



INFORMATIONAL MEMO

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Purpose and Audience:

The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (HCPF) invites the public to comment on proposed waiver amendments to ten (10) of Colorado's Home and Community-Based (HCBS) waivers:

- Brain Injury (BI)
- Children's Extensive Support (CES)
- Children's Habilitation Residential Program (CHRP)
- Children's Home and Community Based Services (CHCBS)
- Complementary and Integrative Health (CIH)

- Community Mental Health Supports (CMHS)
- Children with Complex Health Needs (CwCHN)
- Developmental Disabilities (DD)
- Elderly, Blind, and Disabled (EBD)
- Supported Living Services (SLS)

Information:

HCPF intends to submit the amendments to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on March 20, 2026 and will request an effective date of July 1, 2026.

For a more detailed summary of all changes, please go to HCPF'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 requesting it in writing at: HCPF at 303 E. 17th Ave. Ste. 1100, Denver, CO 80203.

The public comment period is open for 30 days, from February 12, 2026, through March 13, 2026. Comments should be submitted to HCPF through the following routes:

- By Email: HCPF_LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us
- By Phone: 303-866-3684
- By US Mail: Attention: HCBS Waiver Amendments, 303 E. 17th Ave. Ste. 1100, Denver, CO 80203
- By Fax: 303-866-2786 (Attention HCBS Waiver Amendments)

Attachment(s):

None

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