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As for today, not much...

Day Hab: OPW is still in negotiations and discussions with CMS over the 1915 Appendix K and the 1135 Waiver authorities contained in each. Staying out of rabbit holes and details, they are continuing to work through the Day Hab Retainer Day concepts and are still very optimistic about their approval.

There is still so much to get through there, so sit tight.

PPEs: still working through this, but nothing more today.

Miscellaneous:

Crisis Response team...They are still building the structure to put in place for each Region.

Visitation and home visits requested by families...They are hoping for guidance by tomorrow.

Other Regulatory waivers...looking to circulate an approved, shortened AMAP curriculum as early as tomorrow.

In the meantime, the PAs and CCOs are collaborating daily after the OPW calls to align out messaging which will include finalizing a letter to OPWDD, to justify Enhanced Rates and Fees for providers covering all services during the COVID-19 emergency. We are also planning to reach out directly to the Governor on our budget asks, highlighting the dire need for PPEs and funding support, yep including that 2% rollback.