

Commissioner Chris Traylor

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To: Community Based Alternatives Providers

Community Living Assistance and Support Services Providers

Medically Dependent Children Program Providers

Primary Home Care Program Providers Community Attendant Services Providers

Family Care Providers

Consumer Directed Services Agencies

Subject: In

Information Letter No. 12-33

Required use of the Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) System in Regions 2 and 4

where participation was mandatory effective February 1, 2012.

The information contained in this letter is applicable only to providers in Regions 2 and 4 that were placed under the requirement to use the Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) system effective February 1, 2012. The Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) has determined that for the months of February and March 2012, the agency will accept the use of paper timesheets as a back-up to the use of EVV to document attendant time worked. While DADS does expect providers to have begun using the EVV system to document service delivery effective February 1, 2012, for the months of February and March 2012, paper timesheets will also be accepted to demonstrate compliance with agency rules and contract provisions. DADS is providing this flexibility to allow providers an opportunity to gain familiarity with the use of the EVV system before being potentially subject to sanctions for being unable to provide required documentation of time worked solely based on records in the EVV system.

While additional flexibility for demonstrating compliance is being provided for this two month period, providers are strongly encouraged to make diligent efforts to gain proficiency in use of the EVV system. Beginning April 1, 2012, providers placed under EVV requirements effective February 1, 2012, will not be permitted to utilize paper timesheets to document attendant time worked or to support billing activity for attendant services.

For additional information on the EVV system and requirements for its use please refer to DADS Information letters 11-50, 11-115 and 11-126. Please note, as further clarification, that earlier references to EVV as a "pilot" refer to EVV's phased introduction across the state and should not be construed as meaning that provider use of the EVV system is voluntary after any date for which DADS has stipulated that provider participation is mandatory in a region.

Sincerely,

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