

PASRR for Other Related Conditions to be Conducted by APS Healthcare **Effective April 15, 2010**

Beginning April 15, 2010 APS Healthcare is responsible for all PASRR-Other Related Conditions (ORC) assessments, decisions and process in addition to Mental Illness (MI). DHHS will continue to be responsible for PASRR-Mental Retardation (MR) and PASRR Co-Occurring-MR/MI assessments. APS Healthcare will be responsible for Level I, Level II and Change in Condition PASRR-ORC and MI assessments. Instructions for the PASRR-MI and ORC processes are now posted at the following link: http://www.qualitycareforme.com/documents/APS-Maine_PASRR_Overview_&_Instructions.pdf

DHHS has revised the PASRR Level I Screen form. The revised form now includes three distinct sections that require screening; one section for Mental Illness (MI), one for Other Related Conditions (ORC), and one for Developmental Disabilities (MR). The revised form is now posted at the following link: http://www.qualitycareforme.com/MaineProvider_PASRR-MI.htm .

- o **Effective 4/15/10 the old PASRR Level I Screen form dated 6/25/09 will no longer be accepted.** Only the new form dated April 2010 will be accepted. PASRR MI and ORC Level I screens only will be faxed to APS Healthcare at: 866-325-4752.

A provider conference call to review the changes for Other Related Conditions is scheduled on Friday, April 16, 2010 from 11-12. This call can be accessed by dialing 1-888-242-1836 and using the access code 8377033. Please have a copy of the revised PASRR Level I Screen (effective 4/15/10) for your review during this call.

Additional questions related to this change can be directed to Kristen Flynn, APS Healthcare PASRR Coordinator at 1-866-521-0027 or kflynn@apshealthcare.com

PASRR stands for Pre Admission Screening and Resident Review. PASRR reviews are done at the time that a person is being admitted to a nursing facility. This change only affects nursing facility service providers and others who refer to nursing facilities (particularly hospitals).

What does this mean for providers?

Effective 4/15/10, APS Healthcare will be reviewing both Level I, Level II and Change in Condition PASRR-MI and ORC reviews. Providers will submit appropriate Level 1 PASRR screens for MI and ORC to APS Healthcare. All PASRR-MI and ORC processes will be managed by APS Healthcare. All PASRR-MI and ORC questions should be directed to APS Healthcare. Please note the updated Level I screen form must be used as of 4/15/10. There is no change in process for PASRR-MR and Co-Occurring MR/MI assessments.

What does this mean for Consumers and their Guardians?

APS Healthcare is completing the PASRR assessments for Mental Illness and Other Related Conditions instead of DHHS. Consumers and Guardians should notice no change in process. Consumers or Guardians can call APS Healthcare Member Services at 1-866-521-0027 if they have questions about this process.