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## REVIEW

### Medicaid Update 2022

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The new Medicaid Home Care 30 month look back on the transfers of assets has been delayed to July 1, 2022 and possibly to October 1, 2022.

In addition, the new Home Care requirements that individuals seeking personal care services or CDPAP (Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program) require assistance with at least 3 activities of daily living, or 2 if there is a diagnosis of dementia, will also be delayed until October 1, 2022.

#### INDEPENDENT ASSESSOR

The State will also implement the use of an independent assessment beginning May 1, 2022 for people over 18 who are requesting personal care or CDPAP services. The assessments will be conducted by Maximus. Maximus will also conduct the assessments for Immediate Need Care. The independent assessment will be done by a nursing consultant and the clinical assessment by a doctor, nurse practitioner or physician's assistant. These 2 assessments will be used to determine eligibility for both personal care and CDPAP. If denied, individuals can request a fair hearing.

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These 2 assessments will also be used to determine the amount of home care hours. If 12 or more hours of care is needed, a 3rd independent assessment will be required.

Note: The State has not yet issued guidelines to be followed in order to determine hours and level of care.

This system will result in thousands of assessments and it is doubtful that Maximus will have sufficient staff to conduct the assessments in a timely manner. We will continue to monitor problems that may arise with this new assessment system.

For further information regarding the status of the implementation of the 30-month Home Care Medicaid and the independent assessment, contact Frank G. D'Angelo, JD, PhD, Director of Eldercare Consulting, Medicaid and Medicare Services at Family Care Connections, (516) 248-9323 or at [FGDangelo@FamilyCareConnections.com](mailto:FGDangelo@FamilyCareConnections.com)

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