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To: Private Duty Nursing (PDN) Ordering and Servicing Providers

Re: NYS COVID-19 State Disaster Emergency, Executive Order No. 202

Date: July 15, 2021

Effective June 25, 2021 the disaster emergency declared by the Governor in Executive Order 202 expired. The New York State Department of Health Private Duty Nursing Prior Approval Unit is actively working toward full reinstatement of all non-emergency policies.

Policy Guidance for PDN Services

Effective September 01, 2021 the private duty nursing policy guidance issued on March 28, 2020, located at the link below, will be rescinded or modified.

https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/NursingServices/PDFS/Medicaid_Changes_to_Private_Duty_Nursing_PDN_Policy_3-30-2020.pdf

PDN Services Over 16 hours (Policy Manual 16.2 E)

Effective September 01, 2021, nursing services provided by an individual nurse may not exceed sixteen (16) hours in a 24-hour period as indicated in the PDN Policy Manual, Section 16.2 E.

Documentation Requirements for PDN Prior Approval Renewals (Policy Manual 6.1)

Prior approval PDN renewals with a submit date of September 01, 2021 and after must be submitted with the documentation required every 12 months as outlined in the PDN Policy Manual, Section 6.1. Telehealth physical assessments will continue to be accepted.

Addition of Non-School Day Hours (PDN Policy Manual Section 9.4)

Effective September 01, 2021, the addition of non-school day hours to an existing prior approval number must have a current Department approval for non-school day hours and be submitted via a change request as outlined in the PDN Policy Manual, Section 9.4.

PDN Policy Manual

The PDN Policy Manual may be found at the following link:

https://www.emedny.org/ProviderManuals/NursingServices/PDFS/Private_Duty_Nursing_Policy.pdf

Questions

If you have questions regarding this guidance, please call 1-800-342-3005 or email OHIPMEDPA@health.ny.gov