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Purpose and Audience:

The purpose of this Informational Memo is to inform stakeholders that the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver amendments submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on April 2, 2021 were approved.

Information:

CMS approved the amendments for the following HCBS waivers with an effective date of July 1, 2021: Persons with Brain Injury (BI); Children's Extensive Support (CES); Children's Home and Community Based Services (CHCBS); Children's Habilitation Residential Program (CHRP); Children with Life-Limiting Illness (CLLI); Community Mental Health Supports (CMHS); Developmental Disabilities (DD); Elderly, Blind and Disabled (EBD); Supported Living Services (SLS); and Persons with Spinal Cord Injury (SCI).

To view the full approved waiver applications, please visit the Department's website at <https://hcpf.colorado.gov/hcbs-public-comment>.

The approved waiver amendments include the following changes:

- Update waivers to reflect new Level of Care Screen (LOC Screen), Assessment, and Person-Centered Support Plan (PCSP) (BI, CES, CHCBS, CHRP, CLLI, CMHS, DD, EBD, SCI, SLS);
- Addition of Telehealth as a Service Delivery Option for specific HCBS waiver services (BI, CES, CHRP, CLLI, CMHS, DD, EBD, SCI, SLS);
- Update Appendix G Participant Safeguards (BI, CES, CHCBS, CHRP, CLLI, CMHS, DD, EBD, SLS, SCI);
- Addition of Relative Provider to Community Connector Service (CHRP);
- Addition of Sick Pay to Consumer-Directed Attendant Support Services (BI, CMHS, DD, EBD, SCI, SLS);
- Update Appendix J Projections and Unduplicated Counts (BI, CES, CHCBS, CHRP, CLLI, CMHS, DD, EBD, SCI, SLS).

Attachment(s):

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