaid Service Coordination, waiver respite services and waiver community habilitation services.

New as of 1/1/14

Westchester ARC Family Outreach Program

265 Saw Mill River Road
Hawthorne, NY 10532

Attn: Mary Ann Shelton, Supervisor- 914-495-4606; Martha Pisculli – 495-4588

Assist families with applications for benefits, OPWDD eligibility, and getting set up for Medicaid Service Coordination (MSC). Help families' access services such as respite and recreation. Martha Pisculli is fluent in Spanish.

Westchester Institute for Human Development(WIHD) Benefits Navigation and Guardianship Assistance

WIHD/Cedarwood Hall
20 Plaza West, Valhalla, NY 10595

Attn: Nicki Turano, Supervisor, 914-493-3953

New as of 1/1/14

WIHD will offer short term assistance to families and individuals seeking support in obtaining access to benefits such as; Medicaid, SNAP and eligibility for OPWDD(Office for People With Developmental Disabilities). In addition, staff will offer assistance to families seeking guardianship. Referrals can be made to community resources when appropriate. Services are available to Spanish speaking families.