

Medical Insurance and Community Services Administration (MICSA) MEDICAID ALERT

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Mandatory Enrollment of Long Term Home Health Care Program Consumers into Managed Care

New York State Department of Health announced that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved the 1115 and 1915(c) waiver amendments allowing mandatory enrollment of Long Term Home Health Program (LTHHP) consumers into managed care and managed long term care. Announcement letters of this change have been sent to non dual eligible LTHHP participants and are expected to be sent to dual eligible participants the week of April 22nd.

The first mandatory letters are expected to be sent to LTHHP participants in early May. Consumers will be given 60 days to choose a plan. Enrollment will be phased in over several months.

Eligible consumers have the option of applying for enrollment in another waiver such as the Care at Home waiver, Traumatic Brain Injury waiver, or Nursing Home Transition and Diversion Waiver.

The Long Term Home Health Care Program remains open to new enrollments at this time, but New York State has indicated this is expected to end in early June.

More detailed information will be communicated when it is available.

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