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To: DDS Qualified Providers
From: Jordan A. Scheff, Commissioner
CC: Peter Mason, Deputy Commissioner; Katie Rock-Burns, Chief of Staff; Dr. Valencia Bagby-Young, Director of Health & Clinical Services; MJ McCarthy, Agency Legal Director; Operations Center Director; Regional Directors; Assistant Regional Directors – Private
Date: September 10, 2021
Re: Vaccine Mandate

We are writing to share updated guidance on the application of Governor's [Executive Order 13D](#). Based upon the definitions of "contract worker" and "state employee," any provider staff working in the following DDS-funded program types will be subject to the vaccine/testing mandate as outlined in the executive order:

- Community living arrangement (CLA)
- Continuous residential supports (CRS)
- Day support options (DSO)
- Group supported employment (GSE)

Staff working in the following DDS-funded program types will NOT be subject:

- Individual home supports (IHS)
- Community Companion Home (CCH)
- Shared living
- Individualized day supports
- Self-directed services

Providers will be responsible for verifying vaccination status of staff who fall under the mandate. Please review the order linked above for further details about the mandate and feel free to email DDS.COVID19@ct.gov with any questions.