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To: Developmental Disabilities Services Directors

From: Camille George, Director

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Re: Interpreter Services

As you may know, the Developmental Disabilities Services Division has been looking closely at the reimbursement process for interpreter services. Although interpreter services have been included in several Developmental Services budgets, after several months of investigation and work with the Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA), we have confirmed that interpreter services are covered under the Medicaid State Plan. Per the System of Care Plan, State Plan coverage must be accessed, if available.

Effective immediately, interpreter services may not be billed through the DAIL funded services and instead must be billed using the appropriate Medicaid account number using billing code T1013.

In addition, now that we have confirmed that interpreter services are covered under the Medicaid State Plan and we have provided information about how agencies can bill for these services, any agencies that previously had been authorized funding for interpreter services as part of an individual's approved DDS HCBS plan must return the funds on their next monthly spreadsheet submission. Please also be aware that going forward, interpreter services will no longer be authorized under the Developmental Disability Services HCBS funding.

If you have any questions regarding interpreter services, please contact Jennifer Perkins, Developmental Disabilities Services Specialist at jennifer.perkins@state.vt.us or 802-786-5081.