

# Policy Clarifications – Medical Assistance Long Term Care PMN-17230-489

**Submitted: Agency: CAOs**

**Subject: Process Change - the 0192 Waiver**

**Question:** Why am I receiving a higher than usual number of PA 1768s, Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Eligibility/Ineligibility/Change forms, for the 0192 Waiver? What notice text should be sent when terminating the 0192 waiver?

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**Response By: Division of Health Services**

**Date: 7/2014**

The Office of Long-Term Living (OLTL) is undergoing a process of reviewing enrollments in its 0192 waiver. In a desk review, OLTL has found that:

- Some individuals enrolled in the waiver are no longer receiving a monthly waiver service as required for continued enrollment and OLTL has not been able to locate them. **In these cases, their enrollments will be terminated.**
- Some individuals are no longer receiving a monthly waiver service as required for continued enrollment, but OLTL has been able to locate them. **They will be terminated from the waiver effective their medical evaluation renewal date.**

## **Termination Process:**

In both of the above cases, the same process will occur but at different times. The Office of Long-Term Living will send a PA 1768, HCBS Eligibility/ Ineligibility/ Change form to the CAO verifying termination of the 0192 waiver.

Once a PA 1768 verifying termination of the 0192 waiver is received, the CAO must end-date the 0192 waiver code on the Facility screen. If the individual was open in a HCBS category the individual will need to be reviewed for eligibility in a non-LTC related category of MA. Due to the necessary text, the CAO will need to close the 0192 waiver reason 057, no longer medically eligible, but will need to suppress the system generated notice and send a manual notice using the text and citations below.

The CAO will use the applicable text written below when the PA 1768 verifies termination of the 0192 waiver due to 'Appendix B-6(a)(i) and B-6(a)(ii)'. This citation and the dates that claims services were reviewed will be listed in the 'reason' field in the 'Termination of HCBS Program' section on page 2 of the PA 1768.

For example, the reason field of a PA 1768 for an 0192 waiver recipient who received no services between March 2013 and March 2014 will state, 'Based upon a review of waiver claims for the time

period March 2013 through March 2014 no claims have been submitted to indicate you are receiving an ongoing monthly waiver service. Effective July 15, 2014 your 0192 waiver services are being terminated.'

- 0192 Recipient Open in a HCBS Category (PAW, PJW, PMW):

Your 0192 waiver services are being terminated effective \_\_\_\_\_ for the following reason. In accordance with Appendix B-6(a)(i) and B-6(a)(ii) of the waiver in which you are enrolled, an individual must receive waiver services at least monthly. Based upon a review of waiver claims for the time period \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_, no claims have been submitted to indicate you are utilizing an ongoing monthly waiver service. Please share this notice with your 0192 Waiver caseworker to assess your eligibility for other 0192-related programs.

Citation: Appendix B-6(a)(i) and B-6(a)(ii) of the 0192 Waiver

- 0192 Recipient Open in a Non-LTC Related Category (MG, PH, PW, etc):

You remain eligible for Medical Assistance. However, your 0192 waiver services are being terminated effective \_\_\_\_\_ for the following reason. In accordance with Appendix B-6(a)(i) and B-6(a)(ii) of the waiver in which you are enrolled, an individual must receive waiver services at least monthly. Based upon a review of waiver claims for the time period \_\_\_\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_, no claims have been submitted to indicate you are receiving an ongoing monthly waiver service. Please share this notice with your 0192 Waiver caseworker to assess your eligibility for other 0192-related programs.

Citation: Appendix B-6(a)(i) and B-6(a)(ii) of the 0192 Waiver

If the 0192 waiver recipient had been open in a HCBS category the CAO must review for other MA benefits. Upon review, a system generated notice of eligibility or ineligibility for non-LTC related MA must be issued in addition to the manual notice ending eligibility in the 0192 waiver. Copies of both notices must be sent to the individual as well as all involved parties, including OLTL's Bureau of Participant Operations at:

DPW/OLTL/BPO  
Attn: Cortney Maletich  
P.O. Box 8025  
Harrisburg, PA 17105-8025

### **Non-Terminations**

The remainder of 0192 Waiver participants – those who are utilizing a monthly service – will also go through an annual redetermination of their functional and financial eligibility for the waiver. In some cases, it may be determined that another waiver better suits the individual's needs. In those cases, the change to a different waiver should be processed following current procedures.