

MEMORANDUM

Nevada Ryan White Parts ABCD



TO: Ryan White Recipient and Subrecipient Agencies
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SUBJECT: Repeal of COVID Guidance and Proof of Diagnosis Guidance

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Effective June 14, 2023, all common guidance previously issued related to the COVID-19 pandemic are repealed. This includes the following documents:

- Guidance for Temporary Policy Changes to Eligibility Requirements Due to COVID-19,
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) to Guidance to Temporary Policy Changes to Eligibility Requirements Due to COVID-19; and
- Guidance Update for Temporary Policy Changes to Eligibility Requirements Due to COVID-19.

Recipient and subrecipient agencies providing direct services to people with HIV (PWH) are advised to follow the Nevada Ryan White Universal Eligibility Manual, Universal Eligibility Application and 6-Month Self-Attestation available on [End HIV Nevada](#) and [Las Vegas TGA](#) websites.

As the COVID guidance is now cancelled, this is also a reminder that Proof of Diagnosis (POD) is only required upon a client's **initial enrollment**. To minimize barriers to program eligibility, any client that existed in either the Part A or Part B CAREWare system prior to March 1, 2023, is hereby considered to have acceptable POD on file.

Acceptable POD will be required for **newly diagnosed clients** and any other clients who are new to Nevada and do not currently have records in Part A or Part B CAREWare. Acceptable forms of POD include the following:

- Western Blot,
- Letter on physician's letterhead, with signature of doctor, indicating that the applicant is HIV positive with diagnosis date,
- Electronic medical record from physician's office, with electronic signature of doctor, indicating that the applicant is HIV positive,
- Positive HIV test (immunoassay) AND detectable viral load (HIV RNA),
- Two positive HIV tests (immunoassays-should be different assays based on different antigens or different principles), and
- Request for Proof of Diagnosis Form completed by applicant's physician (CGD 15-39).

If you have any questions, please feel welcome to contact either Tory Johnson ([ToJohnsonHealth.NV.Gov](#)) or Heather Shoop ([Heather.Shoop @ClarkCountyNV.gov](#)).