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MEMO

To: AAA Case Management Supervisors, HHA Case Management Supervisors, Home Health Homemaker Providers, Adult Day providers

From: Megan Tierney-Ward, Aging & Disabilities Program Manager

Date: August 23, 2013

Re: Moderate Needs Program Guidance – Transitions from Choices for Care High/Highest

This memo is to provide Moderate Needs program guidance to all case managers and moderate needs homemaker and adult day program coordinators regarding transitions from Choices for Care (CFC) High/Highest services to Moderate Needs services.

CFC participants transitioning off of High/Highest services may apply to Moderate Needs services if they choose. In regions that have a Moderate Needs wait list, the Moderate Needs homemaker or adult day provider shall use the participant's original application date to the CFC High/Highest program for the purpose of placing them chronologically on the Moderate Needs wait list. Additionally, participants transitioning off of CFC High/Highest directly to Moderate Needs services are considered to have Medicaid coverage for the purpose of priority status.

For individuals transitioning under these circumstances, the case manager or program coordinator shall write the CFC High/Highest application date at the top of the Moderate Needs application. Case managers or program coordinators can locate the High/Highest application date in SAMS or contact their local Long-Term Care Clinical Coordinator.

Please refer to the program manual for more detailed information on Moderate Needs Program policies and procedures at http://www.ddas.vermont.gov/ddas-policies/policies-cfc/policies-cfc-moderate/policies-cfc-mod-manual. Program coordinator Mary Collins can be reached at 871-3043 or mary.collins@state.vt.us.

Thank you.