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DAAS ADMINISTRATIVE LETTER NO. 23-02

TO: Area Agency on Aging Directors

FROM: Joyce Massey-Smith

DATE: April 12, 2023

RE: Revised Home and Community Care Block Grant Mental Health

Counseling Policies and Procedures and Monitoring Tool

Please be aware that the Home and Community Care Block Grant Mental Health Counseling Policies and Procedures and Monitoring Tool have been revised and are effective July 1, 2023.

These changes are being made because of new federal reporting requirements from ACL. In order to meet these new requirements, the service needs to be changed from a non-unit based service to a unit-based service.

As of July 1, 2023, 1 unit of service for Mental Health Counseling is equal to 1 hour of service.

The revised documents are available on the DAAS website on the Monitoring Web Page at the following URL:

https://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/aging-and-adult-services/monitoring

Please contact Service Operations should you have any questions.

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