



## Important News

### From Acumen to You

#### Training Grant Information

The Montana Developmental Disabilities Program is offering training grants to DDP enrolled or contracted Qualified Service Providers. Grants are intended to improve specific staff skills needed to better serve individuals receiving their services. Grants will be limited to, one (1) Five Thousand Dollar (\$5,000) grant per agency. Funds from these grants are to be used solely for the cost of fees related directly to instruction. Please visit [Training \(mt.gov\)](https://training.mt.gov) for additional information. Please note the flyer says applications must be submitted to DDP by 08/31/2023, however, applications are still being accepted as there are still funds available.

#### College of Direct Supports Training

DDP has developed 5 training modules to support you in self-directing your services. The modules will be available in the College of Direct Supports Portal and include audio recording function to listen along. You can access the training here [Login \(elsevierperformancemanager.com\)](https://login.elsevierperformancemanager.com) or contact your DDP Regional Office to ask about accessing the trainings. The training modules are voluntary, but DDP strongly encouraging you accessing this free resource. A copy of the Power Point Presentation provided by DDP is attached.

#### Electronic Visit Verification (EVV)

EVV is still on the horizon. Anyone using Respite services will no longer be able to submit paper time sheets once EVV is active. If you are going to continue to use respite services, you will have to be able to download DCI and be able to clock in and out for each shift. I encourage you to visit the Montana EVV page here [Electronic Visit Verification \(mt.gov\)](https://electronicvisitverification.mt.gov).

#### Other Updates

The Montana Acumen website has some small updates. The website can be found at [Montana | Acumen Fiscal Agent](https://montana.acumenfiscalagent.com). Fillable enrollment packets will be available soon.

Amy's last day with Acumen will be February 29<sup>th</sup>. Once her replacement is hired, Acumen will ensure you have that information. If you need any assistance in the meantime, please contact your Montana Enrollment Agent.

If at any time you need any assistance or have questions, please contact your Montana Enrollment Agent at 480-295-3345 or by email at [enrollment-MT@acumen2.net](mailto:enrollment-MT@acumen2.net)

Thank you! We appreciate you!  
Amy and Jackie