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In the LOOP

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Missouri's Open Door (MOD) Workshop Series

The Missouri Open Door (MOD) Workshop Series is a FREE monthly webinar series available to anyone who is interested in learning more about using assistive technology to help meet the support needs of individuals and their caregivers. The virtual workshops focus on sharing information and resources that provide participants with immediate-use solutions and ideas.

Live virtual workshops are held every fourth Wednesday of the month and focus on different topics such as using assistive technology for employment, emergency planning, bathroom adaptations, social and recreational activities, and more. Participants must register in advance to join a live webinar session. In addition, the webinars are also recorded and made available for review later through the [MO](#)

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[Open Door Workshop's YouTube channel.](#)

For additional information about the MOD webinars or to receive e-mail notifications, contact [Angelina Alpert](#) at UMKC.



Missouri's Assistive Technology Project

Power Up 2023 Conference and Expo

Registration is open for the Missouri Assistive Technology Project's Power Up 2023 Conference, which will be held April 3-4, 2023, at the Holiday Inn Executive Center in Columbia, MO. Participant [scholarships](#) are available and due by February 20, 2023.

Participants will have opportunities to hear information related to using assistive technology for employment purposes, using communication boards/devices in various environments, using remote supports, increasing independence in daily life, and much more. Exhibitors will be available to provide demonstrations or talk about various products available.

Registration information, a conference agenda, a list of presenters and exhibitors,

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and more are available through the Power Up [conference event guide](#).



Making the Connection

March 8, 2023

Columbia, MO

The Missouri Chapter of the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (MOAAIDD) is hosting a one-day workshop focused on better communication and advocacy efforts for all. This one-day event offers various sessions that will provide opportunities to hear perspectives and tips from advocates on making community connections, increasing self-determination skills, being understood by others, making adjustments to support people across the lifespan, and creating scrapbooks for planning and sharing.

MOAAIDD has a limited number of scholarships available for self-advocates and family members.

[Registration and workshop flyer](#)

Developmental Disability Awareness Month

In 1987, President Ronald Reagan signed a proclamation designating the month of March as National Developmental Disability (DD) Awareness Month. DD Awareness Month provides an opportunity to spotlight the strides people living with intellectual and developmental disabilities have made over the years. Watch for email blasts and Facebook posts as the Division celebrates DD Awareness Month.

A continued Division priority is to provide timely updates to all stakeholders on the ConneXion Case Management System Implementation Project. ConneXion has a dedicated [webpage](#) with project information and updates. Project implementation is currently 88% complete. Contract amendment requirements were completed in January 2023. The Division and FEI Systems are in final stages of system and end-to-end testing of ConneXion. User Acceptance Testing will begin in February 2023, and end-user training preparation is under way.

PROJECT STATUS TABLE:

Project Phase Name	Actual % Work Complete	Health Indicator
Phase 1: Start-Up/Planning Phase	100%	Green
Phase 2: Design & Build/Configuration Phase	99%	Green
Phase 3: Testing	60%	Green
Phase 4: Deployment/Implementation	58%	Green
Phase 5: Stabilization/Certification Phase	38%	Green
Phase 6: Close-Out Phase	0%	Green

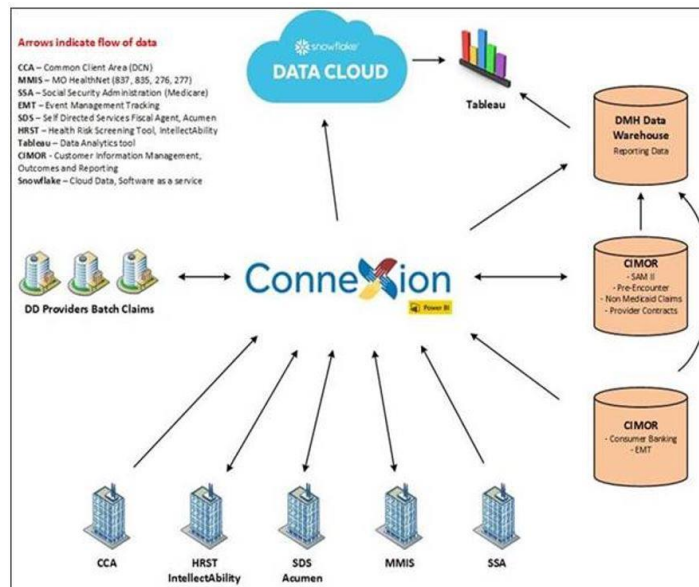
CONNEXION GO-LIVE DATE

The project schedule has been revised to include the last set of contract amendments. To accommodate these amendments, the Go-live date has been moved to **July 17, 2023**.



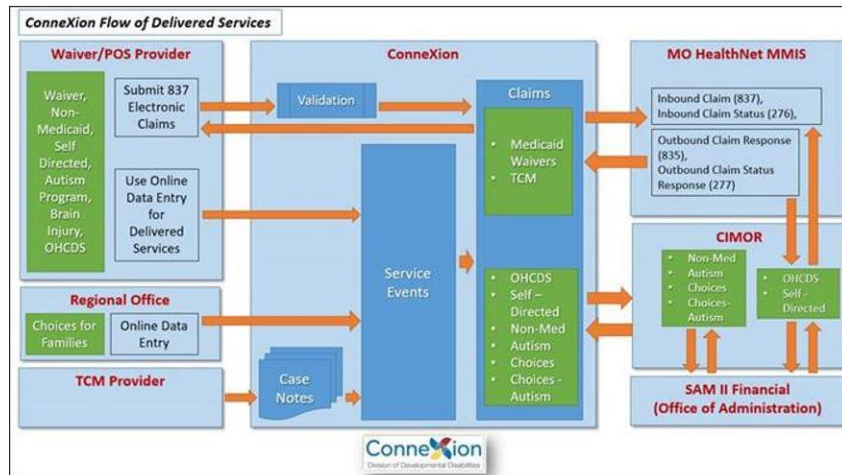
CONNEXION DATA DIAGRAM

The Division has worked with FEI Systems to implement 10 interfaces with ConneXion to send and receive information and transfer data between CIMOR and ConneXion. This data transfer will populate the new system.



CONNEXION EDI COMPANION GUIDE

ConneXion will replace CIMOR **ALL** DD Waiver and Purchase of Service (POS) Billing. ConneXion will support electronic submission of claims and online data entry. Providers who currently bill electronically to CIMOR will need to make adjustments to be able to submit claims to ConneXion. The [ConneXion Companion Guide](#) for submitting electronic claims to the ConneXion system and the [ConneXion Claim Error Codes List](#) provide additional information about these changes. These documents should be reviewed by the provider billing system vendor. The diagram below outlines how the system will run through ConneXion at Go-live. Targeted Case Management providers will be required to document billable case notes in ConneXion. Contact Toi Wilde at Toi.Wilde@dmh.mo.gov or Dean Hubbell at dean.hubbell@feisystems.com with any questions or concerns.



CONNEXION WALKTHROUGH DEMONSTRATIONS

ConneXion walkthrough demonstration modules are located in the MODD Content Self-Registration portal. The final walkthrough demonstration held on February 8, 2023, we will be added soon.

- ConneXion Walkthrough Demonstration October 2022
- ConneXion Walkthrough Demonstration April 2022
- ConneXion Walkthrough Demonstration January 2022
- ConneXion Walkthrough Demonstration October 2021

A [recorded webinar](#) is available, Using the Missouri Developmental Disabilities—MODD Content Self-Registration Portal, that provides step-by-step instructions for using the portal. Information includes direction for registration, navigation, and obtaining certificates and transcripts. Additional resources can be found on the [Division's education page](#) under Relias Self-Registration Portals.

CONNEXION TRAINING UPDATE

The training plan and strategy have been completed. Training materials are in development. **End-user training will be required for all end-users of the ConneXion system, beginning in May 2023 and going through mid-July 2023.** ConneXion end-user training is system-based, focused on what users need to know day one and includes navigation and systematic workflows. In-person training will be held in Kansas City, Jefferson City, and St. Louis.

