

ODP Announcement

KEPRO to Administer SIS™ Assessments

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The mission of the Office of Developmental Programs is to support Pennsylvanians with developmental disabilities to achieve greater independence, choice and opportunity in their lives.

AUDIENCE: Individuals and Families, Supports Coordination Organizations (SCOs), Administrative Entities (AEs), and Providers of Intellectual Disabilities/Autism (ID/A) services.

PURPOSE: To announce that the Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) will be using Keystone Peer Review Organization, Inc. (“KEPRO”) to administer Supports Intensity Scale™ (SIS™) assessments beginning October 1, 2018.

DISCUSSION: ODP’s current purchase order with Ascend, A MAXIMUS Company for the administration of SIS™ assessments, will expire on September 30, 2018. To provide for uninterrupted services, on an interim basis, ODP will use KEPRO to administer the SIS™ assessments to individuals who receive ID/A services beginning October 1, 2018, until ODP is able to finalize a procurement for needs assessment services.

Headquartered in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, KEPRO also has offices in Alabama, Florida, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Ohio, Oregon, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia. KEPRO is Utilization Review Accreditation Commission (“URAC”) accredited in Case and Disease management and Health Utilization management. KEPRO is also National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) and Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) certified.

KEPRO will start administering SIS™ assessments on October 1, 2018 and will be contacting individuals and respondents to schedule these SIS™ assessments starting in August 2018. Please note that the current vendor, Ascend, will continue to schedule and administer assessments until September 30, 2018.

KEPRO will have a staff presence throughout the state of Pennsylvania. KEPRO will be holding in-person informational sessions at multiple locations throughout Pennsylvania. Details will be provided in the near future.

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