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Dear OPTS General DD Service Provider,

This is to communicate a change in requirement to the Frequency, Duration and Effective Date service block of the "Other Services or 100% OPWDD Funded Supports and Services" on the ISP for General DD Service contracts provided through Options for People Through Services (OPTS). With the restructuring of Medicaid Service Coordination (MSC) that became effective October 1, 2010, the Individualized Service Plan (ISP) was streamlined to eliminate the requirement for certain details in service blocks for non-HCBS Waiver services. Previously Frequency, Duration and Effective Date were required to be listed in the service block for "Other Services or 100% OPWDD Funded Supports and Services" in section 2 of the ISP. The streamlined ISP no longer requires the Frequency, Duration and Effective Date be listed for "Other Services or 100% OPWDD Funded Supports and Services" in Section 2.

If the Appendix B of your OPTS contract states that the "Frequency, Duration and Effective Date" be listed in the "Other Services or 100% OPWDD Funded Supports and Services" section, these components may continue to be under a subheading titled "Additional Information" in the "Other Services or 100% OPWDD Funded Supports and Services" section of the October 1, 2010 version of the ISP, if the Service Coordinator chooses to include this detail. Continued compliance with using the full General DD Service name under "Type of Service" is **still required** (e.g., OPTS General DD Hourly Services with parenthetical if applicable, etc.).

It is your responsibility to insure the Service Coordinator is informed of the DDSO approved effective date for service start so it can include this information under the "Additional Information" subheading if the Service Coordinator chooses to include it.

If you have any questions about this change, please contact Karla Smith of Central Operations at (518) 402-4333.

Sincerely,

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