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

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SUBJECT: Home and Community Based Services Waivers - Adult Day Care Participants

The Division of Senior and Disability Services (DSDS) and Department of Mental Health (DMH), Division of Developmental Disabilities (Division of DD) are working in collaboration to identify the service needs of Adult Day Care (ADC) participants. At this time, DD waiver slots are full and continue to have a wait list. Due to budget constraints associated with COVID-19, it was recently announced that no new slots were added for this fiscal year. However, moving forward it is important to gain a clear understanding of the number of slots needed for DD waivers to better serve the needs of Missourians.

ADC providers are encouraged to continue referring all participants in need of a DD waiver to the waitlist, including those currently receiving ADC services through a DSDS waiver but would be more appropriately served by the Division of DD. Adding these individuals to the waitlist provides a more accurate representation of the number of slots needed.

Providers are also encouraged to notify DSDS, Bureau of Long Term Services and Supports (BLTSS) with a list of these participants. DSDS will examine these case records to gain a better understanding of the needs of those served. This information, along with an accurate and inclusive waitlist, will serve as an informational tool for legislators for future budgetary planning.

Questions or information related to this this memorandum should be sent BLTSS via e-mail at <u>LTSS@health.mo.gov</u>.

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