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TO   Participant Directed Programs Policy Collaborative

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DATE   February 21, 2013

SUBJECT   Initial Recommendation Response – Addressing and Preventing Crisis Situations

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) is in receipt of the formal recommendation submitted by the Participant Directed Programs Policy Collaborative (PDPPC) to revise and clarify the process to address and prevent crisis situations experienced by clients receiving Consumer Directed Attendant Support Services (CDASS).

Initial Response: The Department conditionally agrees with the six recommendations submitted by the PDPPC. Some of the recommendations might take more time to address and implement. The Department will keep the PDPPC up to date on progress toward implementation.

Projected Implementation Dates: The tasks identified in the following table are not intended to be a complete list of all tasks necessary to implement the recommendation, if approved.

Tasks	Projected Completion Date
Training on process to adjust allocations	May 1, 2013
HCPF to review internal PAR approval process	March 15, 2013
Review and amend, if necessary, the CDASS Utilization Review & Allocation Management Protocol	March 15, 2013
Review the start dates for CDASS	Initial work - April 15, 2013
Develop more efficient PAR submission process	Initial work – April 15, 2013
Revisit process for addressing crisis/emergent situations after the PAR process and CDASS start dates have been evaluated	Undetermined; however, this task does not require completion prior to expanding the availability of CDASS.

The Department appreciates the support of the PDPPC in making CDASS a viable service delivery option. Please contact me at Candie.Dalton@state.co.us or 303.866.2755 if you have any questions.

Thank you.