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**Agency Hosts Informative Webinars for Potential Managed Care Long-term Care Providers**  
~Webinar recording posted online after live presentation as provider resource~

**Tallahassee, Fla.** – The Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) has begun hosting webinars for health care providers, facilities and advocates serving elders and adults with disabilities that provide long-term care services and may be involved in the new Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) program slated to go live later this year. A series of online presentations was initiated in February and will continue to run in a cyclical manner as the SMMC Long-term Care program is implemented in the Medicaid regions around the state.

“Having participated in the first few live webinars, it is apparent these are valuable sessions for potential providers,” said Beth Kidder, Assistant Deputy Secretary for Medicaid Operations. “After the presentations, providers are able to submit questions and receive answers live.”

The webinars, presented by a combination of Agency and Department of Elder Affairs staff, cover topics that expose providers to some of the more technical aspects of the new Long-term Care program. These topics include new requirements regarding home-like environment in residential facilities and information about how providers can contract with the health plans serving their area, among others.

The Agency has integrated the webinars into the “News and Events” portion of its existing Statewide Medicaid Managed Care website at [http://www.ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/statewide\\_mc/#NEWS](http://www.ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/statewide_mc/#NEWS). This resource allows interested parties to view a calendar of upcoming events and access the meeting materials from past events. Also from this website, anyone can also join the Agency’s SMMC mailing list, which serves as the primary means of notification for future webinars and events.

While questions are answered live during the webinars, the Agency also encourages providers to submit questions by e-mail to [FLMedicaidManagedCare@ahca.myflorida.com](mailto:FLMedicaidManagedCare@ahca.myflorida.com). Responses will be posted in a question and answer format under the “Meeting Materials” section of the SMMC website.

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