

# Joint House and Senate Health and Human Services Committee Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing HB 14-1051 Update

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# Today's Presentation

## Annual update on House Bill 14-1051: Developmental Disabilities Strategic Plan

- ✓ Background on Programs for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
- ✓ Waiting List Progress & Management
- ✓ New Enrollments Update
- ✓ Cost Estimate
- ✓ Outreach Improvements & Related Initiatives

# Program Background

# Who Receives Long-Term Services & Supports?

15%



**Children & Adolescents**

ages 20 & younger  
& qualifying former  
foster care youth

45%



**Adults**  
ages 21-  
64

40%



**Older Adults**  
ages 65  
or older

## Cross Disability

- **Physical Disabilities** - i.e., Spinal Cord Injury, Parkinson's disease
- **Cognitive Disabilities** - I/DD, Brain Injury, Dementia
- **Mental Health**

86% have a **chronic condition**  
(compared to 28% of all Medicaid  
members)

37% have 5 or more chronic  
conditions

# Long-Term Services & Supports Programs

Home & Community Based Services (HCBS) Waivers

50,034

State-Funded Only Programs

7,526

Facility-Based Programs

12,628

Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly

5,590

Long-Term Home Health & Private Duty Nursing

5,045

Total Served in LTSS

80,823

# HCBS Waiver Enrollment in Colorado

Adult Waivers	Enrollment
Brain Injury (BI)	684
Community Mental Health Supports (CMHS)	3,637
Complementary & Integrative Health (CIH)	286
<b>*Developmental Disabilities (DD)</b>	<b>7,951</b>
Elderly, Blind & Disabled (EBD)	27,404
<b>Supported Living Services (SLS)</b>	<b>4,572</b>

Children's Waivers	Enrollment
<b>Children's Extensive Support (CES)</b>	<b>2,842</b>
Children's Home & Community-Based Services (CHCBS)	2,265
Children with Life Limiting Illness (CLLI)	127
<b>Children's Habilitation Residential Program (CHRP)</b>	<b>266</b>
<b>Total Members Served on Waivers: 50,034 (15,631 on IDD waivers)</b>	

# Waiting List Progress and Management

# HCBS Waiver Program Growth

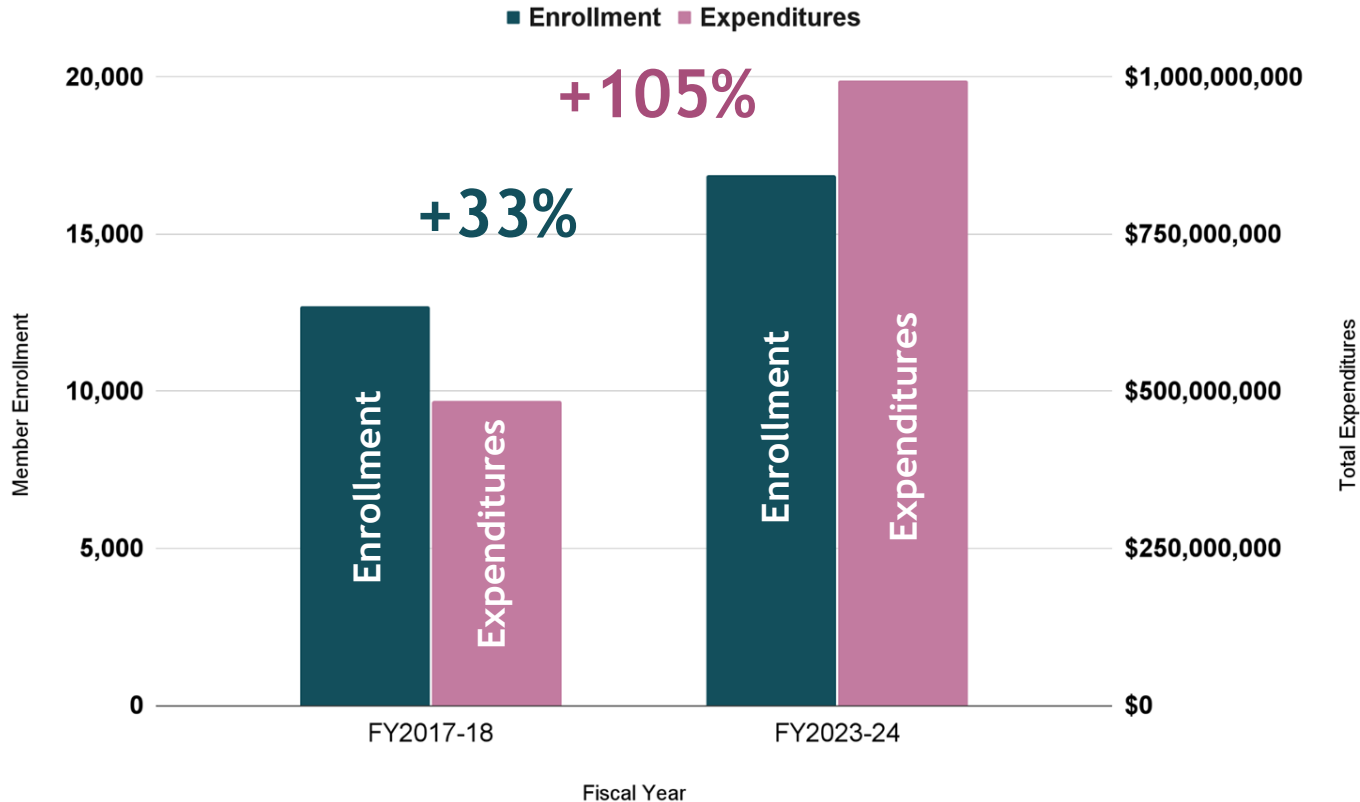
HCBS Waiver - Children	CLLI	CHCBS	CHRP	CES
Current Enrollment	127	2,265	266	2,842
Waiver Cost per member/year	\$4,000	\$88,000	\$71,000	\$31,000
Enrollment Growth FY18-24	-22%	+47%	+808%	+72%

Merging July 1, 2025

HCBS Waiver - Adults	CHI	DD	BI	EBD	SLS	CMHS
Current Enrollment	286	7,951	684	27,404	4,572	3,637
Waiver Cost per member/year	\$69,000	\$97,000	\$75,000	\$37,000	\$22,000	\$16,000
Enrollment Growth FY18-24	+153%	+53%	+49%	+17%	-7%	+6%



# Investments into IDD Services

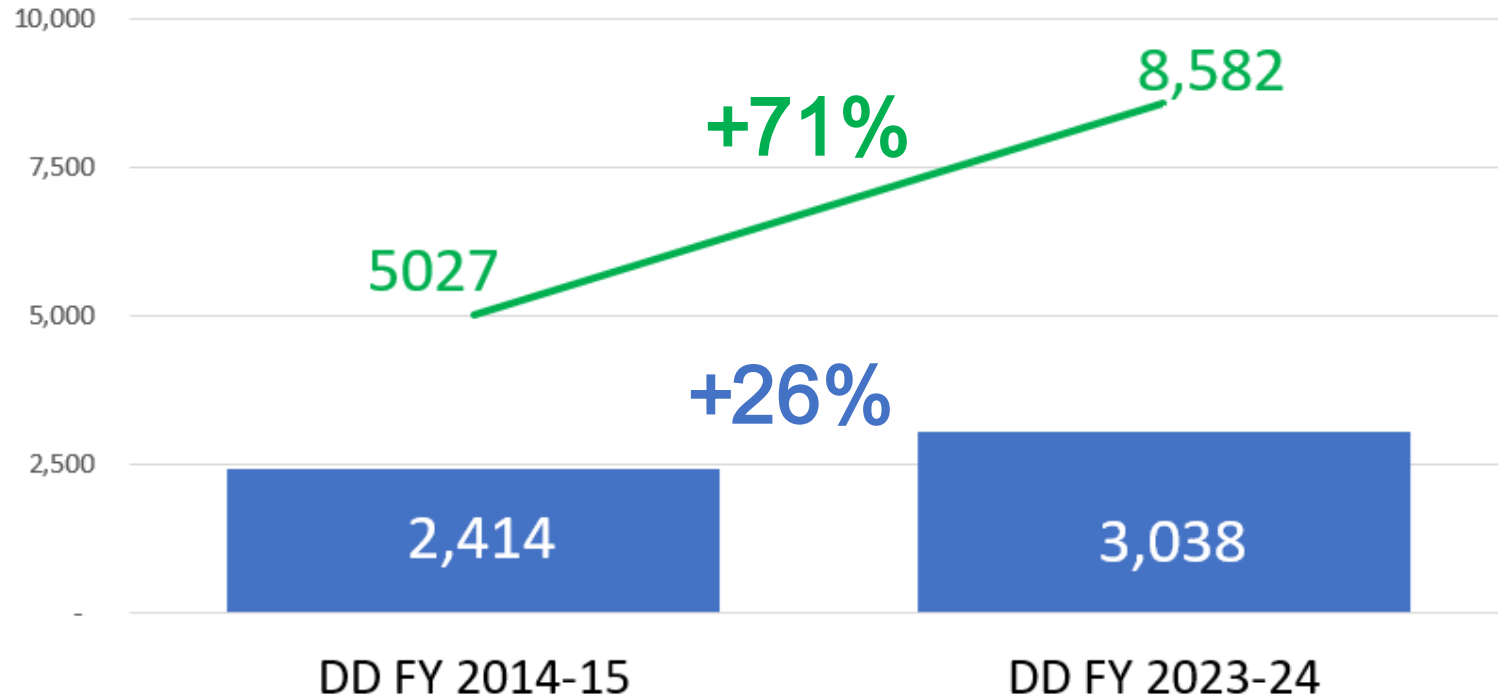


FY2023-4  
19,840  
Members  
Served Across  
all Waivers

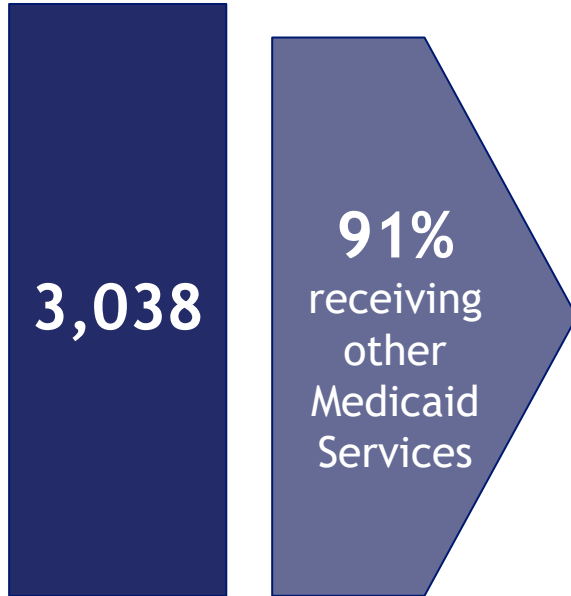
# Waiting List Progress

## DD Enrollments and Waitlist

■ Waitlist    — Enrollment



# Meeting The Needs of Members



**“As Soon As Available” DD  
Waiting List**

**Declinations are  
not Uncommon**



**Primary Declination  
Reason:** Individuals  
reporting they are happy  
with their current services

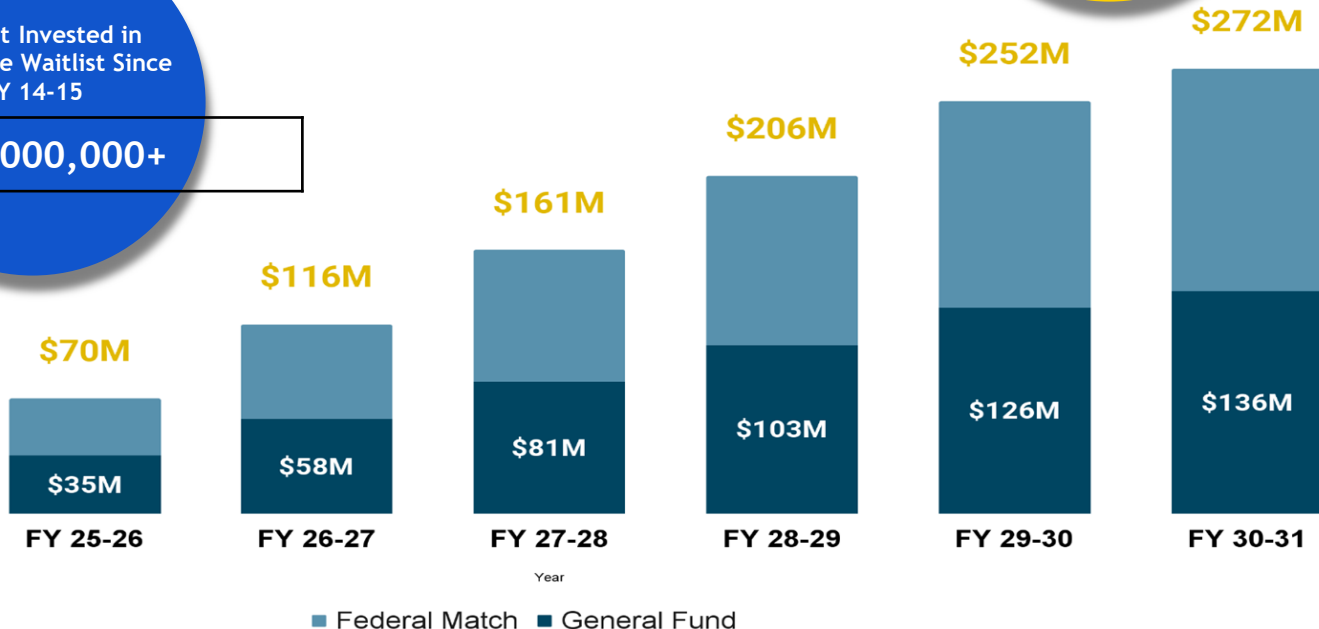
# Estimated Cost to End the DD Waiver Waiting List

Total cost to end the waitlist by 2031 & ongoing

**\$272,000,000**

Amount Invested in Ending the Waitlist Since FY 14-15

**\$287,000,000+**



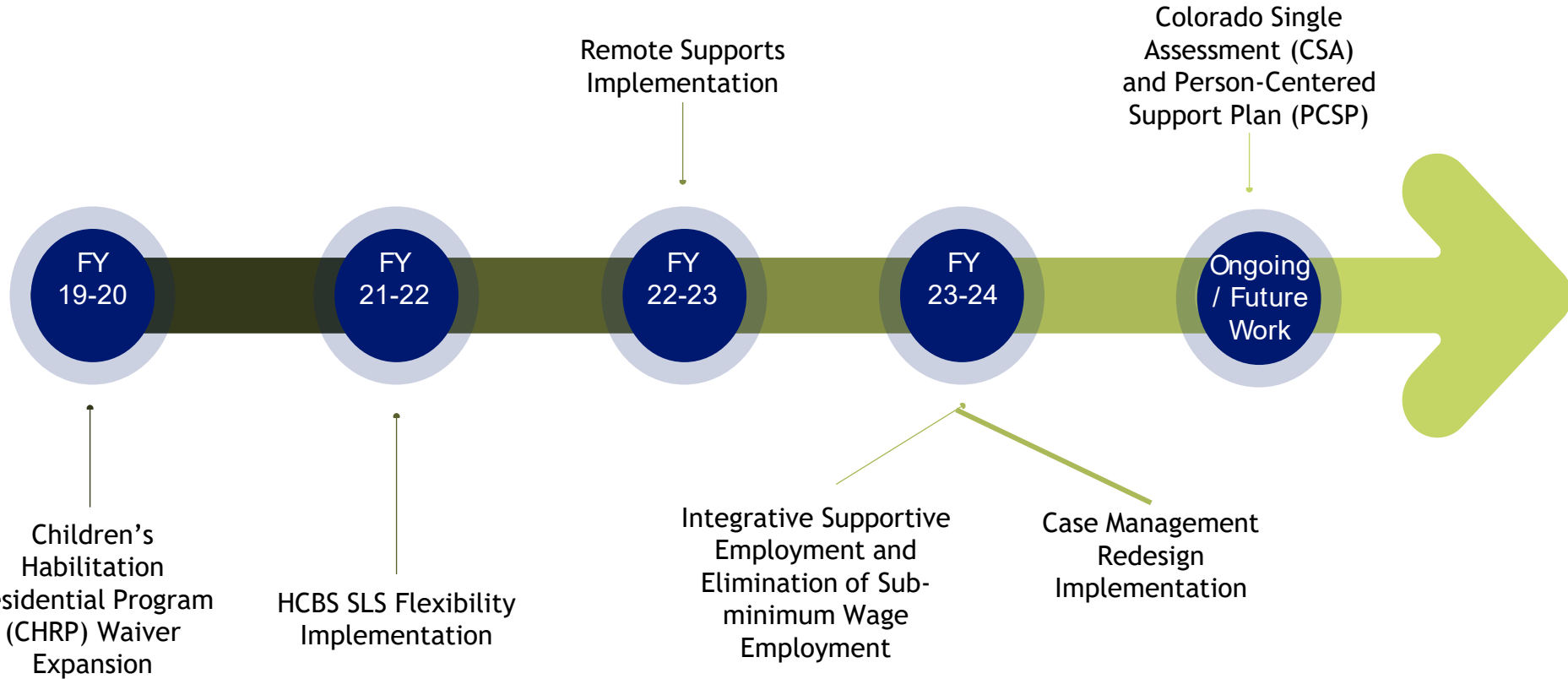
# Improvements to Member Outreach: General

Members and stakeholders have expressed how challenging it is to understand and navigate LTSS programs

- Conducted learning exchanges with 66 community-driven organizations to increase knowledge and capacity to navigate and enroll in HCBS in underserved communities
- Worked with members and advocates on a comprehensive new HCBS Enrollment Guide in English and Spanish
- Developed 14 new brochures/posters that explain various HCBS and LTSS programs, as well as charts comparing all HCBS waivers
- Translated 63 documents and forms in up to six languages
- Created a new [hcpf.colorado.gov/learn-about-ltss](https://hcpf.colorado.gov/learn-about-ltss) webpage with these resources and links, and more

# Appendix

# Related Initiatives



# Thank You!