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Memo

To: Pre-Paid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHP) and Community Mental Health Service Plans (CMHSP)
Chief Executive Officers, Habilitation Supports Waiver (HSW) Coordinators, Community Mental
Health National Core Indicators (NCI) Liaisons

From: Developmental Disabilities Institute, Wayne State University

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The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), Behavioral Health and Human Services (BHDDA) has contracted with the Developmental Disabilities Institute (DDI) at Wayne State University to facilitate two statewide surveys for the ***Michigan National Core Indicators Program*** and the ***Michigan Home and Community Based Services Transition Project***.

The ***Michigan National Core Indicators (NCI)*** is a program implemented in 44 states including Michigan. The core indicators are standard measures used across states to assess the outcomes of services provided to individuals and families. Indicators address key areas of concern including employment, rights, service planning, community inclusion, choice, and health and safety. DDI staff and DDI contractors will be interviewing with individuals who have a disability and/or proxy respondents for the “participant surveys”. The Michigan NCI “family surveys” will be collected through a mail survey to family members and non-family guardians. This survey process will be concluded by May 31, 2016.

The ***Michigan Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Transition Project*** is a statewide project to assist MDHHS/BHDDA to comply with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services’ (CMS) rules on the delivery of Medicaid’s HCBS waiver services and supports. This project will collect data on the characteristics of the HCBS settings and services of the current HSW beneficiaries and their providers. In Phase I of the statewide assessment, the HCBS survey will be collected via an online survey system. Survey invitations will be emailed to invited survey respondents in May 2016. The deadline to submit a survey is July 31, 2016.

Both of these statewide surveys are being administered by the Developmental Disabilities Institute at Wayne State University. The attached table was created to clarify information about each project:

- Survey Period
- Purpose
- Description
- Types of surveys
- Eligible Respondents
- Contact for Questions

For your convenience, this table will be available at MDHHS/BHDDA and DDI websites.

For questions regarding the Michigan NCI survey, contact Ann Carrellas at (313) 577-8562 or Ann.Carrellas@wayne.edu. If you have any questions about the Michigan HCBS Transition survey, contact Angela Martin at (313) 577-9470 or Angela.Martin@wayne.edu.



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What is the name of the survey project?		
When is the survey being conducted?	February-May 2016 (Deadline: 5/31/2016)	Phase 1: May-July 2016 (Deadline: 7/31/2016) <small>Note: Data will be collected as one cohort (all HSW beneficiaries) with two cycles (Phase 1: FY 2016, Phase 2: FY 2017).</small>
What is the purpose of the survey?	NCI is used in 44 states to collect and maintain valid and reliable data about the performance of public developmental disabilities service systems.	In 2014, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) published new rules for Medicaid’s Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waiver programs. These rules aim to improve the individual’s experience in HCBS programs by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. enhancing access to the community, b. promoting service delivery in more integrated settings, and c. expanding the use of person-centered planning.
Who is surveyed?	Individual: Person with a disability and/or proxy respondent on individual’s behalf such as a family, advocate, or staff but not case manager Family: Family members and non-family guardians	Individual: Person with a disability and/or proxy (Note: cannot be a provider of services) Residential Provider: Representative of residential services agency Non-Residential Provider: Representative non-residential services agency
How is the survey conducted?	Individual: In-person interview Family: Mailed	Individual: Online Residential Provider: Online Non-Residential Provider: Online
Is survey participation mandatory?	Individual: Voluntary Family: Voluntary	Individual: Voluntary Residential Provider: Yes Non-Residential Provider: Yes
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