ELECTRONIC VISIT VERIFICATION (EVV) IN CONSUMER DIRECTED SERVICES

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The Department of Medical Assistance Services
Consumer Directed Services

- Empowers members to take direct responsibility to manage their services
- Members employ attendants to provide personal assistance, respite, and companion services
- DMAS and the MCOs contract with a vendor/fiscal employer agent (F/EA) to manage payroll activities on behalf of the employer
  - Consumer Direct Care Network – DMAS and Virginia Premier
  - Public Partnerships, LLC – Anthem HealthKeepers Plus, Aetna Better Health of Virginia, Optima Health, United Healthcare
  - Aces$ Financial Management Services- Magellan Complete Care
Electronic Visit Verification

- Technology-based system that electronically captures details of service delivery
- Uses a landline or smart device to capture service details
- Required by the 21st Century CURES Act
  - Designed to improve the quality of care provided to individuals through further research, enhance quality control, and strengthen mental health parity.
- EVV required for any Medicaid-funded personal care service provided on or after January 1, 2020
  - Virginia General Assembly required implementation by October 1, 2019
  - Transition period (October 1 – December 31st)

Section 12006 of the Federal CURES Act: Section 1903 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396b subsection (l))
EVV Minimum Requirements

EVV system must verify:

- Type of service(s) performed;
- The individual receiving the service(s);
- Individual providing the service;
- Date of service;
- Time the service begins and ends; and
- Location of service delivery (beginning and ending).

EVV systems must:

- Be “minimally burdensome” to providers and consumers
- Not restrict in any way the manner in which services are delivered
Mobile Apps

- Consumer Direct Care Network
- Aces$ Financial Management Services
- Public Partnerships, LLC
Interactive Voice Response System

- Landline phone required
- Attendants follow prompts to clock-in and clock-out each shift
- Documents member’s address as the service location
Manual Time-Entry

- There will be times when an attendant does not clock-in/clock-in appropriately
  - Forgets to clock-in/clock-out
  - Phone not working/Didn’t have phone
  - App was not working
  - Member had an emergency

- Time can be manually entered and reason selected

- Manual entries will be monitored by DMAS and MCOs; continued non-compliance may lead to disenrollment from CD services
EVV Preparation

- Letter mailed on 5/28 to all EORs and attendants introducing EVV.
- DMAS hosted a series of calls designed for EORs and attendants to learn more about EVV.
- In-person regional town hall meetings with MCOs and F/EAs held during the summer
- Email blasts from F/EAs, webinars, training videos
- Efforts continue into implementation
- EVV email inquiries
Transition period

- Provides additional time for Members and their attendants to get acclimated to the system
- October 1 – December 31
- F/EAs will process shifts that are not compliant with EVV
- On-going education/training for Members and attendants
- DMAS monitoring compliance rate; encouraging action
- No more paper timesheets will be accepted after transition period ends
Questions, Comments, & Answers

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- For more information, please visit the link below: http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/longtermprograms. Click on ‘Electronic Visit Verification’ in the top banner.