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Community First Choice Option (CFCO)

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Implementation Timeline

- Based on stakeholder input and timing of other initiatives, the Department has recently decided to amend the carve-in transition of CFCO services
- **Effective April 1, 2018**, Plans will be responsible for identifying enrollees eligible for these CFCO services and reporting this information to the State's enrollment broker to facilitate identification on the individual's enrollment file, in accordance with Department guidance:
 - Durable Medical Equipment (DME)
 - Medical/Surgical Supplies
 - Non-Emergent Medical Transportation
 - Home Health Care Aide
 - Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Services
 - Personal Emergency Response Systems (PERS)
 - Personal Care

Implementation Timeline

- **Effective July 1, 2018**, the following CFCO service will be included in the Benefit Package and be available to CFCO eligible enrollees:
 - Activities of Daily Living (ADL) and Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL) skill acquisition, maintenance, and enhancement
- **Effective January 1, 2019**, the following CFCO services will be included in the Benefit Package and be available to CFCO eligible enrollees:
 - Assistive Technology (beyond scope of Durable Medical Equipment)
 - Community Transitional Services
 - Moving Assistance
 - Home-Delivered/Congregate Meals
 - Environmental Modifications
 - Vehicle Modifications
 - Social Transportation

Systems Work

- 2/5/18 Email was sent from the Department to plans regarding the process to add a unique identifier for consumers receiving services under CFCO
 - Identification of CFCO-eligible members
 1. Must be eligible for Medicaid
 2. Determined to be Nursing Home Level of Care, based on a Uniform Assessment System assessment
 3. Must live in their own residence or the residence of a family member
 - RRE code placement
 - Identify new enrollees with RRE codes

Systems Work

- 2/6/18 Email was sent from Maximus to plans regarding the RRE code placement
 - Systems testing
 - Maximus' responsibilities
 - Plan responsibilities

Personal Care Service

- The personal care benefit, as defined in the Community First Choice Option (CFCO) Final Rule and CFCO State Plan Amendment, is directly comparable to the personal care benefit defined as personal care services in 18 NYCRR Part 505.14 and in the State Plan. The federal rule, 42 CFR Subpart K, indicates that personal care services includes assistance provided to an individual to accomplish an Activity of Daily Living (ADL), Instrumental Activity of Daily Living (IADL), or health related task.
- Different levels of assistance may be provided in connection with performing an ADL/IADL/task. The provision of a specific level of assistance must be based on the assessed needs of the recipient. Levels of assistance include supervision of the individual while performing the ADL/IADL/task; cueing/cognitive prompting/providing instructions while the individual is performing the ADL/IADL/task; or performing part or all of the ADL/IADL/task for the individual.
- Personal care services provided under state regulations/State Plan include the same levels of assistance as under CFCO. Personal care services under CFCO or the State Plan does not include safety monitoring as an independent or “stand-alone” service in the absence of providing assistance with an ADL/IADL/task.

Next Steps

- Steering Committee priorities
- Department guidance
- Preparation for 7/1/18

Final Thoughts and Questions