

MEMORANDUM

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

SUBJECT: Community Care Policy Clarification CCAD 00007, CBA/AL/RC 00001

TO: Regional Directors
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Policy Clarification Question 1:

Can the Community Based Alternatives (CBA) Assisted Living/Residential Care (AL/RC) facility refuse to accept an applicant based on the Texas Index of Level of Effort (TILE) level?

Clarification 1:

No. The AL/RC facility cannot refuse to accept the applicant based on TILE level. The CBA provider manual, 4350 Standards for Operation, §46.2005, Standards for Operation states that the facility must accept all of the Texas Department of Human Services (DHS) referrals if space is available.

Policy Clarification Question 2:

Can the AL/RC facility request the Department of Human Services (DHS) nurse to perform a TILE re-set if the facility is not satisfied with the first assessment?

Policy Clarification 2:

Yes, after services have been initiated by the AL/RC facility. The AL/RC facility administrators may request a review of the TILE assessment by contacting the TDHS Regional Nurse. The TDHS nurse will then visit the client, conduct a TILE re-set and communicate her decision in writing to the facility administrator and case manager.

If there are questions on this policy clarification, staff should contact their CBA contract manager.

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