



SELF-DIRECTION DELIVERED

LIFEWAYS COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SELF-DIRECTED SERVICES NEWSLETTER

November 2020

What's New?

Welcome to the November edition of Self-Direction Delivered (previously Self-Determination Delivered). My name is Stephanie Justice, and I would like to formally introduce myself as the new Self-Directed Services Coordinator. I am honored and delighted that I have the opportunity to work with such dedicated individuals. Along with providing support and guidance to our consumers, guardians, and family members as they make the important decision to live life to the fullest, the way they CHOOSE!

You may notice that language has changed relative to "Self-Determination." These changes are due to the update in the State of Michigan's Technical guide for "Self-directed Services." Self Determination will now be called "Self-Directed Services" or, "Self-Direction." You will notice that my position is now called the Self-Directed Services Coordinator as a result of this change. Another notable change occurred with the "Fiscal Intermediary" where we are now expected to refer to this as "Fiscal Management Services."

LifeWays would like to provide Self-Directed Employers a quick update on the status of the extension of the COVID-19 \$2.00 premium payments. An extension of the supplemental payment has been approved for face-to-face, direct care through January 9, 2021.

Overnight Health and Safety (OHSS) is not available for individuals residing in licensed settings. Payment of OHSS may not be made directly or indirectly to responsible relatives (i.e., spouses or parents of minor children) or a legal guardian.

To be eligible for OHSS, an individual must:

- be Medicaid eligible;
- be enrolled in one of the following waiver programs: CWP, HSW, or SEDW;
- be living in a community-based setting (not in a hospital, Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities or ICF/IID, nursing facility, licensed foster care, correctional facility or child caring institution); and
- require supervision overnight to ensure and maintain the health and safety of an individual living independently.

Please see the attached Fact Sheet for additional information and discuss with your Case Manager as needed.



"Choice is what enables us to tell the world who we are"

~ Barry Schwartz

Receive your Newsletter

Electronically!

If you prefer to receive your LifeWays Self-Direction Newsletter electronically, Please contact Stephanie Justice. By Phone: 517. 769.4502

or

Email: stephanie.justice@lifewayscmh.org
Once your request is received and confirmed by LifeWays, you will begin to receive your Newsletter electronically.

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Upcoming

LifeWays is looking forward to holding its first Virtual Self-Directed Services Forum! During this Forum we will have experts in the topics of, Fiscal Management (formally referred to as Fiscal Intermediary), Corporate Compliance, Recipient Rights, and Home Help to provide you with information and address any questions you may have. We look forward to “seeing” you there!

Reminders

Please remember to submit proof of required training for all employees to Community Alliance and keep a copy for yourself. If barriers arise preventing employees from completing these requirements, please contact Stephanie Justice at 517.796.4502 or by email at stephanie.justice@lifewayscmh.org.

At this time there is no CPI renewal training. CPIs will be okay to expire until we can offer a renewal. This renewal, known as Safety Care, is in the process of development. An update will be provided as soon as the renewal is completed and ready.

Please do not wait until the last minute to get signed up for trainings, they do fill up quickly.

Upcoming Holidays

Wednesday November 11, 2020 ~ Veteran’s Day

Thursday November 26, 2020 ~ Thanksgiving Day

Friday November 27, 2020 ~ Day after Thanksgiving

Thursday December 24, 2020 ~ Christmas Eve

Friday December 25, 2020 ~ Christmas Day

Thursday December 31, 2020 ~ New Year’s Eve

Friday January 1, 2021 ~ New Year’s Day

Monday January 18, 2021 ~ Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Self-Directed Services Forum

November 30, 2020

2:00pm-4:30pm

Virtual

Please bring any questions you may have to discuss

Our Mission

LifeWays Community Mental Health inspires hope and promotes life-enhancing recovery.

Our Vision

We envision a fully integrated healthcare network that supports individuals in our community to reach their full potential.

Our Values

Exceptional Service

We are dedicated to ensuring all customer interactions exceed expectations.

Innovation

We embrace a culture of continuous improvement.

Integrity

We demonstrate accountability and adherence to professional ethics.

Compassion

We are sensitive and caring to those around us.

Strategic Partnerships

We achieve success by partnering with agencies who share our commitment to improving the health of our community.

Person-Centered Care

We empower the people we serve to achieve their hopes, dreams, desires, and goals through treatment focused on their individual needs and preferences.