

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES Aging and Long-Term Support Administration PO Box 45600, Olympia, WA 98504-5600

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ALTSA: NH #2016-017 WEBINARS RE: RESOURCE UTILIZATION GROUP: **REDUCTION FOR MEDICAID RESIDENTS IN THE PA1-PC1 RUG GROUPS**

Dear Nursing Facility/Home Administrator:

As noted in ALTSA: NH #2016-012, starting July 1, providers will be required to notify the appropriate DSHS Home and Community Services Division contact within 30 days of a resident being identified in one of the five lowest RUGs categories (PA1-PC1). Once that notification is made, DSHS case managers will determine if the resident is interested in relocating and is required to complete an assessment of those residents who desire to transition into a community setting and identify within 30 days whether an alternate setting of the client's choosing is available to meet the client's need.

Two webinars will be offered prior to July 1st that will provide additional information. Both webinars contain the same information so you only need to register for one session:

2016 Budget Proviso: Working Together to Understand and Support Client Options

Thursday, June 23, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Register at https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6444940613424421380

Or

Tuesday, June 28, 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Register at https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6339788818902478084

Registration information is also posted at the top of the ALTSA NH Professional page at https://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/residential-care-services/information-nursing-home-professionals

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. If you have further questions regarding the webinar, please contact Debbie Blackner, Systems Change Specialist, at (360) 725-2557.

Sincerely,

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