Learn About Transitioning People from Mental Health Facilities to Nursing Homes During Oct. 22 Webinar

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On Thursday, October 22, 2015, the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) will be conducting the first webinar in the Best Practices for Transition of Care from State Mental Health Facilities to Nursing Facilities webinar series. The first webinar in this series, Transition of Care Basics is free to attend. The webinar series focuses on moving individuals from mental health facilities to nursing homes.

The webinar series details are as follows:

First Webinar — Transition of Care Basics

Date — Thursday, October 22, 2015

Time — 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Intended Audience — Nursing Facilities (NFs), Local Intellectual and Developmental Disability Authority (LIDDAs), Local Mental Health Authorities (LMHAs), and State Mental Health Facilities (SMHFs)

Location — Your computer

Special Guest Speaker — David A. Smith MD, CMD from the Geriatric Consultants of Central Texas, P.A. Dr. Smith is a practicing geriatrician in Brownwood, Texas, and medical director for three long-term care facilities. Dr. Smith also serves on the board of directors for the Central Texas MHMR. He has authored numerous journal articles and book chapters on psychotropic medications and the practice of behavioral medicine in long-term care.

Click here to register now. Each webinar will include time for participant questions and answers.

Other webinars in the series include:

- Best Practices for Transitioning an Individual with a Mental Illness and/or Intellectual or Developmental Disability (Nov. 19, 2015)
- PASRR and Transition of Care (Dec. 17, 2015)
- Barriers to Successful Transition of Care and Ways to Overcome these Barriers (Jan. 21, 2016)

Links for future webinars will be sent out prior to each webinar. For more information, contact valerie.krueger@dshs.state.tx.us.