

Joint House and Senate Health and Human Services Committee

Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing

HB 14-1051 Update

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Today's Presentation

Annual update on House Bill 14-1051: Developmental Disabilities Strategic Plan

- ✓ Background on Programs for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
- ✓ Waiting List Progress & Management
- ✓ 667 New Enrollments Update
- ✓ Cost Estimate
- ✓ Related Initiatives




Program Background

Long-Term Services and Supports System

Long-term services and supports provide a system for Health First Colorado members to:


-  Live in a setting they choose
-  Have the supports they need to live where they choose
-  Participate in communities that value their contributions
-  Access services in a streamlined, simple and timely manner
-  Get the highest quality services

Direct Services

- At home 
- In community 
- In facilities 

Member 

Case Management

- Community Centered Boards (CCBs) 
- Single Entry Points (SEPs) 
- Private Agencies (Children's Home and Community-Based Services Waiver (CHCBS) Only) 

Who Receives Long-Term Services & Supports?

8%



Children & Adolescents

ages 20 & younger
& qualifying former
foster care youth

45
%



Adults

ages 21-64

47
%



Older Adults

ages 65 or
older

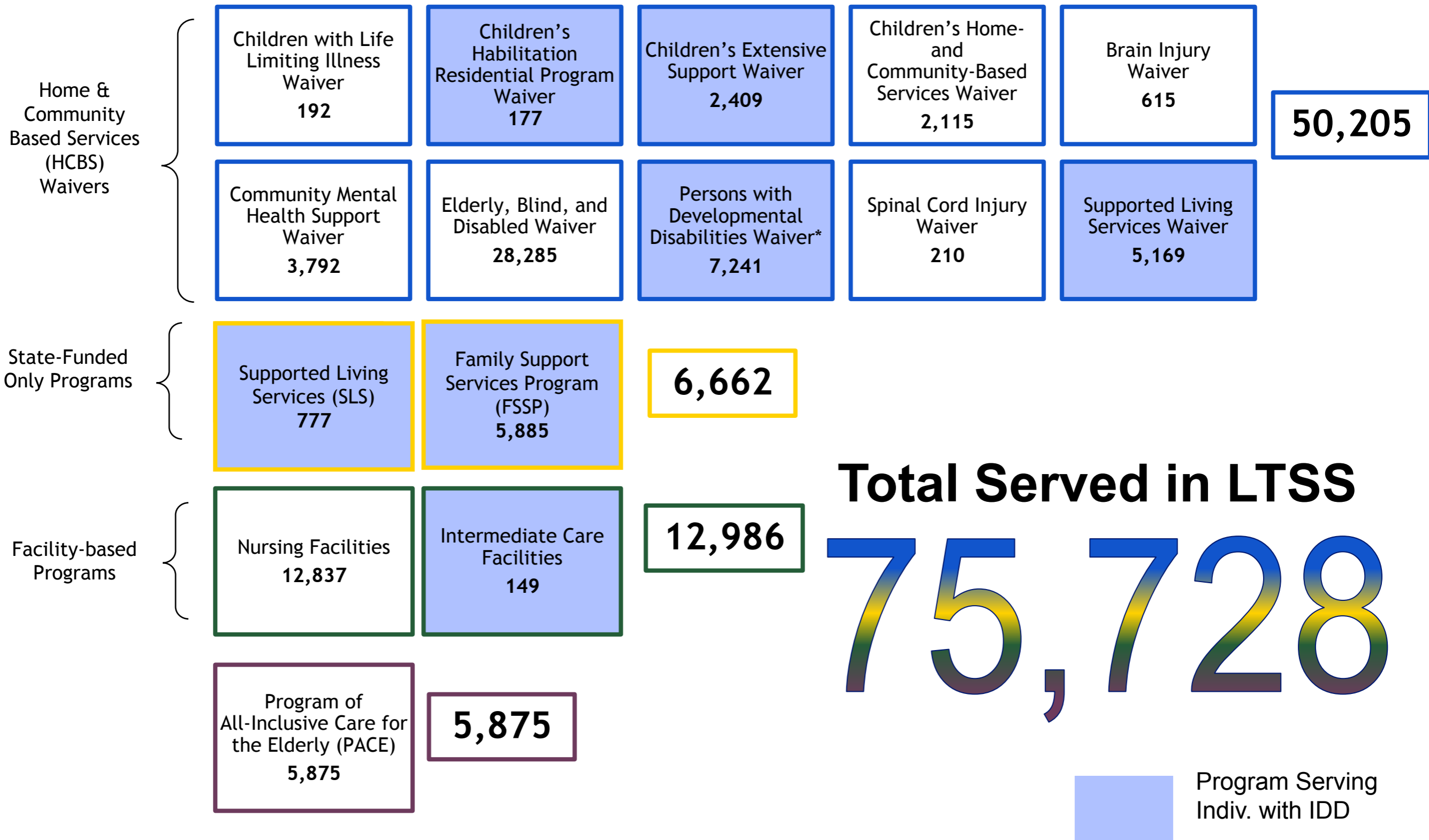
Cross Disability

- **Physical Disabilities** - i.e., Spinal Cord Injury, Parkinson's disease
- **Cognitive Disabilities** - I/DD, Brain Injury, Dementia
- **Mental Health**

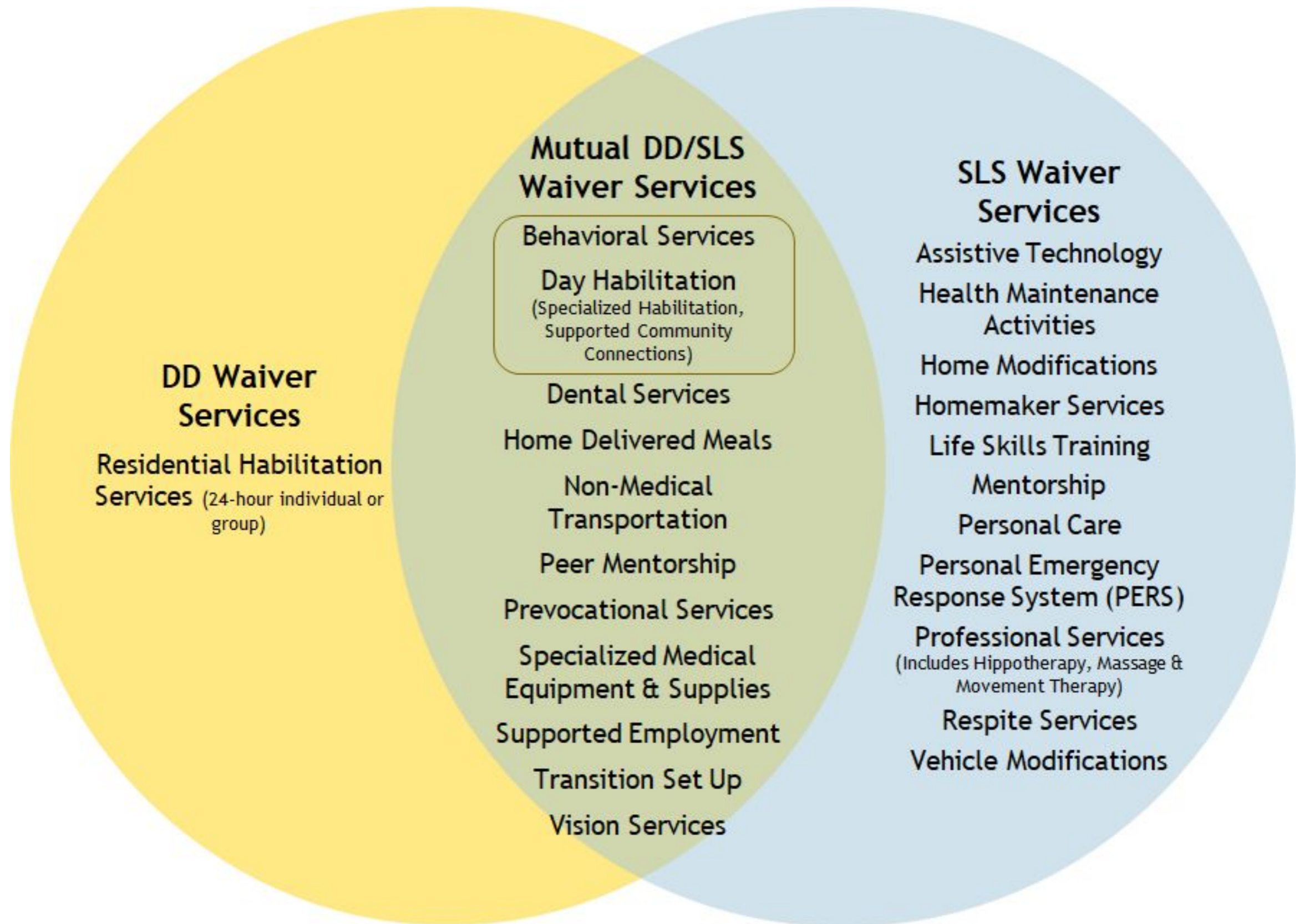
84% have a **chronic condition**
(compared to the 40% of the
rest of the Medicaid)

30% have 5 or more of chronic
conditions

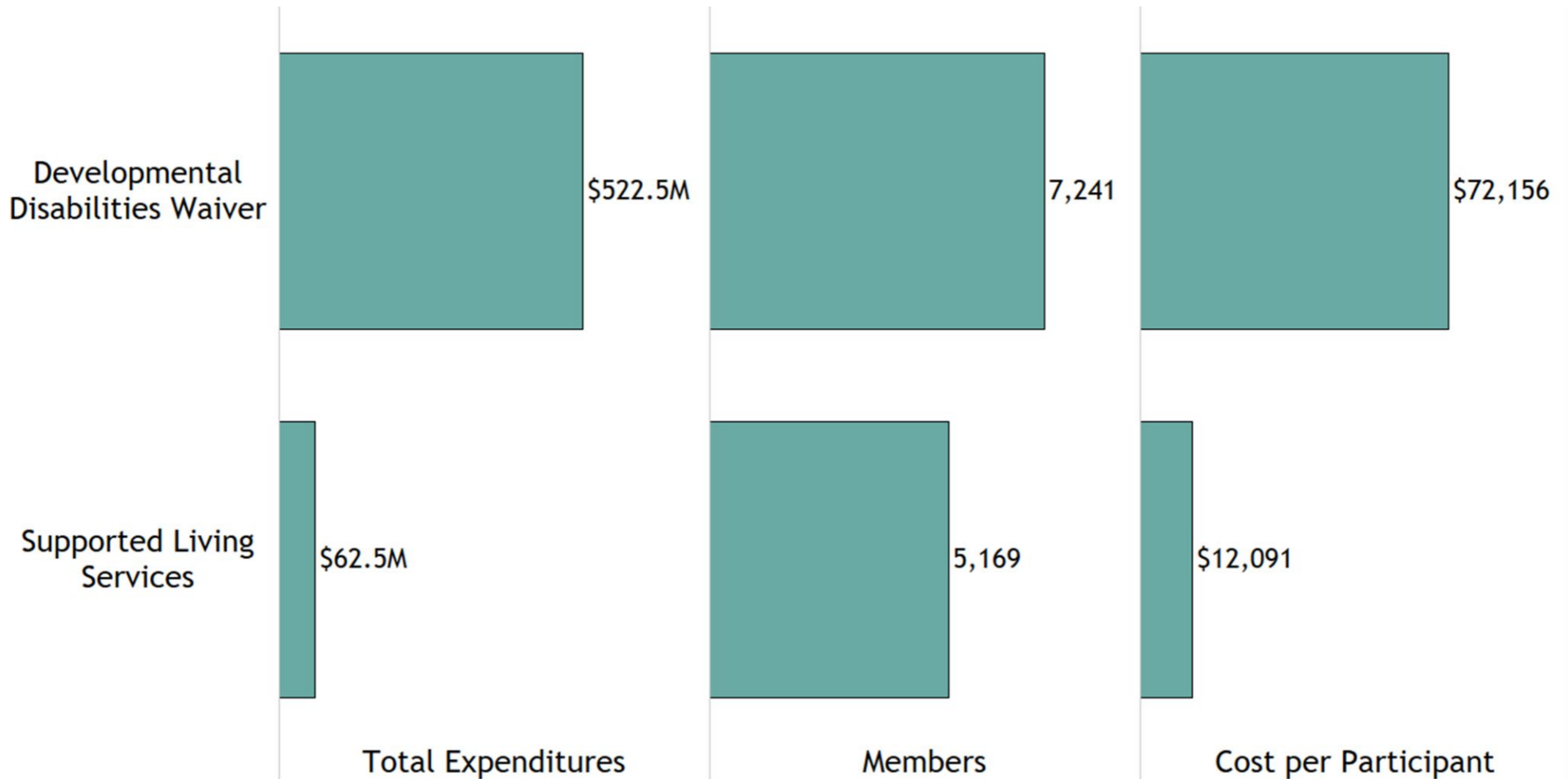
Long-Term Services & Supports Programs



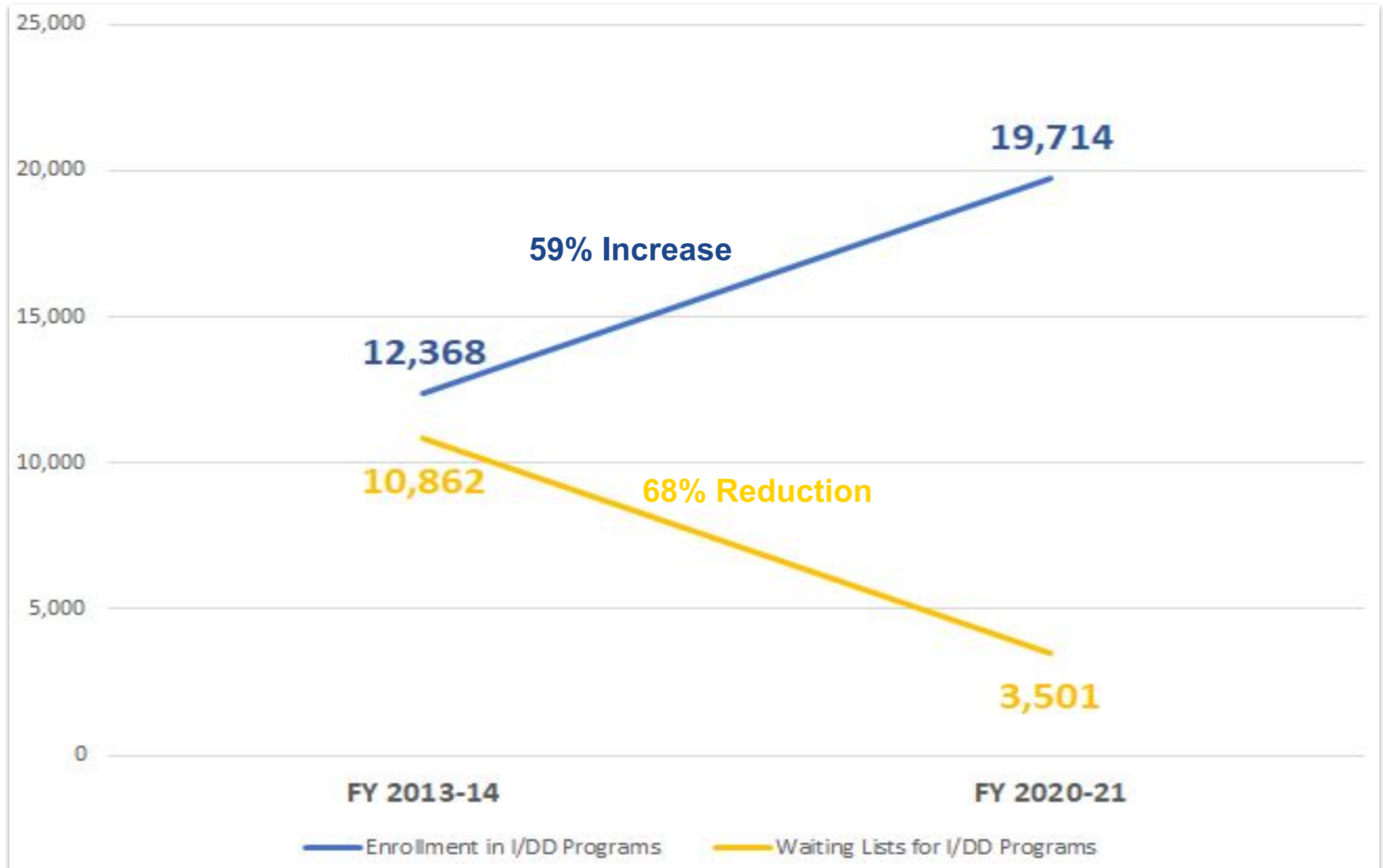
Waiver Services



Adult IDD Waiver Comparison



Enrollment and Waiting Lists



Prioritized Enrollments for the HCBS-DD Waiver

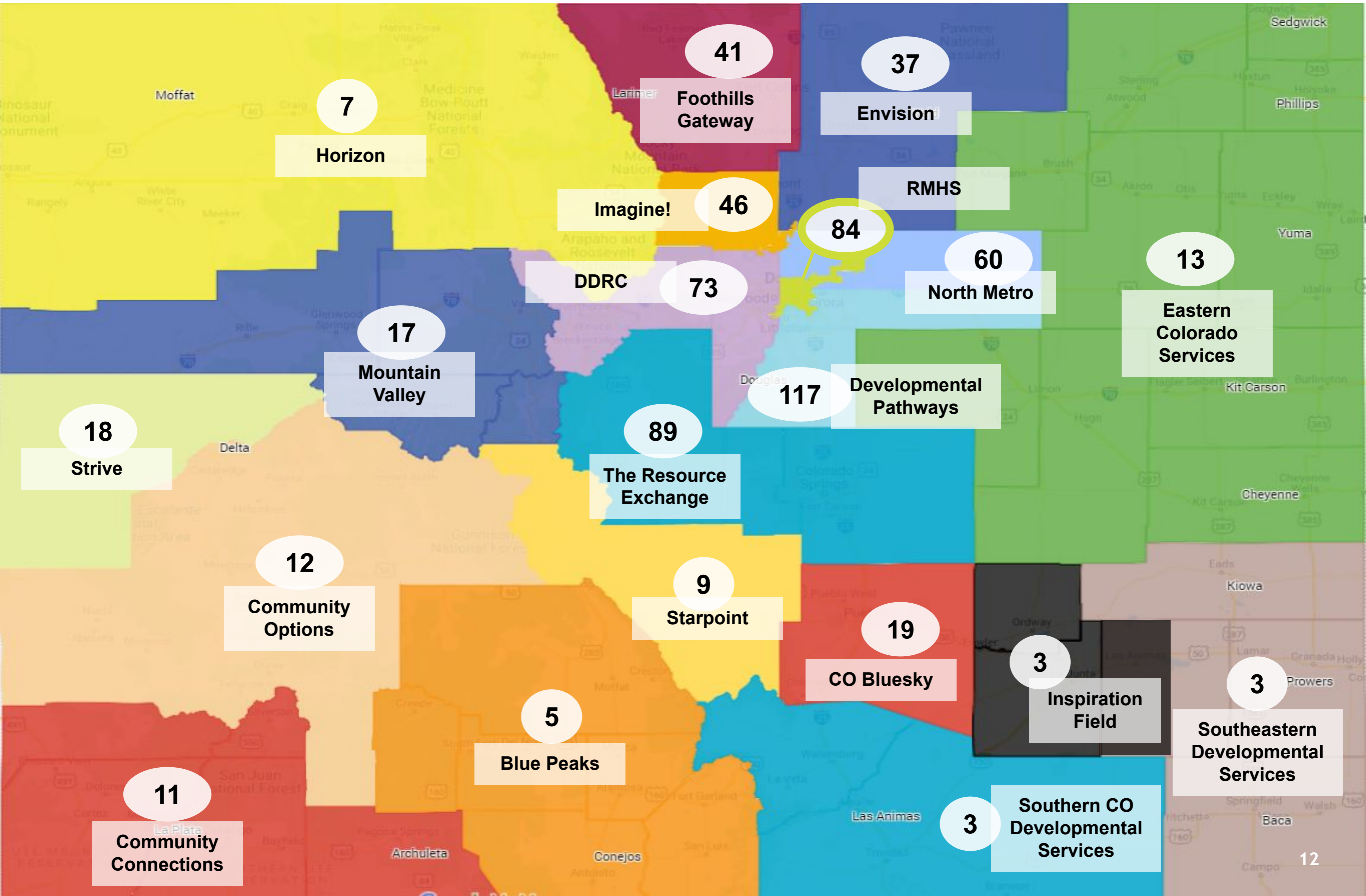
There are three ways individuals may be prioritized over individuals on the waiting list for enrollment into the HCBS-DD Waiver:

- 1) Children who are involved in Colorado's Foster Care system or who are active in the CES or CHRP waivers
- 2) Adults who are transitioning into the community from a State Mental Health Facility or State Regional Intermediary Care Facility or a Skilled Nursing Facility
- 3) Adults who meet one or more of the emergency qualifying criteria set in Colorado Regulations

667 New Enrollments

- May 2021 Long Bill included one-time appropriation for 667 new enrollments into the HCBS-DD waiver from the As-Soon-As-Available (ASAA) waiting list.
- Enrollment allocations were distributed across the state to all 20 Community Centered Boards (CCBs) based upon newly-developed per capita methodology
 - 4 CCBs had fewer individuals on their ASAA waiting list than their allocation. These enrollments were assigned to the next people on the Statewide Waiting List (7 people)

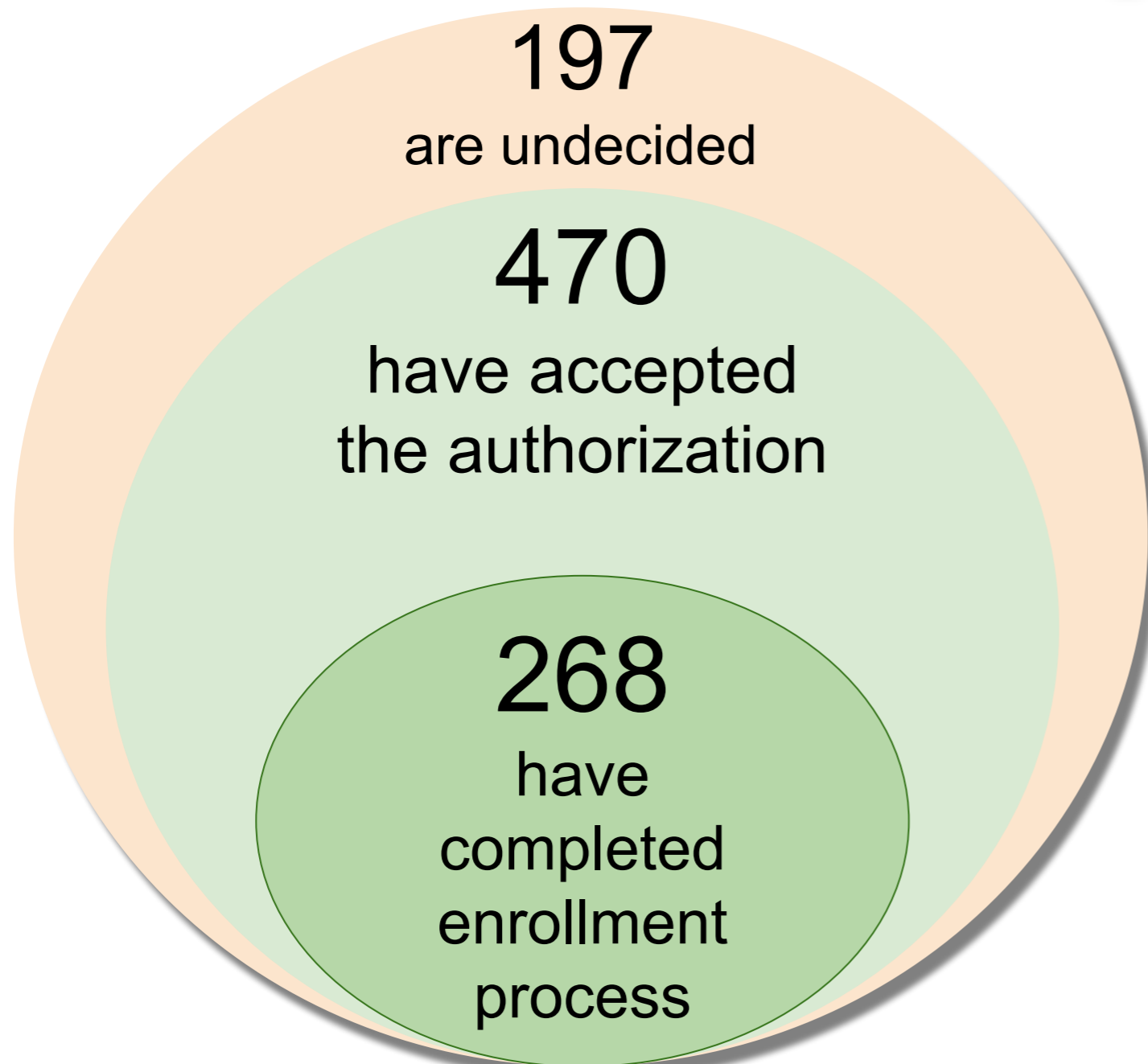
Enrollment Allocations By CCB



Status of Authorizations

As of January 1, 2022

667 Total New Enrollments Authorized



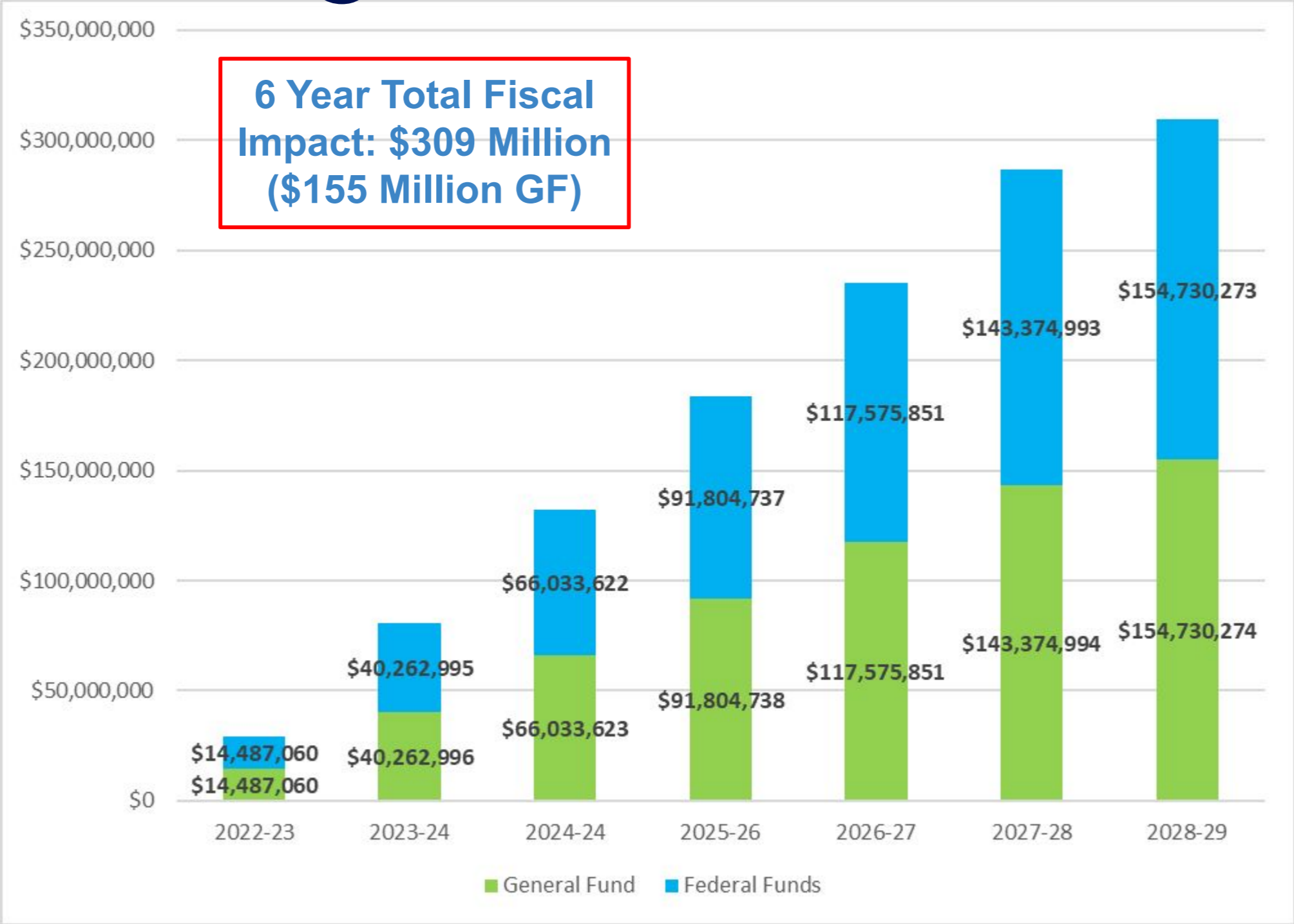
220
have declined enrollment

Primary reason for refusal (49%) - Happy with current services in Elderly Blind and Disabled (EBD) or Supported Living Services (SLS) waivers

887
total individuals offered authorization to enroll so far

Cost Estimate

Estimated Costs to Reduce the Waiting List over Six Years



Related Initiatives

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Initiative	Impact
1	<p>HCBS SLS Flexibility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget request approval in 2021-22 Long Bill authorizes HCPF to expand access to care to individuals with IDD enrolled in the SLS waiver. • Goal of mitigating emergency enrollment into DD waiver by better meeting needs of those with higher needs on SLS waiver by providing exceptions to unit and service plan authorization limits
2	<p>Elimination of Sub-minimum Wage Employment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passage of SB 21-039 directs Colorado to eliminate sub-minimum wage employment by 2025 • As more individuals with disabilities are employed with real pay, health outcomes improve, which leads to less need for higher level of care
3	<p>Children’s Habilitation Residential Program (CHRP) Waiver Expansion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective July 2019, expanded to include children not in child welfare • Increase in enrollment from numbers too low to report due to privacy to over 170 in July 2021 • Anticipated continued growth will reduce need for enrollment into HCBS-DD waiver for individuals aged 18-20
4	<p>Remote Supports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Long Appropriations Bill, SB 21-205 approved expansion of Electronic Monitoring benefit to include a remote supports component to 5 waivers, including SLS waiver • HCPF anticipates that the availability of remote supports for individuals on the SLS waiver will impact the need for a DD waiver enrollment for some individuals on the DD waiver waiting list

Thank You!