## HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES (HCBS) FINAL RULE TALK

# WHAT IS FINAL RULE? RECAP

The HCBS Settings Final Rule are federal regulations published in the Federal Register on January 16, 2014 which defines the qualities of settings that are eligible to receive HCBS funding. It aims to ensure that individuals receiving long-term services and supports through HCBS programs have full access to benefits of community living and the opportunity to receive services in the most integrated setting appropriate. The federal regulation is 42 CFR 441.301(c)(4)-(5). Additional regulation information can be found on the CMS website at www.medicaid.gov/hcbs

HCBS settings can include nonresidential settings, such as an adult day service center, as well as residential settings, like an assisted living facility, boarding home or home plus.

#### Where to Get Help

Please contact the HCBS Team at <a href="https://hcbs.team@wichita.edu">hcbs.team@wichita.edu</a> or utilize the chat function on the Community Connections website located at <a href="https://www.communityconnectionsks.org">www.communityconnectionsks.org</a>



# REMINDER TO COMPLETE REMEDIATON ACTIONS

All Providers have been notified of their HCBS self-assessment status and are able to access the "Remediation Tab" at <a href="https://communityconnectionsks.org">https://communityconnectionsks.org</a>

The next steps are to log-into the community connections website and select a strategy for each question that requires remediation. Strategy selections and evidence submission should be completed by the state deadline of July 1, 2021. This deadline will allow time for the Community Connections Team to collaborate with the Provider on remediation activities to meet the federal Final Rule compliance deadline of March 17, 2023.

# Instructions on How to Select A Strategy Link

https://communityconnectionsks. org/wpcontent/uploads/2020/05/Commu nity-Connections-Provider-Remediation-Training-Presentation.pdf

## Suggested Evidence Submission Link

https://communityconnectionsks.org/evidence-guidance/

# UPCOMING TRAININGS AND RESOURCES

Community Connections will be hosting three virtual question and answer sessions on HCBS Final Rule remediation and heightened scrutiny for providers.

These are "real time" opportunities for Providers to ask questions and receive answers/guidance on actions needed to reach compliance for the Final Rule. A Provider can plan to attend one or all sessions to assist them with questions they might have regarding remediation and/or heightened scrutiny.

Attendance will be limited to 80 participants in each session.

## Session 1:

May 11, 2021 10am – 12pm

## **Session 2:**

May 18, 2021 10am – 12pm

#### Session 3:

May 26, 2021 1pm – 3pm

Click Below to Register:

Register for Q&A
Sessions