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From: OPWDD Regulatory Affairs Unit

Date: October 20, 2015

Re: Final Regulations – Person-Centered Planning

Effective Date: November 1, 2015

Suggested distribution:

Agency Administrators and Managers
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Purpose:

Effective November 1, 2015, OPWDD is adopting regulations that implement federal requirements in 42 CFR 441.301(c) requiring a person-centered planning process and a person-centered service plan for individuals receiving Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver services. The regulations are applicable to OPWDD funded HCBS Waiver services and OPWDD funded service coordination. The regulations identify the elements that must be included in both the person-centered planning process and the plan.

There are no changes in the final regulations in comparison with the proposed regulations.

The full text, a summary and an assessment of public comment on the regulations can be accessed on the OPWDD website at www.opwdd.ny.gov. Look under “Regulations & Guidance.”

For questions regarding specific application of these regulations, please contact Anne Swartwout at anne.swartwout@opwdd.ny.gov or Shelly Okure at shelly.okure@opwdd.ny.gov. Anne and Shelly can also be reached by telephone at 518-474-2789.

Thank you.