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## 2023 Family Reimbursement Program

Wildwood Programs has been granted funds through OPWDD to support families purchasing supports/services via our Family Reimbursement Grant Program. Any request must clearly contribute to the health and wellbeing of the individual, **and** must be related to the care of the individual with a disability. Applicants must be OPWDD eligible. Only families living in the following counties are eligible for our program: Albany, Fulton, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Warren, and Washington. Individuals living independently, or living in residential settings are not eligible for this program.

Family Reimbursement is considered a funding of "last resort" and other options must be explored first. The funding for this program is limited, and first come first serve. We cannot guarantee that requests will be approved. Should you find that your need is ongoing, please work with your Care Manager to find a more permanent solution.

All applications must be filled in completely: failure to do so will result in a lack of consideration by the committee. If you are requesting funds for a particular item, a written estimate/invoice must be included. Applications must include the following:

- 1) Notice of Decision or other OPWDD Eligibility Document approved by DDRO
- 2) Clinical justification if required (see FAQs or ADM for examples)
- 3) If enrolled in Care Management services: A published Life Plan with Wildwood Family Reimbursement listed in Section V
- 4) If enrolled in Self-Direction: A copy of the current approved Self Direction budget with funds allocated to Wildwood Programs FSS under Contracted Services.

Please reference our Website for Frequently Asked Questions as OPWDD recently updated this program's policies and procedures.

All awarded funds must be spent between 1/1/2023 and 12/31/2023. Receipts must be received by 1/5/2024 at 4pm. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 518- 640-3315 or email me at [HGiorgianni@wildwoodprograms.org](mailto:HGiorgianni@wildwoodprograms.org).

Best Wishes,

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