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The MSC E-Visory is an electronic advisory intended to provide timely information to Medicaid Service Coordination Supervisors and their staff.

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[Qualified Mental Retardation Professional \(QMRP\) authorized to sign annual LCED forms](#)

Separately attached to this MSC E-Visory is a copy of the Memorandum about the ICF/MR Level of Care Eligibility Determination Form sent on December 2, 2009 to DDSO Directors, Executive Directors of Voluntary Providers of MSC, and Executive Directors of HCBS Waiver Providers. This memorandum outlines OMRDDs understanding of the New York State Office of the Medicaid Inspector General's (OMIG) intention to include in their Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver and Medicaid Service Coordination (MSC) audit protocols a review of the ICF/MR Level of Care Eligibility Determination (LCED) for individuals enrolled in the HCBS Waiver. It describes suggestions for MSC providers to take in order to ensure that audits conducted by the OMIG include access to the LCED forms.

Also separately attached is a copy of [Administrative Memorandum #2009-05](#) effective on December 14, 2009 regarding the ICF/MR Level of Care Eligibility Determination Form and Qualified Mental Retardation Professional (QMRP) authorized to sign annual LCED forms. The purpose of this memorandum is to notify providers of an optional change in the requirements related to the review and signatures on the ICF/MR Level of Care Eligibility Determination (LCED) annual redetermination forms for HCBS Waiver participants.

This optional change, made possible as a result of OMRDD's recent HCBS waiver renewal, reflects that a Qualified Mental Retardation Professional (QMRP) who is familiar with the HCBS waiver participant's functional level may review and sign the annual LCED redetermination form in place of a physician (or physician's assistant or nurse practitioner if so authorized by a physician) for all individuals enrolled in the HCBS waiver except residents of Supervised and Supportive Community Residences. The definition of a QMRP is included.

Refer to the attached materials for further information.

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