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To: Developmental Disabilities Provider – DSP Training Coordinators and Instructors

From: John Knight, Manager
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Re: Updated DSP Training Curriculum

This is to advise you that the Division of Developmental Disabilities has recently revised content in a couple of sections of its DSP Training classroom curriculum. These revisions required other formatting, pagination, web site links and cosmetic changes throughout the DSP Trainee Notebook and to a lesser extent the Presenter's Supplements. The revised Trainee Notebook modules and/or Presenter's Supplements page footer reflects the revision date as R-09-01-13. Content revisions included:

- Updated terminology for "Active Treatment" and "Normalization",
- Updated discussion of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD) to reflect DSM-5 changes,
- Added legislative change to a chart for reporting abuse, neglect or financial exploitation allegations for persons with a disability age 18 to 59 living in a private home in the community and for any person age 60 and older in domestic living situations to the Illinois Department on Aging instead of the DHS Office of the Inspector General.

Content revisions were made in the following DSP Trainee Notebook modules:

- Module 1: Autism Spectrum Disorder (beginning on page 24); Obsessive Compulsive Disorder classification (beginning on page 19)
- Module 3: Chart for reporting abuse, neglect or financial exploitation for persons age 60 and older in domestic living situations to the Illinois Department on Aging (DOA) (page 13)
- Module 4: Communication challenges for people with ASD (page 13); Removed "Active Treatment" and "Normalization" (page 15)
- Module 5: "Normalization" changed to "natural rhythm of life" (page 16)
"Active Treatment" changed to "teaching functional skills" (beginning on page 21)
- Module 6: Section 5: Removed the term "active treatment" from this section

DSP training coordinators and instructors preparing for future DSP training sessions should reprint the entire DSP Trainee Notebook and Presenter's Supplements for use in class to ensure the most current information is available to trainees. The complete DSP Trainee Notebook and Presenter's Supplements can be downloaded from the DHS website at: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=45343>

Should you have questions, please contact me at John.Knight@illinois.gov or 217-782-8286.