



New York Uniform Assessment System Update **Western NY Counties to Begin Transition May 1**

In our [last newsletter](#), we provided details on the new Uniform Assessment System for New York (UAS-NY). The UAS-NY will replace most current state assessment tools with a single one to be used for each person in home and community-based long term care Medicaid programs so that he/she receives appropriate services. In March, DOH began phasing in the UAS-NY with transition activities in four upstate counties. On May 1, 16 western New York counties (including in and around Buffalo and Rochester) will follow suit.

On April 16 at 2:00 PM, the UAS-NY project team will host a webinar for counties required to participate in the May 1 transition date. To register for this or other scheduled UAS-NY webinars, [click this link](#). Providers may also obtain further information on [DOH's website](#).

In counties where the transition will take place later in the year, providers can begin taking several steps to prepare. Providers may want to conduct organizational and IT assessments, conduct staff training as needed, and/or appoint a coordinator to oversee transition activities.

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