

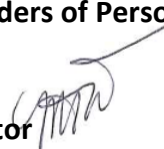
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MEMO

To: Choices for Care Case Management Agencies, Providers of Personal Care, Respite, Companion Services, ARIS Solutions, Transition II

From: Megan Tierney-Ward, Adult Services Division Director 

Date: March 15, 2019

Re: Policy Update: Choices for Care 7-day Out of State Limit

This memo is to announce a change in the Choices for Care 7-day limit policy that prohibits an attendant to be paid by the program while traveling with a participant out of state for more than 7-days. The policy currently states:

“Personal Care Services (Respite Care and Companion Care) shall not be provided to a participant who has left the state of Vermont for more than 7 consecutive days.”

It was determined that this policy does not align with the intent of the Choices for Care program, which is to support Vermonters in the setting of their choice while promoting person-centered plans that foster community participation and a good quality of life.

Effective immediately, the Choices for Care 7-day out of state policy is rescinded. The following Choices for Care High/Highest Program Manual sections will be updated to reflect the change:

- Section IV.3 Personal Care Services, E. Limitations
- Section IV.4 Respite Care Services, E. Limitations
- Section IV.5 Companion Services, E. Limitations

Please note that this change does not affect the Choices for Care policy that addresses stays out of state exceeding 30-days, found in Section V.7 Denials and Terminations of the Choices for Care High/Highest Program Manual.

Thank you.

C: Monica Hutt, Commissioner
Angela McMann, Program Manager