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Dear Care Coordination Partners,

Thank you for your continued patience and partnership as we prepare for the MnCHOICES Revision Project. This communication is to alert Delegates of DHS changes.

On August 11, 2022, DHS sent an e-list announcement announcing:

- Revised MnCHOICES application launch date March 31st, 2023. Please resume MnCHOICES MNCAT training in preparation for the new launch date. All Care Coordinators, with the exception of physician assistants, nurse practitioners and physicians acting as Care Coordinators in nursing homes, must be certified assessors to complete assessments in the revised MnCHOICES application. All initial MnCHOICES assessments should be completed in the revised application at launch.
- The MnCHOICES Assessment (MnA) and the MnCHOICES Support Plan (MnSP) will be available through June 30, 2023.
- Launch webinars will begin the second Wednesday of the month, 10 a.m. to noon starting September. 2022. MnCHOICES mentors should also plan to attend.

The MnCHOICES revision takes the two current systems and creates on computer application for staff to complete work in. The revision provides a cohesive system that:

- Allows lead agencies, including MCOs to use a single application for long-term services and supports
- Offers an internal messaging system
- Provides built-in notifications
- Offers querying capabilities
- Includes a built in "help text"
- Can transfer cases across agencies
- Update a person's health information, including Medical Assistance status
- Tracks support plan provider signature requirement compliance

The product that will be available at the time of the launch will include the required features in order to complete accurate assessments and support plans. DHS will continue to fix defects and enhance the application after launch.

Please review the <u>Care Coordination website MnCHOICES resources page</u> for additional training and guidance. If you have questions, please reach out to your Partner Relations Consultant. For additional details on Certified Assessor Tracking requirements, refer to: <u>1.15.2021-Communication-MnCHOICES-Launch-Preparation.pdf</u>

Thank you,

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