



Guide to Core Considerations for Day and Employment Program Reopening

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We hope you find the attached [guide](#) very useful in considering the re-opening of day programs and employment services.

At the request of the National Association of State Director for DD Services (NASDDDS) leaders, a workgroup composed of state I/DD Directors and their staff participated in an initial meeting to discuss core considerations for day and employment program reopening. NASDDDS sought participation from a variety of states to represent the relative size and number of day programs and geographic areas of the country. NASDDDS convened four subgroups to formulate promising practices and practical steps for day and employment program reopening focused on four primary themes:

- 1) Day Services and Transportation;
- 2) Financial Considerations;
- 3) Health and Safety Strategies; and,
- 4) "Sunrise Phase" – Introducing New Possibilities.

The guiding principles of this work centered on safely re-opening day and employment services with an eye toward service delivery that assists individuals to increase their social capital and further engage in community life. The subgroups identified and provided potential actions to address the complexities of financial, service authorization, and related structures.

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