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To: System Managers
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From: Mary Ann Discenza, Part C Coordinator

Re: Early Intervention Targeted Case Management Update

Date: April 6, 2011

The Early Intervention Targeted Case Management (EI TCM) Task Force continues to meet regularly. The purpose of this memo is to provide you with information about decisions that have been made concerning this program.

1. The target date for implementation is now October 1, 2011
2. Both dedicated and blended case management (service coordination) models will be reimbursable by DMAS.
3. Local Lead Agencies will be responsible for ensuring that Early Intervention Targeted Case Management is conducted appropriately and that all regulations and guidelines are followed. The Local Lead Agency may designate another agency to provide (and bill for) case management (service coordination) services. The provider who conducts the case management must be the provider who bills for the case management.
4. The service coordination requirements will be the same for all children with one exception. Service Coordinators will be required to communicate with the child's physician about the child's health status (well child check-ups, immunizations, lead screening) for children who have Medicaid/FAMIS coverage. This level of communication will be encouraged, but not required, for children who do not have Medicaid/FAMIS coverage.
5. The EI TCM Task force is continuing to develop recommendations for the baseline requirements for providers of EI TCM, including required knowledge, skills and abilities. Final decisions must be approved by the Department of Medicaid Assistance Services Administration and the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services Administration.

Notes from the Task Force meetings are posted on the Infant & Toddler Connection web site at <http://infantva.org/wkg-EI-TCM.htm>. Minutes from meetings through March 14 are currently posted. Meeting notes are usually posted within a week or two of the meetings. Future meetings are scheduled for April 18, May 10 and May 23.