April 24, 2020

Attn: Hospital Staff that assist with Medicaid Discharges:

The Department of Human Services (DHS), Aging and People with Disabilities (APD), has developed a tool to help prioritize decisions for individuals that will soon be discharge ready, is potentially eligible for Medicaid Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS), and would like an expedited review to occur from the local APD office.

A short (12-minute) online training is now available for hospital staff to help hospital staff better understand who might qualify for Medicaid LTSS. This training and accompanying form are in response to COVID-19 protocols and to assist with quicker discharges to an appropriate care setting. You can locate the training and materials through the DHS COVID-19 Information and Resources website at: https://govstatus.egov.com/or-dhs-covid-19 (under the Information for Support Professionals - click on Community Partner LTSS Referral Training).

The Community Partner LTSS Referral Form is available for use upon completion of the training. Referrals will be prioritized by the local office staff once submitted. Local office staff will need to acknowledge the receipt of this referral within one business day. Assessments should be completed within 3 business days whenever possible.

Please contact your local APD office if you have any questions. You may also contact the APD Central Office team through:
APD.MedicaidPolicy@dhsoha.state.or.us

Sincerely,

APD LTSS Policy Unit