



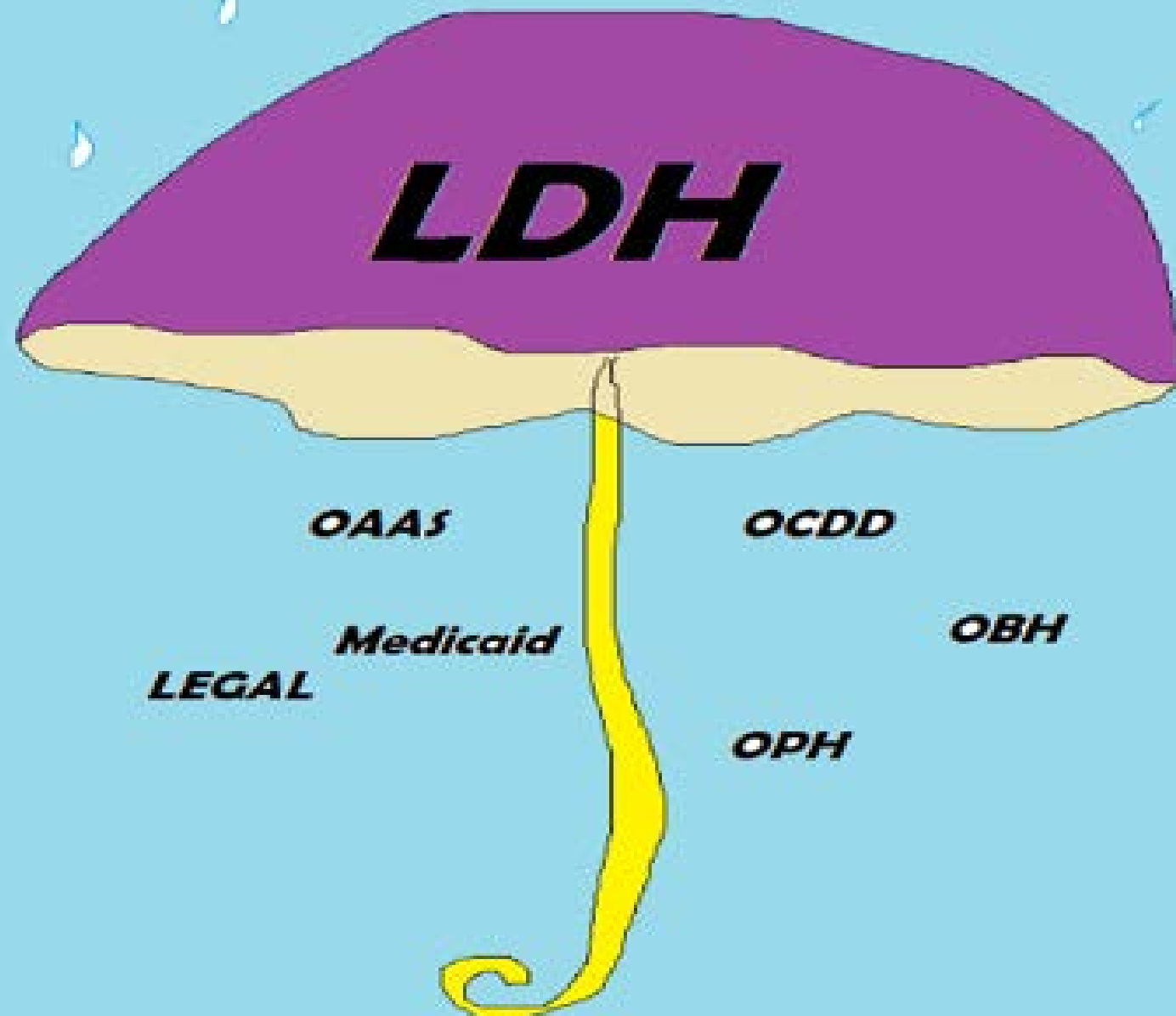
The Developmental Disability Service  
System

Navigating the Road

# The purpose of this training

Is to inform the Community Professionals about the Developmental Disability (DD) service system by

- ▶ Providing a list of all DD services
- ▶ Explaining who is eligible for DD services
- ▶ Explaining how to access DD services





# Services Provided by OCDD and the 10 Local Governing Entities (LGE) / Human Services Districts/Authorities

## Early Steps

- ▶ For infants and toddlers birth to three years old
- ▶ With a medical condition likely to result in a developmental disability or who have a developmental disability
- ▶ Provides fifteen services including OT, PT, Service Coordination
- ▶ Web site link:  
<http://ldh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/139/n/139>
- ▶ Access services by contacting Early Steps System Point of Entry (SPOE) in recipients region. Link to SPOE:  
<http://ldh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/directory/detail/609>

## System Entry

- ▶ For ages 2.6 and up
- ▶ Face to face appointment to determine if applicant meets definition of having a developmental disability (will be defined later in presentation)
- ▶ If person meets criteria they receive a Statement of Approval (SOA)
- ▶ Link to list of Districts and Authorities to apply for initial System Entry:  
<http://ldh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/directory/category/145>

# Who is eligible for OCDD services?

## What is a Developmental Disability?

- ▶ A severe, chronic disability of a person that
  - Is attributable to an intellectual or physical impairment
  - Is manifested before age 22
  - Is likely to continue indefinitely
  - Results in substantial limitations in three or more areas of major life activity
  - Is not attributed solely to mental illness

## What happens after System Entry?

- ▶ When a person receives a Statement of Approval (SOA)
  - Their needs are assessed
  - Their name is added to the Request for Services Registry (RFSR) for a Medicaid Waiver
  - They receive a Screening for Urgency of Need
  - They may apply for any state funded service

# Services Provided by OCDD, continued

## State Funded Services

- ▶ Flexible Family Fund
- ▶ Individual and Family Support
- ▶ Resource Center
- ▶ Placement assistance
- ▶ Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID)
- ▶ Link to Districts and Authorities to access State Funded Services:  
<http://ldh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/directory/category/145>

## Medicaid Waiver Services

- ▶ **New Opportunities Waiver (NOW)**
  - Contact for NOW – Kim Kennedy (225) 342-4464
- ▶ **Children’s Choice Waiver (CCW)**
  - Contact for CCW – Anita Lewis (225) 342-9251
- ▶ **Residential Options Waiver (ROW)**
  - Contact for ROW – Jeannathan Anderson (225) 342-5647
- ▶ **Supports Waiver (SW)**
  - Contact for SW – Rosemary Morales (225) 342-8901





# Links to OCDD Information

## OCDD Web Site Links

- ▶ Home page:  
<http://dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/subhome/11>
- ▶ OCDD Services and Programs:  
<http://dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/136>
- ▶ OCDD Waiver Services:  
<http://dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/142>
- ▶ Districts and Authorities (LGEs)  
<http://dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/directory/category/145>

## OCDD Web Site Links

- ▶ Early Steps  
<http://dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/139>
- ▶ Resources (Publications, Manuals, Reports, Forms)  
<http://dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/138>
- ▶ Freedom of Choice Provider Listing  
<http://dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/141>



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