Memo

To: Pre-Paid Inpatient Health Plans (PIHP) and Community Mental Health Service Plans (CMHSP) Chief Executive Officers, Case Managers/Supports Coordinators, Community Mental Health National Core Indicators (NCI) Liaisons

From: Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute, Wayne State University

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The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), Behavioral Health and Human Services (BHDDA) has contracted with the Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute (MI-DDI) at Wayne State University to assist with the Michigan National Core Indicators Program and the Michigan Home and Community Based Services Transition Project.

The Michigan National Core Indicators (NCI) is a program implemented in 47 states including Michigan survey adults with disabilities. The core indicators are standard measures used across states to assess the outcomes of services provided to individuals and families. Indicators address key areas of concern including employment, rights, service planning, community inclusion, choice, and health and safety. DDI staff and DDI contractors will be interviewing individuals who have a disability and/or proxy respondents. This survey process will be concluded by May 31, 2018.

The Michigan Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Transition Project is a statewide project to assist MDHHS/BHDDA to comply with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services’ (CMS) rules on the delivery of Medicaid’s HCBS waiver services and supports. This project will collect data on the characteristics of the HCBS settings and services of the current HSW beneficiaries and their providers. The HCBS survey will be collected via an online survey system. Surveys invitations were emailed to respondents in July 2017. The deadline to submit a survey is November 15, 2017.

The attached table was created to clarify information about each project:

- Survey Period
- Purpose
- Description
- Types of surveys
- Eligible Respondents
- Contact for Questions

For your convenience, this table will be available at MDHHS/BHDDA and MI-DDI websites. If you have questions regarding the Michigan NCI surveys, visit the project webpage at http://ddi.wayne.edu/nci.php or contact Ann Carrellas at (313) 577-8562 or Ann.Carrellas@wayne.edu.

For questions about MI-DDI’s Michigan HCBS Transition Project, visit the project webpage at http://ddi.wayne.edu/hcbs.php or contact Angela Martin at (313) 577-9470 or Angela.Martin@wayne.edu.
The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), Behavioral Health and Human Services (BHDDA) has contracted with the Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute at Wayne State University to assist with two statewide surveys – Michigan National Core Indicators and the Michigan Home and Community Based Services Transition Project.

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| When is the survey being conducted? | January-May 2018  
(Deadline: 5/31/2018) | July-November 2017  
(Deadline: 11/15/2017) |

| What is the purpose of the survey? | NCI is used in 47 states to collect and maintain valid and reliable data about the performance of public developmental disabilities service systems. The purpose of the program is to gather a standard set of performance and outcome measures that can be used to track their own performance over time, to compare results across states, and to establish national benchmarks. | In 2014, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) published new rules for Medicaid’s Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waiver programs. These rules aim to improve the individual’s experience in HCBS programs by: a. enhancing access to the community, b. promoting service delivery in more integrated settings, and c. expanding the use of person-centered planning. |

| Who is surveyed? | Individual: Person with a disability and/or proxy respondent on individual’s behalf such as a family, advocate, or staff but not case manager. | Individual: Person with a disability and/or proxy (Note: cannot be a provider of services)  
Provider: Representative of residential or non-residential services agency. |

| How is the survey conducted? | Individual: In-person interview | Individual: Online  
Provider: Online |

| Is survey participation mandatory? | Individual: Voluntary | Individual: Voluntary  
Provider: Yes |

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