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Subject: OPWDD COVID-19 Update

Good evening,

There is not much to share from this meeting.

OPWDD briefly reviewed the recent advisories on Hospital Visitations, Hospital Discharge Guidance and Criminal Background Checks.

A question was raised by family members about the ability to deliver Community Habitation to children during the school day. If the Com Hab is within authorized levels, then it can be delivered during the day.

The OPWDD message for PPEs was contained in a three part process. The first was to source from your local supplier. Next, it was suggested to reach out to your county's/local OEM. If you do not get a response from the OEM, then third, it was suggested that you inform the IMU via their email with the ticket number you received from the OEM, your specific PPE request, with the number and type of the requested. One parent raised the facts of the shortage and the how this process does not offer providers a better way to secure PPEs. I have no comment.

Other discussion covered areas from testing and any plans to initiate it for the population we support; guidance is changing depending on the region, and testing sites will be coming on line over time; emergency contacts for families by CCO and the use of the NYS Communication Center hotline was again raised. The continue push for accurate and timely data was next.

OPWDD explained that they are 'cleaning up' the data and hoped to be more precise by Friday meeting. With the numbers changing dramatically by the day, there were requests to get reports on data more than once a week. OPW deferred at that point.

There were no financial updates since last Friday.