

Station**MD**

StationMD is a free medical telemedicine service available to individuals who are enrolled in a Medicaid Waiver service through the Division of Developmental Disabilities. On January 26, 2021, the Division hosted a live Facebook event, which featured Dr. Deven Unadkat, physician, Chief Medical Officer, and co-founder of StationMD, to discuss some common questions and concerns around COVID-19 and the vaccine. Dr. Unadkat answered questions related to how the vaccine works in the body, whether the vaccine causes COVID-19 infection, what potential side effects can be expected from the vaccine, information from vaccine trials, and the vaccination process in general.

The live event is available and posted on the <u>Division's Facebook</u> <u>page</u> and <u>YouTube channel</u>. For additional information about StationMD and how it can help address medical concerns, please visit the Division's <u>StationMD webpage</u>.



The development of the Division's new case management, ConneXion, continues to move forward with a tentative implementation date of February 2022 and a small pilot occurring in January 2022. As previously mentioned, the Division has a <u>dedicated webpage</u> to provide updates as they become available. Items soon to be added to this webpage include demonstration videos, screenshots, and other timely information.

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COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts in MO

The Division maintains a unique COVID-19 webpage where you can find links to the latest information on COVID-19. The links contained in the expandable accordion tabs provide information and data about Missouri's vaccination efforts, including links to various guidance from the Division, COVID-19 vaccine information (including a fact sheet, videos and question/answers), COVID-19 testing efforts, links to the Division's informational COVID-19 webinar sessions, and more. Additional detailed information around Missouri's COVID-19 vaccination efforts, including information about the total number of doses administered in Missouri to date, data about those who have received a vaccination, and links to additional material about Missouri's priority phases can be found on Missouri's COVID-19 dashboard. As vaccination efforts continue to roll out across Missouri, the Division encourages people to check these resources regularly and stay informed. If there are additional questions about the vaccine after exploring the links and resources, the Division encourages people to reach out to their primary care physician to address their concerns and discuss next steps.



March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

Following a Presidential Proclamation signed in 1987, the month of March was declared as National Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month. This proclamation provides a specific opportunity to highlight the self-advocacy efforts and strides people who are living with intellectual and developmental disabilities have made over the years. To read and learn more about this proclamation, visit The American Presidency Project Proclamation 5613—National Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month.

Stay Connected

A Division priority is to provide ongoing and consistent communication with all stakeholders, including individuals, families, service and case management providers, service partners, and state team members. To promote timely and effective messaging, the Division uses a variety of approaches, including bimonthly informational webinars, daily email blasts, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and the Division website updates. If you have not done so already, you are encouraged to participate in Division communication efforts and share these efforts with others.



