

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE FINANCE  
& DEPARTMENT ON DISABILITY SERVICES**

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF REVISIONS TO THE STATEWIDE  
TRANSITION PLAN FOR THE DISTRICT  
MEDICAID PROGRAM'S HOME AND  
COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WAIVERS**

The Directors of the Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) and Department on Disability Services (DDS), pursuant to the authority set forth in an Act to enable the District of Columbia to receive federal financial assistance under Title XIX of the Social Security Act for a medical assistance program, and for other purposes, approved December 27, 1967 (81 Stat. 774; D.C. Official Code § 1-307.02) (2012 Repl. & 2013 Supp.), and Section 6(6) of the Department of Health Care Finance Establishment Act of 2007, effective February 27, 2008 (D.C. Law 17-109; D.C. Official Code § 7-771.05(6) (2012 Repl.)) hereby give notice of their intent to submit revisions to the Statewide Transition Plan for the District of Columbia Medicaid program's Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waivers to the Department of Health and Human Services' Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for review and approval.

CMS regulations, effective March 17, 2014, and published in 79 Fed. Reg. 2948-3039 (Jan. 16, 2014), changed the definition of home and community-based services settings for HCBS Waiver services and required that DHCF and DDS develop and submit to CMS a transition plan identifying how the HCBS Waivers will be brought into compliance with the new outcome-oriented definition of HCBS settings. DHCF and DDS submitted a Statewide Transition Plan to CMS on March 17, 2015. That plan is available online on the DHCF website at: <http://dhcf.dc.gov/release/announcement-submitted-cms-district-columbia-plan-comply-new-federal-home-and-community> and the DDS website at: <http://dds.dc.gov/publication/dc-statewide-transition-plan-3-17-2015>. Following a period of public comment, DHCF and DDS plan to submit an update to that Statewide Transition Plan for CMS's review and approval.

Copies of the proposed revisions to the Statewide Transition Plan may be obtained no later than February 20, 2016 on the DHCF website at <http://dhcf.dc.gov>, the DDS website at <http://dds.dc.gov>, or upon request from Ieisha Gray, Director, Long Term Care Administration, D.C. Department of Healthcare Finance, 441 4th St, NW, 10th Floor, Washington D.C. 20001.

DHCF and DDS will hold two public forums during which written and oral comments on the proposed revisions to the Statewide Transition Plan will be accepted. The first public forum will be held at the R.I.S.E. Demonstration Center at 2730 Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave., SE Washington, D.C. 20032 (St. Elizabeths East Campus) on March 1, 2016 from 3-5 p.m. in the Conference Room. The second public forum will be held at the D.C. Department of Health Care

Finance at 441 4th St, NW, Washington D.C., 20001 on March 3, 2016 from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Old Council Chambers (South Building).

Written comments on this transition plan may be submitted to Claudia Schlosberg, Medicaid Director, D.C. Department of Health Care Finance, 441 4th St, NW, 9th Floor, Washington D.C. 20001, or by e-mail at [dhcfpubliccomments@dc.gov](mailto:dhcfpubliccomments@dc.gov), during the thirty (30) day public comment period closing Monday, March 21, 2016, at 5 pm EST.

Copies of this notice will be published on the DHCF website at at <http://dhcf.dc.gov> and the the DDS website at <http://dds.dc.gov>.

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