

Seniors and People with Disabilities

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Topic: Developmental Disabilities

Subject: ReBAR Program - Process Changes to be Implemented

Applies to (check all that apply):

- All DHS employees
- Area Agencies on Aging
- Children, Adults and Families
- County DD Program Managers

- County Mental Health Directors
- Health Services
- Seniors and People with Disabilities
- Other (please specify): DD Regional Crisis Program Managers; DD50 Providers; DD54 Providers; County Relations Unit; DD Contract Administration Unit; ReBAR Program

Message:

Effective immediately the following changes will occur in the ReBAR Assessment and Rate Setting Process.

- 1) Following a ReBAR SIS assessment, individuals who are recommended for review by the Tier 7 Committee, will first be assigned to Tier 6 in the ReBAR Rate Matrix. These individuals will remain at Tier 6 until such time as the Tier 7 Committee makes the determination as to whether the Tier 6 support level is the most appropriate for the individual, or whether additional funds from Tier 7 should be awarded.

The current "Notification of Tier" sent by the ReBAR Program to CDDPs and Regional Crisis Programs (if applicable), will be modified for these individuals to indicate that their Tier is assigned at Tier 6 and their assessment has been referred for consideration at Tier 7. CDDPs are authorized to implement the Tier 6 rate immediately upon receipt of the Notification from ReBAR. Once the Tier 7 Committee has met and made their determination, correspondence will be sent to the CDDP and the Regional Program (if applicable) confirming the Tier 7 Committee decision.

- 2) A system to prioritize Mandated Caseload (MCL) assessments will be implemented in the ReBAR Assessment Unit. Scheduling and conducting MCL assessments will become the first priority of the Assessment Unit at least through December 31, 2010. This may delay the completion of the final round of DD50 Rate Conversion assessments beyond the target date of April 2010.

In order to execute this change, the Unit is canceling all DD50 Rate Conversion Assessments currently scheduled for the period October 18, 2010 through December 31, 2010, along with any Nursing Home Diversion, On the Move and Non-MCL assessments that were previously scheduled to occur during this period.

Assessment Specialists will be contacting CDDP Service Coordinators directly to confirm cancellations for the balance of October and work with the CDDP to replace those assessments with Priority 1 (P1) MCL assessments for the earliest possible dates.

Thank you for your cooperation, as the ReBAR Assessment Unit makes this rapid transition to prioritization of urgent MCL assessments.

If you have any questions about this information, contact:

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