

**WSC ADVISORY #2024-011**  
**MOBILE RESPONSE TEAM DUAL-DIAGNOSIS PILOT TRAINING PROGRAM**

**ACTION REQUIRED**

**EFFECTIVE DATE: OCTOBER 1, 2024**

The Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) is striving to meet the dynamic needs of individuals who have a co-occurring mental health diagnosis with a developmental disability. After conducting preliminary data analyses on prevalence of need, APD requested, and was awarded, funding from the Florida Legislature for Fiscal Year 2024-2025, for the following items:

- Embed Board-Certified Behavior Analysts® (BCBA®) and Registered Behavior Technicians® (RBT®) on existing Mobile Response Teams in Broward, Hillsborough, Leon, and Orange counties.
- Offer training for Direct Support Professionals, Waiver Support Coordinators, BCBAs®, and RBTs® in the specified counties.

APD is excited to announce and offer a series of training opportunities for Waiver Support Coordinators beginning Monday, October 7, 2024, through the National Center for START Services.

The training will include an “Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Mental Health (IDD-MH) Professional Development course for Care Coordinators and Case Managers” in **Broward, Hillsborough, Leon, and Orange counties** who serve individuals with dual diagnosis and who reside in an APD licensed Intensive Behavior or Behavior Focus Residential Habilitation settings.

Waiver Support Coordinators who complete this training will be eligible for in-service credits and will learn strategies to further support children and adults with developmental disabilities who have a co-occurrence of a mental health diagnosis.

For Waiver Support Coordinators in Broward, Hillsborough, Leon, and Orange counties serving this population please register [here](#) for the “IDD-MH Care Coordinator and Case Manager” courses.

These weekly virtual training courses will be held online and must be completed in full to receive the certificate of completion. If unable to attend a session, a recording will only be available for reference up to two weeks following the conclusion of the course. Participants must complete all modules no later than close of business December 2, 2024, to receive certification of completion.

Fall Session: Once weekly classes each Monday from October 7, 2024 – November 18, 2024. (November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 will be skipped in observation of Veteran’s Day).

- Classes are scheduled from 2:30-4:15 p.m. EST.
- Use code **FLAPD55CCC24F** to waive registration fees.
- [START IDD-MH Care Coordinator 2024 Fall | UNH Learn for Life](#)

Please see the attached flyer for more details.

**In-Service Credits:** 10.5 hours of in-service credits will be awarded upon both registration and successful completion of the course. To earn in-service credits, participants must provide a copy of the certificate of course completion to [Dual.Diagnosis@apdcares.org](mailto:Dual.Diagnosis@apdcares.org).

If you have questions regarding this advisory, please contact [Dual.Diagnosis@apdcares.org](mailto:Dual.Diagnosis@apdcares.org).