Clarifications to the item on Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts (LPHA) within the HCBS Level of Care Eligibility Determination in the UAS-NY

One of the data items within the “Risk Factors” section of the HCBS Level of Care Eligibility Determination for the Target Population of SED, Medically Fragile and Developmental Disabilities Medically Fragile; pertains to the Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts (LPHA). This item asks the assessor if the LPHA who has the ability to diagnose within his or her scope of practice under state law, has determined in writing that the child, in the absence of Home and Community Based Services (HCBS), is at risk of institutionalization. This item is asking if the assessor has obtained the LPHA Attestation form (DOH-5275).

Within the LPHA item, there is also a field for the submission date of the most recent written clinical documentation from the LPHA.

Beginning 8/15/19, until further notice, assessors should use the following guidance when responding to the question regarding the “Risk Factor” of a LPHA within the UAS.

If the assessor has a copy of the signed LPHA Attestation Form (DOH-5275), the assessor should answer “YES” to the LPHA item and enter the date the form was signed by the LPHA.

If the assessor does not have a signed LPHA Attestation form (DOH-5275), the assessor should answer “NO” to the LPHA item and enter today's date (that the item is being entered).

A copy of the LPHA Attestation Form (DOH-5275) can be found at the link below:

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the HHSC team at 518-473-5569 or via email at hhsc@health.ny.gov