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## **Remote Monitoring Services**

Beginning November 1, 2020, the Division of Developmental Disabilities will return to <u>remote monitoring services</u> statewide. Missouri continues to experience high levels of community transmission of COVID-19 throughout the state. In addition, colder weather occurring during the winter months can make outdoor, socially distant monitoring visits difficult. *Please note, in-person visits will still be required for emergency situations or well checks due to noted concerns or requests from family/guardians.* 

Agencies may elect to continue conducting in-person activities, if they feel comfortable doing so. Any in-person activities must meet the following requirements:

- Wear appropriate protective face coverings
- · Maintain at least six feet of social distance
- Conduct in-person activities in an outdoor setting (at a minimum the monitoring staff must be outside)

DMH will continue to monitor the rates of COVID-19 transmission in Missouri but anticipates remaining in remote status for the foreseeable future. Should community transmission of COVID-19 decrease dramatically, we will re-evaluate. Updates regarding status will be posted monthly.

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