Who Does CDCN Serve?

Consumer Direct serves as the F/EA for participants enrolled in certain Medicaid waiver programs such as:

- i. Community Living (CL) waiver
- ii. Family and Individual Supports (FIS) waiver
- iii. Commonwealth Coordinated Care (CCC) Plus Waiver

CDCN issues payroll for the following three Service Types:

- i. Attendant Services, service code S5126
- ii. Respite Services, service code S5150
- iii. Companion Services, service code S5136

Communication with Service Facilitators

Frequent communication with Service Facilitators is an important aspect of our partnership. Currently we have the:

- i. Service Facilitator training that has been recorded for easy access to any questions or materials at your convenience.
- ii. Eblasts which are mass emails sent to the Service Facilitators to inform of any updates or information that can be shared with the Clients, EORs and Caregivers
- iii. Quarterly Newsletters to provide information on prior and upcoming updates

Previous Meeting Minutes can be found on CDCN's website at www.Consumerdirectva.com/sfforms.

HIPPA-Compliant Emails

Sometimes CDCN will need to send Service Facilitators an email that contains Protected Health Information (PHI) or Personal identifiable information (PII). To remain in compliance with the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), we will only send sensitive information via secure electronic communications.

CDCN uses a system called Zsecure to encrypt information sent via email.

These emails may end up in your Spam folder! Please check there first, if you think you're missing an email from CDCN.

To use our secure services, Service Facilitators will need to create an account to open each of these emails.

Instructions on how to do this are available on our website under the *Forms* tab or by going to www.consumerdirectva.com/forms and clicking on the *Form/Packet Instructional Material* section.

Once there, the title of the document is "Secure Email Instructions".

CDCN's Website

Now that you are aware of what CDCN does, CDCN wanted to introduce you to one of our most valuable resources for Service Facilitators, Employers and Attendants: our website.

Our user-friendly website has up to date training materials, one-page fact sheets, easily identifiable forms organization, and more. There are training videos at the top of the training materials, and one-page fact sheets directly below to assist EORs, Attendants, and SFs with navigating our Web Portal, CellTrak for EVV and more. We also have new user-friendly information in our forms section to help you determine which forms should be accessed.

Our website is where you will find useful forms, such as the Confidentiality Agreement, and the Service Facilitator contact information list. This list will contain all the names of your agents within your agency.

Please note that only one Agreement and SF list is needed per agency. These two items help CDCN provide the correct caseloads on our web portal (Directmycare.com). Other items accessible via our website include enrollment packets, the web portal link, training materials, contact information, and more! The website address is ConsumerDirectVA.com.

Fiscal Agent Request Form (FARF)

The FARF is the Fiscal Agent Request Form. As Service Facilitators, this form can be filled out and submitted to Consumer Direct when there is a change that will affect the participants' services.

The FARF form provides CDCN with the Participant and Employer's updated demographic information, which Service Facilitator is assigned to the Clients account, and the reason that the FARF is being submitted which is important so that CDCN knows what steps to take next. This form can be located from the *Service Facilitator* section of our website under the *Forms* tab of our website.

There are 4 reasons Service Facilitators will submit a FARF to CDCN:

- i. An existing Participant is changing to a different Employer of Record;
- ii. An existing Participant is changing to a new Service Facilitator;
- iii. An existing Participant is changing from one FEA to another FEA.
- iv. Or, for a new Participant (new to self-directed services)

It's important that Service Facilitators take the time to fill this form out completely and correctly. Incomplete and incorrect forms can cause a delay in processing. Once filled out completely, the FARF needs to be submitted by email to VAReferrals@ConsumerDirectCare.com or fax at 1-877-571-8649.

The VAReferrals@consumerdirectcare.com inbox is the email account dedicated specifically for these forms and is how CDCN prioritizes processing the FARFs.

FARF Reminders

A FARF is used for all new or transition enrollments.

Packets cannot be processed without a FARF.

Always use the most updated version which can be found on our website under consumerdirectva.com/forms.

Employer of Record Changes also require a FARF.

CDCN requires a FARF to associate the Client to the Agency.

Some top reasons for delayed FARF processing are: Incorrect referral type selected, Medicaid ID, EOR Name and incorrect demographic information. Please be sure to take your time to fill out the FARF forms accurately and completely before sending to CDCN to prevent a delay in processing.

DocuSign FARF's

The DocuSign FARF is now available. This will be the preferred method to submit FARFS to CDCN. SFs can find the DocuSign FARF on our website in the Forms tab, under the Electronic Fiscal Agent Request Form.

There are many benefits of submitting FARFs electronically through DocuSign. Some of the benefits include:

- Assisting Service Facilitators and CDCN with ensuring that the FARF is accurately completed as all required fields are highlighted and must be completed before submission
- It will help organize and store documents by significantly reducing the amount of paperwork. SFs receive a confirmation email once the FARF is submitted. This email includes a copy of the completed FARF for SFs to reference.
- If changes are made to the FARF, SF do not need to download a new form or worry about using the wrong version. The DocuSign FARF will always have the most up to date FARF form available to be completed.

In an effort to ensure that all FARFs are successfully submitted to CDCN, please make sure that you are closing and submitting the document properly. CDCN has a DocuSign FARF user guide available to assist with the completion of the FARF. Please utilize this document when completing the FARF.

If a DocuSign FARF was started by a Service Facilitator but not completed and submitted to CDCN, SFs will receive a notice from DocuSign 90 days later that the link has expired. CDCN is not able to access any information from a DocuSign FARF until it is submitted to CDCN.

Has My FARF Been Received?

One of the most common questions we receive during FARF submission is, has my FARF been received?

If the FARF was completed via DocuSign, a confirmation email will be sent once the FARF has been reviewed by the team and processed. If the FARF has an error and needs a correction, or has an update regarding eligibility, the FARF team will download the FARF via PDF from DocuSign and submit back to the SF's email address with the information needed.

If the FARF was completed by paper and submitted by email or fax, our FARF team will send a follow up email with the status. This email will inform of any corrections, updates, eligibility inquiries, or if it was successfully processed.

To summarize, if the DocuSign or paper FARF has been received by the CDCN team, the SF will receive an email with confirmation of processing, corrections needed, or updates.

New Enrollment Packets

DocuSign Packets are the fastest way to enroll, and has fewer errors upon submission due to all required fields being completed before submission. Employers and Attendants can reference our DocuSign User Guide as well as our Enrollment packet instructions on our website under the Forms tab. These resources will assist in completing the enrollment packets with step-by-step instructions to ensure completion before submitting the packet to CDCN.

New Enrollment Packet- EOR

EORs can reference the Employer packet instructions for a step-by-step guide on completing the enrollment packet, which includes sample pages with highlighted mandatory fields. The Instruction packet is only 6 pages long in which we encourage EORs to utilize this resource.

New Enrollment Packet- Attendant

The Attendant packets also have a detailed instruction packet to assist with completing the packet. Please encourage all EORs and Attendants to utilize this document to ensure full completion of the packet. This will result in faster processing due to minimalized errors. The instructions also include highlighted mandatory fields for each page in the packet as an example for Attendants to reference.

As mentioned previously, instructions for assisting with completing these forms are available on our website under the Forms tab.

Attendant- Consumer Live-In Determination

The Attendant-Consumer Live-In Determination form can be found on page 6 of the New Enrollment packets for new Attendants. For existing Attendants changing their LIE status, this form can be found on our Forms tabs, located under the Payroll, Exemptions, and Other Forms section.

Accurate completion of this form will indicate whether the ATT qualifies for the IRS Difficulty of Care income tax exemption.

Enrollment Packets- Review Before Submission

Before submitting any packets to CDCN, it is crucial that Employer of Records and Attendants review the information in their packets to ensure that it is appropriately and correctly filled out. Specifically, any tax related forms for the ATT need to be thoroughly reviewed including the

Payroll Tax Exemptions Determination, the Attendant-Consumer Live-In Determination, the W-4 and the VA-4 forms.

The Attendant DocuSign packets are a 2-part process. Once, the Attendant has finished their packet it is then submitted over to the EOR's email address to review, sign and submit the packet to CDCN. It is very important for EORs and Attendants to review the information submitted on their enrollment packets as it will affect how CDCN selects appropriate taxes and payments for Attendants.

CDCN has multiple instructional materials available on our website to assist with the completion of the enrollment packets. Please encourage all EORs and Attendants to utilize these resources before and during the enrollment process.

EIN Requirements for Employer of Records

CDCN would like to inform you of the process for the EOR's Employer Identification Number.

Once the Employer of Record completes their enrollment documentation, CDCN then applies for an Employer Identification Number through the IRS on behalf of the EOR. If the application was unsuccessful, the EOR will be placed on hold with CDCN and will be unable to approve time for their Attendants.

CDCN will notify EORs of this by email which will include a letter. This letter has detailed instructions for the EOR to complete as soon as possible to delay any payments.

If the EIN is not received within 30 days, CDCN will take the necessary steps to end the EOR's account. CDCN will notify the EOR and the Service Facilitator of the need to find a new EOR.

Employee's Hire Date

The Attendants hire date is determined by the Employer.

It is critical that the Employer have the Attendant complete all forms upon hire, so that all Federal and State laws and regulations are followed.

The I-9 form is required to be completed by all new Attendants enrolling in services.

Enrollment Confirmation

Now that we have determined the Attendant's Hire Date, let's discuss Enrollment Confirmation. CDCN will send out an Enrollment Confirmation letter to notify Employers that we have received a completed packet, processed the Background Check, and that a worker can **start receiving payments**. At this time, the Attendant can now register for the Web Portal.

This letter will be sent within **5 Business days** from receipt of a **completed** packet. If the enrollment packet is not complete, then CDCN will contact the Employer and Attendant to let them know what changes need to be made.

Client Enrollment Welcome Email

The Client Enrollment Welcome Email is sent to the Employer of Record, within 5 business days of receiving a completed packet. There are two emails sent to the EOR that provides detailed information on next step enrollment.

- I. The first secure email welcomes the Client to Consumer Direct Services and provides instructions regarding the secure email registration attachment.
- ii. The second email outlines the Clients CDCN ID number, instructions on how to register for the Web Portal and additional resources that can be found on our website at www.Consumerdirectva.com. This email also encourages that Attendant paperwork is submitted prior to their Hire Date.

If there is not an email listed on the packet, a Client Welcome Letter will be sent to the mailing address on file.

Attendant Enrollment Confirmation

The Enrollment Confirmation letter is sent to the Attendant as well as the Employer on file, within 5 business days of receiving a completed packet. This form can be emailed or mailed to the EOR and Attendant.

This document will outline the Employer and Attendant's CDCN ID numbers, the EOR and Client information, and the Attendant's Pay Rate. At this time, the Attendant can now register for the Web Portal.

CellTrak for EVV and Web Portal information is also provided in the Enrollment Confirmation, as well as Additional Resource information such as the CDCN Payroll Calendar and Registration instructions found on our website at www. Consumerdirectva.com

Submitting Attendant Time

Before we can pay an Attendant, we must have:

- i. A completed Employer packet in our system;
- ii. An active authorization for the Participant; and
- iii. A completed Attendant packet in our system.

There are two ways that Attendants can submit time to be paid. Please note that regardless of the method, the Employer must review and approve the time before it is submitted to Consumer Direct.

The two (2) methods are:

- i. Using our Mobile App, CellTrak; We highly recommend that encourage members to start using our Mobile App for entering time.
- ii. Using the consumer's landline phone, commonly referred to as Interactive Voice Response

Information on all these methods is available on our website.

CellTrak-EVV Vendor

Consumer Direct Care Network has chosen CellTrak as our EVV vendor.

An outline and online videos of the mobile app, showing users how to register and Employers how to approve shifts, are located on our website under the Training Materials tab.

What is EVV?

EVV uses technology to electronically record when Attendants begin and end providing services to Medicaid members.

These systems require a device like a mobile phone or landline to collect Attendant's start and end times and location.

EVV is part of the federal 21st Century CURES Act signed into law on December 13, 2016 which requires states to implement Electronic Visit Verification or EVV.

Mobile Application (CellTrak)

The Mobile Application should be downloaded by the Attendant. The application can be downloaded on the Medicaid members or Attendants device.

The Mobile Application is available for both iPhone and Android and can be downloaded to any smart device that has location services.

The EOR can sign and approve time on the Attendant's device at the end of shift.

The most common devices are a smart phone or tablet.

PLEASE NOTE: In the app store you will see two versions of CellTrak please do not select app version 1.7. it is not the right version!

Also note, only one device can be registered per user. This means that only one Attendant can submit their time per registered device using the Mobile App.

Mobile App Registration

Please enter the License ID **200458** and Authentication code **740083** as outlined on the one pager located in the Training Materials Tab, under the Mobile Application and IVR section.

The Attendant's Solomon Id number is required to register for the Mobile Application. If the Attendant does not have this number, they can call CDCN at 888-444-8182 and one of our Customer Service Reps will provide it to them.

The completed step-by-step registration instructions for the Mobile Application, Web Portal and IVR system can be located on our website at https://www.consumerdirectva.com/trainingmaterials/.

CellTrak Interactive Voice Response (IVR)

CDCN's Interactive Voice Response system is another option for Employers to approve time and Attendants to submit time worked to CDCN.

That means that the Attendant will dial a tollfree number from the Consumer's registered phone number to start and stop their shifts.

To use the CellTrak IVR system, the EOR will need to complete a form to register the Consumer's phone number with CDCN.

A copy of the IVR registration form can be found on the CDCN's website under the Forms tab in the Payroll, Exemptions and Other Forms section.

This option is available 24 hours/day 7 days/week and is available now

The IVR phone number is 855.967.0581 (English) or 855.967.0582 (Spanish).

The default pin is 1234 unless a custom pin was set.

Web Portal

Consumer Direct maintains a web portal that is used by Attendants, Employers and Service Facilitators.

<u>Attendants</u> can use the portal to enter time. However, time entered in the Web Portal is not EVV compliant. Attendants may also view their documents such as pay stubs and W-2s.

<u>Employers</u> can use the portal to approve time that has been submitted by their Attendants. Consumer Direct will not receive the time unless the Employer approves it. The Employer can also view reports applicable to them.

<u>Participants</u> view shows utilization reports that outlines how much authorizations the Participant has used so far and balance remaining.

<u>Service Facilitators</u> can use the portal to view reports applicable to their caseload such as the Participant's utilization report.

Service Reports

There are 3 different reports that you'll have access to on the Portal. report that you'll have access to on the Portal. These reports will help you review and monitor participant service utilization that can be retrieved in the Web Portal.

- The <u>Service Summary</u> is a quick overview of how many authorized hours the Participant has used so far and how many hours are remaining. The Authorizations Tab in Web Portal can also provide detailed information on service agreement hours.
- ii. The <u>Shift Summary provides</u> an Attendant service date, start and end shift times, along with the total service hours
- iii. The <u>Service Details</u> provides a breakdown of specific dates, service hours, payrate and earnings per pay period for the Attendant

Web Portal Resources

CDCN wanted to inform you of the different resources available on our website to assist with navigating the Web Portal: The Agency administrator User Guide and the Service Facilitator Web Portal User Guide.

Please utilize these materials when navigating the Web Portal to explore all functions available to SFs and Administrators.

For the SF Portal, Participants are added once a FARF has been received and processed. Participants, Employer of Records and Attendants must complete enrollment and then register for the Portal, in order for their information to populate in the SF Portal. If any Participants are

missing from the Service Facilitator Web Portal, please email infoCDVA@consumerdirectcare.com and we will get them added appropriately. If you are still unable to view a Participant on the Web Portal once these steps have been completed, please reach out to your Agency Admin to have the Participant assigned to your caseload.

Attendant Pay Schedule

All Attendants are paid on the same bi-weekly schedule.

CDCN's two week pay period runs from Thursday to Wednesday.

Time must be submitted by midnight on non-pay week Friday and will be paid on the following pay date according to the pay calendar.

The payroll calendar is included as a supplement in the *Attendant Enrollment packet* and can also be found on our website under the *Forms* tab in the *Payroll, Exemptions and Other Forms* section

CDCN Payroll IVR

The CDCN Payroll IVR is a self-serve option. Employees can access hours submitted and respite amounts. Attendants can access pay amounts and hours submitted. You will need your 7-digit Consumer Direct ID number and PIN. The default pin is 1234. This is the same PIN you will use for the landline EVV option. You can change your PIN by emailing infocdva@consumedirectcare.com or calling 888.444.8182.

Patient Pay

Patient Pay is a dollar amount that some participants are required to contribute towards their own care. Patient Pay is determined by local Department of Social Services. Patient pay will be deducted on the dates marked with an asterisk on the pay schedule.

Overtime Changes

Attendants may work up to 16 hours of overtime per work week.

Attendants who do not live with the member are eligible for overtime payments. The Attendant may not exceed the member's bi-weekly authorized hours.

If an Attendant qualifies for overtime, the Attendant must use an approved Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) method including the EVV mobile application or IVR system.

COVID-19 Temporary Attendants

If you are a COVID-19 emergency parent or spouse caregiver, the emergency response has been extended.

CDCN has created special enrollment packets specifically for parents or spouses. These enrollment packets can be found under our Forms tab in the "COVID-19: Temporary Attendant Forms" section.

For this temporary process, Time can only be entered via the Web Portal. CellTrak and IVR cannot be utilized. Attendant Code S5126 can only be submitted. Any Respite or Companion Care submissions will be denied.

All temporary Attendants, being the parents and spouses of the Participant, should select "My Participant had an emergency" as the exception reason when submitting time on the Consumer Direct Care Network web portal.

The current Employer of Record (EOR) cannot be a paid Attendant. If there needs to be an EOR change, the Service Facilitator will need to submit a Fiscal Agent Request Form (FARF) and the EOR and Attendant will need to submit the required enrollment forms.

CDCN has updated the FAQ for this COVID-19 response. This FAQ document can be found under our Forms tab in the "COVID-19: Temporary Attendant Forms" section

Paid Sick Leave for Attendants

CDCN wants to inform you of the Paid Sick Leave For Attendants. The 2021 General Assembly passed HB2137 requiring employers of home health workers to provide paid sick leave benefits to essential employees who work an average of 20 hours per week or 90 hours per month. Qualified Consumer-Directed care attendants will earn 1 hour of sick leave per every 30 hours worked.

Please note that Attendants may carry over any unused sick leave to the next fiscal year. However, you can only have a maximum of 40 hours per fiscal year.

CDCN has a Paid Sick Leave One-Pager and FAQ page available on the website. These documents can be located under the Resources tab in the "news" sub-tab.

Paid Sick Leave for Attendants- Training Materials

In addition to The Sick Leave One Pager and FAQ, CDCN has now added Sick Leave Training Materials to our website. CDCN has 2 training videos and 3 one-page fact sheets with sick time training material information. The videos available are Web Portal- Approving Sick Time and

Web Portal- Find Sick Time Balance. The one-page fact sheets available are Attendant: Finding Your Sick Time Balance, Attendant: Enter Sick Time and EOR: Approving Sick Time. These training materials will assist EORs and Attendants with navigating the sick time functions on the Portal. Please encourage your members to review these materials regarding sick leave.

2022 W-2 Information

2022 W-2s are on the way! W-2s were mailed on January 20, 2023 to the address that was on file with CDCN as of December 15, 2022.

W-2s can also be accessed through ADP. There are two ways to access ADP:

1.Visit myADP.com directly

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2. Log in to www.DirectMyCare.com to click the ADP link.

On the CDCN website, located under the Training Materials tab are videos and documents to assist with ADP and W2.

- Attendants can find ADP instructional information located under Additional Materials
- A video guide on "How to Read Your W-2" has been added under Training Videos

Consumer Direct does not provide tax advise as we recommend speaking with a tax consultant if Attendants should have questions regarding filing. Changes towards a W-2 can't be made unless it's for a name or social security number correction.

We also have an FAQ posted on the announcements page of our website to address all W-2 questions. Please encourage your EORs and ATTs to review this FAQ for any questions regarding their W-2s. For any additional questions regarding W-2s, please email us at infoCDVA@consumerdirectcare.com.

DMAS Attendant Orientation

DMAS has created a Consumer Directed (CD) Services Attendant Training. This training tool provides an overview of Consumer Directed Services, CD Roles and Responsibilities, and more.

Agenda topics include:

- Consumer-Directed (CD) Services Overview
- CD Roles and Responsibilities
- Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Requirements
- Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation Information
- Fraud and Waste Information
- Culturally Competent Care
- Paid Sick Leave Benefits
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

• CD Resources

All resources may be found on the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) website. For additional questions or concerns related to this training, please email the DMAS Office of Community Living at: cdattendantinfo@dmas.virginia.gov.

Contact Information

If you need help or have questions, we can be contacted by email and phone. Our contact information listed here can also be found on our website.

Our customer service center phone number is 888-444-8182

For Virginia Premier inquiries, please contact 888-444-2419

For Aetna inquiries, please contact 888-444-2418

Our customer service center operating hours are:

Monday-Friday: 8 am – 6 pm, EST and Saturday: 9 am – 1 pm, EST