Individual Options Waiver Renewal Posted for Public Comment

The Individual Options Waiver is due for renewal by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) effective July 1, 2019. A renewal application governing five new waiver years (July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2024) must be submitted to the CMS no later than April 1, 2019. It must include new enrollment and cost neutrality projections.

Changes to the Individual Options Waiver Renewal

Below is a summary of the key changes to the waiver. A link to the full waiver renewal is included below the summary. If you'd like a paper copy of the renewal, please call (614) 728-1033.

- Updated the Main 8.B. Attachment 2 to reflect the revised statewide transition plan.
- Removed the public comment summaries from previous amendments.
- Added new HCBS settings-related performance measures in the Quality Improvement section of Appendix A.
- New unduplicated enrollment projections in Appendix B-3-a.
- New reserved capacity slot projections in Appendix B-3-c.
- Removed outdated service specifications in C-1-a.
- Renamed the previously approved service Adaptive and Assistive Equipment to Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies to align with the Level One waiver.
- New self-directed service utilization projections in Appendix E-1-n
- New cost neutrality estimates in Appendix J-2-a, -b, -c and -d.

Terminology and Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) references have been updated throughout the renewal application. No modifications to services are included in this renewal application.

Read the complete renewal (PDF).

Public comments welcome

As part of the waiver renewal process, the public can comment on the proposed renewal. The public comment period is January 7, 2019 through February 6, 2019. Comments must be received my midnight on February 6, 2019, and can be submitted by:

E-mail: waiverfeedback@dodd.ohio.gov

U.S. mail: On the envelope, please address the letter to the waiver you're commenting about, i.e., "Individual Options DD Waiver Renewal," and mail to:

Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities 30 E. Broad Street, 13th Floor Columbus, OH 43215

FAX: 614-466-6945 – please include which waiver you're commenting about in the subject line, i.e., " Attn: Bureau of Long Term Services and Support, Individual Options Waiver Renewal"

Phone: Call toll-free to leave a voicemail message at (800) 364-3153 or (614) 728-1033

Courier or in-person submission:

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