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Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities

DODD Newsletter

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NEW: Supporting Families @ DODD Page

DODD's new [Supporting Families @ DODD](#) page features information on the Family Advisory Council (FAC) and core group, details about DODD grantees, quick links to family resources, and schedule of the #FamilyTalk series.

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VIDEO: Family Groups Showcase Grant Successes This week, recipients of the DODD-funded Strategies for Families grants presented what they were able to accomplish over the past year and a half to support and expand...More

Free Online Direct Service Provider training is here! DODD released a new online course this week that satisfies the eight-hour initial training requirement for direct service providers (DSPs)...More

Also in June's Family Connection: The next Family Advisory Council meeting will be July 26 at the Delaware County Board of Developmental Disabilities. Participants will discuss staying safe at home and in the community...More

Family Advisory Council

Lead by the Family Liaison Kim Weimer, Family Advisory Council meetings take place quarterly and are open to everyone. The Family Advisory Council provides a forum for the Department to hear directly from family members about the issues that impact their lives and provides family members the opportunity to learn more about the Department's current initiatives from executive staff.

Tell us what topics you want to know more about in this short survey, and be sure to subscribe to Family Connection!

Meeting Schedule and Materials

#FamilyTalk Chats Highlight Budget, Early Intervention

In case you missed it, our second #FamilyTalk featured DODD Director John Martin [answering your questions about the budget](#) and explaining the impact on families. Our next talk will be Aug. 4 from 12 to 12:30 PM with Nathan DeDino discussing DODD's [Early Intervention](#) program.



Watch #FamilyTalk

Survey Seeks Topics for Future FAC Meetings

The Family Advisory Council wants to know what *you* want to know! [This short survey](#) will help determine subjects at future meetings and also assist DODD in communication efforts and outreach.



Take the Survey

Websites Offer Resources for Families, Siblings



FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK OF OHIO

Families Supporting Families

The Family Resource Network of Ohio believes that together we can achieve great things, and now the group has a [new website](#) to bring people together and offer support to Ohio families. Also in website news, OhioSibs has [redesigned its website](#) and continues to support and connect siblings of people with disabilities.

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