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Dear Individuals, Families and Guardians:

In order to comply with Center for Medicare/Medicaid Services (CMS) rules, the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities (MCBDD) is reshaping how services are provided to adults with developmental disabilities. This is an opportunity for the MCBDD to look at the direct services we currently provide for Adult Day and Transportation Services and discover new ways to assist and support adults with developmental disabilities within the community.

Moving forward, the MCBDD will continue to make sure that over 1250 individuals in Medina County receive the services they need, but we will need to assist approximately 11% - adults who are currently receiving direct Adult Day and Transportation Services from the MCBDD - as they transition from MCBDD operated programs to private provider operated programs.

**What is happening?**

The MCBDD is starting a Call for Solutions process with local private providers. This Call for Solution process is asking providers to submit information on how they may meet the needs of groups of adults as they transition out of MCBDD Adult Day and Transportation Services. The Call for Solutions process will identify what private provider services are available and what supports may be needed to successfully assist individuals as they transition. The MCBDD has identified the first two areas of service, Crossroads and Vocational Habilitation Day Services, which will be impacted by this process in fall of 2018.

**What do you need to do?**

At this point there is nothing you or your family needs to do. We are providing this information so that you are aware of future plans. As we move through this new process we are committed to keeping you informed. We will notify you when we have additional information or when you may be directly impacted by any decisions.

**What does this mean to you, your son or daughter?**

You will not lose any services. The MCBDD is committed to making sure you continue to receive the services you need. Our goal is first and foremost to make sure the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities are met. Remember free choice of provider is your right, so regardless of what providers are identified through the Call for Solution process, you ultimately have the final decision in who provides your services. If at any time you want to change your service provider, you may contact your Service and Support Administrator (SSA) to discuss other options.

We want to assure you that we will continue our mission to connect people with disabilities to the services that empower them to contribute to their own success and to that of their community. If you have any questions about this information, please feel free to contact us or visit our website at [www.mcbdd.org](http://www.mcbdd.org) and click on the "News" tab for more detailed and updated information and resources about the Call for Solutions process. Thank you for your support for our agency and the success of individuals with developmental disabilities.

Sincerely,

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