Developmental Disabilities Waiver and Rule 185 Training Questions

1. Is a MnCHOICES assessment required for people receiving the Family Support Grant (FSG)?
   - A MnCHOICES assessment should be offered, but is not required to access or have continued eligibility for FSG.

2. How is Home Health Aide (HHA) services different from Personal Care Attendant (PCA) services? Can you get HHA through the waiver?
   - Home Health Aide services are physician ordered and accessed via an assessment completed by the Home Care agency. They can be authorized when a person is on a waiver by the case manager when ordered. The procedure is the same for Home Care Registered Nurse. It can be added by the waiver case manager with a physician’s order.

3. Do we have to document travel time separately in SSIS?
   - Travel time for assessments are captured within the time study process.
   - Travel time should be documented separately in SSIS. Travel time is a billable activity under the DD Waiver.

4. Who pays for the diagnostic assessment if the person does not have Medical Assistance or if their private health insurance will not pay for it?
   - The Lead Agency

5. How often does DHS check that the residential habilitative service is not being utilized?
   - This task is delegated to the lead agency to monitor that residential habilitation is provided.

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   - If the county/tribal nation has questions about what to include in the appeal summary or needs technical assistance, email DHS.CCAappeals@state.mn.us