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From: Rita Chamberlin on behalf of the MnCHOICES Team

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Re: MnCHOICES Reassessment Rollout Schedule Revisions – Legacy Tool & Work Group

1. Revised timeline for Counties and Tribes to discontinue the use of legacy assessment tools.
   • Current implementation date is September 1, 2016
   • Revised implementation date is January 1, 2017.
   • Beginning January 1, 2017 all LTSS assessments and reassessments are to be conducted in MnCHOICES only; counties and tribes no longer use legacy tools for LTSS assessments and reassessments thereafter.
   • DHS is establishing a process to assist agencies who have significant barriers in meeting this target. The outcome of this process will be that the Lead Agency will create a work plan to address barriers. Lead Agencies will be informed of this process through a separate memo by September 15th.

2. Establish a new Reassessment Workgroup to develop enhanced guidance documents that address workflow, role clarifications, and standardized expectations of work between lead agencies, and the certified assessors and case managers. Work is scheduled to begin in October.

3. As reported in a previous memo, there will be a delay in the implementation of the Minn. Stat. 256B.0911 requirement that County of Residence (COR) conduct reassessments for persons receiving Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) located in their county or tribe:
   • Current implementation date is September 1, 2016.
   • Revised implementation date is no sooner than January 1, 2018.
   • This affects recipients of Community Alternative Care, Community Access for Disability Inclusion, Brain Injury and Developmental Disabilities waivers, and Developmental Disabilities/Related Conditions case management. Assessments for Alternative Care, Elderly Waiver and Personal Care Assistance are already being assessed by the county of residence or service

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