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Dear Provider,

In response to provider needs, the statutory deadline for the supervision requirement for Criminal History Record Checks (CHRC) has been extended from April 1, 2019 to July 1, 2019, per Chapter 57 of the Laws of 2019. This extension will allow providers additional time for systems onboarding and submission and processing of staff.

After July 1, 2019, if an employee who is subject to the Criminal History Record Check (CHRC) requirements has not received their CHRC clearance, that employee will not be able to provide direct care without supervision by an employee whose check has been successfully completed or who is exempt from these requirements.

This applies to those that provide:

- Health Home Care Management to enrollees < age 21;
- Health Home Care Management to enrollees diagnosed with a developmental disability as defined in Section 1.03 (22) of the Mental Hygiene Law; and
- Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) to those under age 21 authorized under the Children's 1915(c) Waiver amendment listed below:
 - OMH SED 1915(c) waiver (NY.0296)
 - DOH Care at Home (CAH) I/II 1915(c) waiver (NY.4125)
 - OPWDD Care at Home 1915(c) waiver (NY.40176)
 - OCFS Bridges to Health (B2H) SED 1915(c) waiver (NY.0469)
 - OCFS B2H Medically Fragile 1915(c) waiver (NY.0471)
 - OCFS B2H DD 1915(c) waiver (NY.0470)

For more information on these requirements, please visit:

https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/program/medicaid_health_homes/docs/background_check_requirements.pdf

If you have any questions relating to CHRC and its applicability to your organization or relating to this extension, please contact hhsc@health.ny.gov.

Thank you,

The Health Home Team