

Welcome to Agency with Choice!

Since the State of New Jersey has implemented the fee-for-service model, all Provider Agencies are required to adhere to enhanced training requirements, for their employees, including self-directed employees.

You have been enrolled in the College of Direct Supports for the following mandatory trainings that must be completed within 6 months of your hire date or transition to Agency with Choice. Medication Administration training and in person practicum must be completed prior to administering medication.

1. DDD Life Threatening Emergencies (Danielle's Law)
2. DDD Stephen Komninos' Law
3. Medicaid Fraud, Waste and Abuse
4. Prevention of Abuse, Neglect, & Exploitation Lessons.
5. Prevention of Abuse, Neglect, & Exploitation Practicum
6. Individual/ Family Developed Orientation
7. Medication modules (must be completed prior to administering medications)
8. Medication practicum (must be completed prior to administering medications)

Attached are the instructions on how to access the College of Direct Supports site. If you have any difficulty with logging into the site, please contact Customer Service. Attached here are the in-person practicums. These practicums are to be completed with the managing employer **after** the self-directed employee takes the online course. After they are completed and signed be sure to submit them back to Agency with Choice.

In addition, CPR/ First Aid training is required. Please schedule your CPR/ First Aid training as soon as possible by contacting Customer Service. The course must be completed within 6 months of your hire date or transition to Agency with Choice.

These are state-mandated trainings, if they are not completed as required, the self-directed employee will not be able to work and will not be able to be paid until they are in compliance with the training requirements.

The courses only have to be taken once. If you have previously taken the College of Direct Supports training with a passing score you do not have to take that specific training again.

When all required trainings have been completed and verified, you will qualify for a flat rate reimbursement, for your time. Please note: you will also be reimbursed for a CPR/FA refresher course, required every two years. You will not be reimbursed if the CDS trainings were taken with another employer, prior to your current employment with AwC.

If you have any additional questions, please contact one of our customer service representatives at our toll-free number 1-800-471-3086 or at AwCcustomerservice@nj.easterseals.com.