

Family Care Provider eNews

Administrator's Update

Welcome to the inaugural Provider eNewsletter focused on information sharing between the DHS Division of Long Term Care and long term care providers. Many of you have provided important feedback to the Administrator's office about topics of interest to providers as well as requests for opportunities for involvement and engagement as statewide implementation of Family Care continues.

The eNewsletter is intended for broad distribution among providers and will link to the DLTC website for general Family Care information and enrollment updates. The Administrator's Office is currently summarizing topics from a variety of provider feedback discussions for response in future communication.

While not intended to substitute for face-to-face communication, the eNewsletter is an efficient method for communicating timely issues and providing summary responses to general topics of interest to providers.

I appreciate the feedback from the many discussions we have had to date and look forward to working collaboratively with you on Wisconsin long-term care reform.

Susan Crowley

Residential Rate-Setting Project Overview

Establish a uniform methodology for determining all-inclusive rates for services provided by community-based residential programs that reflect the reasonable costs of services in relation to the acuity of members served by those programs.

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Prevocational Services Technical Guidelines

At the end of December 2009, the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) approved a revised definition of pre-vocational services for the Family Care program, as part of the approval for the renewal of the Family Care Medicaid waiver. This revised definition was the result of discussions and meetings in the fall between the Department and external stakeholders.

The Department will host a meeting for stakeholders to provide comments on the

draft technical assistance document. The meeting will be held from 1:30-3:30 on Thursday, April 8 in Room 751 at the DHS building at 1 West Wilson Street. We welcome participation from all stakeholders in that meeting. Conference call access will be available as well. Stakeholders can also transmit comments in writing.

If you have questions or comments, contact [Fred Ellen Bove](#).

Questions or comments? E-mail us at [Provider eNews](#). We will monitor submitted questions and develop a Frequently Asked Question document.