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Re: Re-assessments of the Community Health Assessment (CHA) during the COVID-19 emergency

Effective immediately, and until further notice, to ensure Medicaid recipients can continue to receive personal care services ordered and authorized in their current plan of care, the Department of Health is suspending all required re-assessments of the Community Health Assessment (CHA) for all individuals receiving personal care services and consumer directed personal assistance services through Medicaid managed care or fee-for-service Medicaid. In addition, the six-month in-person care management home visit requirement is also suspended. CHA assessments and in-person care management home visits not conducted under this suspension should be documented in the care plan. Additional guidance concerning requests for new or additional services will be forthcoming.