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**To:** Individuals with disabilities, families, waiver service providers, waiver case managers, and interested stakeholders

**From:** Kylee Hope, Director, Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services  
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**Re:** Waiver Redesign virtual meetings and listening sessions canceled

**Date:** March 26, 2020

Due to the activities and circumstances that have evolved due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services and the Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services find it necessary to temporarily pause our waiver redesign efforts. While it is difficult at this time to determine the extent of the effects of COVID-19 to the individuals and families in our services, we hope this will only be a brief disruption to the timeline and our collective efforts. During this time the Human Services Research Institute will continue with their work related to the redesign. This will allow BDDS to quickly transition our focus back to the important work of designing and creating waivers that assist individuals and families in living their vision of a good life.

Consequently, the following virtual meetings and listening sessions have been cancelled:

Provider Feedback Sessions

- March 30, 2020, 1 to 3 p.m. EDT
- April 6, 2020, 1 to 3 p.m. EDT
- April 13, 2020, 1 to 3 p.m. EDT

Building Bridges

- April 2, 2020, 6 to 8 p.m. EDT

Additional virtual session

- April 9, 2020, from 6 to 7 p.m. EDT
- April 15, 2020, from 2 to 3 pm EDT

However, we are extending the comment period and feedback on the initial concept paper will remain open during this pause and can be submitted via the [electronic survey](#) or by emailing [DDRSwaivernoticecomment@fssa.IN.gov](mailto:DDRSwaivernoticecomment@fssa.IN.gov). Please continue to share your ideas and feedback with us during the extended comment period.

On or around May 1, 2020, we will announce new listening sessions along with further details of how the redesign activities will resume. We appreciate your understanding and partnership during this time.

