

## State of Connecticut Department of Developmental Services



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**To:** Purchase of Services Contracted Private Providers

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**RE:** Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF)

Recently, the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) issued two separate memorandums that address funding for COVID-19 related expenses. The first, dated <u>June 26, 2020</u> describes that residential COVID-19 supplemental payments would be recoded from the Community Residential Services account to the federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF). It stated providers could carry excess CRF revenue into fiscal year 2021, but that any CRF funds not expensed by December 31 would need to be returned to the state.

The second, dated <u>July 1, 2020</u> describes DDS private provider reimbursement by month during the coronavirus outbreak. Specifically, the memo states for payments after July (attendance months after May) residential programs would be reimbursed at 100% of monthly authorizations but can request one-time funding for enhanced staffing and expenses related to COVID-19.

DDS is working on an additional cost report that will capture coronavirus related expenses and revenue. Coronavirus revenue will include COVID-19 supplemental payments paid by DDS, Small Business Administration Payroll Protection Program loans, Health Care Enhancement Act funding, and any other federal coronavirus funding. Please note that DDS will not issue any COVID-19 related one-times until it has received the coronavirus cost report and confirmed that existing coronavirus relief funds have been expended.

Please email DDS.COVID19@ct.gov with any questions.