

# MEDICAID ALERT

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Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program  
(CD-PAP) and Managed Care

The Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CD-PAP) will be included in both the mainstream Managed care and Managed Long Term Care benefit packages effective November 1, 2012. The CD-PAP program enables Medicaid consumers who are medically eligible for home care services to have greater flexibility and freedom in choosing their caregivers. This program provides services to chronically ill or physically disabled individuals who have a medical need for help with activities of daily living and/or skilled nursing services.

**Mainstream Managed Care Consumers**

Consumers currently enrolled in mainstream Managed Care and receiving CD-PAP services will have this benefit transferred to their Managed Care plan on November 1, 2012. Managed Care transition policies apply. To promote continuity of care, mainstream Managed Care plans have been required by the New York State Department of Health to contract with HRA's fiscal intermediaries from 11/1/12 through 10/31/13. The care a consumer receives will not change until a plan has a chance to perform a client assessment and review the plan of care. After November 1, 2012, any mainstream Managed Care client needing consumer directed personal assistance services must request this form of service delivery through their plan.

**Mandatory Managed Long Term Care Enrollment**

As of November 1, 2012, dually eligible (Medicare and Medicaid) consumers aged 21 and over receiving CD-PAP services will no longer be exempt from mandatory Managed Long Term Care Enrollment. These consumers will, therefore, be included in the mandatory enrollment process that is being rolled out in New York City. To promote continuity of care for transitioning consumers, Managed Long Term Care Plans have been required by the New York State Department of Health to contract with HRA's fiscal intermediaries from 11/1/12 through 10/31/13. For additional information regarding the transition of dual eligible consumers currently in receipt of personal care services, please refer to the July 3<sup>rd</sup> and September 6<sup>th</sup> Medicaid Alerts, Mandatory Enrollment into Managed Long Term Care.

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Effective November 1, 2012 HRA's Home Care Services Program will no longer accept new M11Qs for CD-PAP services for dual eligible consumers aged 21 and over. Consumers interested in applying for CD-PAP services will need to enroll in a Managed Long Term Care plan. They can call New York Medicaid Choice for assistance in choosing a plan at: 888-401-MLTC (6582). If a consumer has already selected a Managed Long Term Care plan, they can either contact the plan directly or contact New York Medicaid Choice who will help connect them to the plan.

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