

## **Nursing Home Transition Diversion**

NHTD Quality Assurance Reviews and Vehicle Modification Policy Clarification



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Dear Nursing Home Transition and Diversion (NHTD) Provider:

The NHTD waiver management team within the DOH OHIP-DLTC, Bureau of Home and Community Based Waivers is alerting waiver providers to two important waiver issues:

 Quality Assurance Reviews: Please be advised that NYSDOH NHTD waiver staff will be conducting quality assurance activities during the upcoming months. Annual desk reviews will be completed by NYSDOH for select NHTD waiver services that were provided to and billed for participants within the specific waiver years, as set forth in the waiver application approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

Waiver staff will be comparing services approved in the participants' service plans against claims billed by the provider for the target dates. If discrepancies are discovered, your agency will be notified by NYSDOH NHTD waiver staff. The notice will also specify the date by which your agency must remedy the discrepancy and/or submit a plan of correction/compliance.

2. Vehicle Modification Policy Clarification: DOH is provides the following policy clarification regarding reimbursement for vehicle modifications. Claims for vehicle modifications submitted by approved environmental modification (eMod) providers include the cost of the vehicle modification, a project management fee equal to ten percent (10%) of the final cost of the vehicle modification, and the cost of the pre and post evaluation0.

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The cost of the pre and post evaluation is considered separate from the vehicle modification and project management fee. Vehicle modifications may not exceed a total of \$20,000 for the term of the participant's enrollment in the NHTD waiver program; this amount is the sum of the vehicle modification, the project management fee, and the pre and post evaluation.

For answers to questions related to either quality assurance audit activities or vehicle modifications, inquiries may be sent to <a href="mailto:nhtdwaiver@health.ny.gov">nhtdwaiver@health.ny.gov</a> or you may call 518-474-5271.

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