

## ICF Task Force Meeting Notes and Attachments

In follow up to the ICF/ID Task Force Meeting webinar that was held on 4/10/20, attached are copies of the presenters' handouts:

Dr. Gregory Cherpes – Status of COVID-19 in PA and Infection Control Measures:

- [PowerPoint Presentation](#)

Orlando Hernandez – CMS Guidance Changes in support of COVID-19 Response

NOTE: These items were already posted on DOH's message board (the one providers access when you submit Plans of Correction). They are also included here for your convenience.

- [CMS March 23, 2020 Memorandum regarding surveys](#)
- [CMS March 30, 2020 Guidance for infection Control and Prevention of COVID-19 in ICF/IIDs](#)
- [PA Governor's Executive Order](#)
  - Note: REPORTING DEADLINE is 4/16/20 11:59pm

Doug Trahey – Preparedness activities and support needs:

- [PowerPoint Presentation](#)
- [PEMA RESOURCE REQUEST – FORM](#)
- [PA Emergency Management Coordinators](#)
- [Emergency Preparedness Supply Kit](#)
- [Unmet Need / Mission Request form & instructions](#)

After Doug's presentation, a late question came in as follows:

Q - How do we access the information regarding the Disability Integration Calls?

A - If anyone is interested in joining the call, you should e-mail Doug at [dtrahey@pa.gov](mailto:dtrahey@pa.gov) so he can add you to the calendar invite.

Kevin Dressler – ODP Section 1135 Waiver (Emergency) request:

During the discussion, Kevin stated if you have questions to email him and Julie. Their email addresses are:

Kevin Dressler – [kedressler@pa.gov](mailto:kedressler@pa.gov) (Don't miss the E after the K or it will go to someone else at the Commonwealth.)

Julie Mochon - [jmochon@pa.gov](mailto:jmochon@pa.gov)

Rick Smith & Steve Evitts – Financial discussion key points:

- Final Cost Settlement related communications should be directed to Rick. (Lane is not working during the COVID-19 confinement.)
- Mercer's efficiency review of the ICF process is ongoing and will be updated at the next Task Force meeting.
- Since the ICF program is essentially cost-based, we expect you will be reimbursed for all COVID-19 related costs.

- The PAR proposal to use the FY`19-20 cost reports to set approved funding is being considered. DHS Secretary Miller and Budget would have to approve. It is within the realm of possibilities.
- There will be a new cost report schedule to identify COVID-19 costs.
- Providers should identify and track additional costs incurred specific to COVID-19. (This may be necessary for funding from other programs.)
- Waiver requests for COVID-19 costs should be grouped into one or a few (not 20) requests.
- If providers incur unique costs related to a COVID-19 case that cannot wait until the normal rate setting process, call Steve or Rick.
- COVID-19 situations will be an acceptable reason for 98% occupancy requests
- FY`19-20 Waiver requests for COVID-19 related costs will be accepted until the end of July, 2020.

Thank you to all the speakers and attendees for your time on Friday.