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Thank you for your hard work and dedication

We will begin momentarily







Screening Connections

Managed Care Organizations
June 18, 2025

Office of Community Living

Call Logistics



Post your questions for today's session in the **Chat** box.

Click the "Chat" bubble icon at the top of the screen to maximize the Chat feature.



DMAS Office of Community Living (OCL) LTSS Screening Program Staff Change



Ryan Fines

Former LTSS Screening Supervisor Currently works in a different Unit at DMAS

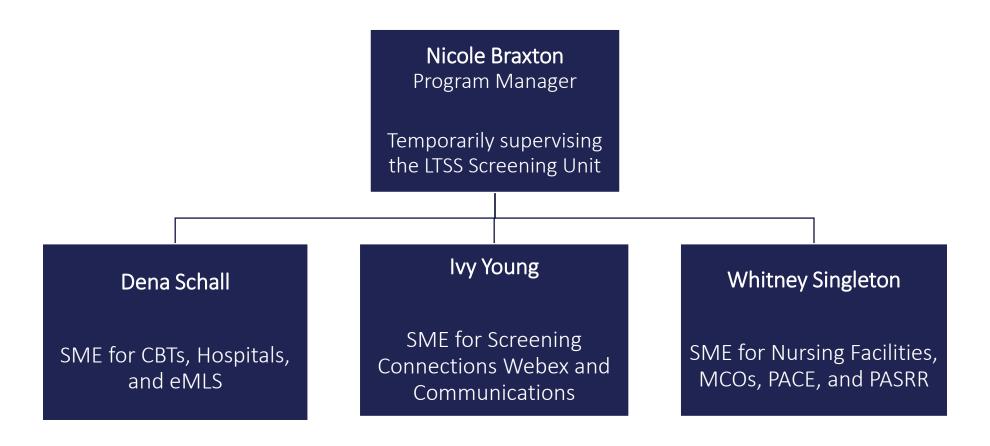


Nicole Braxton

Program Manager
Temporarily supervising the LTSS Screening Unit



DMAS Office of Community Living (OCL) LTSS Screening Program Staff









<u>ALL QUESTIONS ARE SENT TO SCREENING ASSISTANCE AT:</u> ScreeningAssistance@dmas.virginia.gov

This helps us track your inquiry and ensure a prompt response.

Include enough information for us to conduct the necessary research and follow up with you if needed.

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Today's Focus: Managed Care Organizations

Presented by Whitney Singleton, LTSS Screening Program Specialist



Agenda

Updates Reminders Q&A



MES Homepage Changes

MES Forms Library is now Forms & Downloads

https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/provider/formsdownloads#gsc.tab=0





Revised DMAS 80 is now available!

- Memo published on 5/15/25 announcing Revised DMAS-80
 - https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/bulletin/ dmas-80-form-revision
- Found in MES Forms & Downloads
 - https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/provider/f ormsdownloads#gsc.tab=0
- NFs should begin using new DMAS 80 immediately





DMAS 80 Preview

Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services

Nursing Facility Admission, Discharge, & Level of Care Change

Reason for Submission: [1 Admit [1 Discharge [1 LOC Change

This form is to communicate between Nursing Facilities (NF) and Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) for individuals who are enrolled in managed care. If a Medicaid member is Fee-for-Service (not enrolled in managed care) the NF must enter enrollment, discharge information or level of care change directly into the LTC portal and retain this form in the individual's record. This form should not be sent to DMAS unless the portal entry cannot be made by the NF. A screenshot of the error code must be submitted with this form in order for DMAS to make the entry.							
I. IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION							
First Name & Middle Initial	Last Name						
Birthdate	Gender						
	[] Male [] Female						
Medicaid Number	Social Security Number						
Nursing Facility Name & Address	NPI Number						
Actual Facility Admission Date//	Level of Care Change / / (effective date)						
LOC At Admission [] Intermediate (1) [] Skilled (2)	If LOC Change, please check the following: [] Intermediate (1) [] Skilled (2)						
Discharge Date//							
Discharge Location							
Name of MCO	MCO Fax #						

II. SCREENING INFORMATION

Has the Nursing Facility reviewed a complete Medicaid LTSS screening package that indicates the individual met Level of Care Criteria and was authorized for LTSS services?

	If No, one of the seven (7) regulatory special circumstances must be documented and checked or original authorization for LTSS occurred prior to 7/1/2019.
[] 1. Private pay individual (not expected	at time of Admission to need Medicaid) admission to a Virginia nursing facility

individual (not expected at time of Admission to need Medicaid) admission to a Virginia nursing facility for custodial NF only.

[] 2. Individual who resides out of state and seeks direction admission to a Virginia nursing facility (ICF Custodial NF only).

[] 3. Individual who is an inpatient in an out-of-state hospital, in-state or out-of-state veteran's hospital, or in-state or out-of-state military hospital and seeks direct admission to a Virginia nursing facility (ICF Custodial NF only).

[] 4. Individual who is a patient or resident of a state owned/operated facility by Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) and seeks direct admission to a Virginia NF (ICF Custodial NF only).

[] 5. A screening shall not be required for enrollment in Medicaid hospice services as set out in 12 VAC 30-50-270.

[] 6. The individual was covered under the Governor's Public Health Emergency for COVID 19 for individuals who came from a Hospital to a Virginia nursing facility from the dates of 3/13/2020-6/31/2021 or 1/10/2022-3/22/2022.

[]7. Skilled Nursing Facility Admission which does not require a LTSS Screening

All individuals eligible for Medicaid at the time of nursing facility admission must have a full valid LTSS screening unless one of the reasons stated above has been cited.

***Upon request, please be prepared to present documentation of change of level of care via the MDS and physician certification. ***

Current Payment Source [] Medicare/Medicaid (Dual) Comments:	[] Medicaid Only	[] Private Pay [] Commercial Insurance
Comments:		

Person Completing Form (print/type)

Telephone Number

Signature of Person Completing Form

Date

Facility Contact Person (If different than above)

Confidential-Contains Patient Identifiable Information

This electronic transmission (FAX) contains patient identifiable information, which is being forwarded to a Commonwealth Coordinated Care Plus Health Plan. It is intended for the review and use of no one, but the identified FAX individual listed above. State and Federal laws prohibit misuse or disclosure of this information. If you have received this communication in error, please notify the sender at the address listed above immediately.

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Contact Number



New Bulletin: Waiver Amendments

Bulletin published on June 10, 2025

Found in the Memos/Bulletin Library on the MES homepage:

https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/pro vider/library#gsc.tab=0 Update to Pending 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waivers Amendments—Approvals and Procedure Changes to Legally Responsible Individuals Effective July 1, 2025

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Bulletin

Effective Date:

June 10, 2025, 11:15AM

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Services Facilitators (SF), Personal Care Agencies, Assistive Technology Providers, Electronic Home-Based Services providers, Managed Care Organizations (MCO), Community Services Boards

From

Cheryl J. Roberts, Director Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS)

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide an update to the Medicaid Bulletin "Update to Pending 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waivers Amendments" dated December 20, 2024. DMAS submitted waiver amendments on September 20, 2024, for its four HCBS waivers: Building Independence (BI), Community Living (CL), Family and Individual Supports (FIS), and Commonwealth Coordinated Care Plus (CCC+). In its December 20, 2024, Medicaid Bulletin, DMAS informed providers that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) had paused approval on these amendments.



eMLS System Updates: Overview

The following eMLS changes will go into effect June 19, 2025

- Screening Identification: DOC, Appeal, Variance
- Initial Contact field Requirement
- Increased "Member Summary" Character Requirement
- Justification required when the Screening is over 30 days at Physician submission



eMLS System Update: Screening Identification

New checkbox fields will be added to the DMAS 96 form for Screeners to identify and capture data on certain Screening Types.

Screener 1 must select one of the following checkboxes when signing off:

- conducted for the Department of Corrections (DOC)
- ☐ modified for an overturned Appeal

- conducted with a DMAS approved variance or flexibility
- □ N/A

Rationale:

Provides justification for Screenings performed outside of normal guidelines and assists in Screening validation process.

Effective: June 19, 2025



LTSS Screening Training and Manual



Updates to the LTSS Screening Manual and Training are underway!

A Memo/Bulletin will go out when the updated versions are available.

Memos/Bulletins can be found on the MES homepage: https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/crms





Review & Reminders



NF Screening Requirements

NF Screening within 3 business days

NF Screening Teams are to conduct the LTSS Screening within 3 business days of initiation of NF LTSS (custodial/LTC/LOC 1) on individuals who:

- admitted <u>skilled (LOC 2) and are transitioning to custodial/long term care (LOC 1)</u> with Medicaid as the intended payor.
- admitted from the community with an imminent need for NF placement <u>AND the NF and CBT</u> has a documented agreement for the NF to perform the Screening.
 - Screening must be completed within 3 business days of the individual's transition to custodial/LTC for Medicaid reimbursement to begin on the date of transition. Day 1 is the day LTC began. This is the <u>only</u> scenario in which the LTC Admission date may be prior to the date of the Physician's signature on the Screening.
 - When the Screening is NOT completed within 3 business days of LTC initiation, Medicaid reimbursement will begin the date of the Physician's signature on the LTSS Screening.



NF Screening Requirements: 6-month penalty

When is the 6-month penalty applicable?

When a NF admits an individual directly to custodial/LTC, with Medicaid as the intended payor, without a valid Screening or applicable special circumstance, the 6-month penalty applies.

The NF team may conduct the Screening but MUST wait 6 months to initiate LTSS NF enrollment and reimbursement.

STOP and investigate why the admitting NF performed the Screening when there isn't a skilled (LOC 2) segment present in the LTC portal.



Waiver Termination: Non - Use

Is a new Screening needed?

Currently, when an individual is terminated from the CCC Plus waiver for not utilizing their services for more than 30 days, a new Screening is <u>not</u> required. (End reason: 504)

Individual may resume LTSS within 180 days utilizing the same Screening.

If an individual is terminated for no longer meeting NF LOC Criteria, a new Screening is required.



Screening Validity Reminders

Remember To:

- Verify member demographics, you may have issues entering LOC segment, if the member's Medicaid ID/SSN is incorrect.
- Verify required Screeners and Authorizing Physician
- Assess if 6-month penalty is applicable
- Evaluate gaps in care



Screening Corrections

Reminders:

Screening corrections should be requested within a year of the physician's signature, prior to initiation of LTSS.

LTSS Screening is a "snapshot in time". Changes that occur after the completion of the Screening do not need correction. i.e. name changes.

 Email Screening Assistance, we will confirm the Screening matched the system at that time and provide supporting documentation you can save to the member's record.



Screening Validity: Issues

Be on the lookout for:

Inconsistent Screener(s) and Physician Names and/or Titles:

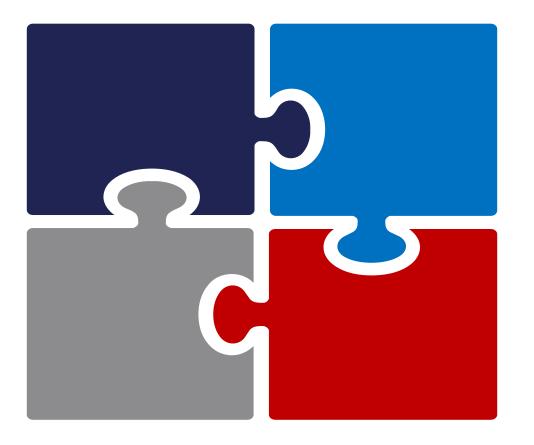
- Does reported title on DMAS-96 align with title provided throughout Screening?
- Is Physician title blank or unfamiliar?
- Is the RN Screener and Authorizing Physician the same person?

When in doubt, confirm!





Resources:





Resources: Screening DMAS webpage

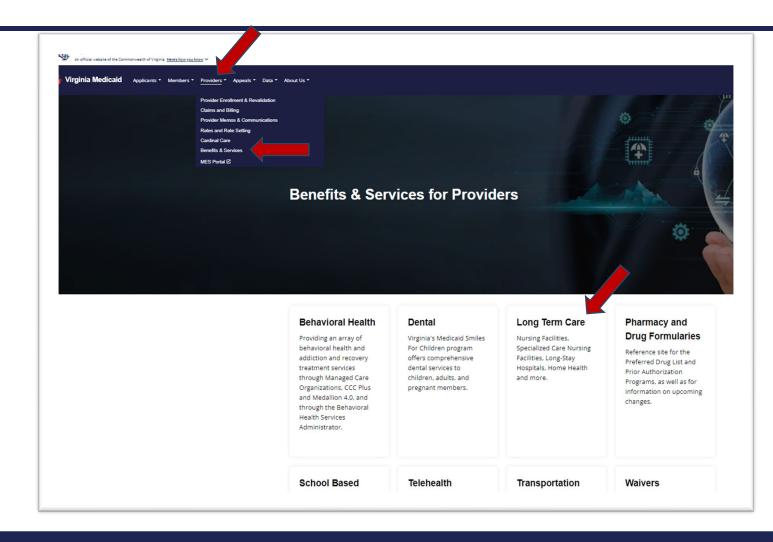
Connection Call Presentations

Posted on the DMAS Website within 7-10 days: www.dmas.virginia.gov

Under the Provider Tab, select from dropdown- Benefits and Services, then select Long Term Care, Programs and Initiatives, and LTSS Screening.

SCREENING CONNECTIONS FOR LTSS

Look down the page for list of Screening Connection calls





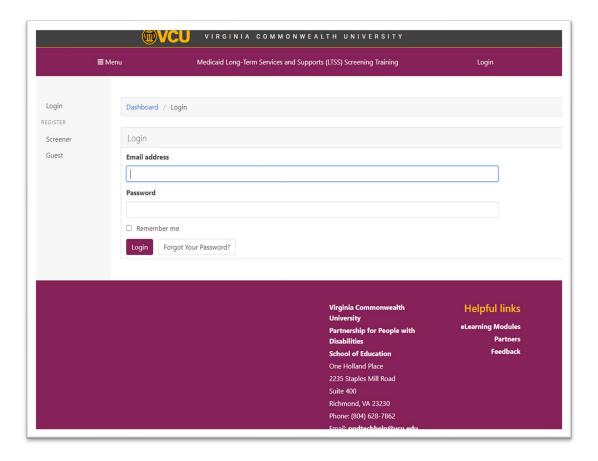
Resources: Training portal

VCU Medicaid LTSS Screening Training Portal

https://medicaidltss.partnership.vcu.edu/login

- Log-in Using your email address and created password
- To Access the Training Modules, go to helpful Links – eLearning Modules

Technical Assistance Email: PPDTechHelp@vcu.edu



Note: Training updates are in progress



Resources: DMAS Contacts



Need Help?

Questions about the LTSS Screening process, policy, general eMLS, or requests for copies of screenings go to: ScreeningAssistance@dmas.Virginia.gov

MES, CRMS technical support: MES-Assist@dmas.Virginia.gov

LTSS Screening training VCU technical support: ppdtechhelp@vcu.edu

MCO CCC Plus waiver inquiries: mcowaiverteam@dmas.virginia.gov

NF or Hospice portal entry inquiries: NFPortalEntries@dmas.virginia.gov

LOCERI inquiries: LOCreview@dmas.virginia.gov





Share Information with your Team



A copy of this presentation will be available on the DMAS website within 7 days.

MCO staff members in communication with Screening Assistance may be extended an invitation to this webinar.



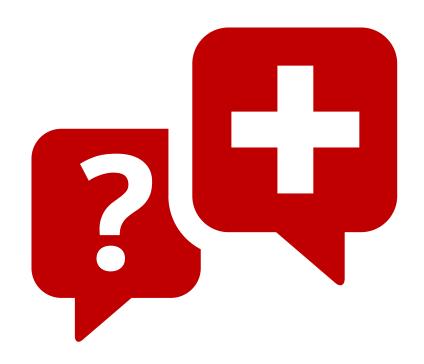
Save the Date!

The next MCO Connection Call will be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2025

LTSS Screening MCO Connection Call Schedule 2025						
	QUARTER 1	QUARTER 2	QUARTER 3	QUARTER 4		
Managed Care Organizations		June 18	September 17	December 17		



Question and Answer



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