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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED CARE PROVIDERS

From: Jessica Bax, Bureau Chief
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Subject: Authorized Nurse Visits for the Semi-Annual Nurse General Health Evaluation

The Bureau of Program Integrity (BPI) has received requests for clarification from Home and Community Based Care Providers regarding semi-annual nurse visits for the purpose of a General Health Evaluation (GHE)

Pursuant to state statute, 192.2475, RSMo, the Division of Senior and Disability Services (DSDS) shall approve an Authorized Nurse Visit at least twice annually to recipients of agency option Personal Care services. The purpose of the semi-annual nurse General Health Evaluation (GHE), is to provide additional oversight to the Personal Care Aide and to evaluate the participant's person centered care plan (PCCP) to assure it is meeting the participant's needs.

Nurse visits for the sole purpose of a GHE shall not be authorized for recipients of Consumer Directed Services (CDS).

There are instances where recipients of CDS have an authorized nurse visit included in their PCCP. When there is at least a monthly Authorized Nurse Visit included in the PCCP for recipients of CDS, DSDS may also include a GHE in the PCCP. It is the expectation for the provider to follow the PCCP approved by DSDS.

Any questions regarding this memorandum should be directed to the Bureau of Program Integrity at programintegrity@health.mo.gov or 573/526-8557.

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