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## Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) Policy Transmittal: 2021-38

Applicable to the **2018-2023 SMMC contract benefits** for:

- Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) and MMA Specialty
- Long-Term Care (LTC)
- Dental

### Re: Home and Community-Based (HCB) Settings Requirements

The Medicaid managed care plan must verify provider credentialing and recredentialing criteria as directed by the Agency to ensure that assisted living facilities, adult family care homes, and adult day health care providers meet HCB Settings requirements. The Medicaid managed care plan must verify facility compliance through an on-site review, using the Agency-prescribed HCB Settings Assessment and Remediation Tools, prior to offering the provider as an enrollee choice. (Attachment II, Exhibit II-B, Section VIII.C.2.a.) In accordance with [PT 2019-25](#) issued 12/10/2019, the Medicaid managed care plan was required to assess settings for compliance with the HCB Settings Rule and facilitate settings' remediation and take further steps as necessary. The purpose of this policy transmittal is to notify the Medicaid managed care plan about deadlines for any provider settings that were deemed non-compliant with [Rule 59G-13.075 Home and Community Based Services Settings, Florida Administrative Code](#). On July 30, 2021, the Agency provided an HCB Settings Evidentiary Packages Training as a resource regarding how plans were to submit evidentiary packages for facilities that could not be remediated and were determined presumptively institutional, but believed justification existed for the HCB provider to continue as a Medicaid provider. Below are the deadlines concerning remediation completions and the submission of evidentiary packages:

- ❖ Provider remediation of HCB settings must be completed by no later than close of business on **December 31, 2021**; and
- ❖ The Medicaid managed care plan must submit HCB settings' evidentiary packages for presumptively institutional facilities to the Agency for review no later than close of business on **February 28, 2022**.

If you have questions, please contact your Agency contract manager at (850) 412-4004.

Sincerely,

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