

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES Bureau for Medical Services

Bill J. Crouch Cabinet Secretary Cynthia E. Beane Commissioner

MEMORANDUM

- TO: WV Medicaid Providers
- FROM: Cynthia Beane, MSW, LCSW Commissioner
- DATE: March 16, 2020
- RE: Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID)

Due to the World Health Organization declaring Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) a pandemic, the West Virginia Bureau for Medical Services (BMS) is allowing for the following preventative measures in the ICF/IID program. Working closely with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), BMS will continue to monitor the impact of the pandemic and notify providers and members of additional precautions or extensions.

Effective immediately, annual IPP meetings, quarterly team meetings and other personcentered planning meetings may be held electronically or by phone. This will remain in place through May 31, 2020.

Annual ICAP observational site visits and annual updates to facility appraisals will be delayed until further notice.