



October 1, 2018

Dear Individuals, Families and Guardians:

The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities (MCBDD) continues to be the agency responsible for developing, connecting and funding services for individuals with developmental disabilities in Medina County.

As you know, in response to the Center for Medicare/Medicaid Services (CMS) agreement with the State of Ohio, we continue to look at the transitions that need to occur as we work with private service providers to expand and meet the needs of individuals currently in our Adult Day and Transportation Services programs. As part of this process, we would like to share with you some important news about the future of the Crossroads area which is currently offered at the Medina County Achievement Center.

What is happening?

As a result of our Call for Solutions process, we have begun a new venture with Midwest, a private provider, to open an Adult Day Service program within the Medina County Achievement Center. The Midwest program will open in December 2018, and will be providing activities similar to those currently offered in our Crossroads area. Midwest will also be providing transportation for their program.

Because the services available through the Crossroads area are now also offered by other private providers in the county, the Crossroads area at the Achievement Center will be phased out and no longer available for services beginning Monday, December 3, 2018. Therefore, you will need to choose a new private provider for adult day and transportation services.

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, regardless of the private provider you choose. Over the next few months, with help from your Service and Support Administrator (SSA), individuals who currently are located in the Adult Services Crossroads area will need to explore other adult day service options and choose a new private service provider before Monday, December 3, 2018. Individuals who currently are in the Crossroads area and use MCBDD transportation will also need to select a new transportation provider; your SSA will further explain those details to you.

What do you need to do?

Contact your SSA as soon as possible so they can begin working on the changes needed in the ISP. As always, free choice of provider is your right; that is why we want you to be aware of all of your options and give you time to explore them. If at any time you decide that you want to change your service provider, you may contact your SSA to discuss other options.

Questions?

To give the individuals in the Crossroads area the opportunity to ask questions about this decision, we will be having group discussions with them on Monday, October 8, 2018. We will also have an informational meeting for parents and guardians on Wednesday, October 17, at 7:00 pm at the Achievement Center. Representatives from Midwest will be on hand to answer questions about their new Adult Day Services program.

We want to assure you that we are here to help and will continue our mission to connect people with disabilities to the services that empower them to find success. We appreciate your support for our agency and know that our agency is not closing but that our system is growing in new and impactful ways and we are continuing to reshape our services to support that growth. If you have any questions or concerns about this information, please feel free to contact us at the numbers listed below.

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