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To: All DD Waiver, Mi Via Waiver, Medically Fragile Waiver, Supports Waiver, State General Fund Providers and Stakeholders

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Subject: DDSD COVID-19 Status Update

As we all are aware, New Mexico has seen a significant increase in COVID-19 positive cases during the month of October. The increase in COVID-19 positive cases has also significantly impacted individuals with developmental disabilities across our Waivers and State General Fund services. Unfortunately, the month of October was the highest month on record for COVID-19 positive cases since the beginning of the pandemic (see chart below).

DDSD COVID-19 positive results for individuals receiving DD Waiver, Mi Via Waiver, Medically Fragile Waiver, Supports Waiver, and State General Fund services through November 1st, 2020:

	Number of individuals who tested positive for COVID-19 in October 2020	Overall total number of individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19	COVID-19 Related Deaths
DD Waiver	33	73	10
Mi Via Waiver	4	11	1
Medically Fragile Waiver	2	2	0
Supports Waiver	0	0	0
State General Fund	0	0	0
Totals	39	86	11

As per Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham, ***“all New Mexicans have been instructed to stay home except for outings absolutely necessary for health, safety and welfare. These additional restrictions have been enacted to aggressively minimize person-to-person contact and ensure spread is mitigated. New Mexicans are strongly urged to limit travel to only what is necessary for health, safety and welfare.”***

In line with the Governor’s instructions, DDSD is asking that all direct service providers, vendors, therapists, behavior support consultants, case managers, consultants, community support coordinators, families, guardians, etc., and individuals receiving services to **heed the Governor’s instructions to stay home and only access outings that are absolutely necessary for your health, safety, and welfare. This includes limiting travel, limiting face-to-face visits, and limiting person-to-person contact to only what is necessary for your health, safety, and welfare.** It is important that we all work together to mitigate the spread of the virus, to protect each other, and to protect ourselves.

Please Stay Home and Stay Safe!!! Thank you.

- Resource Website: <https://nmhealth.org/about/ddsd/diro/ddcv/>
- Should I be Tested? <https://cv.nmhealth.org/should-i-get-tested/>
- Test Portal: <https://cvresults.nmhealth.org/>
- HSD Portal Page: <https://nmmedicaid.portal.conduent.com/static/covid.htm>
- New Mexico Crisis Line 1-855-NMCRISIS **1-855-662-7474**.
- New Mexico Healthcare Worker and First Responder Support Line **1-855-507-5509**
- Report a Public Health Order Violation <https://www.newmexico.gov/2020/03/25/how-to-report-non-compliance-within-a-business-a-violation-of-the-mass-gatherings-ban-or-other-violations-of-the-public-order/>