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## MEMORANDUM FOR HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES STAFF AND STAKEHOLDERS

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FROM: Verena Cox, Bureau Chief

Bureau of Long Term Services and Supports

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Guidance – Residential Care Facilities/Assisted Living Facilities (RCF/ALF)

Dietary Task - Update

This memorandum is to advise RCF/ALFs of an update to the <u>COVID-19 Emergency Guidance</u> regarding the flexibility of three (3) additional Personal Care – Dietary units. As facilities begin to return to pre-COVID-19 routines, the additional Dietary units shall only be billed when congregate dining restrictions are implemented at the facility. Once the facility lifts dining restrictions and returns to congregate dining, the additional units shall not be billed. Extra sanitation efforts required for congregate dining are not subject to billing for extra Dietary units.

Additionally, as of May 1, 2021, billing for additional Dietary units shall not exceed the 60% cost cap. If the billing of the additional Dietary units causes a participant to exceed the 60% cost cap, the units shall not be billed for that particular participant.

Questions regarding this memorandum should be directed to the Bureau of Long Term Services and Supports (BLTSS) via e-mail at <a href="https://linear.nc.gov">LTSS@health.mo.gov</a>.

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