

To: Representative Trevor Squirrell, Chair of the Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules

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Re: Home Visiting Rule

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Following the filing of the rule for LCAR, the Health Department is proposing the following changes to the proposed rule based on feedback from Legislative Counsel:

1. Sec. 5.2: Home visiting service providers who charge participants a fee for service shall disclose all fees and charges before services are rendered.
2. Sec. 5.4: Home visiting service providers shall be informed and familiar with current ~~state~~ State-community-based resources and information assistance outlined in the Manual of Vermont Home Visiting Program Standards to support the coordination of referrals for health, safety, food security, child development, and economic resources.
3. Sec. 5.8.1: Home visiting service providers shall not employ, or use any volunteer, or service provider if there has been any substantiation of abuse, exploitation, or neglect by that individual in the Vermont Adult Abuse Registry or the Vermont Child Protection Registry.
4. Sec. 5.8.2.5: “~~Cultural~~ Culturally responsive best practices.”
5. Sec. 5.11: Home visiting service providers shall document when a participant transitions out of the program and, if available, reasons for the transition, and transition plans.

No further proposed changes were made.