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Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver Amendments Fact Sheet – Winter 2020-21

The Department intends to submit amendments for the following Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waivers:

- Persons with Brain Injury (BI)
- Community Mental Health Supports (CMHS)
- Developmental Disabilities (DD)
- Elderly, Blind, and Disabled (EBD)
- Persons with Spinal Cord Injury (SCI)
- Supported Living Services (SLS)

The Department will accept public comments from November 12 through December 11, 2020. The Department intends to submit the amendments to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on December 14, 2020. The Department will request an effective date of March 10, 2021 for these waivers.

Explanations of changes within the waiver applications can be found below.

Public Comments will be accepted from November 12 through December 11, 2020.

Summary of Changes

Update waiver to reflect new service definition for Adult Day Services

The Department is updating language in the waiver to reflect a new tiered structure for furnishing Adult Day services and the corresponding adjustments to the budget projections. BI will follow a new two-tiered billing structure while CMHS, EBD, and SCI will follow a three-tiered structure.

Update waiver to reflect new service definition for Day Habilitation Service, Specialized Habilitation and Supported Community Connector

The Department is updating the language in the waiver to reflect the new tiered structure for furnishing Day Habilitation Service, Specialized Habilitation and Supported Community Connector and the corresponding adjustments to the budget projections. DD and SLS will follow a three-tiered structure.

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Update Day Habilitation service, Specialized Habilitation and Supported Community Connector with an annual cap on spending.

The Department is updating the Day Habilitation service with an annual cap on spending, according to service level. The cap is inclusive of Specialized Habilitation and Supported Community Connector and will allow members to choose the modality, type, and frequency in which they receive their services within the annual spending limit.

Public Comment Opportunity

The Department will post drafts of the waiver amendment applications on the Department's website at www.colorado.gov/hcpf/hcbs-waiver-transition for public comment.

- The Department will make available a draft of the Waiver Amendments for a 30-day public comment period from November 12 through December 11, 2020.
- The Department commits to incorporating comments, concerns, and suggestions when and wherever possible.
- All comments and responses will be recorded in a listening log that will be posted on the Department's website after the public comment period ends.

To request a paper or electronic copy of the waiver amendments including the full draft waiver and/or provide public comment please do so by:

- Phone: 303-866-3684
- Email: HCPF_LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us
- Postal Mail: Department of Health Care Policy & Financing 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203 ATTN: HCBS Waiver Amendments
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