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Public Comment Notice - Home and Community Based Services Waiver

03/22/2021

The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) proposes to renew the Persons with Disabilities waiver – IL 0142. The renewal contains few changes from the current waiver. The primary differences are:

- Update the waiver capacities and overall cost estimates to reflect historical trends for both fee-for-service and Managed Care Organization (MCO) customers
- Update the Service Cost Maximum for 7/1/2021
- Update words and terms for consistency throughout the application
- Update the performance measures reflecting CMS recommendations, specifically in Appendix G, and included two new performance measures specific to the Settings Rule
- Update the implementation dates for the various MCO authorities
- Update Appendix F to align with MCO contract requirements and to reflect the delegation of the final administrative decision to the Secretary of Human Services pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement between the HFS and the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS), the Operating Agency
- Update Appendix I-2-a adding language to address all required elements
- Update Appendixes D and G to include information about both the OA and MCO processes that were missing from previous descriptions

Illinois seeks public input on this proposed waiver renewal of the HCBS Waiver for Persons with Disabilities through two separate statements of public notice.

- 1) An electronic public notice is posted on the HFS website at <https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/info/legal/PublicNotices/Pages/default.aspx>.
- 2) A non-electronic public notice may be viewed at the DHS local offices (except in Cook County). In Cook County, the notice may be reviewed at the Office of the Director, Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services, 401 South Clinton Street, 1st Floor, Chicago, Illinois.

In addition to the two methods of notification above, the Illinois Department of Human Services, Division of Rehabilitation Services, the operating agency of the HCBS Waiver for Persons with Disabilities, will share the public notice and the opportunity for input with stakeholders and other interested parties.

A hard copy of the proposed waiver renewal may be downloaded and printed from the HFS website at <https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/default.aspx> or may be requested by calling 217/524-4148. Copies are also available at the following locations:

Healthcare and Family Services  
201 South Grand Avenue East  
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Healthcare and Family Services  
401 South Clinton  
Chicago, IL 60607

HFS is accepting public input regarding the proposed renewal of the HCBS Waiver for Persons with Disabilities for a 30-day public comment period from 03/22/21 through 04/22/21. Those interested in providing input are asked to email feedback to the HFS web portal email address at [HFS.HCBSWaiver@illinois.gov](mailto:HFS.HCBSWaiver@illinois.gov) or mail their written input to:

Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services  
ATTN: Waiver Operations Management  
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A summary of the public notice and comments will be incorporated into the waiver renewal. The summary will include modifications to the initial waiver renewal and the reasons why the State of Illinois adopted or did not adopt specific comments or recommendations.