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To: CPMT Chairs
CSA Coordinators

Cc: Directors, Local Departments of Social Services (via VDSS Broadcast)
State and Local Advisory Team

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Subject: Guidance for CSA Community Policy and Management Teams Regarding the DMAS/Magellan Independent Assessment and Care Coordination Team (IACCT) Process

Effective January 1, 2017, the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) will implement new regulations regarding the requirements for obtaining a Certificate of Need for a Medicaid funded placement in a psychiatric residential treatment facility or a therapeutic group home.

Magellan of Virginia, the Behavioral Health Services Administrator for DMAS, will be administering these new regulations through the Independent Assessment, Certification and Coordination Team (IACCT). Details of the new regulations and IACCT process have been widely distributed and discussed by DMAS and Magellan.

The Office of Children's Services, in conjunction with the Virginia Department of Social Services, Division of Family Services as well as other CSA stakeholders, has developed guidance for local CSA programs and participants concerning the implementation of the IACCT process as it interfaces with CSA.

This Administrative Memo is to notify you of the issuance of that guidance document. Additionally, in order to properly track the impact of the new regulations and IACCT on certain aspects of CSA, a data collection process will also occur. This data collection,

along with data being collected by Magellan and DMAS, is designed to capture essential information that will help identify gaps in the service continuum, any shifting in funding sources and other important results. OCS is developing a secure on-line data collection portal for this data. Further details will be forthcoming in the near future.

The guidance and data collection documents are posted to the CSA website:

http://www.csa.virginia.gov/html/pdf/Guidance_for_CSA_CPMTs_for_IACCT.pdf

http://www.csa.virginia.gov/html/pdf/Data_Collection_for_CSA_and_IACCT.pdf

I appreciate that this is a significant change and as the CSA community participates in and adapts to the new process, we will be identify and make necessary adjustments to this guidance.

Please do not hesitate to direct questions as they arise to this office through your usual technical assistance channels.