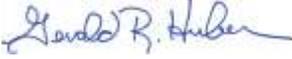




**-MEMORANDUM-**

**To:** Provider Associations  
Voluntary Provider Agency Executive Directors  
Medicaid Service Coordination Vendors  
Developmental Disabilities State Operations Office Directors  
Developmental Disabilities Regional Office Directors

**From:** Gerald Huber,   
Deputy Commissioner, Division of Person Centered Supports

**Date:** October 15, 2014

**Re:** Medicaid Service Coordination (MSC) Transition Payments for Individuals Moving from Institutional Settings

In recognition of the additional workload associated with helping people transition from institutions to more independent settings, MSC Vendors are eligible to receive a one-time higher level of payment for the provision of MSC to people in transition. The transition payment is triple the regular MSC monthly payment. According to the MSC Vendor Manual, the vendor may bill the transition payment level for one month upon meeting one of the following requirements for transition payments as follows:

- The individual with developmental disabilities is new to service coordination, that is, the person has never received any type of service coordination/case management service through OPWDD's system, i.e., MSC, CMCM, PCSS, HCBS Waiver, state paid service coordination, Care at Home, etc.
- The person moves from an OPWDD certified supervised or supportive IRA or supervised or supportive Community Residence to his or her own home or apartment and is responsible for his or her own expenses.

Consistent with OPWDD's transformation agenda and commitment to supporting the people we serve in the most independent and integrated setting, the following modification has been made to this policy:

Those individuals who have received prior OPWDD service coordination may still be considered *new to service coordination* if he or she is transitioning from an Intermediate Care Facility (ICF), Developmental Center, Residential School or Nursing Home as of October 1, 2014 and if he or she has resided in such a setting for at least two consecutive years. When such conditions are met, the MSC Vendor may access the transition payment.

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