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Welcome to MyODP News Online Digest, a virtual publication from the Office of Developmental Programs. The Digest now features a listing of recently published ODP webinars!

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#### **News Stories**



#### PADDC Spring Listening Tour and LEAF Scholarships

The Pennsylvania Developmental Disabilities Council (PADDC) invites individuals with disabilities and their families to join its Spring Listening Tour, and to apply for its LEAF Scholarship Program. *Read More.* 



### Communication Corner – February is Low Vision Awareness Month

Did you know that 4.2 million Americans, ages 40 and older, are visually impaired? Of these, 3 million have "low vision". By 2030 this number is estimated to reach 7.2 million, with 5 million having low vision. (Source: National Eye Health Education Partnership). <u>*Read More.*</u>



## Showcase365 Podcast Featuring Pennsylvania's Supporting Families Team

The LifeCourse Nexus, the national program led by the University of Missouri Kansas City (UMKC), released the latest episode of its Showcase365 podcast which features Pennsylvania's Supporting Families team. <u>*Read More.*</u>



# Supporting Families Best Practices Series – Bridging Aging and Disability

#### February 20, 2025 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM (EST)

The National Community of Practice (CoP) for Supporting Families invites you to join its Supporting Families Best Practices Series. Pennsylvania's ODP and Developmental Disabilities Council are partners in the National CoP which is led

by the National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services (NASDDDS) and University of Missouri Kansas City. February's session will focus on Bridging Aging and Disability. <u>Read</u> <u>More.</u>



#### Move Your Way® 2024 Recap

ODP launched the Move Your Way® campaign one year ago at the 2024 Everyday Lives Conference. In the past year, you have shared your unique health and wellness routines and we have gathered some amazing stories! As we move into 2025 ready to keep our bodies moving, we wanted to take a moment to reflect on some of the incredible stories of movement, wellness, and self-

improvement that you've shared with us throughout the year. Read More.



#### PA Developmental Disabilities Council 5-year Plan Survey

Every five years the Pennsylvania Developmental Disabilities Council (PADDC) is required to develop a State Plan to help guide the work of the Council. The process of creating the

next <u>5-year plan</u> requires PADDC to gather information on the current barriers and concerns in Pennsylvania for those with developmental disabilities and their families. <u>Read More.</u>



## Multi-Year Program Growth Strategy Forum with Secretary Val Arkoosh [WATCH]

On Tuesday, December 3rd, 2024, Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Secretary Val Arkoosh joined ODP providers and professionals for its Multi-Year Program Growth Strategy Forum. Secretary Arkoosh addressed the audience to reiterate Governor Shapiro's

strategy for eventually ending the waiting list for services. Read More.

#### Webinars

- Performance Based Contracting Quarterly Provider Forum (December 16, 2024)
- ODP Services and Supports for Individuals with Medically Complex Conditions (MCC)
- Navigating the Health Risk Screening Tool (HRST) Report Suite for Pennsylvania Providers
- Performance Based Contracting (PBC) General Information Session 1.29.2025