

July 15, 2014

Dear Stakeholder:

The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) is redesigning the Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Waiver application due to the new Federal Home and Community-Based Services Regulations. This represents an opportunity to update the waiver application to better address the needs and preferences of the TBI population.

MDCH has scheduled a series of meetings for stakeholders, including persons who have had a TBI, family members, caregivers, advocates and providers. The intent of the meetings is to solicit input and opinions regarding the elements of the TBI Waiver. This is an opportunity for anyone interested in the TBI waiver program to help establish its direction.

The initial stakeholders meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 30, 2014, from 10:00 am – 12:00 noon. It will be held in the Capitol Commons Center basement, Conference Rooms E and F located at 400 S. Pine Street., Lansing, Michigan. The agenda for the first meeting includes:

- An overview of the application process
- A discussion of the stakeholder input process
- A look at the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services changes to Home and Community Based Services Regulations
- A look at the Conflict-Free Level of Care Determination Process
- A presentation of some potential issues that have been identified by MDCH Staff

Additionally, we will take time during this meeting to set the discussion topics for subsequent stakeholder meetings. Future TBI Waiver stakeholder meetings are set as follows:

- Thursday, August 28, 2014 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm Capitol Commons Center, Conf. Rms. E and F
- Monday, September 29, 2014 9:30 am – 11:30 am Capitol Commons Center, Conf. Rms. E and F
- Monday, November 3, 2014 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Capitol Commons Center, Conf. Rms. E and F
- Monday, December 8, 2014 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Capitol Commons Center, Conf. Rms. E and F
- Thursday, January 8, 2015 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Capitol Commons Center, Conf. Rms. E and F

MDCH has prepared a website so that you can track the stakeholder process through minutes, handouts and other material. The website is located at http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,4612,7-132-2943_4853-114948--_00.html. The Capitol Commons Center is wheelchair accessible.

Sincerely,



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