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RE: Death Review Process

In order to continually assure the health and well-being of clients receiving services through the HCBS Waivers, as required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, we are updating the death review process and forms.

Assisted Living Facilities will no longer be responsible for notifying Central Office of the client's death or completing the Death Notification form. This will be the responsibility of the Services Coordinator for all clients who have an open waiver case and have died. However, Assisted Living Facilities will continue to be responsible for notifying the Services Coordinator of the waiver client's death.

These procedures do not replace the statutory responsibility to report abuse/neglect to the Department of Health and Human Services, the abuse hotline or local law enforcement authorities. A report of suspected or actual abuse/neglect must be made following the usual process.

Please contact Jackie Rapier at (402) 471-1678 with any questions regarding this memo.

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Cc: Area Agencies on Aging Directors
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