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SUBJECT: Rescind and Replace JCB#J447 – Update to State-Funded Transition Management Services

Service Definition

This bulletin rescinds and replaces JCB#J447 to clarify that this bulletin refers to the Transition Management Services (TMS) COVID-19 Service Definition. This correction provides the full name of the service definition to be in sync with the previous service definition to which this bulletin refers.

This bulletin revises language in the Transition Management Services (TMS) COVID-19 Service Definition that excluded transportation for the individual as a billable service. **This revision permits TMS staff to transport individuals while participating in allowable activities included in the service definition**.

TMS is a rehabilitation service provided to individuals participating in Transitions to Community Living (TCL) to increase and restore the individual's ability to live successfully in the community by maintaining tenancy. Permitting transportation of the individual will allow TMS staff to assist individuals in the housing search process and in establishing resources to maintain tenancy and community supports.

If you have questions, please contact Robin Soderena at 910-612-8317 or Robin.soderena@dhhs.nc.gov_or Margaret Herring at 984-236-5057 or Margaret.herring@dhhs.nc.gov.

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Attachment: Transition Management Services (TMS) COVID-19 Service Definition

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