

To: TennCare Managed Care Organizations
Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
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CC: Patti Killingsworth, Assistant Commissioner, Chief of Long Term Services and Supports
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Subject: **Voluntary transitions from 1915c waiver to Employment and Community First CHOICES**

According to TennCare rule 1200-13-01-.31(6)(c) Individuals enrolled in a Section 1915(c) Waiver shall not be permitted to transition into ECF CHOICES, even if they meet applicable eligibility and enrollment criteria for ECF CHOICES, until such time that the State determines that such transitions can be permitted and in accordance with timeframes and procedures established by TennCare.

Effective June 1, 2018 TennCare LTSS has established procedures for these transitions and is allowing individuals who voluntarily seek transition, to enroll in ECF CHOICES.

The initiation of this standardized process necessitates changes to both the intake outcome form and the referral form in TPAES. Attached is the Operational Protocol, educational materials, and the revised intake outcome form. The TPAES changes are currently being tested and are targeted to be in TPAES production very soon.

As always, should you have questions, feel free to contact me via email at Kristeena.1.ashby@tn.gov or by phone at (615)507-6679. Thank you for your continued collaboration.