OID eligibility expanded

The criteria needed to register with the Office of Intellectual Disability (OID) to access supports coordination services, or to receive Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Office of Developmental Program (ODP) waivers, has recently expanded. Eligibility now includes a diagnosis of autism and/or intellectual disability, as well as children with developmental delays who meet the ODP established criteria.

ODP has also added the Community Living Waiver (CLW) to their funding sources for home and community-based services. Current eligibility criteria and details about the CLW may be accessed on the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services' <u>website</u>.

"Outreach has begun to reach DHS colleagues and our community about the opportunity to connect more individuals with a supports coordinator (SC)," said Mary Evrard, community and communications liaison coordinator for OID. "Developing a relationship with a SC and creating a person-centered plan together is important to identify current and future needs of the family and individual."

Those interested in learning more about OID eligibility criteria or how to begin working with a supports coordinator are encouraged to contact Mary Evrard at 412.253.1251 or <u>mevrard@alleghenycounty.us</u>.