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To: Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services stakeholders, including individuals, families, providers, case managers and staff
From: Kylee Hope, Director, Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services
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Re: BDDS COVID-19 updates and activities
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The Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services is committed to working collaboratively with case managers and providers during this extraordinary time. We appreciate the hands-on and coordinated efforts and responses our case managers and providers have demonstrated. As part of this commitment, BDDS has the following recent updates to the DRS [COVID-19 Resources Page](#):

- BDDS has posted Updated Guidance for BDDS Providers on Temporary Policy Changes Related to COVID-19 and Appendix K. Updates from prior guidance include Reopening Efforts and Individual Restrictions, Reopening Requirements for All Indiana Employers, and Guidance for Visitors in ICFs and other Congregate Residential Settings.
- An Updated FAQ for BDDS Providers on Temporary Policy Changes is also available. These updates include some of the questions posed during the Weekly BDDS Meeting for Providers and Case Managers. Also, included is a decision-making tool to support teams with determining Appendix K flexibility for family as paid caregivers.
- Guidance for Reopening Day Service settings is now posted. The guidance includes a general overview along with specific considerations for Day Service providers and case managers. Also, includes is an Integrated Support Star that can be used by teams as a conversation starters to explore returning to community activities.
- The May 13, 2020, weekly provider and case manager Wwbinars recording is now available.

