



ODP Announcement

Home and Community Based Services Provider Settings Self-Assessment Update 4

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The mission of the Office of Developmental Programs is to support Pennsylvanians with developmental disabilities to achieve greater independence, choice and opportunity in their lives.

AUDIENCE: Providers of Residential Services, Community Participation Support, and/or Day Habilitation Services in the Adult Community Autism Program (ACAP) and Consolidated, Community Living, Person/Family Directed Support (P/FDS) and Adult Autism Waivers

PURPOSE: The purpose of this announcement is to update providers about the Office of Developmental Programs' (ODP) progress regarding feedback on the Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Settings Provider Self-Assessments.

DISCUSSION: In the last communication about the HCBS Settings Provider Self-Assessment, ODP stated that all providers who completed a self-assessment would receive feedback by October 31, 2018. Due to the amount of analysis needed and the quantity of self-assessments received, ODP began to email providers this week. The email contains a report for each self-assessment completed per service location along with guidance on how to correct areas on the self-assessment that could potentially be non-compliant according to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) HCBS Final Rule.

ODP began emailing residential providers who completed a self-assessment starting Monday, November 5, 2018. It will take at least two weeks for ODP to email all residential providers. Non-Residential providers will begin to receive emails starting Monday, November 19, 2018. If a provider does not receive a report for all of their service locations for which they completed a self-assessment by November 30, 2018, please contact RA-PWODPHCBSSETTINGS@pa.gov.

Please note that if a new service location has opened since June 12, 2018 (the date the HCBS Provider Settings Self-Assessment process officially closed), a self-assessment is not required to be completed for that service location. The only exception is for new Life Sharing homes that will provide services to individuals in the Community Living Waiver, for which a self-assessment

must be completed. ODP will assess compliance with the CMS HCBS Final Rule for all other new service locations through multiple processes such as licensing, Quality Assessment and Improvement (QA&I) and approved program capacity and noncontiguous clearance.

For questions related to this communication, please contact RA-PWODPHCBSSETTINGS@pa.gov