## AGED AND DISABLED WAIVER FORMS INSTRUCTIONS

**Form Name:** Aged and Disabled Waiver Participant Grievance (Policy Sections 501.30) **Purpose:** To provide the participant who is dissatisfied with the services he/she receives from a provider agency the right to file a grievance. The UMC RN will explain the grievance procedure to all applicants/members at the time of initial application/reevaluation and provide a copy of a ADW Participant Grievance Form. Service providers will only afford participants a grievance procedure for services that fall under the particular service provider's authority; example a CM agency may not conduct a grievance procedure for a Personal Attendant agency.

## **Top Section**

- 1. Participant must document last name, first name, Medicaid number, date (mm/dd/yy), address and phone number.
- 2. Legal representative must document his/her name, if applicable, and address and phone number.
- 3. Statement of Complaint, in the area provided the Participant/Legal Representative must document the concern with the services and be as specific as possible.
- 4. Relief Sought, in the area provided describe what would remedy your concern with services.
- 5. Level One Grievance is sent to the Provider Agency or Public Partnerships, PPL. Level One Grievances do not go to the state.
- 6. The agency has 10 business days after receipt of complaint to hold a meeting either in person or by phone with the participant/legal representative.
- 7. Once the Provider Agency meets with the participant/Legal Representative in person or by telephone to discuss the issue(s), the Provider Agency will notify the member/Legal Representative of their decision or action in response to the complaint.
- 8. The ADW Participant may choose to go to a level two grievance without going through a Level one and submit directly to the state.
- 9. After the meeting, the agency/PPL has 5 days to respond to the complaint in writing using second page of Grievance Form. Documenting the following:
  - Date of meeting with participant
  - Noting if the meeting was in person or on the phone
  - Date of Agency's/PPL's decision regarding
  - The document must be signed by the Agency Director or PPL representative.
- 10. The participant will check one of two boxes indicating:
  - I am satisfied with the Level One Decision or;
  - I am not satisfied with the Level One Decision.
  - The document must be signed by the Member/Legal Representative Signature and date.

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- 11. Level 2 Grievance is submitted to the Bureau of Senior Services (BoSS), 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Charleston, WV 25305, if Participant/Legal representative is not satisfied with agency/PPL's response. The participant must send both pages of the grievance form to the Bureau of Senior Services so the Bureau will have information about the complaint, and the agency's/PPL's response in order to make their decision.
- 12. BoSS has 10 days to contact the Participant/Legal representative and the ADW provider after receipt of the Grievance form to review the Level One Decision.
- 13. The Director of Medicaid Operations will notify you of the decision.
  - Document date of Meeting/Discussion
  - Date of Decision
  - Signature
  - Date Participant notified of Decision/Action Taken.
- 14. Decision/Action Taken to be documented at the bottom of the form.