MEMORANDUM

TO: Physicians, Advance Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs), Nursing Facilities, Hospitals

FROM: Judy Mohr Peterson, PhD
Med-QUEST Division Administrator

SUBJECT: REVISED DHS 1178 FORM FOR PREADMISSION SCREENING RESIDENT REVIEW (PASRR)

The Department of Human Services, Med-QUEST Division (MQD) in collaboration with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has revised the Preadmission Screening Resident Review (PASRR) DHS 1178 Screening Form. This PASRR Screening Form is used to perform the Level I screening for Major Mental disorders, Substance Related disorders, Intellectual Disabilities, and in Developmental Disabilities/Related Conditions for all nursing facility admissions. The PASRR Level I screening is a Federal requirement of all applicants (regardless of payor source) requesting admission to any nursing facility certified for Medicaid.

MQD has modified the DHS 1178 to assure that the referring facility performs a more comprehensive screen of the nursing facility applicant. Primary revisions on the form were added to assist in providing descriptions and symptoms related to Major Mental disorders, Substance Related disorders, Intellectual Disabilities, and in Developmentally Disabled/Related Conditions. These changes were made to meet revised CMS requirements. Please assure that the referring and accepting entity/agency/facility work collaboratively to ensure that supportive documentation accompanies the DHS 1178 Screening Form prior to a resident’s admission into the nursing facility.
As part of our collaboration with CMS, MQD has identified that we can include additional healthcare professionals to perform sections A, B, and C of the Level I screen. In addition to physicians' signatures (verifying information on the form), the MQD included Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) and Registered Nurses (RNs) that are performing the role of a hospital discharge planner.

MQD is available to perform training for APRNs and RNs who will be assuming this new responsibility. MQD highly recommends that new screeners (APRNs and RNs) complete an inservice on PASRR compliance requirements before signing these forms. Nursing facility personnel are also invited to attend an inservice.

The MQD will have two inservice sessions at the Kapolei State Building on Friday, January 8, 2016 at 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. and on Monday, January 11, 2016 at 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Space is limited to one person per facility/entity. If you are interested in participating in an inservice, please call Health Services Advisory Group at (808) 440-6000 or email at emarsh@hsag.com to register. Upon registration, you will receive the handouts and information about the location, parking, and teleconferencing capabilities. The enclosed DHS 1178 (Rev. Interim 12/15) is effective thirty days (30) of this memorandum. Please direct any questions to Ms. Kathleen Ishihara, Nurse Consultant at 808-692-8159 or kishihara@medicaid.dhs.state.hi.us.

Enclosure

c: QUEST Integration Health Plans