

State of Connecticut Department of Developmental Services



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Qualified Provider: Agency with Choice Designation

To Qualified Providers:

We have developed criteria for qualified providers who want to provide an Agency with Choice option for individuals and families. An Agency with Choice is an option for individuals and families who want to participate in the recruitment and supervision of staff without the responsibility of becoming the employer of record.

Providers who want to become a designated Agency with Choice Provider must do the following:

- Review the criteria to provide Agency with Choice services
- Check those services which will be offered as an Agency with Choice
- Have written procedures on the implementation of Agency with Choice services
- Return the signed assurance and a copy of the procedures to:

Department of Developmental Services Operations Center – Cheshire Office 25 Creamery Road Cheshire, CT 06410

Qualified Providers who submit the signed assurance and procedures will be given an Agency with Choice designation on the DDS Qualified Provider list for those services they are qualified for and selected on the Agency with Choice assurance.

For questions and additional information, contact Maureen Prewitt at 203-806-8778 or email at maureen.prewitt@ct.gov.



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DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

Agency with Choice Assurance

Agency with Choice Services: Qualified Provider requirements for the Individual Family Support and Comprehensive Waivers

Provider agrees to:

- 1. Interview/consider all candidates an individual/family wants to hire. Explains the reason(s) with the family if the agency chooses not to hire a referred candidate.
- 2. Complete all necessary screenings for the potential hire: DDS registry, background check, motor vehicle check if driving, license check if required, etc.
- 3. Complete all necessary employer of record documentation for the employee: I-9, W-4 State and Federal, etc.
- 4. Provide worker's compensation and other insurance and health benefits that other agency employees receive.
- 5. The provider shall pay employees in compliance with federal and state Department of Labor wage and hour rules.
- 6. Invoices the Fiscal Intermediary for services rendered.
- 7. Provide all training required of the waiver services(s) that the employee will provide to the individual. Include the individual/family in training activities to the greatest degree possible.
- 8. Assist the individual/family to provide other training as required in the IP.
- 9. Assist individual/family to set and modify employee schedule as needed.
- 10. Assist the individual/family to manage/supervise the employee.
- 11. Provide back up support.
- 12. Have written Policies and Procedures on the administration of Agency with Choice Services.

Check the services which Provider wants to provide as Agency with Choice.					
	Supported Living			Individual	Day Supports
	IS Habilitation				d Employment Individual
	Personal Support			Respite In	dividual
	Adult Companion				
Provider Name:					
Authorized Representative					
	·	Print Name			Agency Name
Authorized Representative					
	•	Signature			Date