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The Honorable Daneya Esgar, Chair
Joint Budget Committee
200 East 14th Avenue, Third Floor
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Representative Esgar:

In accordance with C.R.S. § 25.5-6-409.3 (4), The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (the Department) respectfully submits our quarterly status report on the redesign of a consolidated Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver for Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD).


The Department continues to closely engage stakeholders to inform the redesign of a consolidated waiver. The Department and stakeholders met in July to prioritize and plan an incremental process to more measuredly and readily implement policies and service design principles set out C.R.S. § 25.5-6-409.3 (4). Background information and meeting materials are available on the Waiver Redesign Stakeholder Engagement [website](#).

Through this process, the Department will align service design, policies, and implementation across all HCBS waivers to serve all populations, including those who will access the IDD consolidated waiver. In doing so, the Department will advance the mutual aims of IDD waiver redesign and the larger effort to simplify and align across the state's system of HCBS Waivers. In simplifying and aligning services, the Department will make accessing services more straightforward and effortless and will help build provider capacity creating a more stable workforce for the future.

Toward these ends, the Department is drawing from a fully developed array of services, designed to be flexible, individualized, and cost-effective. The Department has substantiated this design through thorough analysis of programmatic, operational, and fiscal impacts.

If you require further information or have additional questions, please contact the Department's Legislative Analyst, Jill Mullen, at Jill.Mullen@state.co.us or 720-682-3046.

Sincerely,

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Kim Bimestefer
Executive Director

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