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Manual – Assisted Living Facility Private Pay Assessment Manual

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The following acronyms are used in this transmittal:

AG-Auxiliary Grant
ADLs-Activities of Daily Living
ALF-Assisted Living Facility
DSS-Department of Social Services
IADLs-Instrumental Activities of Daily Living
IAL-Intensive Assisted Living
LDSS-Local Departments of Social Services
PAS-Preadmission Screening

The Adult Services Program has revised the Assisted Living Facility Private Pay Assessment Manual. The Manual changes included in this transmittal are effective upon receipt.

The Manual content was updated to bring it in line with current legislation, DSS regulations and statewide initiatives such as Systems Transformation Grant (STG) and Money Follows the Person (MFP). The Manual has also been redesigned and reformatted. The previous version of the Private Pay Manual should be destroyed and replaced by the current version.

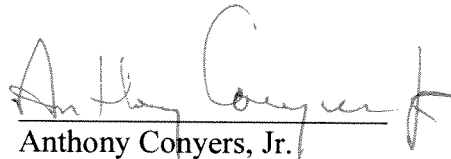
This transmittal and manual are available on SPARK at <http://spark.dss.virginia.gov/divisions/dfs/as/manual.cgi> and on the Department of Social Services public website at http://www.dss.virginia.gov/facility/alf_manual.cgi.

Significant changes to the manual are as follows:

Page(s) Changed (Subchapter, section, page number(s))	Significant Changes
Entire Manual	Removed references to IAL. IAL is not a level of care. There are only two levels of care, residential and assisted living.
Entire Manual	Added online links to relevant Code of Virginia citations and Virginia Administrative Code sections.
Entire Manual	Provided online links to forms and manuals used during the assessment process.
Section 3, page 2	Added definitions section.
Section 18, page 15	Provided information on referring an individual to the PAS team if the individual needs Medicaid Funded Home

	and Community-Based Services or Nursing Facility Services instead of ALF placement.
Section 25, page 19	Provided clarification on admitting individuals with serious cognitive impairments to an ALF.
Section 31, page 25	Added information on possible outcomes of the annual reassessment.
Section 33, page 26	Added information on discharging an individual from an ALF.
Appendix C, page 34	Moved Sections II through IV in the previous version of the Private Pay manual (information on interviewing techniques, ADLs, IADLs, medication administration, behavior pattern, and orientation) to Appendix C.
Appendix D, page 53	Provided additional information on assessing skin breakdown.
Appendix I, page 60	Added contact information for DSS AS staff. Included list of state agency websites.
Appendix J, page 62	Included information about the AG Program and guidance on referring a private pay individual to the LDSS should he or she need to apply for AG.

Questions about this transmittal should be directed to the AS/APS regional consultants.


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