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TO: CSA Coordinators
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FROM: Scott Reiner, Executive Director

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Scott Reiner'.

RE: Changes to the Code of Virginia Regarding Who May Serve as a Parent Representative on FAPT and CPMT

DATE: July 1, 2022

The 2022 session of the General Assembly (HB427/SB435) modified Code of Virginia Sections 2.2-2205 (Community policy and management teams; membership; immunity from liability) and 2.2-5207 (Family assessment and planning team; membership; immunity from liability).

Specifically, the language in the sections regarding eligibility criteria for the parent representatives has been changed and now reads, in both sections:

“ ... Parent representatives who are employed by a public or private program that receives funds pursuant to this chapter or agencies represented on a [community policy and management (§2.2-5205) or family assessment and planning team (§2.2-5207)] may serve as a parent representative provided that parent representatives who are not employed by a public or private program that receives funds pursuant to this chapter or agencies represented on a [community policy and management (§2.2-5205) or family assessment and planning team (§2.2-5207)] are prioritized for participation where practicable.” (Italics added for emphasis)

These changes provide some additional flexibility in who may serve in these important roles.

An enactment clause to the legislation requires the State Executive Council to “inventory current efforts to recruit and retain parent representatives on community policy and management (CPMTs) and family assessment and planning teams (FAPTs).” You can expect to receive a brief survey within the next few days to allow the completion of the required inventory.

Thanks for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.