

Long Term Care Referral Registry Provider Alert

Policy updates, rule clarifications, and announcements

Date: June 17, 2020

To: Long Term Care Referral Agents

From: Safety, Oversight and Quality

Topic: Medicaid Reimbursement for Long Term Care Referral Agents-Client Referrals / **AMENDED**

This Provider Alert has been amended with additional policy clarification and interpretative guidelines. (This Provider Alert dated June 17, 2020 replaces the March 28, 2020 alert.)

The Long Term Care Referral (LTCR) Registry Oregon Administrative Rules (411-058-0000-411-058-0090) went into effect January 2019. The Department issues Alerts periodically to address policy and procedure questions, provide rule interpretation and notify providers of new policies or policy changes.

LTCR agents have asked about Medicaid reimbursement for long term care agent referral services. The Department hereby clarifies that LTCR agents cannot request or accept Medicaid monies for any long term care referral services.

Discussion/interpretation:

This means agents may not request or receive Medicaid money as reimbursement or payment for placement referral fees. LTCR agents should not “bill for” or seek any Medicaid money, including an individual’s Medicaid Personal Incidental Funds (PIF) from a Medicaid recipient, their family, or personal representative for referral services. In addition, LTCR agents may not receive any Medicaid money from a facility or provider for referral services.

Implementation/transition instructions:

This program policy decision is effective immediately.

Questions on this policy decision should be sent to:

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