

HCBS Final Rule Stakeholder Call

6/16/2021

Noon call (77 Participants)

- 1) **Question/Comment:** I am an owner and have remediated all sites possible. I have one location that is flagged for heightened scrutiny and I am not receiving responses on the website. How am I supposed to meet a July 1st deadline?

KDADS: That July 1st deadline is only for Heightened Scrutiny Category 3 to remediate without going through the Heightened Scrutiny process.

- 2) **Question/Comment:** What questions tie to Category 3?

KDADS: Questions C3, C6, and C7 A and B

- 3) **Question/Comment:** The original assessment that I did, I marked a few answers incorrectly and when I resubmitted with the correct answers it is still being rejected. How do I find out if my answer is correct, what kind of documentation are they looking for?

KDADS: We are looking for evidence like a policy or procedure that would state all members have autonomy and choice no matter the service is provided. CMS has agreed to our wording on that.

- 4) **Question/Comment:** I have a question that has been in review for 3 weeks but everything else has been reviewed. When will I know if something is wrong there?

KDADS: If you would mind sending me a question on that via email I will take a look at that. My email is Russell.Bowles@ks.gov

- 5) **Question/Comment:** Our evidence for C4 was rejected. I think I am on the right track but want to be sure I am correct. We provided a picture, but what you are looking for is a policy that states they have access to the outside community?

KDADS: That's correct.

- 6) We have been trying to remediate for certain policies related to integration and autonomy. What do I need to fix?

KDADS: Those policies you have for your location will be helpful there.

- 7) **Question/Comment:** We are a CPA and we are very limited in our ability to be able to place child care needs into a personal care plan. The questions related to PCSPs are very difficult. Many times we don't even know the child is on a waiver.

KDADS: We have identified that issue and have brought it to DCF. We are looking into ways to make that more accessible. If you have a policy that says you will advocate to

get that I think we can work with that. We do have a conversation scheduled to discuss those shortcomings.

- 8) Question/Comment:** The only way to set up that provider support specialist is to receive a call from KDADS and indicate that you are interested in that?

KDADS: Yes, we will be reaching out. All the providers have been assigned a support specialist. It will be in a couple of weeks that we will have that ready. Starting Monday we will begin making those calls out. If you haven't received a call by July 1 contact Russell or LaTonia.

Evening call (10 participants)

- 1) Question/Comment:** Our setting does not provide day services. I am working on providing that evidence and we are redoing that policy, but it is a bit tricky how we will prove that we do not provide day services in a residential setting.

KDADS: Please go ahead and send me an email my email address is Russell.Bowles@ks.gov and I will help you with the wording on that. That sounds like it is in reference to question 7 either part a or part b. We are looking for a policy for that one and the wording would need to indicate that the persons served would have autonomy and choice at those sites even if day services and residential were to be offered at the same location.

- 2) Question/Comment:** So are we going to have somebody who is a provider support who is going to help us? And this wasn't something from the get go to do this?

KDADS: We have been working on putting this into place for a while now so it is in place now. You should be receiving a phone call and once you receive a phone call you will be able to set that up. We are going to start calling everybody and every provider will have a support specialist who will call them. They are starting the process of calling providers and each call will take a different amount of time and we don't not know when everybody will be called. This will begin June 21st.