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Community First Choice (CFC) versus 1915(c) Waivers

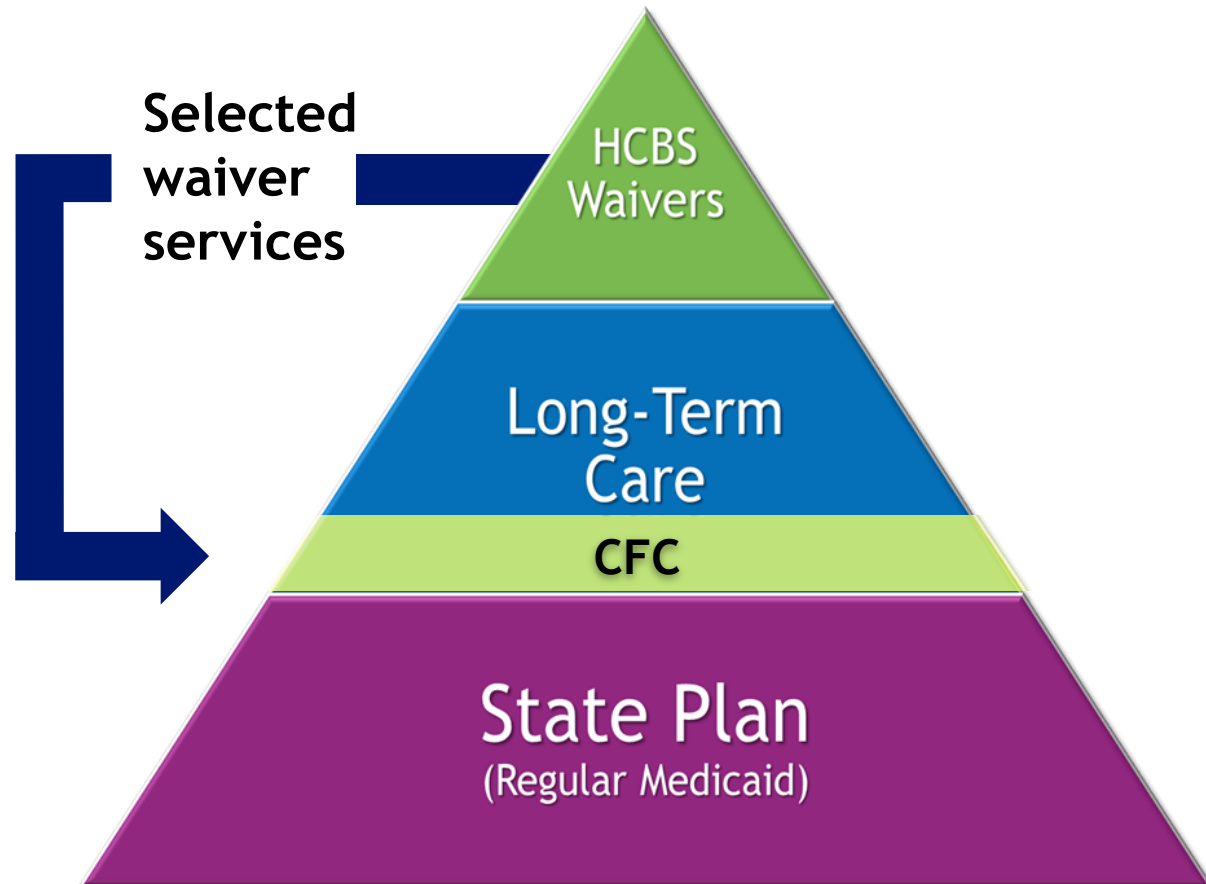


Community First Choice

Goal of CFC: Making HCBS accessible for more Medicaid members with expanded options and availability for self-directed care

Mandatory and Select Optional Services:

- Homemaker (including AME)
- Personal Care (including AME)
- Health Maintenance Activities
- Remote Supports
- Remote Supports Technology
- Home Delivered Meals
- Transition Setup
- Electronic Monitoring
- Personal Emergency Response System
- Medication Reminders



1915(c) Waiver versus 1915(k) CFC Authorities

1915(c) Waiver	1915(k) CFC
<p>Through the 1915(c) waiver programs, a state can help people who need Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) and are Medicaid-eligible by designing its HCBS services based on their needs. These waivers cannot be limited to a certain ethnic or racial group but can be limited in other ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May be statewide or geographically limited in coverage • May be limited to a certain medical diagnosis (e.g., mental health, developmental disability) • Waiver services may be broad in scope <p>Waivers in Colorado:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BI, CMHS, CIH, DD, EBD, SLS, CLLI, CHRP, CHCBS, CES 	<p>Through 1915(k) CFC, states can expand Medicaid opportunities for the provision of home and community-based LTSS, and facilitates community integration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CFC services must be available to all CFC-eligible members and cannot be limited to certain populations. • Members that are waiver eligible will be eligible for CFC. These members will receive their core ADL and IADL supports and services through CFC versus the waiver. Members can receive waiver services and CFC services at the same time. • CFC services are limited to "mandatory" and "optional" services.



Questions?



Revision Overview

- CFC will be incorporated throughout 8.7000 for the sections that apply to both waivers and CFC. These sections include:
 - 8.7000.A (Legal Authority), 8.7001 (Member's Rights & Responsibilities), 8.7200 (Case Management Agency Requirements), 8.7400 (Provider Agency Requirements), and 8.7500 (HCBS Benefits & Services)
- At the bottom of 8.7000, there is a new section that outlines CFC-specific requirements. This is in section 8.7600.
- CFC Rule Revisions



General Revisions

- General revisions include removing waiver-specific language and differences
- Under CFC, there cannot be differences in service definitions or tasks due to age, disability, or service delivery method
- Additionally, under CFC, there cannot be duplication of service across all Medicaid authorities

Notable Changes

- The exercise and protective oversight task definitions have been aligned across service delivery methods
- Health Maintenance Activities exercise task definition has been aligned across service delivery methods
- Homemaker Enhanced is changing to Extraordinary Cleaning.
 - The habilitative portion of that service will be under Acquisition, Maintenance and Enhancement of Skills (AME)
 - Extraordinary Cleaning will be available through the SLS and CES waiver
 - Homemaker, with the AME task, will be available through CFC



Notable Changes

- Caregiver options are expanding under CFC
- 10-hour per week limit for legally responsible person providing Homemaker
- 16-hour per day limit is applicable to all providers under CFC.
- Home Delivered Meals is no longer just a transition service!



Community First Choice (CFC)

Milestone	Dates
CFC Council Meetings	Completed!
Stakeholder Feedback Period	10/1/2024 through 12/4/2024
Children's Disability Advisory Committee (CDAC) Meeting	Today, 11/13/2024
Initial Approval Date	4/11/2025
Final Adoption Date	5/9/2025
CFC Rules Effective	7/1/2025



Feedback on CFC Rule Changes

- Please submit feedback by December 4th
- Feedback or questions can be submitted by email to hcpf_cfc@state.co.us or phone at 303-866-2354



Thank you!

