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MEMORANDUM FOR HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES STAFF AND STAKEHOLDERS

FROM: Verena Cox, Bureau Chief 
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SUBJECT: COVID-19 – Programmatic Flexibilities Update

Governor Parson has extended the State of Emergency Declaration until March 31, 2021. This extension allows all flexibilities released in the COVID-19 guidance to continue at this time. Please continue to use professional judgement and current staff capacity to decide what programmatic flexibilities may be necessary in order to ensure participant welfare.

The Division of Senior and Disability (DSDS) in collaboration with MO HealthNet Division (MHD) will continue to monitor the need of flexibilities or any concerns associated with the guidance. If guidance is changed prior to March 31st, memorandums will be sent outlining the changes.

Federal Flexibilities expire January 23, 2021. The Department is partnering with our Federal partners for extension and this information will be forthcoming.

A transition period will be allotted for changes that will require action before returning to normal.

Questions regarding this memorandum should be directed to the Bureau of Long Term Services and Supports (BLTSS) via e-mail at LTSS@health.mo.gov.

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