



Home and Community Based Settings (HCBS) Rules

Provider Training
February 2020



Housekeeping

- Everyone will be muted until the end of the presentation.
- After the presentation, please use the “raise your hand” feature or type a question through the Q&A chat box during the presentation
- Feel free to “like” 👍 questions if they are similar to your question rather than create a new one. This will help us prioritize the most common questions needing an answer.

Agenda

- HCBS Overview
- Introduction to the HCBS Provider Self-Assessment
 - Quality Monitoring
 - Heightened Scrutiny
- Self-Assessment Tool Review
- Summary
- Upcoming Training
- Differential Adjusted Payment
- More Information

Intent of the HCBS Rules

- Purpose

- Enhance the quality of HCBS
- Provide protections to participants
- Assure full access to benefits of community living
 - Receive services in the most integrated setting
 - Receive services to the same degree of access as individuals not receiving HCBS

- Culture Shift

- The Rules are rights afforded to members; they don't have to be "earned"
- Services, supports and restrictions are individualized

Impacted Settings

- Residential Settings
 - Assisted Living Facilities (Home, Center, Adult Foster Care)
 - DDD Group Homes
 - DDD Adult & Child Developmental Homes
- Non-Residential Settings
 - Adult Day Health
 - DDD Day Treatment and Training Programs
 - DDD Center - Based Employment Programs – *transition to a pre-vocational service*
 - DDD Group - Supported Employment Programs

All settings must be compliant or come into compliance by March 2022

Branding



- New standard of care
- Focus on member's choice
- Supporting members to live their life like anyone else

Arizona's Opportunity

- New standard set of basic rights afforded to all members
- Reinforce priority of serving members in the least restrictive setting
- Formalize new priority to ensure members are actively engaged and participating in their communities

Introduction to the HCBS Provider Self-Assessment

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EQUALITY THROUGH CHOICE



Quality Monitoring Tool Suite

- Setting Self-Assessment
- Member/Member Representative Interviews
- Member File Reviews
- Observations
- Community Interviews

Quality Monitoring Process

- Will be part of the current annual monitoring process by Health Plans
- Health Plans are prioritizing providers who may need more technical assistance
- Provider will complete the self-assessment prior to the Health Plans onsite visit

Settings that are Presumed to have Qualities of an Institution

- Any setting that is located in a building that is also a publicly or privately operated facility that provides inpatient institutional treatment
- Any setting that is located in a building on the grounds of, or immediately adjacent to, a public institution
- Any other setting that has the effect of isolating individuals receiving Medicaid HCBS from the broader community of individuals not receiving Medicaid HCBS.

Why Heightened Scrutiny?

- Preserve settings that are initially presumed to have institutional qualities and presumed not compliant with the HCBS Rules.
- If the state asserts the setting complies with the HCBS Rules, including working on a remediation plan to come into compliance...
 - CMS must make a determination whether or not the evidence supports the setting is or can become compliant during the transition period.

Self-Assessment Tool Review

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Summary

- Part of the new annual assessment process
- Not a pass/fail assessment
- Provider will complete the HCBS Self-Assessment prior to Health Plans onsite visit

Upcoming Training

- Session 3 – Peer to Peer Setting Specific workshops
 - DD Residential
 - EPD Assisted Living
 - DD and EPD Day Programs
 - DD Employment Programs
- Beginning in March & April

Differential Adjusted Payments

- RFI closed 12/27/2019
- Current considerations
 - Participate in training, and
 - Complete self-assessment pre-screening survey
- Public Notice 02/28/2020
- Qualifying Providers Identified 05/01/2020
- Increased rate percentage applied 10/01/20-09/30/21

More Information

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