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Health Risk Screening Tool (HRST) Transition Plan

This notification provides Residential and Targeted Case Management (TCM) providers with information regarding a division level HRST Transition Plan, which will allow the Division and stakeholders 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 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 factors that may hinder the completion of the HRST. The Division understands that these factors and the HRST requirements have impeded progress in areas and impacted the ability for residential and TCM providers to complete the HRST.

Guidance

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

- The Division has held collaborative sessions with community stakeholders to identify elements that will enhance the HRST process for more effective completion.
- The Division will take necessary steps to eliminate redundant tasks, create efficiencies to streamline processes, address workforce shortage barriers where possible, and work through other implementation concerns.
- 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 June 30, 2025. An update will be provided by May 31, 2025, should this timeline need to be extended.
- The Division will continue to provide support for providers during the Transition Plan period. See the HRST Office Hours and the HRST website for additional information.