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Subject: Referral Screening Verification Process Implementation Announcement

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is implementing the Referral Screening Verification Process (RSVP) for individuals being considered for admission to an Adult Care Home (ACH) effective November 1, 2018.

RSVP will replace Pre-Admission Screening Resident Review (PASRR) for ACHs, providing a more streamlined and effective process to screen Transition to Community Living Initiative (TCLI) target populations.

Regardless of diagnosis, ALL Medicaid-eligible individuals being considered for admission to ACHs, with the exception of group homes, will require the referral screening verification to be completed. The ACH PASRR will no longer exist for ACH admissions after the RSVP implementation date of November 1, 2018.

Currently, for Personal Care Services (PCS) expedited processing eligibility, beneficiaries admitted to an ACH (excluding 5600 facilities), MUST have an ACH PASRR number. After RSVP is implemented, the beneficiary will be required to have a referral screening verification number instead of an ACH PASRR number.

Additional information about stakeholder training and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) will be communicated soon.

If you have questions, please contact Stacey Lee, TCLI Diversion Lead at stacey.lee@dhhs.nc.gov or 919-715-2056.

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