### **OPWDD**

### Office for People with Developmental Disabilities

### What is OPWDD?

This is the organization that helps people with intellectual or developmental disabilities and their families coordinate services to enrich their lives. OPWDD works with people in communities across New York State.

### What is Medicaid Waiver?

This is Medicaid insurance for a child based on diagnosis and disability. Family income is waived when considering eligibility. Many children who qualify for OPWDD services will also qualify for Medicaid Waiver.

# PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENT DE DISABILITIES

### How can OPWDD help you and your child?

- · Learn about your child's needs and
- Create a plan
- Identify and locate needed supports and services These may include:

Respite	Behavior	Family	Family education & training
	Supports	reimbursement	
Supported	Recreation	Help learning	Help learning community
employment	programs	self-care skills	skills

## To start the process,

# 1. Call OPWDD in your region

Region 1 Finger Lakes: 1-855-679-3335 (Chemung, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming or Yates County)

Region 1 Western NY: 1-800-487-6310 (Alleghany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara or Orleans County)

Region 2 Broome: 607-771-7784 (Broome, Chenango, Delaware, Otsego, Tioga or Tompkins County)

Region 2 CNY: 315-793-9600 x603 (Cayuga, Cortland, Herkimer, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga or Oswego County)

Region 2 Sunmount: 518-561-8190 (Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Jefferson or St. Lawrence County)

<u>Region 3 Capital</u>: **518-388-0398** (Albany, Fulton, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Warren or Washington County)

https://www.opwdd.ny.gov/welcome-front-door /Front Door Contact Numbers

# 2. Complete Eligibility Determination

- Submit completed application
- Submit documents to support your application:

Document	Who can help you/ Where do you get it	
Psychological report (includes "IQ test")	School psychologist	
Developmental psychosocial history report	School psychologist or other social worker	
Medical or specialty report	Your child's doctor or a specialist	
Adaptive Behavior Assessment (i.e., Vineland, ABAS)	School psychologist	
Recent medical assessment report	Your child's doctor or a specialist	

# 3. What if I need help?

- Call the representative who has been assigned through your regional office
- Call the regional office
- Call any OPWDD agency in your area