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

FROM: Verena Cox, Bureau Chief Bureau of Long Term Services and Supports

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## SUBJECT: Updates to the Adverse Action and Appeals/Hearings Policies

≽ 5.00	Adverse Action	Updated to reflect format changes and removal of outdated protocols.
<ul><li>≻ 5.00</li><li>Appendix 4</li></ul>	Application for a State Hearing Instructions	Updated to reflect protocol changes to include the Hearings Unit.
≻ 6.00	Appeal and Hearing Process	<ul> <li>Updated to reflect protocol changes to:</li> <li>Three consecutive rather than separate attempts to contact the participant;</li> <li>Inclusion of the Hearings Unit Representative; and</li> <li>Replace Special Investigations Unit (SIU) language with Office of Special Investigations (OSI).</li> </ul>
<ul><li>6.00</li><li>Appendix 7</li></ul>	<u>Cover Letter For Hearing</u> <u>Request</u>	Updated to allow for more document entries.
<ul><li>6.00</li><li>Appendix 8</li></ul>	Agency Witness List Form	Updated to include entry of the DSDS Hearing Representative.

This revised policy has been posted in the <u>HCBS Policy Manual</u>.

Questions should be directed to the Bureau of Long Term Services and Supports (BLTSS) via email at LTSS@health.mo.gov.

## Unless otherwise noted, the policy revision is effective upon receipt.

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