# **OLTL Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Annual Review Instructions for HCSIS**

## **COMMUNITY HEALTH CHOICES (CHC) WAIVER:**

Please note that the HCSIS Annual Review Process described in this update <u>does not apply</u> to any participants in the CHC Waiver.

Service Coordinators (SCs) are <u>not</u> to submit Annual Reviews for any CHC Waiver participants residing in the Commonwealth.

### **ACT 150 and OBRA WAIVER:**

Participants enrolled in the Fee for Service (FFS) Act 150 program have their service plan data listed in HCSIS. In addition, some FFS OBRA Waiver participants remained in the OBRA Waiver and did not transition to CHC Waiver. Therefore, the service plan data for the remaining OBRA Waiver participants also remained in HCSIS.

To confirm, SCs are still required to submit Annual Reviews for all current Act 150 participants and all current OBRA Waiver participants in all counties because Act 150 and OBRA Waiver are not part of CHC.

SCs need to submit Annual Reviews for Act 150 and OBRA Waiver prior to the start of the new fiscal year to ensure that all existing services and required units are authorized on the Act 150 program and OBRA Waiver plans for the next fiscal year.

## **HCSIS ANNUAL REVIEW PROCESS:**

The Office of Long-Term Living (OLTL) requires submission of an Annual Review service plan in HCSIS for all participants in the **Act 150** program and **OBRA Waiver** prior to the start of the new fiscal year to ensure that all existing services and required units are authorized for the next year. SCs must complete Annual Reviews for all **Act 150** and **OBRA Waiver** participants between April 1 and June 30. SCs should plan to submit at least 15% of their Annual Review plans weekly starting on April 1 to allow for adequate submission and OLTL review time.

Please follow these guidelines when submitting Annual Reviews:

- 30% of your agency's Annual Reviews submitted to OLTL by 04/17/2020
- 60% of your agency's Annual Reviews submitted to OLTL by 05/01/2020
- 90% of your agency's Annual Reviews submitted to OLTL by 05/15/2020
- 100% of your agency's Annual Reviews submitted to OLTL by 05/29/2020

By submitting at least 15% of required Annual Plans each week, SCs can assist OLTL to process these plans quickly and prevent any backlog in plan approvals. If SCs do not follow this process

and submit the Annual Review before June 30, a backlog in plan approvals may result in billing delays for Service Coordination Entities and Direct Service Providers.

OLTL expects the submitted Annual Review plans to be the same as the current plan with the existing services and supports simply transferred over to the Annual Review plan.

### **ACT 150 and OBRA PLANS WITH NO CHANGES:**

OLTL has implemented an auto approval process that will automatically approve all plans that reflect **NO CHANGES**.

#### **ACT 150 and OBRA PLANS WITH CHANGES:**

OLTL recognizes that in some instances a change in a participant's needs will occur at the same time the SC is developing the Annual Review plan.

In order to ensure that services and supports remain uninterrupted, OLTL recommends submitting the Annual Review plan with current existing services and units so that it may be automatically approved, and then submitting a Critical Revision to include any necessary change in services or units.

#### AS A REMINDER:

The HCSIS-only Annual Review process described in this update applies only to HCSIS plans for participants enrolled in the OLTL Act 150 program and the OBRA Waiver. This update <u>does not</u> apply to any other OLTL or CHC-related programs

Please contact Brian Lester if you have any questions about this process. blester@pa.gov 717-346-0716.

Do not submit Annual Reviews for any CHC Waiver-enrolled participants.

Process at least 15% of Annual Reviews weekly to avoid a backlog.

Submit Annual Reviews with no changes.

After Annual Reviews are approved, submit critical revisions for all changes in services, units or providers.