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TO: Private ICF-IID Providers

RE: CMAP COVID-19 Response – Bulletin 19: Emergency ICF-IID Leave Day Changes

As an interim measure in response to the Governor's recent declaration of a public health emergency as the result of the outbreak of COVID-19 (coronavirus), the Department of Social Services (DSS) is temporarily waiving the ICF-IID inpatient leave days for hospitalization and home leave effective for dates of service from March 1, 2020 until the DSS has notified providers in writing that the state has deemed COVID-19 no longer to be a public health emergency or DSS otherwise determines in writing that some or all of these specific measures are no longer needed to help protect the public health "Temporary Effective Period").

ICF-IID Leave Day Changes:

During the Temporary Effective Period, DSS is waiving the limitation on hospitalization leave days and home leave days able to be billed as inpatient days at the ICF-IIDs. In addition, hospitalization leave days and home leave days that occur during the Temporary Effective Period will not count towards the limitations that apply before and after the Temporary Effective Period. By waiving these limitations during the public health emergency, the ICF-IID provider will retain these beds so that the individuals are able to return once the public health emergency has ended or if they choose to return sooner.

Billing and Documentation Guidelines:

As is currently the process in billing for ICF-IID services, the ICF-IID provider may continue to bill for services rendered for

individuals and should continue to bill as if the individual were still present in the facility.

For questions about billing or if further assistance is needed to access the fee schedules on the Connecticut Medical Assistance Program (CMAP) Web site, please contact the Provider Assistance Center, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 1-800-842-8440.

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