



OPERATIONAL MEMO

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Purpose and Audience:

The purposes of this operational memo are:

- To inform providers about a process that will ensure that Medicaid members who are evaluated for nursing facility admission and continued stay through the Pre-admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) process are provided the opportunity to make an informed choice about where and how they receive care, and
- To ensure that Medicaid members residing in nursing facilities who indicate a desire to receive care in a less restricted setting, and/or are assessed as able to

receive care in a less restrictive setting, are referred to transition coordination services.

The target audience for this memo includes PASRR administrators and Level II evaluators, Transition Coordination Agencies (TCAs), Nursing Facility administrators and social workers.

Information:

PASRR is a federal requirement to help ensure that individuals are not inappropriately placed in nursing homes for long-term care and that if nursing facility placement is necessary, specialized services are provided. The PASRR process requires that all applicants to Medicaid-certified nursing facilities be given a preliminary assessment to determine whether they might have a serious mental illness (SMI) or intellectual or developmental disability (IDD). This process is called a "Level I screen." Those individuals who screen positive at Level I are then evaluated in-depth, via a "Level II" PASRR Evaluation. The outcomes of this evaluation result in a determination of need, determination of appropriate setting, and a set of recommendations for specialized services to inform the individual's plan of care.

Information from the PASRR Level II evaluation pertaining to necessary behavioral health and/or IDD-specialized services is compiled by the PASRR State Mental Health Authority at the Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) or the Access Section in the Office of Community Living (OCL).

Individuals who indicated a desire to receive care in a less restricted setting than a nursing facility (NF), and/or have been assessed as able to receive care in a less restrictive setting in the specialized services of the Level II PASRR Evaluation, will be referred on a rotating basis to Targeted Case Management – Transition Coordination (TCM-TC) Services by the Transitions Administrator in OCL. The established transition process will be conducted for all PASRR Level II TCM-TC Service referrals. Progress of the transition process for PASRR Level II TCM-TC Service referrals will be reported on monthly TCA caseload reports. Outcome of the transition process for these individuals will be compiled monthly by the Transitions Administrator in OCL.

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