# Knox County Family Newsletter

**July 2022** 

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The Knox County Board of DD is committed to providing families with information and resources they can use to support themselves and their family members with a disability. We hope you find these resources valuable to make connections, learn what supports are available, and discover the information you need.

## Advocacy & Engagement

#### **Ohio SIBS**



Ohio SIBS is a grassroots organization of siblings of people with disabilities that came together in 2000 to acknowledge the sibling role in the life of a person with a disability. We support siblings throughout the lifespan by connecting them with resources and creating a community of siblings that support the disability community.

Link: <a href="https://ohiosibs.org/">https://ohiosibs.org/</a>

#### **Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council**

The Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council (ODDC) is a planning and advocacy body committed to community inclusion for people with disabilities. Council members, staff and stakeholders work together to identify a problem or need that should be addressed for Ohioans with developmental disabilities and create a plan to offer grants and programs to create systems of change.



Link: <a href="https://ddc.ohio.gov/home">https://ddc.ohio.gov/home</a>

### **Daily Life & Employment**

#### **DODD's Technology First Newsletter**

DODD has launched a monthly newsletter dedicated to news about technology supports for people with disabilities, technology resources, and trainings.

Subscribe Link: https://bit.ly/3LLSCEH June's Newsletter: https://conta.cc/3OMQU6t





#### **Assistive Technology Lending Libraries**

Lending libraries are a great way for people with disabilities to try out different technology based on their needs before purchasing equipment, such as adaptive toys, assistive technology, or medical equipment. Many programs offer lending services for free.

Lending Library Overview: https://bit.ly/3Nn8uwZ Interactive Map: https://bit.ly/3u6euDy

## **Support to Families**



#### **Ohio Parent to Parent Program**

Ohio Parent to Parent (P2P) is a statewide mentoring and support program that matches parents, family members, or caregivers of a person with a disability or special healthcare need. Support Parents are trained volunteers that help support parents that reach out to the program. This program is free and available to all families in Ohio.

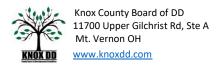
Website: https://www.ohiof2f.org/ohiop2p/ Program Flier: https://bit.ly/39vH2yV

#### OCALI – The Family & Community Outreach Center

The Family and Community Outreach Center at OCALI equips and empowers families with knowledge, information, and resources to support the whole family, including the person with a disability. To do this, we offer online tools, connect families to information and resources, and raise awareness and acceptance within the community.



Website: <a href="https://www.ocali.org/center/family">https://www.ocali.org/center/family</a> Flier: <a href="https://bit.ly/3NuPXyy">https://bit.ly/3NuPXyy</a>



## **9** Safety & Security

#### **Car Seat Safety Resources**

Knox Public Health can provide \$10 brand new convertible car seats to eligible families. Knox Public Health also a fee installation check by a certified care seat tech.

Knox Public Health Car Seat Info: 740-392-2200 x2272 or https://bit.ly/30vJzZd





#### **Ohio Medicaid DODD Resource Toolkit**

Created by DODD, this toolkit provides information about Medicaid and the services you have available to you. Topics included: Managed Care, Covered Services, Nursing Services, Medical Supplies, Dental Services, Prescriptions, Getting Care, and more.

Link: https://bit.ly/3lwrwG6

## **Upcoming Trainings & Conferences**

Additional webinars, trainings, and conferences will also be shared in the Family Update email that goes out every other week on Wednesday.

Date & Time	<u>Description</u>	Presented By
Jul. 14 10am	Balancing Technology & Safety (virtual)  Learn about the different technology devices and platforms used today and resources for how to help others safely navigate technology.  Registration Link: <a href="https://bit.ly/32ROgtP">https://bit.ly/32ROgtP</a>	NEW DIRECTIONS 240.397.HELP (4357) Olivia & Bella Prevention Education New Directions
July 19, 21, 26, 28 10am – 11:30am	The Future is Now Series: Future Planning (virtual) "The Future is Now" is a multi-part series designed to help older caregivers and their family members with a disability make plans for the future.  Series Information & Registration: <a href="https://bit.ly/3yr21N2">https://bit.ly/3yr21N2</a>	DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES  Sean Bostic  Hamilton CBDD
Aug. 11 10am	OISP Introduction & Role of Outcomes (virtual) Introduction to the new Ohio ISP (OISP) and review the role outcomes plan in supporting people served by DODD and county boards. Registration Link: <a href="https://bit.ly/3FXqdIf">https://bit.ly/3FXqdIf</a>	KNOX DE  Sherrie Simmons  Provider Relations Manager  Knox & Coshocton DD
Aug. 12 All day	2022 Tech Summit: Embracing the Future (in person)  From smart home and assistive technologies to independent transportation options, this event offers attendees a chance to learn about different kinds of current and emerging technology options to support people with developmental disabilities who want more independence in their lives.  Registration Link: <a href="https://bit.ly/3QZ5IRE">https://bit.ly/3QZ5IRE</a>	Chio Department of Developmental Disabilities  THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY NISCHOOLE CENTER

## Stay Connected

Resource	Link
Knox County Board of DD Website	https://bit.ly/3sWfHgF
Knox County Board of DD Facebook	https://bit.ly/3HuloXa
Knox Help Me Grow and Early Intervention Facebook	https://bit.ly/3HD6NJ1
DODD Family Connection Newsletter – Subscribe for Monthly Newsletter	https://bit.ly/3LLSCEH
DODD Family Connection Resources	https://bit.ly/3w9zcC8
DODD 5 Things to Know Video Series	http://bit.ly/2M0Tic6
DODD Family Forum Facebook Group	https://bit.ly/3CED8Nv