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MEDICAL TEST SITE WAIVER RESOURCE INFORMATION

Dear Provider:

On April 1, 2022, we informed you about state and federal regulations related to COVID-19 and other medical tests done in Adult Family Homes (AFH) and Enhanced Services Facilities (ESF). (<u>Provider Letter 2022-013 and 2022-014</u>). The letter explained that certain types of medical testing require a state Medical Test Site Waiver (MTSW) license. Some examples include testing residents for COVID-19 or conducting blood glucose tests and urine tests. The letter explained federal and Washington state MTSW licensing requirements and how to decide if the medical tests conducted in your facility require a MTSW license.

Residential Care Services and the Department of Health presented a webinar on April 14 and April 18 to explain the MTSW requirements, the application process, and test results reporting requirements. Resources include a video recording of the April 18 webinar, Power Point presentation, Question and Answer document, and MTSW Readiness Checklist. You can find these materials by following this link: Information for Adult Family Home Providers.

Thank you for your continued commitment to resident health and safety. If you have any questions about MTSW licensure, please contact the Department of Health Medical Test Site program at <u>LQA@doh.wa.gov</u> or 253-395-6746.

If you have questions about accessing the training materials on the Adult Family Home Provider page, please contact Colleen Jensen, Adult Family Home Policy Program Manager, at (564) 999-3182 or colleen.jensen1@dshs.wa.gov; or Sondra Silverman, Enhanced Services Facilities Policy Program Manager at Sondra.silverman@dshs.wa.gov or (360) 688-0715.

Sincerely,

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