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DAL: 19-02 Release of the Home and Community Based Settings (HCBS) 2019 Self-Assessment

Dear Adult Care Facility Operator:

The Department had previously advised adult care facility (ACF) operators that it would provide for a self-assessment to measure compliance with the Home and Community Based Settings (HCBS) Final Rule. The HCBS 2019 Self-Assessment has now been released via the Health Commerce System.

All ACFs, including assisted living programs who may have responded previously to similar self-assessments, should respond by **February 28, 2019**. Please understand that not all ACFs are subject to the specifications of the HCBS Final Rule; however, responses to this Self-Assessment will help the Department measure this program's overall compliance with the HCBS Final Rule. Additionally, responses will assist in the development of ongoing stakeholder education, policy guidance, and updated regulations that comply with the HCBS Final Rule, as required under the Statewide Transition Plan recently approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Heidi Hayes, of my staff, at <u>acfHCBS@health.ny.gov</u>. We appreciate your attention to and cooperation with these requirements.

Sincerely,

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