



INFORMATIONAL MEMO

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Purpose and Audience:

The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (the Department) invites the public to comment on proposed waiver amendments for the following 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waivers:

- Persons with Brain Injury (BI)
- Children’s Extensive Supports (CES)
- Children’s Home & Community-Based Services (CHCBS)
- Children’s Habilitation Residential Program (CHRP)
- Children with Life-Limiting Illness (CLLI)
- Complementary and Integrative Services (CIH) - *formerly Persons with Spinal Cord Injury (SCI)*
- Community Mental Health Support (CMHS)
- Developmental Disabilities (DD)
- Elderly, Blind, and Disabled (EBD)
- Supported Living Services (SLS)

Information:

The Department intends to submit waiver amendments to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on September 16, 2022. The Department will request an effective date of January 1, 2023. The proposed waiver amendments give the Department the ability to include the following changes:

- Home Delivered Meals (HDM) Program Expansion (BI, CMHS, CIH, DD, EBD, SLS)
- Add Working Adults with Disabilities for 65+ (DD)
- Virtual Case Management (all waivers)
- Home Modification and Home Accessibility Adaptation Updates (BI, CES, CIH, CMHS, EBD, SLS)
- Telehealth for Behavioral Management and Education (BI)
- Targeted Rate Increases (TRI) and Across the Board (ATB) Rate Increases (all waivers)
- Performance Measures (PMs) Updates (all waivers)
- Respite Unit Changes (CHRP)
- Removal of Non-Integrated Settings Language (DD, SLS)
- Consumer-Directed Attendant Support Services (CDASS) Attendant Updates (BI, CIH, CMHS, EBD, SLS)
- Update to Desk Reviews of Case Files in Single Entry Points (SEPs) (BI, CES, CLLI, CIH, CMHS, DD, EBD, SLS)
- Out of State Providers for the Supported Living Program (SLP) Service (BI)
- Overall Service Plan Limit Increase (CES, SLS)
- Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Language Relocation (all waivers)

For a more detailed summary of all the changes, please visit the Department's website at <https://hcpf.colorado.gov/hcbs-public-comment> to view the full draft waivers and the amendment fact sheet. You may also obtain a paper or electronic copy by calling 303-866-3684 or by writing the Department at 1570 Grant St., Denver, CO 80203, ATTN: HCBS Waiver Amendments.

The public comment period is open for 30 days from August 11, 2022 through September 9, 2022.

Comments should be submitted to the Department via the following methods:

- Phone: 303-866-3684
- Email: HCPF_LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us
- Postal Mail:
Department of Health Care Policy & Financing

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- Fax: 303-866-2786 ATTN: HCBS Waiver Amendments

Attachment(s):

None

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