

August 2021

NEWS



Grant Awards

In the month of July, New Horizons was awarded the following grants:



- The Maryland Recovery Now - Charles County Charitable Trust grant awarded \$10,000 to New Horizons. This funding will be used to assist with revenue loss recovery caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and will benefit participants at our White Plains, MD location.
- The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 - Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments awarded \$69,360 to New Horizons. This funding will enable New Horizons to lease 4 additional vehicles providing reliable transportation to get participants to their community activities, jobs, and daily appointments.



In Memoriam



The staff at New Horizons is deeply saddened by the tragic loss of a

cherished friend, dedicated Direct Support Professional and all around great guy, Robert (Rob) Moy, III. His friendly spirit and happy smile will be missed by all those who came to know him, during his short stay on earth.

Appendix K is in Jeopardy!



Appendix K is the document that allows for a number of key flexibilities in how DDA services are provided and billed for during the COVID-19 public health emergency. Some of which include (but are not limited to):

- Remote/virtual supports
- Providers allowed to bill for a day of service if at least one hour of meaningful day service is provided
- Day supports allowed to be provided in someone's home
- Additional 8 hours of funding provided for people who are spending daytime hours at home in residential settings
- Family members allowed to act as paid staff

Maryland received approval from the federal government for Appendix K to remain in place until June 30, 2022. Governor Hogan and MDH Secretary Dennis Schrader might decide to end Appendix K flexibilities as soon as August 15, 2021.

Please consider taking action to convince state leadership to keep the original date for ending Appendix K. Time is of the essence.

1. Write to Governor Larry Hogan. Use [this link](#) to write the Governor through his website, and choose the Developmental Disabilities Administration as the message topic in the drop down box.
2. Email MD Department of Health Secretary Dennis Schrader at Dennis.Schrader@maryland.gov and urge him to support the continuation of Appendix K.
3. Share this alert through social media. When you post please tag Governor Hogan and Secretary Schrader using the hashtags:
 - #KeepYourPromise
 - #AppendixKisKey
 - #PeoplewithDDMatter
 - #ReopenWithCare

New Horizons is Hiring

New Horizons has positions available for Direct Support Professionals in the Day Program and Personal Supports as well as an opening for a Driver in the Transportation Department.

If you know someone who is interested in one of the above positions, please contact Raquel Chen,

New Horizons Supported Services, Inc.

WE ARE HIRING!

- Direct Support Professionals (DSP) in Day Program
- DSPs in Personal Supports Program
- Driver

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