

New Orientation for Adult Autism Waiver Supports Coordination Organizations ODP Announcement 21-015

AUDIENCE:

Supports Coordination Organizations (SCOs) enrolled to provide services in the Adult Autism Waiver (AAW)

PURPOSE:

To inform SCOs of a new orientation curriculum on MyODP for Supports Coordinators (SC) and SC Supervisors serving participants in the AAW.

DISCUSSION:

The Office of Developmental Programs has developed an updated orientation curriculum for new SCs and SC Supervisors who work with AAW participants. This orientation replaces the SC101 and SC102 orientation trainings that were previously required.

Starting February 1, 2021, new SCs must complete the updated AAW SC Orientation within 30 days of hire and before they work independently with an individual or individual's family. If an SC Supervisor provides SC services independently with an individual or individual's family, the SC Supervisor must complete the updated AAW SC Orientation within 30 days of hire and before they work independently with an individual or individual's family.

To confirm completion, SCOs must retain the official certificates, if applicable, as well as the completed SC Orientation Handbook (with all details completed such as dates and times of completion, SC and SC Supervisor signatures, etc.). These documents will be expected to be maintained in the employee's file and will be necessary for monitoring to verify completion. Note that the SC Orientation Handbook can be located at the top of the SC Orientation landing page on MyODP.

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SCs who complete this orientation must also complete all other trainings required by ODP, including the SPeCTRUM 2.0 training. A link to that training is available on the SCO Orientation page on MyODP.

The new AAW SC Orientation can be reached at MyODP at this <u>link</u> or by following this chain: MyODP > Training > Autism Training > Adult Autism Programs (AAW/ACAP) > Supports Coordination Trainings. Users that do not have an account with MyODP will need to create one. This page can be viewed by the public. However, the SC or SC Supervisor completing the SC Orientation need to be logged in as their role in order to obtain verification of completion and training certificates.

ODP will release additional specifics on AAW SC Orientation in the future.

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