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**Subject:** Clarification for the Guidance

Hello,

Friday we sent out a guidance regarding a 1135 waiver that we have asked CMS to waive the PASRR for 30 days during this COVID 19 crisis.

Here is what that means for you as nursing facilities and nursing facilities for mental health:

We have asked the AAA to continue to do the level I through Zoom or by phone. So that you can still get a hold of them and together you can work out the details of obtaining the level I and the signatures anytime for the next 30 days. You do not have to wait for the April 24, 2020 deadline to request a level I.

KDADS is closed for the next 2 weeks. One of the 4 CARE Staff will come in daily, and we are working the KDADS CARE inbox and ONLY the 3164s, which is how your facilities are paid by medicaid. We are not processing anything else. We are only working with Medicaid so that your facilities will still receive payments for the next two weeks.

The guidance is allowing you to accept any person that your facility feels that they can provide care for and you do not have to have a PASRR on file to accept them. You may take them without it and then at your leisure request the level I from the AAA.

This means you do not have to complete special admissions at this time. You will not have to complete them until April 24, 2020. Anyone that enters between March 20, 2020 and April 24, 2020 **does not have to have** a special admission on file. You will still be paid by Medicaid and you will NOT be penalized by survey and certification when they come to do survey's.

The guidance also means that you **do not have to have a** level II on file before you accept someone into your facility between the dates of March 20 to April 24, 2020. If you have a resident review that is due, please go ahead and complete the check list and send it in to KDADS CARE. We will hold it and send it out for the level II review on April 24, 2020. You will not be penalized for it being late, and you will not be dinged by survey and certification. If you accept someone that is going to be a level II, the AAA will send in to us the Level I that triggered for the level II and we will hold it and send it out on April 24, 2020. You will not be dinged by survey and certification for the level II being late, and you will still be paid by medicaid even though it will be late. If it is found that they do not need NF or NFMH level of care, we will issue the discharge notice, but will give your facilities plenty of time to find them a safe discharge. We

know this is all new, but we will work through it. Just make sure you can provide the care physically and mentally that the level II person needs before accepting them into your facilities.

If you have other questions PLEASE let us know. You can email the KDADS CARE inbox and I will respond to any questions as I am in and out of the office over the next two weeks.

Thank you!!

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