**Section 240.1605 Emergency Certification**

a) The Department shall obtain CCP services through any means of selection likely to result in provider certification and subsequent issuance of a Provider Agreement under the following circumstances:

1) service is immediately needed to prevent interruption of services to current participants;

2) service is immediately needed to protect a participant's health, safety or welfare;

3) service is of such a nature or the market place is such that only one provider is reasonably capable and willing to perform the requisite services; and/or

4) to establish new or additional services in an area in which the Department has determined an underserved population exists.

b) The Department shall assure, to the extent possible, through the certification process, that any provider selected under the emergency circumstances included in subsection (a) is qualified to provide CCP services and that the health, safety and welfare of participants are protected.

c) Certification issued under this Section is not renewable. Recertification of the provider must occur under Section 240.1600.

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