



**Developmental Disabilities
Committee**

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**May 2018
Council Meeting**



**Developmental Disability
Committee Membership:**

- **Co-Chairs:** **Corey Gilmore and Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus**
- Art Delaune
- Dave Fleurant
- Mallory Hamilton
- Anna Attla
- Anthony Cravalho
- Colleen Shivers
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- Oscar Cedano
- P.J. Hatfield-Bauer
- Cathy Colwell
- Amanda Kulikov
- **Staff:** Kristin Vandagriff
Anne Applegate

Recent Activities:

- I/DD Registry = Approx. 871 individuals
 - As of May 2, 2018

Discussions around:

- Electronic Visit Verification (EVV)
- New Harmony data system transition
- Companion Services exploration
- Council Cultural and Linguistic Competency Plan
- Integrated Settings Transition Plan - Version 4
- ISW & CFC rollout
 - ISW = Individualized Support Waiver
 - CFC = Community First Choice



Alaska DD Collaborative

Implementing the shared DD vision:

- SB 174 DD Vision Bill
- Large DD Collaborative Meeting May 23rd



Implementing the shared DD vision:

6 Project Area Teams:

1. Culture Change
2. Direct Service Professional Workforce Development
3. Legislative Engagement
4. Community Outreach
5. Measuring Progress
6. Self Advocacy Advisory
 - » Council staff leading two areas; participating in all
 - » Council members participating as well

DD Safety-Net Funds

- Administered by Stone Soup Group
 - Statewide Parent Navigation and STAR agency
 - Has expertise in assisting families and individuals with developmental disabilities.
- Part of transition from DD grants to Individualized Supports Waiver (ISW)

DD Safety-Net Funds

- Who's this for?
 1. Individuals who have been previously supported by the Community Developmental Disabilities Grant (CDDG) program
 2. Individuals who have been found to not meet the level of care required for waiver services (but who are Medicaid eligible)
 3. Individuals who still need services to remain independent
 - Individuals meeting both might be eligible to continue to receive limited grant-funded supports through the DD Safety-Net program
- When does this begin?
 - July 1, 2018

DD Safety-Net Process

1. An individual is assessed for the ISW or IDD Waiver and found to not meet the Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID) level of care, as determined by the SDS IDD Unit.
2. The individual is referred by the SDS IDD Unit to the SDS Grants Unit.
3. The Grants Unit will check to see if the individual has been receiving CDDG services
 - *If so, the Grants Unit will refer the individual to the Stone Soup Group DD Safety-Net program.*

DD Safety-Net Process

4. Once referred, the Stone Soup Group STAR Coordinator will

- *Conduct a Person Centered Intake*
- *Provide options counseling*
- *Work with the individual to develop a person centered plan on based the individual's needs and preferences*
 - *Stone Soup Group will have access to each person's service history in SAMS.*

DD Safety-Net Process Cont.

5. An annual cost cap per individual, estimated to be between \$10,000-\$15,000 per year,

- Based on the number of eligible individuals

6. Individuals will be able to select services from a broad array of providers

- No longer limited to providers of CDDG services.

DD Safety-Net Process Cont.

7. Stone Soup Group will:

- Connect the individual with services
- Provide on-going monitoring and support
- Will reimburse providers for services using Medicaid rates

8. The DD Safety-Net program and process will be evaluated annually to ensure satisfaction for consumers and providers.

DD Safety-Net Fund Limitations

1. Once level of care determinations have been made and 600 people have qualified as eligible for ISW, referral to the DD Safety-Net program for will be closed.
2. Future applicants for the ISW and IDD Waivers who do not meet ICF/IID level of care and have not been receiving CDDG services are not eligible for limited DD Safety-Net funds.

Additional questions about the DD Safety-Net funds should be directed to Grants Unit Manager, Lisa Morley at lisa.morley@alaska.gov

Supported Decision Making (SDM)

- Full Lives Keynote
 - SDMAs as part of Civil Rights Movement
- 5 Other Trainings since last Council Meeting (23 this year)
 - Special Educators, Self-Advocates, Families, Service Providers
- Work Group implementing and supplementing work plan

Supported Decision Making (SDM)

- Engaged in Statewide “WINGS”
 - Working Interdisciplinary Network of Guardianship Stakeholders
- House Bill 336 (Rep. Millett) SDMA Act bill
- Pilot Project Development and Groundwork
- SDMA Summit with local partners and National SDM Advocates, November 15, 2018

Upcoming Activities



- National Conference July 2018
 - Washington, DC
- Kristin, Corey, and Mallory attending
- Approved to present plenary session:
 - Discussing Shared DD Vision
 - Employment Efforts

Questions?

