

OPERATIONAL MEMO

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Purpose and Audience:

The purpose of this Operational Memo is to inform Single Entry Point (SEP) and Community Centered Board (CCB) case management agencies of the upcoming transition process for participants currently receiving the Consumer Directed Attendant Support Services (CDASS) delivery option through the 1915(i) State Plan Benefit to receiving CDASS through a Home and Community Based Services waiver program.

Background:

The 1915(i) Consumer Directed Attendant Support Services benefit was established to provide a self-directed service delivery option for Health First Colorado members who had previously participated in a CDASS pilot program and were unable to receive a self-directed service delivery option through their selected waiver program, Home and Community Based Services-Supported Living Services (HCBS-SLS) waiver. The Department has implemented CDASS into the HCBS-SLS waiver effective August 15, 2018 which will allow participants to access self-directed services through their selected waiver.

Information/Procedure:

The Department is preparing transition instructions to assist Single Entry Point (SEP) and Community Centered Board (CCB) case managers in completing the transition for

participants receiving CDASS through 1915(i) to receiving services through their waiver. The transition documents outline specific SEP and CCB case manager responsibilities.

The Department will provide the transition instructions to SEP and CCB case managers in September 2018. This provides the participant, participant selected support system, and case managers with the time needed to complete the participant transition by December 31, 2018. The Department and CDASS contracted training vendor, Consumer Direct Colorado (CDCO), will assist case managers throughout the transition.

Other Options:

The Department would like SEP case managers to remind participants and their support system of the option to select the waiver program that best supports the participant's needs. CDASS is available in five Health First Colorado waiver programs. SEP case managers should discuss eligibility and service options available in the following waivers: Elderly, Blind and Disabled, Community Mental Health Supports, Brain Injury and Spinal Cord Injury. If the participant would like to change to another waiver, the eligibility process must begin to ensure services are in place by the transition deadline.

Attachments:

None

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