

# MEORC

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## Introducing The COGnection

By Tim Spitzer

We are pleased to submit for your review our first edition of **The COGnection**. Our vision is that this **communication vehicle** will improve our ability to relay **valuable “real time” information** to all our stakeholders. We hope you find the information helpful and **welcome your feedback for improvement**. In addition, please **visit** our website **frequently at [www.meorc.com](http://www.meorc.com)**. We hope it also becomes a reservoir of **valued information** and **resources** for you in your daily job.

### Acronyms Anonymous

**ODDP** = Ohio Developmental Disabilities Profile

**PAWS** = Payment Authorization for Waiver Services

**IIF** = Individual Information Form

**AAI** = Acuity Assessment Instrument

**QTRH** = Quarter Hour Unit

### Revising and Saving ODDPs & AAIs

By Melissa Hammond

ODMRDD has recently **added** an **effective date field** on the **ODDP** web application. As ODDPs are **reviewed** and **revised** to result in **funding range changes**, here are some factors to keep in mind:

- ✓ ODMRDD **PAWS, IIF, ODDP** and **AAI** web applications now **interface**
- ✓ ODDP funding range **changes** that **do not match** the **ISP** and **PAWS** effective dates **cannot be confirmed** by ODMRDD
- ✓ ODDP funding range **changes** **trigger** a request from the

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ODMRDD PAWS Unit for a PAWS revision

- ✓ The person **entering the ODDP** in the ODMRDD web application **enters the effective date** of the funding range change
- ✓ It is **critical to link** most up to date **ODDP** with the **PAWS** by **clicking the “Save & Submit”** button

In addition, here are details that we have **learned** regarding the **interface** between the **AAI** to the **PAWS**:

- ✓ The word **“False”** in the **AAI “Completed Field”** means that it is **incomplete** or the **“Save”** and **“Submit”** button **needs to be clicked**
- ✓ **PAWS will not be confirmed** by ODMRDD when there is a **“False”** result

### Adult Foster Care

By Cathy Henthorn

The new Adult Foster Care Rule outlines a **special prior authorization** process for individuals in the **funding ranges of 1 & 2**.

Based on the rule **5123:2-13-06**, **county boards** need to **contact** their **ODMRDD regional consultant** to **notify of Adult Foster Care** situations in the **funding range of 1 or 2**.

ODMRDD will then adjust the technology **to allow the PAWS to exceed their funding range**.

ODMRDD will **not confirm** the **PAWS until this adjustment is complete**.

### New Match Source Field on the PAWS

By Cathy Henthorn

To **support** the **electronic** requirements for **PAWS** uploading, we are **required** to complete a **new field** for “Match Source”. The **current** options for “Match Source” are **Community IO, Level 1, Sermak and Martin**.

MEORC has worked with **stakeholders** to develop **refinements** to the **Cost Attachment**. The **addition** of **“Martin”** **will be added** to the funding source **drop down**. **Until** the **Cost Attachment** is **revised**, the **narrative box** on the **Provider worksheets** should be used to **indicate “Martin”** funded slots.

### COG~bytes

This is a reoccurring section in every edition to communicate information quickly and simply.

- ✓ FYI – MEORC **mails** the ODMRDD **PAWS Confirmations** to **individuals** and **providers**
- ✓ **Roll-up codes** for Day Array services **combine daily** and **15-minute units**; and **miles** and **trips**
- ✓ **Service Unit** Column on the ODMRDD **PAWS Confirmations** currently **read QTRH** for day services
- ✓ **Service Unit** Column headers on the ODMRDD **PAWS Confirmations** currently **read MILES** for non-medical transportation