



Division Update for Individuals, Families and Providers

October 23, 2025

Agenda

- Next DDD Update Webinar
- VF/EA Fiscal Intermediary Transition Update
- Housing Subsidy Update
- Support Coordination Competency Project
- Safety in Your Setting Month – November 2025
- Family Networking Sessions
- NJ Election 2025
- Resources

Next DDD Update Webinar

- November DDD Update Webinar is on **Wednesday, November 26, 2025** – 10:30 am
 - [Register for November Webinar](#)
- Reminder – webinars are usually on the 4th Thursday of the month, but next month it will be on the **3rd Thursday**, December 18, 2025, at 10:30am
 - [Register for December Webinar](#)
- The 2025 schedule of DDD Update Webinars, including registration links, is available on the Division's [Public Update Meetings](#) webpage

VF/EA Fiscal Intermediary Transition

- All individuals who have an active vendor service and/or a self-directed employee (SDE) with PPL as the fiscal intermediary (FI) ***must enroll with Acumen now.***
 - This includes Employers of Record, SDEs, and Vendors currently with PPL.
- Delaying Acumen enrollment may result in an interruption in services, missed payments, or both.
 - Your New Jersey Client Service Agent: 848-400-5903 or Enrollment-NJ@acumen2.net
 - Vendor Service Agent Team – if your Vendors need help: 848-400-5738 or Vendor-NJ@acumen2.net
 - For payroll questions, help with DCI, or After-Hours Support - Customer Service: 833-892-0413
- For information and updates, visit:
 - [Acumen New Jersey](#) website
 - [DDD FI Transition](#) web page

VF/EA Fiscal Intermediary Transition

Status of Completed Acumen Enrollments and Approved Plan Revisions as of 10/22/2025				
	# of Individuals in Cohort	Enrollment Completed	Enrollment In-Process	Enrollment Not Initiated
Cohort 1 – 4a	8,028	6,565	44	1,419
Cohort 5	5,253	3,441	1,042	770

Acumen Transition Update and Q&A Webinars – October 2025

DATE	TIME	TITLE/REGISTRATION LINK
October 23	11:45 am – 12:45 pm	Webinar for Support Coordinators and Supports Brokers
	1 – 2 pm	Webinar for Individuals/Families, Authorized Representatives, Employers of Record, and Self-Directed Employees
	3 – 3:30 pm	Webinar for Community Vendors and Individuals/Families who use Vendor Services
October 30	11 am – 12 pm	Webinar for Support Coordinators and Supports Brokers
	1 – 2 pm	Webinar for Individuals/Families, Authorized Representatives, Employers of Record, and Self-Directed Employees
	3 – 3:30 pm	Webinar for Community Vendors and Individuals/Families who use Vendor Services

Acumen Transition Update and Q&A Webinars – November 2025

DATE	TIME	TITLE/REGISTRATION LINK
November 6	11 am – 12 pm	Webinar for Support Coordinators and Supports Brokers
	1 – 2 pm	Webinar for Individuals/Families, Authorized Representatives, Employers of Record, and Self-Directed Employees
	3 – 3:30 pm	Webinar for Community Vendors and Individuals/Families who use Vendor Services
November 13	10 – 11 am	Webinar for Support Coordinators and Supports Brokers
	11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Webinar for Individuals/Families, Authorized Representatives, Employers of Record, and Self-Directed Employees
	3 – 3:30 pm	Webinar for Community Vendors and Individuals/Families who use Vendor Services
November 20	11 am – 12 pm	Webinar for Support Coordinators and Supports Brokers
	1 – 2 pm	Webinar for Individuals/Families, Authorized Representatives, Employers of Record, and Self-Directed Employees
	3 – 3:30 pm	Webinar for Community Vendors and Individuals/Families who use Vendor Services

EVV and Service Documentation Webinars – Nov. and Dec. 2025

For Individuals/Families, Employers of Record, and Self-Directed Employees

DATE	TIME	TITLE/REGISTRATION LINK
November 5	10 am – 11:30 pm	Register for Nov. 5 - Understanding EVV and Service Documentation
November 19	3:30 – 5 pm	Register for Nov. 19 - Understanding EVV and Service Documentation
December 3	2 – 3:30 pm	Register for Dec. 3- Understanding EVV and Service Documentation
December 17	2 – 3:30 pm	Register for Dec. 17- Understanding EVV and Service Documentation

- **All self-directed employees (SDE) are required to maintain service documentation**, regardless of living arrangement or relationship to the employer or to the individual receiving services.
- SDE payment processing *will not move forward* for any pay-period in which there are time entries that do not include service documentation.

Housing Subsidy Update

- The FY26 budget included a \$1M funding reduction for DDD Housing Subsidies.
- This reduction impacts the ability to assign new housing subsidies to individuals enrolled on the Supports Program.
- At this time, individuals who receive services from the Community Care Program are not expected to be impacted.
- DDD will continue to monitor subsidy availability and provide updates accordingly.

New Support Coordination Competency Requirements

- In collaboration with Money Follows the Person (MFP) Support Coordination (SC) Competency and Capacity Stakeholder Committee, DDD has established new SC competency priorities and training requirements.
- In early November, information about the new SC competency requirements will be posted on the SC Competency Requirements Information Hub, found on the [Support Coordination Information](#) web page, under the SC Competency Requirements tab.



New Support Coordination Competency Requirements

SC Competency Requirements: Strengthening Skills and Supporting Success

Date and Time	Registration Link
November 17 at 10 a.m.	Register Now for November 17 Webinar
November 19 at 2 p.m.	Register Now for November 19 Webinar
December 2 at 2 p.m.	Register Now for December 2 Webinar
December 11 at 10 a.m.	Register Now for December 11 Webinar
January 7 at 2 p.m.	Register Now for January 7 Webinar
January 26 at 10 a.m.	Register Now for January 26 Webinar
February 10 at 2 p.m.	Register Now for February 10 Webinar
February 25 at 10 a.m.	Register Now for February 25 Webinar

*The target audience for this one-hour webinar is Support Coordination Agency staff – including Support Coordinators and SC Supervisors – but **anyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.***

Safety in Your Setting Month – November 2025

- The DDD Resource Team is pleased to present the 2nd Annual Safety in Your Setting Month in November – a time to focus on supervision, independence, and how to keep people with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (IDD) safe.
- For [workshop schedule](#) and registration information, visit the DDD [Health and Safety](#) web page.

Questions?

Contact DDD.ResourceTeam@dhs.nj.gov

The Division of Developmental Disabilities presents the second annual:

SAFETY IN YOUR SETTING MONTH NOVEMBER 2025

A month to focus on supervision, independence, and how to keep IDD individuals safe

■ Why have Safety In Your Setting Month?

Individuals with IDD can be at risk if proper supervision is not provided. Due to this, specific training sessions have been selected that relate to individuals who exhibit walkaway behavior. The Division's hope is to educate stakeholders, highlight prevention strategies, and empower providers and Support Coordination Agency (SCA) staff to keep IDD individuals safe, while still allowing them to experience the independence they deserve both in their homes, and in the community.

■ Round Table Discussion *(invite only)*

Select residential and behavior support providers, as well as SCAs will be invited to join a collaborative group discussion with DDD and DHS staff. The goal is for agencies to share best practices relating to walkaway events, and have a constructive dialogue regarding supervision, safety, and documentation.

■ Virtual Trainings

Virtual workshops will be held throughout November. The Division welcomes all stakeholders to attend, including: providers, SCAs, Self Directed Employees, family members, and advocates.

Trainings will include:

- Walkaway Behavior Prevention
- Walkaway Incident Reports and the Walkaway Checklist
- Walkway Safety and Documentation*
- Overview of the Human Rights Committee (HRC)
- Overview of Crisis Assessment Response & Enhanced Services (CARES) and S-COPE
- Supports for Persons with Criminal Justice Involvement
- Seasonal Health Concerns: Cold Weather

**This training is specifically for SCA Staff*



Please see our website for a complete list of
Safety In Your Setting Month events and registration links:
www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddd/individuals/healthsafety/

Contact ddd.resourceteam@dhs.nj.gov if you have additional questions.



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Department of Human Services
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Family Networking Sessions – Fall 2025

The Office of Education on Self-Directed Services (OESDS) has released its [Fall 2025 Family Networking Sessions](#) schedule. These sessions are for people and families who are, or are interested in, self-directing some of or all their DDD-funded services.

Advance Registration is Required!

Burlington County
Wed., Oct. 29, 1 – 3 p.m.
Burlington County Library

[Register for October 29 Session](#)

Bergen County
Wed., Nov. 5, 1 – 3 p.m.
Bergen County Special Services
School District

[Register for November 5 Session](#)

NJ Election 2025



2025 Dates to Remember

- **October 25 – November 2: Early Voting Period**
- **October 28:** Deadline to apply for a Mail-In Ballot by Mail for General Election
- **November 3 (by 3 p.m.):** Deadline for In-Person Mail-In Ballot Applications for General Election
- **November 4: General Election Day**

Voting Resources

- [Top Five Things to Know About In-Person Early Voting](#)
- [How to Vote at the Polls](#)
- [Voting: It's Your Right](#) – guide to voter rights and voting in NJ for people with disabilities (see also *Voting: It's Your Right* [E-Learning Course](#))
 - Developed by The Boggs Center on Disability and Human Development, in collaboration with New Jersey's Developmental Disabilities Network Partners, Disability Rights New Jersey and the NJ Council on Developmental Disabilities

Resources

Community Resources

- [Disability Rights New Jersey](#)
800-922-7233 (toll-free in New Jersey only)
- [Ombudsman for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and their Families](#)
609-984-7764
- [New Jersey Council on Developmental Disabilities](#)
800-792-8858
- [The Boggs Center on Disability and Human Development](#)
732-235-9300

DDD Resources

- For issues, call the DDD [Community Services Office](#) for your county or 800-832-9173.
- For routine questions:
DDD.FeeForService@dhs.nj.gov
- To report suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation:
Call 800-832-9173, then press 1