



INFORMATIONAL MEMO

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Purpose and Audience:

The purpose of this Informational Memo is to inform stakeholders of an upcoming additional meeting hosted by the Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (Department) to discuss and receive feedback on proposed changes to how Day Habilitation services can be provided through the duration of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) and beyond. This meeting is open to all interested stakeholders, including Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver members, guardians and relatives of members, advocates, and representatives of providers and Case Management Agencies serving individuals who receive Day Habilitation Services and Supports within the HCBS Supported Living Services (SLS) waiver and waiver for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (DD).

Information:

The Department has revised service provisions in HCBS in response to the COVID-19 PHE. These provisions have allowed for Day Habilitation services to be delivered using a more flexible, person-centered approach. The Department understands the value that flexible service provision offers waiver members. For this reason, the Department is pursuing permanently modifying Day Habilitation services within the DD and SLS waivers to allow for HCBS Day Habilitation services to better meet the needs of HCBS waiver members. The Department plans to revise both regulations and the waivers to implement more permanently some of these changes to how Day Habilitation services can continue to be provided in a flexible way.

Based on feedback received during the two initial Day Habilitation stakeholder meetings, held on September 10th and October 1st, 2020, the Department identified the need to host an additional Day Habilitation stakeholder meeting to continue the conversation.

Stakeholder Engagement Opportunity

The Department seeks to engage providers, waiver members, family members, advocates, and Case Managers through a final stakeholder meeting to work towards implementing and operating flexible Day Habilitation services in the DD and SLS waivers. During this meeting, stakeholders will have the opportunities to provide comments, suggestions and asks questions, as well as review potential waiver application and regulation changes. Stakeholders interested in this topic are encouraged to hold the date for the following engagement opportunity:

Engagement Opportunity for Day Habilitation StakeholdersDate and Time:

Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.– 4:30 p.m.

To access the Day Habilitation Stakeholder Meeting, please use the following link:

<https://cohcpf.adobeconnect.com/idd/>

Call-In Phone Number: 1-877-820-7831

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Attachment(s):

None

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