




State of Louisiana
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Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Support Coordination Agencies
Provider Agencies
Local Governing Entities

FROM: Teresa Frank, OCDD Program Manager 

SUBJECT: Expiring 90Ls

The Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD) recently received clarification and guidance from Medicaid regarding the Request for Medical Eligibility Determinations (90Ls) that expire in January after the COVID-19 exceptions end on December 31, 2020. 90L forms **expiring on or before 1/26/2021** that cannot be obtained from the participant's physician by office visit or telemedicine can be substituted with a current SOA. 90L forms **expiring on or after 1/27/2021** which are dated on or after 1/26/2020 must be obtained for the next plan year as the exception is ending.

Some examples are:

- If the participant's 90L is dated 1/23/2020 (meaning it expires on 1/22/2021) and after all efforts have been made, the physician, physician's assistant, and nurse practitioner will not do well visits at this time, or the participant is too medically fragile to sit in the waiting room and risk exposure to COVID, the **SOA can be substituted for the 90L** as the expiration day falls prior to 1/26/2021.
- If the participant's 90L has a date of 3/2/2020 the 90L would have to be obtained because the expiration date would fall on 3/1/2021, and after the exception ending date of 1/26/2021.

If you have additional questions concerning specific 90Ls for a participant please reach out to OCDD Waiver Staff.

If OCDD receives additional guidance from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) regarding the expiring exceptions you will be notified of any changes.

Thank you for your continued hard work during the COVID-19 Emergency.