PASRR Evaluation Certification Changes Coming to the Long Term Care Online Portal September 30, 2017

Effective September 30, 2017, The Long Term Care (LTC) Online Portal will be updated to allow Nursing Facilities (NFs) to certify their ability to serve an individual on subsequent positive Preadmission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) Evaluation (PE) submissions. This includes certifying on a negative PASRR Level 1 (PL1) Screening if the PE indicates positive PASRR eligibility. Prior to this update, NFs were only able to certify their ability to serve an individual on positive PL1s when the initial PE was submitted with positive PASRR eligibility.

Two new alerts have been created to notify NFs when an initial or subsequent PE submission requires the NF to certify their ability to serve an individual on a PL1.

The first alert, 'PL1 needs Certification – First Notification’ is sent when a positive PE is submitted.

"A positive PASRR Evaluation has been submitted. The Nursing Facility must review the PE, including PASRR recommended Specialized Services, and certify on the PL1 Screening form whether "Able to Serve the Individual" or "Unable to Serve the Individual" by clicking the corresponding button on the yellow "Form Actions” tool bar and confirming the selection on the pop up screen by clicking “OK.” The Nursing Facility also needs to schedule and conduct the IDT meeting.”

If the provider does not certify within seven calendar days, they will receive a second alert - 'PL1 needs Certification - Second Notification.’

"This is the second notice that a positive PASRR Evaluation has been submitted. The Nursing Facility must review the PE, including PASRR recommended Specialized Services, and certify on the PL1 Screening form whether "Able to Serve the Individual" or "Unable to Serve the Individual" by clicking the corresponding button on the yellow “Form Actions” tool bar and confirming the selection on the pop up screen by clicking "OK.” The Nursing Facility also needs to schedule and conduct the IDT meeting.”

Note: The original alert “PL1 needs certification,” which was triggered upon Minimum Data Set Long Term Care Medicaid Information (MDS LTCMI) submission, has been removed.

NFs will receive certification alerts whenever a positive PE is submitted meeting the following requirements:

- The PL1 is still active and this is the initial PE submission
- The PL1 is still active, and it was not certified based on a previous PE submission
- The PL1 is still active, it was certified based on a previous PE submission, and the new PE contains different specialized services than the previous PE.
- If the PE is submitted for dual PASRR eligibility, then both the IDD and MI sections must be completed with at least one of them indicating positive PASRR eligibility

For more information, call the Long Term Care Help Desk at 1-800-626-4117, Option 1.