



Fee-For-Service Oversight Board Hearings Talking Points

- New Jersey recently changed how it reimburses day habilitation programs.
- This change has resulted in a drop in funding and has placed significant financial strains on many day programs, Easterseals New Jersey included.
- The New Jersey DDD Fee-for-Service Transition Oversight Board will be holding a series of three hearings:
 - **Southern Region: Dec. 2, 2019, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm,**
The Arc of Atlantic County
6550 Delilah Road, Suite 101, Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234
 - **Northern Region: Dec. 4, 2019, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm**
Jewish Federation of Greater Metro West NJ
901 Route 10, Whippany, NJ 07981
 - **Central Region, Dec. 7, 2019, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm**
Department of Human Services
5 Commerce Way, Hamilton, NJ 08691
- We want families to attend these meetings in person to share their stories.
- They can testify via email or written letter if they are unable to attend in person, but in person is strongly preferred.
- We need the oversight board to recommend increasing reimbursement rates for higher functioning program participants.
- Rates for the highest functioning participants is only \$48 per day.
- The rate structure is broken, higher functioning adults will be left behind.
- The tiers (A through E) are not a useful or accurate measure of ability.
- Easterseals New Jersey will provide transportation and a gift card to a local restaurant as a thank you for taking the time to participate.