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Therapists Needed to Perform Functional Assessments for PCS Program

The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy's (DHCFP) pilot project requiring that all initial Personal Care Services (PCS) functional assessments be completed by an occupational or physical therapist (OT/PT) has been very successful. Therefore, effective Dec. 5, 2011:

- All functional *reassessments* will also be completed by OTs/PTs.
- OTs/PTs will no longer be required to complete the service plan following the functional assessment.
- OTs/PTs will be reimbursed \$150.62 per assessment performed in the recipient's home and \$75.31 for assessments performed in a clinical setting. Therapists may be reimbursed for mileage to and from the recipient's home at a rate of 28 cents per mile.

A PCS program goal is to enable all Medicaid recipients to have a functional assessment completed by a Nevada Medicaid physical or occupational therapist. In order to accomplish this goal, additional OTs and PTs are needed to provide functional assessments to recipients living in all areas of the state.

To participate in this initiative, OTs/PTs who are not currently enrolled as Medicaid providers need to begin the enrollment process. To enroll as a Nevada Medicaid provider, please see the instructions and forms on the Provider Enrollment webpage.

A one-time functional assessment training session is a part of the requirements to participate. To enroll in a training session or to obtain more information about this exciting opportunity, please contact Tammy Moffitt at (775) 684-3670 or tammy.moffitt@dhcfp.nv.gov or Paula Schneider at (775) 684-3667 or paula.schneider@dhcfp.nv.gov.