WSC ADVISORY #2022-027 HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SETTINGS RULE: STATEWIDE TRANSITION PLAN

ACTION ENCOURAGED - COMMENT PERIOD ENDS DECEMBER 28, 2022

EFFECTIVE DATE: INFORMATIONAL

This advisory is to inform Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) Waiver Support Coordinators (WSCs) that the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) has begun a 30-day public comment period to solicit meaningful public input for consideration in the development of the Statewide Transition Plan in compliance with the Home and Community-Based Settings Rule (CMS 2249-F). The comment period is from November 29 through December 28, 2022.

The Statewide Transition Plan is designed to ensure individuals receiving home and community-based waiver services are integrated in, and have access to, supports in the community, including opportunities to seek employment, work in competitive integrated settings, engage in community life, control personal resources, and maintain the rights of privacy, dignity, respect, and freedom. The Statewide Transition Plan describes how the state will assess, determine compliance, remediate, and monitor home and community-based settings to ensure continued compliance.

The draft Statewide Transition Plan can be viewed on AHCA's website at: https://ahca.myflorida.com/medicaid/hcbs_waivers/Statewide_Transition.shtml. Comments can be submitted to AHCA by email at: FLMedicaidWaivers@ahca.myflorida.com or by mail at: Agency for Health Care Administration, Bureau of Medicaid Policy, 2727 Mahan Drive, MS 20, Tallahassee, Florida 32308.

APD encourages WSCs to share this information with all interested clients.