FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**Warren County Board of Developmental Disabilities COVID-19/Coronavirus Update**

The WCBDD continues to monitor the fast-moving situation with the novel coronavirus, and we are following guidance from local health officials and the state of Ohio to reduce risks.

At the Warren County Board of Developmental Disabilities, we serve many people who are especially vulnerable to a virus like COVID-19, so we have a responsibility to do everything we can to make sure we are not putting people at risk.

In an effort to minimize risk to our employees and the individuals we serve, we will be extending our work from home plan for employees.

1. Our previous plan was effective Monday, March 23, 2020 through Sunday, April 5, 2020. We are extending that plan through Sunday, May 3, 2020.
2. All of our WCBDD office buildings will remain closed through Sunday, May 3, 2020.
3. **OUR AGENCY IS NOT CLOSED.** WCBDD employees will continue to perform their daily work functions remotely. Our meetings and methods have changed, but this has not had an effect on the services we provide to people with developmental disabilities in Warren County.
4. During our regular business hours of Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, the phones will be answered just as they are now.
   - During business hours, you can contact us at 513-228-6400.
   - In case of emergency after hours, you can contact 1-800-800-6847.
5. We will continue to monitor this situation closely, adhering to recommendations from public health officials, and we will update our stakeholders as needed.
6. We remain committed to being there for the people we serve.
7. If you have any specific questions, feel free to contact your Service Coordinator, Early Childhood Primary Service Provider, or Transition Coordinator or call (513) 228-6400. In cases of emergencies, please call 1-800-800-6847.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. Please be safe.