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TO:	CFC Case Managers and MNG Providers
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RE:	Moderate Needs and CRT participants

There has been recent confusion regarding the availability of Moderate Needs Services to individuals who are also enrolled in the CRT Program. General practice is to limit the availability of two waiver programs to an individual. However, in the development of the Choices for Care Long Term Care Waiver, the state indicated that "individuals who meet the clinical criteria for the longterm care demonstration and are enrolled in that program may also receive Community Rehabilitation and Treatment (CRT) services if they have severe and persistent mental illness and qualify for services under the state's CRT Waiver program. These individuals will be dually enrolled in both the long-term care demonstration and the CRT program".

While the Department contends that the intention was to allow CRT participant's to receive services in the Highest and High Needs Group only, the Operational Protocol does not explicitly exclude them from receiving services from the Moderate Needs Group.

We stress to providers that prior to enrolling a CRT participant in Moderate Needs Group, you should have a discussion with the CRT provider regarding the applicants' CRT services and if their needs can be meet through that program. If the CRT service plan is not able to meet their needs and the participant meets the clinical and financial eligibility for Moderate Needs, they may be enrolled. Adult Day providers should determine if the individual is eligible to receive Adult Day through DHRS before applying for Moderate Needs.

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