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MEMORANDUM FOR HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES STAFF AND STAKEHOLDERS

FROM: Venice Wood, HCBS Section Administrator
Bureau of Long Term Services and Supports

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SUBJECT: General Health Evaluations (Semi-Annual) Authorized Nurse Visits

This memorandum is to remind Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) staff and stakeholders of the authorization process for semi-annual General Health Evaluation (GHE) authorized nurse visits.

GHEs, for purposes of the semi-annual nurse visits, shall be selected as a task for HCBS participants when no other nursing need is identified. The GHE shall be authorized during the 4th and 10th months following the (re)assessment. The authorization for the semi-annual GHE visits shall be authorized on separate lines for the specific month.

Providers are responsible for keeping track of these authorization periods and completing them in the months assigned at (re)assessment. If a GHE is missed, the provider shall complete the visit the following month, however the visit will not be reauthorized unless it was beyond the control of the provider (e.g. the participant was in the hospital).

Questions regarding this memorandum should be directed to the Bureau of Long Term Services and Supports (BLTSS) via e-mail at LTSS@health.mo.gov.

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