
Retainer Payment Update for CPS Services

The Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) had originally agreed to pay Community Participation Support (CPS) Providers a retainer payment of 25% for the month of July to providers who were operating in a county that had moved to green status. After reviewing the operations status of providers for the month, the data shows that the majority of providers are operating at less than 25% of their capacity; ODP has increased the retainer payment to 50%.

Starting in July, CPS providers now must sign an attestation in to receive these funds; this attestation is a requirement imposed by CMS. The attestation requires providers to verify that they will not lay off their staff. A provider will not receive any retainer payment until they have signed this form.

ODP has determined that the requirement to maintain staff for providers who accept retainers will be applied commensurately to the percentage of the retainer payment. Therefore, in order to receive the 50% retainer payment, the provider must retain at least 50% of its staff. ODP will be issuing a clarification on this issue to providers. Questions can be directed to Rick Smith at riesmit@pa.gov