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SUBJECT: Terminating Requirement of the Level of Care Utilization System for Adults and the

Child and Adolescent Level of Care Utilization System Assessments

Effective Aug. 15, 2022, NC Medicaid will no longer require the use of the Level of Care Utilization System (LOCUS) for adults or the Child and Adolescent Level of Care Utilization System (CALOUS). Language referencing the LOCUS has been removed from Clinical Coverage Policy 8G - Peer Support Services.

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