RE: Home and Community-Based Services for Frail Elderly (HCBS/FE)

Policy Issue: Revision to the HCBS/FE Waiver adds Home Telehealth and Financial Management Services (FMS) as waiver services. Rates for self-directed Attendant Care Services and Comprehensive Support are reduced to reflect the separation of FMS from these services. TCM customer contact requirements have been revised to include KDOA requests for additional customer contacts. Time limitations have been added to Attendant Care ADL and IADL services; restrictions have been placed on formal IADL services if there are other individuals living in the home in which the customer resides; and a requirement for continuation of informal supports has been added.

Check Appropriate Process:
- [ ] Standard Policy Process
- [x] KDOA/KHPA Policy Process
- [ ] Expedited Policy Process

Policy Implementation Through:
- [x] KDOA
- [ ] KHPA
- [ ] MMIS Fiscal Agent (HP Enterprise Services)

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Related References/Processes:
Related Policy Number(s): N/A
Superseded Policy Number Sections 3.1; 3.4; 3.5
K.A.R. Change Required? No
KDOA Policy Manual Change? Yes
If yes: What Reference #s(s) ______
Date to initiate revision ______
Proposed effective date ______
State Plan Change Required?  No
If yes:  What section #(s)  _______
        Submission Date:    _______

Transmittal Number (TN):  _______
Supersedes Transmittal Number:  _______

Waiver Amendment Required?  Yes
Routing Information:
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KHPA Approval Date:  N/A
Internal Comments Due Date:  05/12/11
Field Comments Due Date:  05/12/11
KHPA Comments Due Date:  05/12/11
KDOA Approval Date:  06/10/11

Training Required?
KDOA Central Office:  No
CME Staff:  Yes
Customer Education:  Yes
KDOA Field Staff:  Yes
Contracted Case Managers:  Yes

Rationale for Change: Home telehealth is being added as a waiver service due to funding provided for this purpose during the 2011 legislative session. CMS is requiring the state to unbundle Financial Management Services for customers who choose to self-direct their care and rates for self-directed services are being adjusted accordingly. Provisions are being added to allow for additional TCM customer contacts based on KDOA requests. Time limitations are being established for ADL and IADL services. Restrictions are being added that will prevent an individual living in the same home as the customer from being paid to provide certain IADL services. A requirement for continuation of informal supports the customer has been receiving prior to the development of the Plan of Care is being added to enhance program efficiencies.

Final Policy: This policy is effective June 13, 2011 and will be implemented September 1, 2011, except that home telehealth will be added as a waiver service effective October 1, 2011.

Approved ☒ Disapproved ☐

/s/ ____________________________
Secretary of Aging

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June 10, 2011
Date