To: Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services stakeholders, including individuals, families, providers, case managers and staff

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Re: BDDS Appendix K updates and fact sheets for individuals and families

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The Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services is committed to working collaboratively with individuals, families, 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 updates of interest:

- Updated guidance on the Appendix K flexibilities on the DDRS COVID-19 page

The Indiana Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services and Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services has submitted updated Appendix K waiver amendment flexibilities for the Family Support Waiver and Community Integration and Habilitation Waiver with an effective date of September 1, 2020.

In advance of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services final approval on updated Appendix K waiver amendments, BDDS is implementing the guidance and temporary changes to help mitigate any disruption the public health emergency is anticipated to have on standard modes and methods for service delivery to BDDS participants. The updated temporary policy changes are effective retroactively to dates of service on or after September 1, 2020. These temporary changes will remain in effect through at least December 31, 2020.

- New Resources for Individuals and Families now available on the BDDS Resource Page

BDDS is pleased to share a series of fact sheets providing information on the CIH, FSW and Supervised Group Living. These fact sheets are available in English, Spanish and Burmese.

In addition BDDS has developed information and fact sheets on the recently renewed CIH and FSW.