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MEMORANDUM FOR HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES (HCBS) STAFF AND STAKEHOLDERS

FROM: Jessica Bax, Director
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SUBJECT: Level of Care Transformation Update

This memorandum is to inform Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) staff and stakeholders of updates regarding Level of Care (LOC) Transformation.

We are excited to announce the proposed amendment to the Nursing Facility LOC regulation (19 CSR 30-81.030) has been filed. DSDS extends sincerest gratitude to the HCBS stakeholder community for the collaborative efforts throughout the development of this important amendment. The new determining criteria will ensure the most vulnerable members of our communities will have the ability to meet LOC.

The finalized version of the determining criteria (Version 2.3) can be found on the [LOC Transformation page](#).

In addition to the regulation amendment, all 1915(c) waivers operated by DSDS will be amended to reflect these changes. For more information regarding the ongoing comment period for the LOC 1915(c) waiver amendments, please refer to the [Department of Social Services public notice](#).

Questions or comments regarding this memorandum or LOC Transformation should be directed to the Bureau of HCBS Systems and Data Reporting via e-mail at: LOCTransformation@health.mo.gov.

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