

Notification of Home and Community-Based Settings Final Rule Assessment

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Dear Provider:

On Nov. 3, 2016, South Carolina received initial approval of its Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Statewide Transition Plan (STP). A copy of the STP and the initial approval letter can be found at: <https://msp.scdhhs.gov/hcbs/site-page/hcbs-statewide-transition-plan>. To achieve final approval of the STP, South Carolina must assess its settings where waiver services are provided to determine compliance with the HCBS requirements outlined in 42 CFR 441.301(c)(4) (effective March 17, 2014).

This letter is to inform you on behalf of the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) and the South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (SCDDSN) that Public Consulting Group, Inc. (PCG) will conduct a review of home and community-based residential and non-residential settings in keeping with the HCBS requirements outlined in 42 CFR 441.301(c)(4) and 42 CFR 441.301(c)(5).

PCG will use an assessment tool to evaluate each agency's facilities to determine the level of compliance with the HCBS requirements. There is an assessment tool for residential settings and an assessment tool for non-residential settings. A copy of each assessment tool, and a listing of the required documentation that must be submitted to PCG during the evaluation of a setting, can be found at <https://msp.scdhhs.gov/hcbs/>. PCG will submit its findings to SCDHHS which will determine whether a facility is compliant with the HCBS regulations. SCDHHS will notify you of its determination and whether a compliance plan is needed for a setting to meet the HCBS requirements for continued utilization as a Healthy Connections home and community-based setting.

SCDHHS and SCDDSN are dedicated to working with providers to transition settings to full compliance with the HCBS requirements by Dec. 31, 2018.

For more information, please visit <https://msp.scdhhs.gov/hcbs/> or call PCG at 1-844-880-8710.



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