

## **New LOC Rule Information**

**New LOC rules are available at [New LOC Rules](#) . The new LOC Rules were the second phase of three. The first phase involved changing the PASRR rules. The next phase will involve the new LOC criteria and change in the LOC assessment process. The Money Follows the Person Work Group recently met to discuss the process and to start working on an IT process to support the new LOC assessment criteria. The other issues they are discussing is a tiered LOC process, changing the number and definitions of ADL's and IADL's and an independent LOC screening tool versus a comprehensive health care needs assessment tool. It was discussed that Federal Law requires states to not make eligibility more restrictive or the state risks losing their federal match. The group has to tread lightly and make a concerted effort to follow the guidelines. The proposed LOC assessment changes are due to take effect January 1, 2013 and the IT system is supposed to be in working order by July 1, 2013.**