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Overnight Respite Pilot Update

S.L. 2011-104 authorized DHHS to
pilot overnight respite in four adult day
care facilities



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Pilot Sites

- Care Partners (Asheville) Currently in operation- Served 17 individual participants and provided 115 overnight stays from January 1, 2016 through July 31, 2016.
- Southeastern Healthcare of North Carolina (Raleigh) Currently in operation- Served 17 individual participants and provided 94 overnight stays from January 1, 2016 through July 31, 2016
- Elderhaus (Wilmington) Non-operational. Operated from July 2012- July 2013.
- Life Enrichment (Shelby) Pilot not implemented



Licensure of Overnight Respite in Adult Day Care Facilities

S.L. 2015-241 established a new licensure program for overnight respite in adult day care facilities. The current pilot program authorized by S.L. 2011-104 is to be repealed on July 1, 2017 or the date the licensure program begins if earlier.



Licensure Update

- On May 26, 2016 stakeholders met regarding the proposed adoption of rules for overnight respite in adult day care programs.
- On August 9, 2016 certification and approval of the fiscal note for the overnight respite rules was obtained from the Office of State Budget and Management in accordance with G.S. 150B-21.4.



Licensure Update-Continued

- On August 12, 2016, the North Carolina Medical Care Commission approved the submission of the rules to the Office of Administrative Hearings, indicating its intent to establish Subchapter 13E Licensing of Overnight Respite Services and to adopt 45 rules addressing physical plant, licensure, staffing and services.
- The proposed rules will be published in the September 15, 2016 edition of the N.C. Register.
- A public hearing regarding the rules is scheduled for November 2, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 104, Brown Building at 801 Biggs Drive, Raleigh. Public comments will be accepted



Licensure Update-Continued

- The Commission will accept public comments on these rules and the fiscal note from September 15, 2016 - November 14, 2016.
- Development of database systems and internal office processes to support licensure and inspection is ongoing.
- The proposed effective date of the rules is April 1, 2017.



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Medicaid Funding Update

- Respite is an approved service under NC's Medicaid waivers.
- For the CAP D/A and Innovations waivers, the waiver needs to specify the provider type for the service. A waiver amendment may be required.
- Additionally, for the Innovations waiver, the provider will need to be enrolled with the LME-MCO to provide the service.
- It is anticipated that both of these funding streams will be in place once the licensure program becomes operational.



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Home and Community Care Block Grant Funding Update

The Division of Aging and Adult Services is scheduled to add overnight respite to the list of services funded under the Home and Community Care Block once the service is licensed and operational. What this includes is adding a service definition and eligibility criteria specific according to HCCBG requirements. The Division is also working on the reimbursement and reporting mechanism. They anticipate that all mechanisms will be in place to fund this service by July 1, 2017.