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## **Pennsylvania Recognized During National 2024 Charting The LifeCourse Showcase**

During the 2024 Charting the LifeCourse Showcase held in Kansas City, Missouri, two representatives of Pennsylvania's support professional cohort were recognized for their work. [Read More.](#)



## **The Medicaid Access Rule: A Historic Regulation To Strengthen Home And Community-Based Services**

Last week, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released the final [Ensuring Access to Medicaid Services rule](#) (Access Rule). The Access Rule will strengthen the home and community-based services (HCBS) that make community living possible for millions of people. [Read More.](#)



## Communication Corner – Communication And Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

April is recognized as Autism Awareness and Acceptance Month. Communication is typically impacted by ASD. Some communication impacts may include... [Read More.](#)



## Save The Date: 2024 Pennsylvania Autism Training Conference (PATC)!

*November 5-7, 2024*

The Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) invites you to save the date for the 2024 Pennsylvania Autism Training Conference! The conference will be held virtually from November 5th to November 7th 2024. More details, as well as registration information to follow. [Read More.](#)



## Today Is Move Your Way Day!

The Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) and Governor Josh Shapiro's office invite you to **Move Your Way!** To acknowledge the National Day of Exercise and ODP's new campaign to encourage physical activity, Governor Josh Shapiro has signed [the attached proclamation](#) which recognizes, April 18, 2024 as Move Your Way Day. [Read More.](#)



## **ODP ISAC Member To Testify On Workforce Shortages**

Nicholas “Nick” Smith, member of the Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) Information Sharing and Advisory Committee (ISAC) testified in front of the United States Senate Special Committee on Aging on the topic of “The Long-Term Care Workforce: Addressing Shortages and Improving the

Profession” on Tuesday, April 16, 10:00 AM. [Read More.](#)