

interChange Provider Important Message

To: Home and Community Based Waiver Providers

URGENT: CHANGE IN VALUE BASED PAYMENT REQUIREMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN RACIAL EQUITY TRAINING

DSS Home and Community Based Waiver Providers may receive a 1 % rate increase on certain prior period claims by participating in the Department of Social Services' VBP initiative. Payments will be based on paid claims from March 1, 2022 - June 30, 2022. Payments will be made in July.

For providers who are already participating, please follow guidance below:

To receive the second VBP, HCBS Providers must **sign the Use Case** and **participate in the Trauma Informed Care Racial Equity Lens** training as described below:

1. **Signing the Use Case:** Sign the Use Case with Connecticut's Health Information Exchange (HIE)([Connie](#)) by no later than June 1, 2022. If your organization has not yet received the Use Case via DocuSign, contact heidi.wilson@connict.org.
2. **NEW Trauma Informed Care Racial Equity Lens training:** Supervisors and Managers must complete the Cultural Humility training and **25% of non-management staff** must complete Health Literacy and Self-Management training by no later than *June 15, 2022*.

Additional information is located at this link:

<https://portal.ct.gov/DSS/Common-Elements/Home-and-Community-Based-Services/Value-Based-Payments>

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