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NOTICE

Title or Subject: Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 22-0001 Community First Choice.

Effective Date: March 1, 2022.

Description: The health care authority (HCA) in conjunction with the aging and long-term support administration (ALTSA) in the department of social and health services (DSHS) intend to submit medicaid SPA 22-0001 in order to reflect the following changes to the community first choice program:

- Increase the payment limit for community first choice community transition services from \$850.00 to a maximum of \$2,500.00 per discharge for items and services.
- Remove the DVD option for providing caregiver management training.

SPA 22-0001 will have no effect on provider payments. The SPA reflects the higher costs of setting up an independent living apartment from an institutional care setting. This community transition service includes items and services involved in setting up a client to live independently in the community, including first month's rent and security deposit.

SPA 21-0001 is in the development process; therefore, a copy is not yet available for review. HCA and DSHS would appreciate any input or concerns regarding this SPA. To request a copy when it becomes available or submit comments, please contact the person named below [no information supplied by agency] (please note that all comments are subject to public review and disclosure, as are the names of those who comment).