



Date: December 13, 2017

To: Assisted Living Facilities (ALFs)
Day Activity & Health Service Facilities (DAHS)
Home and Community Support Services Agencies (HCSSAs)
Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with an Intellectual
Disability or Related Conditions (ICFs/IID)
Nursing Facilities (NFs)

Subject: Provider Letter No. 17-37 – HHS Transformation and Provider
Expectations

On September 1, 2017, the Department of Aging & Disability Services (DADS) transferred to the Health and Human Service Commission (HHSC) in an effort to make the system more efficient and effective for both consumers and providers. While DADS is no longer a stand-alone agency, regulatory processes for notifying providers of changes to licensure requirements remains unchanged.

HHSC will continue to notify providers of changes to policies, procedures and/or regulatory requirements as they occur, so please be cautious about any information related to regulatory changes you might receive from anyone other than HHSC. To sign up for notifications, please subscribe to receive provider alerts through [GovDelivery](#).

Active policy guidance issued by HHSC's legacy agencies, including DADS, prior to September 1, 2017, remains in effect and is available for reference. HHSC-regulated facilities and agencies, as well as licensed or permitted persons, are expected to continue compliance with all state, federal and licensure rules.

If you have questions about this letter, please contact a policy specialist in the Policy, Rules and Training section at (512) 438-3161.

Sincerely,

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