

June 2025

# HCBS MONTHLY PROVIDER BULLETIN

This bulletin provides updates on policies, guidelines, and initiatives related to Home and Community Based Services.

## This month's highlights:



Participant Choice Statement



Cost Cap Updates



Web Tool Ending



Reminders



## Participant Choice Statement

The Participant Choice Statement serves as a formal acknowledgement that the participant understands their rights and responsibilities within the HCBS program. By signing the form, the participant affirms that they:

- Have been truthful throughout the assessment process;
- Agree to the developed care plan; and
- Understand their rights and responsibilities of being an HCBS participant

To ensure participants are fully informed, best practice is to review Participant Choice Statement and Rights and Responsibilities with the participant at the beginning of the assessment to reiterate that, by proceeding they are agreeing to tell the truth and to uphold their responsibilities in the program. Once the assessment and care planning are complete, obtain the participant's signature confirming agreement with the care plan.

### Important Note:

As of June 27, 2025, The Participant Choice Statement **has been** added to the Fusion print packets. Please disregard all old versions of the form and utilize the copy in the print packets or the policy manual directly.

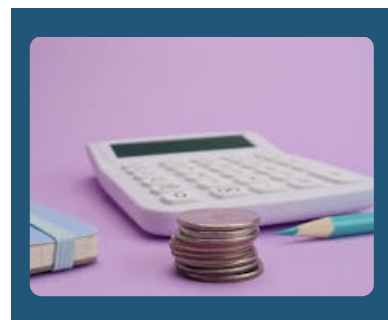
Old Participant Choice Statements will not be accepted after June 27th, and a remediation will be requested if used.



## Change to HCBS Cost Cap

### MO HealthNet Division

Effective July 2025, the average monthly nursing facility cost cap for Fiscal Year 2026, (July 1, 2025, - June 30, 2026), increased to \$5,262.08. Fusion and the policy manual will be updated to reflect these changes on July 1st.



## Webtool Reminder

### SADR

- Access to the HCBS Web Tool portion of Cyber Access will end June 30, 2025, preventing all access to a participant's HCBS case record. This includes the assessment, care plan, case notes, and documents. Documents will be migrated to Fusion. Cyber Access will still be available to view participant medications, diagnoses, and utilization information.
- As a reminder please visit the [Fusion](#) page to reference recorded trainings and the [Fusion Defect and Support Document](#).



## Understanding Fusion Unit calculations

- Be sure to utilize the 'Notes' tab on the Participant Case screen for all case documentation. Notes entered in the Assessment case note box located on the Assessment page cannot be viewed by PRR.
- Ensure all attempts to contact a participant are in the case record. If not entered, PRR will reach out and request these attempts be added to the documentation.
- Please remember to re-submit reviews when completing a remediation.
- Selecting the 'Submit for Review' action indicates **all** provider case actions have been completed and it is now ready for review by the PRR team.
- If a provider agency is not populating as an option in Fusion, verify the county the participant resides and update if needed. If the issue persists, please email the PRR team the participant's name and DCN for further review and resolution.

## MEMOS

### HCBS:

[HCBS 06-25-01 HCBS Assessment Attestation Form and Participant Choice Statement Form](#)

### INFO:

[INFO 06-25-01](#) Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Claims Validation

[INFO 06-25-02](#) HCBS Fusion June 2025 Update & HCBS Web Tool Reminder-

[INFO 06-25-03](#) CDS Operational Survey Value Based Incentive Payment

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