

Home and Community Based Waiver Updates Summary

Medically Complex Children's Waiver

This is a new waiver that will be submitted by June 30, 2015 as a result of HB 199 from the 2015 General Legislative Session. Annually, the waiver will provide respite and Medicaid State Plan services to approximately 165 children with disabilities and complex medical conditions who are under 19 years of age.

Acquired Brain Injury Waiver

The existing waiver is being amended. Amendments to this waiver include, re-categorization of existing performance measures, inclusion of a waiver specific transition plan for the HCBS settings rule, and updated cost and participant estimates that reflect recent legislative appropriations that will increase direct service worker wages.

Physical Disabilities Waiver

The existing waiver is being amended. Amendments to this waiver include, updated performance measures, inclusion of a waiver specific transition plan for the HCBS settings rule, and updated cost and participant estimates that reflect recent legislative appropriations that will increase direct service worker wages.

Technology Dependent Waiver

The existing waiver is being amended. Amendments to this waiver include, updated performance measures, inclusion of a waiver specific transition plan for the HCBS settings rule, the addition of nine additional unduplicated slots and updates to associated cost and utilization estimates.

Autism Waiver

This waiver is being submitted for a 5 year renewal. Updates to this waiver include, removal of Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) as a waiver service (now offered as a State Plan benefit), updated performance measures, and updated enrollment and cost estimates, inclusion of a waiver specific transition plan for the HCBS settings rule, and a phase-out schedule for current enrollees.

Public Comment Opportunities

Medicaid will be accepting public comments on all waiver amendments, renewals, and submissions from May 22, 2015 until June 22, 2015. The full text of each waiver can be viewed online at <http://health.utah.gov/lc> or commenters may call 801-538-6955 and request a hard copy of the waiver application by mail. Individuals may also review copies at local Area Agencies on Aging or at offices for the Department of Human Services throughout the state.

Public comment will be accepted in the following ways:

- DOH Website: <http://health.utah.gov/lrc/PublicComment.html>
- Mail: **Utah Department of Health
Division of Medicaid & Health Financing
Attn: HCBS Waiver Public Comments
PO BOX 143112
Salt Lake City, UT 84114-3112**
- Fax: **801-323-1588**