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Health Risk Screening Tool (HSRT) Transition Plan

This notification provides Residential and Targeted Case Management (TCM) providers with initial information regarding a Division level HRST Transition Plan which will allow the Division and stakeholder's additional time to develop a HRST process that can be achieved successfully.

Background

The Division of Developmental Disabilities' (Division) priority is to ensure the HRST is implemented in a way that is both meaningful for individuals receiving services and reflective of realities that residential and TCM providers have been facing in addressing registered nurse (RN) staffing capacity as well as other workforce shortages. In collaboration with our partners, the Division has identified certain obstacles that may hinder the completion of the HRST. The Division understands that these factors and the HRST requirements implemented by the Division have impeded progress in many areas and impacted the ability for residential and TCM providers to successfully implement HRST.

Guidance

The HRST Transition Plan will allow additional time for residential and TCM providers to implement HRST.

- The Division will be taking necessary steps to eliminate redundant tasks, create efficiencies to streamline processes, address workforce shortage barriers where possible, and work through other implementation concerns.
- Upon the collaborative development of an updated process, the HRST requirement will be implemented according to the new guidelines.
- The Division will provide updates to residential and TCM providers with further guidance for the HRST Transition Plan.

- The HRST Transition Plan is tentatively scheduled to be completed by September 30th, 2024. An update will be provided by August 31st should this timeline need to be extended.
- The Division will continue to provide support for providers who choose to continue their implementation of HRST during the Transition Plan period. Please see the HRST Office Hours and the HRST website for additional information.