Application for a §1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waiver

PURPOSE OF THE HCBS WAIVER PROGRAM

The Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver program is authorized in §1915(c) of the Social Security Act. The program permits a State to furnish an array of home and community-based services that assist Medicaid beneficiaries to live in the community and avoid institutionalization. The State has broad discretion to design its waiver program to address the needs of the waiver’s target population. Waiver services complement and/or supplement the services that are available to participants through the Medicaid State plan and other federal, state and local public programs as well as the supports that families and communities provide.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) recognizes that the design and operational features of a waiver program will vary depending on the specific needs of the target population, the resources available to the State, service delivery system structure, State goals and objectives, and other factors. A State has the latitude to design a waiver program that is cost-effective and employs a variety of service delivery approaches, including participant direction of services.

Request for an Amendment to a §1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waiver

1. Request Information

A. The State of New Mexico requests approval for an amendment to the following Medicaid home and community-based services waiver approved under authority of §1915(c) of the Social Security Act.

B. Program Title:
   Developmental Disabilities Waiver Program

C. Waiver Number: NM.0173
   Original Base Waiver Number: NM.0173.

D. Amendment Number:

E. Proposed Effective Date: (mm/dd/yy)
   01/01/19

   Approved Effective Date of Waiver being Amended: 07/01/16

2. Purpose(s) of Amendment

Purpose(s) of the Amendment. Describe the purpose(s) of the amendment:

The primary purpose of this amendment to the approved waiver is to update the estimated number of individuals to be served under the waiver and to implement a rate adjustment.

The key components of proposed changes under this waiver amendment are as follows:

1. Update the number of participants being served under the waiver. The number of participants in the Developmental Disabilities Waiver (DDW) is lower than the projections previously submitted to CMS due to a number of factors including: decrease in waiver allocations and increase in participant transitions from the DDW to NM.0448, self-directed Mi Via Waiver. Updates were made to appendix B-3 Table (a), appendix J-2 Table (a), and J-2 Table (d)(i) for Waiver Years 3, 4, and 5.

2. In response to stakeholder feedback during the 2018 NM legislative session, implement a rate adjustment, effective January 1, 2019. The rate adjustment will provide funding support for the current waiver provider system. Updates were made to Appendix I-2-a.

3. Nature of the Amendment
A. Component(s) of the Approved Waiver Affected by the Amendment. This amendment affects the following component(s) of the approved waiver. Revisions to the affected subsection(s) of these component(s) are being submitted concurrently (check each that applies):

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B. Nature of the Amendment. Indicate the nature of the changes to the waiver that are proposed in the amendment (check each that applies):
☐ Modify target group(s)
☐ Modify Medicaid eligibility
☐ Add/delete services
☐ Revise service specifications
☐ Revise provider qualifications
✔ Increase/decrease number of participants
☐ Revise cost neutrality demonstration
☐ Add participant-direction of services
✔ Other
  Specify:
  Implement rate adjustment

Application for a §1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waiver

1. Request Information (1 of 3)

A. The State of New Mexico requests approval for a Medicaid home and community-based services (HCBS) waiver under the authority of §1915(c) of the Social Security Act (the Act).

B. Program Title (optional - this title will be used to locate this waiver in the finder):
  Developmental Disabilities Waiver Program

C. Type of Request: amendment

Requested Approval Period: (For new waivers requesting five year approval periods, the waiver must serve individuals who are dually eligible for Medicaid and Medicare.)
  ☐ 3 years  ✔  5 years

Original Base Waiver Number: NM.0173
Draft ID: NM.019.06.01

D. Type of Waiver (select only one):
  ✔ Regular Waiver

E. Proposed Effective Date of Waiver being Amended: 07/01/16
Approved Effective Date of Waiver being Amended: 07/01/16

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1. Request Information (2 of 3)

F. Level(s) of Care. This waiver is requested in order to provide home and community-based waiver services to individuals who, but for the provision of such services, would require the following level(s) of care, the costs of which would be reimbursed under the approved Medicaid State plan (check each that applies):

- [ ] Hospital
  - [ ] Hospital as defined in 42 CFR §440.10
    - If applicable, specify whether the State additionally limits the waiver to subcategories of the hospital level of care:

- [ ] Inpatient psychiatric facility for individuals age 21 and under as provided in 42 CFR §440.160

- [ ] Nursing Facility
  - Select applicable level of care
  - [ ] Nursing Facility as defined in 42 CFR §440.40 and 42 CFR §440.155
    - If applicable, specify whether the State additionally limits the waiver to subcategories of the nursing facility level of care:

- [ ] Institution for Mental Disease for persons with mental illnesses aged 65 and older as provided in 42 CFR §440.140

- [x] Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID) (as defined in 42 CFR §440.150)
  - If applicable, specify whether the State additionally limits the waiver to subcategories of the ICF/IID level of care:

1. Request Information (3 of 3)

G. Concurrent Operation with Other Programs. This waiver operates concurrently with another program (or programs) approved under the following authorities

Select one:

- [ ] Not applicable
- [ ] Applicable

Check the applicable authority or authorities:

- [ ] Services furnished under the provisions of §1915(a)(1)(a) of the Act and described in Appendix I
- [ ] Waiver(s) authorized under §1915(b) of the Act.

Specify the §1915(b) waiver program and indicate whether a §1915(b) waiver application has been submitted or previously approved:

Specify the §1915(b) authorities under which this program operates (check each that applies):

- [ ] §1915(b)(1) (mandated enrollment to managed care)
- [ ] §1915(b)(2) (central broker)
- [ ] §1915(b)(3) (employ cost savings to furnish additional services)
- [ ] §1915(b)(4) (selective contracting/limit number of providers)
- [ ] A program operated under §1932(a) of the Act.

Specify the nature of the State Plan benefit and indicate whether the State Plan Amendment has been submitted or previously approved:
A program authorized under §1915(i) of the Act.
A program authorized under §1915(j) of the Act.
A program authorized under §1115 of the Act.
Specify the program:

H. Dual Eligibility for Medicaid and Medicare.
Check if applicable:
☑ This waiver provides services for individuals who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid.

2. Brief Waiver Description

Brief Waiver Description. In one page or less, briefly describe the purpose of the waiver, including its goals, objectives, organizational structure (e.g., the roles of state, local and other entities), and service delivery methods.
The Developmental Disabilities Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver serves individuals with intellectual disabilities or specific related conditions and developmental disability that occur before the age of 22. New Mexico provides community-based services designed to increase independence and achieve personal goals while providing care and support to enable individuals to live as active members of the community while ensuring health and safety. The purpose of the program is to provide assistance to individuals who require long-term supports and services so that they may remain in the family residence, in their own home, or small community living residences. The program serves as an alternative to an Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID). The waiver offers statutory and ancillary services and sets specific dollar limits of services and supports based on clinical justification and service definitions detailed in Appendix C.

The State has designed and defined a broad range of flexible community-based services that are integrated and support full access of individuals receiving HCBS to the greater community. Waiver services support individuals to engage in community life, control personal resources, and receive services in the community, to the same degree of access as individuals not receiving HCBS. Waiver services compliment and/or supplement the services that are available to participants through the Medicaid State plan and other federal, state and local public programs as well as the natural supports that families and communities provide. Through the provision of services and supports identified through the person-centered Individual Service Plan and the operation of a quality assurance and improvement program, the State ensures the health and welfare of the individuals in the program. In addition, the program provides assurances of fiscal integrity and includes participant protections that will be effective and family-friendly.

The Department of Health (DOH) is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Developmental Disabilities Waiver. The Human Services Department/Medical Assistance Division (HSD/MAD), as the Single State Medicaid Agency, oversees the DOH’s operation of the waiver. The departments cooperate in the operation of the waiver under a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) that delineates each department’s responsibilities.

3. Components of the Waiver Request

The waiver application consists of the following components. Note: Item 3-E must be completed.

A. Waiver Administration and Operation. Appendix A specifies the administrative and operational structure of this waiver.

B. Participant Access and Eligibility. Appendix B specifies the target group(s) of individuals who are served in this waiver, the number of participants that the State expects to serve during each year that the waiver is in effect, applicable Medicaid eligibility and post-eligibility (if applicable) requirements, and procedures for the evaluation and reevaluation of level of care.

C. Participant Services. Appendix C specifies the home and community-based waiver services that are furnished through the waiver, including applicable limitations on such services.
D. Participant-Centered Service Planning and Delivery. Appendix D specifies the procedures and methods that the State uses to develop, implement and monitor the participant-centered service plan (of care).

E. Participant-Direction of Services. When the State provides for participant direction of services, Appendix E specifies the participant direction opportunities that are offered in the waiver and the supports that are available to participants who direct their services. (Select one):

- Yes. This waiver provides participant direction opportunities. Appendix E is required.
- No. This waiver does not provide participant direction opportunities. Appendix E is not required.

F. Participant Rights. Appendix F specifies how the State informs participants of their Medicaid Fair Hearing rights and other procedures to address participant grievances and complaints.

G. Participant Safeguards. Appendix G describes the safeguards that the State has established to assure the health and welfare of waiver participants in specified areas.

H. Quality Improvement Strategy. Appendix H contains the Quality Improvement Strategy for this waiver.

I. Financial Accountability. Appendix I describes the methods by which the State makes payments for waiver services, ensures the integrity of these payments, and complies with applicable federal requirements concerning payments and federal financial participation.

J. Cost-Neutrality Demonstration. Appendix J contains the State’s demonstration that the waiver is cost-neutral.

4. Waiver(s) Requested

A. Comparability. The State requests a waiver of the requirements contained in §1902(a)(10)(B) of the Act in order to provide the services specified in Appendix C that are not otherwise available under the approved Medicaid State plan to individuals who: (a) require the level(s) of care specified in Item 1.F and (b) meet the target group criteria specified in Appendix B.

B. Income and Resources for the Medically Needy. Indicate whether the State requests a waiver of §1902(a)(10)(C)(i) (III) of the Act in order to use institutional income and resource rules for the medically needy (select one):

- Not Applicable
- No
- Yes

C. Statewideness. Indicate whether the State requests a waiver of the statewideness requirements in §1902(a)(1) of the Act (select one):

- No
- Yes

If yes, specify the waiver of statewideness that is requested (check each that applies):

- Geographic Limitation. A waiver of statewideness is requested in order to furnish services under this waiver only to individuals who reside in the following geographic areas or political subdivisions of the State.

Specify the areas to which this waiver applies and, as applicable, the phase-in schedule of the waiver by geographic area:


- Limited Implementation of Participant-Direction. A waiver of statewideness is requested in order to make participant-direction of services as specified in Appendix E available only to individuals who reside in the following geographic areas or political subdivisions of the State. Participants who reside in these areas may elect to direct their services as provided by the State or receive comparable services through the service delivery methods that are in effect elsewhere in the State.

Specify the areas of the State affected by this waiver and, as applicable, the phase-in schedule of the waiver by geographic area:


5. Assurances

In accordance with 42 CFR §441.302, the State provides the following assurances to CMS:

A. Health & Welfare: The State assures that necessary safeguards have been taken to protect the health and welfare of persons receiving services under this waiver. These safeguards include:

1. As specified in Appendix C, adequate standards for all types of providers that provide services under this waiver;

2. Assurance that the standards of any State licensure or certification requirements specified in Appendix C are met for services or for individuals furnishing services that are provided under the waiver. The State assures that these requirements are met on the date that the services are furnished; and,

3. Assurance that all facilities subject to §1616(e) of the Act where home and community-based waiver services are provided comply with the applicable State standards for board and care facilities as specified in Appendix C.

B. Financial Accountability. The State assures financial accountability for funds expended for home and community-based services and maintains and makes available to the Department of Health and Human Services (including the Office of the Inspector General), the Comptroller General, or other designees, appropriate financial records documenting the cost of services provided under the waiver. Methods of financial accountability are specified in Appendix I.

C. Evaluation of Need: The State assures that it provides for an initial evaluation (and periodic reevaluations, at least annually) of the need for a level of care specified for this waiver, when there is a reasonable indication that an individual might need such services in the near future (one month or less) but for the receipt of home and community-based services under this waiver. The procedures for evaluation and reevaluation of level of care are specified in Appendix B.

D. Choice of Alternatives: The State assures that when an individual is determined to be likely to require the level of care specified for this waiver and is in a target group specified in Appendix B, the individual (or, legal representative, if applicable) is:

1. Informed of any feasible alternatives under the waiver; and,

2. Given the choice of either institutional or home and community-based waiver services. Appendix B specifies the procedures that the State employs to ensure that individuals are informed of feasible alternatives under the waiver and given the choice of institutional or home and community-based waiver services.

E. Average Per Capita Expenditures: The State assures that, for any year that the waiver is in effect, the average per capita expenditures under the waiver will not exceed 100 percent of the average per capita expenditures that would have been made under the Medicaid State plan for the level(s) of care specified for this waiver had the waiver not been granted. Cost-neutrality is demonstrated in Appendix J.

F. Actual Total Expenditures: The State assures that the actual total expenditures for home and community-based waiver and other Medicaid services and its claim for FFP in expenditures for the services provided to individuals under the waiver will not, in any year of the waiver period, exceed 100 percent of the amount that would be incurred in the absence of the waiver by the State’s Medicaid program for these individuals in the institutional setting(s) specified for this waiver.

G. Institutionalization Absent Waiver: The State assures that, absent the waiver, individuals served in the waiver would receive the appropriate type of Medicaid-funded institutional care for the level of care specified for this waiver.

H. Reporting: The State assures that annually it will provide CMS with information concerning the impact of the waiver on the type, amount and cost of services provided under the Medicaid State plan and on the health and welfare of waiver participants. This information will be consistent with a data collection plan designed by CMS.

I. Habilitation Services. The State assures that prevocational, educational, or supported employment services, or a combination of these services, if provided as habilitation services under the waiver are: (1) not otherwise available to
the individual through a local educational agency under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) or the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and, (2) furnished as part of expanded habilitation services.

J. Services for Individuals with Chronic Mental Illness. The State assures that federal financial participation (FFP) will not be claimed in expenditures for waiver services including, but not limited to, day treatment or partial hospitalization, psychosocial rehabilitation services, and clinic services provided as home and community-based services to individuals with chronic mental illnesses if these individuals, in the absence of a waiver, would be placed in an IMD and are: (1) age 22 to 64; (2) age 65 and older and the State has not included the optional Medicaid benefit cited in 42 CFR §440.140; or (3) age 21 and under and the State has not included the optional Medicaid benefit cited in 42 CFR § 440.160.

6. Additional Requirements

Note: Item 6-1 must be completed.

A. Service Plan. In accordance with 42 CFR §441.301(b)(1)(i), a participant-centered service plan (of care) is developed for each participant employing the procedures specified in Appendix D. All waiver services are furnished pursuant to the service plan. The service plan describes: (a) the waiver services that are furnished to the participant, their projected frequency and the type of provider that furnishes each service and (b) the other services (regardless of funding source, including State plan services) and informal supports that complement waiver services in meeting the needs of the participant. The service plan is subject to the approval of the Medicaid agency. Federal financial participation (FFP) is not claimed for waiver services furnished prior to the development of the service plan or for services that are not included in the service plan.

B. Inpatients. In accordance with 42 CFR §441.301(b)(1)(ii), waiver services are not furnished to individuals who are in-patients of a hospital, nursing facility or ICF/IID.

C. Room and Board. In accordance with 42 CFR §441.310(a)(2), FFP is not claimed for the cost of room and board except when: (a) provided as part of respite services in a facility approved by the State that is not a private residence or (b) claimed as a portion of the rent and food that may be reasonably attributed to an unrelated caregiver who resides in the same household as the participant, as provided in Appendix I.

D. Access to Services. The State does not limit or restrict participant access to waiver services except as provided in Appendix C.

E. Free Choice of Provider. In accordance with 42 CFR §431.151, a participant may select any willing and qualified provider to furnish waiver services included in the service plan unless the State has received approval to limit the number of providers under the provisions of §1915(b) or another provision of the Act.

F. FFP Limitation. In accordance with 42 CFR §433 Subpart D, FFP is not claimed for services when another third-party (e.g., another third party health insurer or other federal or state program) is legally liable and responsible for the provision and payment of the service. FFP also may not be claimed for services that are available without charge, or as free care to the community. Services will not be considered to be without charge, or free care, when (1) the provider establishes a fee schedule for each service available and (2) collects insurance information from all those served (Medicaid, and non-Medicaid), and bills other legally liable third party insurers. Alternatively, if a provider certifies that a particular legally liable third party insurer does not pay for the service(s), the provider may not generate further bills for that insurer for that annual period.

G. Fair Hearing: The State provides the opportunity to request a Fair Hearing under 42 CFR §431 Subpart E, to individuals: (a) who are not given the choice of home and community-based waiver services as an alternative to institutional level of care specified for this waiver; (b) who are denied the service(s) of their choice or the provider(s) of their choice; or (c) whose services are denied, suspended, reduced or terminated. Appendix F specifies the State's procedures to provide individuals the opportunity to request a Fair Hearing, including providing notice of action as required in 42 CFR §431.210.

H. Quality Improvement. The State operates a formal, comprehensive system to ensure that the waiver meets the assurances and other requirements contained in this application. Through an ongoing process of discovery, remediation and improvement, the State assures the health and welfare of participants by monitoring: (a) level of care determinations; (b) individual plans and services delivery; (c) provider qualifications; (d) participant health and welfare; (e) financial oversight and (f) administrative oversight of the waiver. The State further assures that all
problems identified through its discovery processes are addressed in an appropriate and timely manner, consistent with the severity and nature of the problem. During the period that the waiver is in effect, the State will implement the Quality Improvement Strategy specified in Appendix H.

I. Public Input. Describe how the State secures public input into the development of the waiver:
During June and July 2016, the Department of Health, Developmental Disabilities and Supports Division (DOH/DDSD) with assistance from the Human Services Department Medical Assistance Division (HSD/MAD) conducted statewide meetings in key areas throughout the state involving individuals with disabilities, their families, advocates, service providers, and others, to consider what was working in the DD waiver, needs for improvement, and to gather input on changes suggested by the Departments for the renewal. Meeting were held in Albuquerque, Las Cruces, Farmington, Roswell, Gallup and Santa Fe. Tribal, Indian Health Service and Urban Indian health programs were invited separately and apprised of the schedule for these public meetings and the proposed changes. Information was also shared and input was received from stakeholders including: recipients and their families, legislative subcommittees, case management agencies, and individual waiver providers, the Advisory Council on Quality Supports for Individuals with Intellectual Developmental Disabilities and Their Families (ACQ), and the Association of Developmental Disabilities Community Providers (ADDCP). The ACQ consists of participants, family members and providers. The ACQ acts as an advisory council to the State on programs relating to persons with intellectual developmental disabilities (IDD). The ADDCP is a state wide organization of community based providers that deliver an array of quality service options to adults and children with developmental disabilities. The HSD/MAD and DOH/DDSD attend all ACQ and ADDCP meetings.

Following the public input activities described above, the State also obtained formal public comment. The public comment process is comprised of a thirty (30) day Tribal Notification period and a thirty (30) day public comment period, both of which culminated in a public hearing.

On December 1, 2016, public notice was sent to tribal leaders and tribal healthcare providers through letters, emails, and HSD website postings informing tribal leaders and healthcare providers of the opportunity to comment on the draft waiver renewal application in writing or in person at the public hearing. Notices provided the web link to the full draft waiver application. On January 1, 2017, a notice was sent to all interested parties summarizing the proposed changes to the waiver amendment and notification of the public hearing. Interested parties include but are not limited to recipients and their families, persons on the waiver central registry, the ACQ, ADDCP, and individual waiver providers. The notice provided the web link to the full waiver application website posting on the HSD webpage with the option for a paper copy to be mailed. Notices for public comment are also published in the Las Cruces Sun and Albuquerque Journal on December 30, 2016. The Albuquerque Journal is distributed statewide. A contact name, phone number and email address was listed on the public notice for individuals who have questions, need more information, need a paper copy of the waiver renewal application, or need accommodations at the public hearing. HSD invited the public to send comments by close of business on February 1, 2017. The public hearing with two sessions took place in Santa Fe, New Mexico on February 1, 2017. The State reviews and summarizes public comments received and posts this information with responses to the HSD website. The State finalizes the waiver application after the public comment period is completed.

Public Comments received covered the following topics:
1. Questions on specific services. The State responded that clarification to comments on services and administration of services would be made through changes in the Regulations and waiver Service Standards
2. Questions on the SIS assessment. The State responded that it is working on a transition plan to include any necessary adjustments to Clinical Criteria to be implemented by July 1, 2017.
3. Questions and comments on the need for Outside Review (OR) Process and OR specific process. The State responded that the implementation of the OR involves a number of factors related to CMS requirements for individual review as well as state programmatic and legal needs.
4. Questions on the need for a rate study. The State responded that DOH/DDSD will follow procurement code regulations to secure a contractor to conduct a comprehensive rate review. The rate review must involve a number of factors related to CMS requirements for rate setting methodology for each service or group of related services, including public comment, data sources used and the identification of the entity responsible for rate setting and oversight.
5. Recommendations to include language from the Waldrop settlement agreement for fair hearings and denials. The State responded that it would include pertinent language.

Some public comments prompted review and updated language to the waiver application. Further clarification to comments will be made through changes in the Regulations and waiver Service Standards. Public comments and the State’s responses are published and made available to the public.
In 2018, the State will solicit public input for the waiver amendment. This includes a formal public comment process which is comprised of a sixty (60) day Tribal Notification period, thirty (30) days for tribes to review proposed changes and thirty (30) days to provide feedback; and a thirty (30) day general public comment period, both of which culminate in a public hearing. Notices are scheduled to be released on July 23, 2018 (Tribal Notification) and August 22, 2018 (General Public). The public hearing is scheduled for September 24, 2018. Public notice distribution includes mailings to interested parties, emails, newspaper announcements, and web postings. The public will be invited to submit comments via postal mail, email, fax, phone, or in person at the public hearing.

J. Notice to Tribal Governments. The State assures that it has notified in writing all federally-recognized Tribal Governments that maintain a primary office and/or majority population within the State of the State’s intent to submit a Medicaid waiver request or renewal request to CMS at least 60 days before the anticipated submission date is provided by Presidential Executive Order 13175 of November 6, 2000. Evidence of the applicable notice is available through the Medicaid Agency.


7. Contact Person(s)

A. The Medicaid agency representative with whom CMS should communicate regarding the waiver is:

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8. Authorizing Signature

This document, together with the attached revisions to the affected components of the waiver, constitutes the State's request to amend its approved waiver under §1915(c) of the Social Security Act. The State affirms that it will abide by all provisions of the waiver, including the provisions of this amendment when approved by CMS. The State further attests that it will continuously operate the waiver in accordance with the assurances specified in Section V and the additional requirements specified in Section VI of the approved waiver. The State certifies that additional proposed revisions to the waiver request will be submitted by the Medicaid agency in the form of additional waiver amendments.

Signature: 

State Medicaid Director or Designee

Submission Date: 

Note: The Signature and Submission Date fields will be automatically completed when the State Medicaid Director submits the application.

Last Name: 

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Attachment #1: Transition Plan
Check the box next to any of the following changes from the current approved waiver. Check all boxes that apply.

☐ Replacing an approved waiver with this waiver.
☐ Combining waivers.
☐ Splitting one waiver into two waivers.
☐ Eliminating a service.
☐ Adding or decreasing an individual cost limit pertaining to eligibility.
☑ Adding or decreasing limits to a service or a set of services, as specified in Appendix C.
☐ Reducing the unduplicated count of participants (Factor C).
☐ Adding new, or decreasing, a limitation on the number of participants served at any point in time.
☐ Making any changes that could result in some participants losing eligibility or being transferred to another waiver under 1915(c) or another Medicaid authority.
☑ Making any changes that could result in reduced services to participants.

Specify the transition plan for the waiver:

The State is phasing out the use of the SIS and NM DDW Group assignments for adults. While phasing out use of the SIS and NM DDW Group assignments, the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) will continue to have information from the most recent SIS and DDW Group assignment available to consider when developing a person-centered Individual Service Plan (ISP). The ISP and requested budget prepared by the IDT are then subject to the Outside Review process and must include specific clinical justification for the services and service amounts requested. Individuals without a history of a SIS assessment and NM DDW Group Assignment will begin the Outside Review process relying on clinical criteria established to justify each service request for annual budgets. The state plans to discontinue use of the SIS by end of Waiver Year 1. The transition plan to move away from the use of the SIS includes:

1. Collecting stakeholder input regarding adjustments to clinical criteria to establish intensity of need for services with tiered...
rate reimbursements based on intensity of need
2. Reissuing clinical criteria to be applied by the Outside Reviewer for service ISP and budget approval

Attachment #2: Home and Community-Based Settings Waiver Transition Plan

Specify the state's process to bring this waiver into compliance with federal home and community-based (HCB) settings requirements at 42 CFR 441.301(c)(4)-(5), and associated CMS guidance.
Consult with CMS for instructions before completing this item. This field describes the status of a transition process at the point in time of submission. Relevant information in the planning phase will differ from information required to describe attainment of milestones.
To the extent that the state has submitted a statewide HCB settings transition plan to CMS, the description in this field may reference that statewide plan. The narrative in this field must include enough information to demonstrate that this waiver complies with federal HCB settings requirements, including the compliance and transition requirements at 42 CFR 441.301 (c)(6), and that this submission is consistent with the portions of the statewide HCB settings transition plan that are germane to this waiver. Quote or summarize germane portions of the statewide HCB settings transition plan as required.
Note that Appendix C-5 HCB Settings describes settings that do not require transition; the settings listed there meet federal HCB setting requirements as of the date of submission. Do not duplicate that information here.
Update this field and Appendix C-5 when submitting a renewal or amendment to this waiver for other purposes. It is not necessary for the state to amend the waiver solely for the purpose of updating this field and Appendix C-5. At the end of the state's HCB settings transition process for this waiver, when all waiver settings meet federal HCB setting requirements, enter "Completed" in this field, and include in Section C-5 the information on all HCB settings in the waiver.

The settings where DD Waiver services are provided include residential and non-residential settings. Residential-type settings where waiver services are provided include privately-owned or rented homes by individuals, families, or surrogate families, provider-owned homes, and provider-controlled homes. Non-residential-type settings include the community, community businesses and other community places of employment, and provider operated facility-based settings.

The systemic assessment conducted by New Mexico to determine the extent the state’s regulations, standards, policies, licensing requirements, and other provider requirements ensure settings are in compliance with the HCBS Final Rule settings requirements included an extensive review of the 2012 Developmental Disabilities Waiver Service Standards (revised June 2015), the 1915 (c) DD Waiver, the NMAC and the DDSD Provider Application and Agreement. Personal Support Services was not included in the systemic assessment. Although erroneously included in the current waiver, CMS approved the removal of Personal Support Services as a service during a waiver amendment dated February 23, 2013. The types of services previously provided under Personal Support Services are being provided under Community Integrated Supports (CIS) and Community Integrated Employment (CIE). Adult nursing services were not included in the systemic assessment, nor were the DD Waiver’s additional ancillary services such as therapies. Adult nursing services are provided in whatever environment the individual is receiving services or supports throughout their day.

The following were reviewed for the Developmental Disabilities Waiver:

• 1915(c) waiver application (amended April 2015)
• Service standards, effective November 1, 2102/revised April 23, 2013 and June 15, 2015
• Applicable state regulations (NMAC 8.314.5, 7.26.3, 7.26.5)
• DD Waiver Provider Applications and Agreements

In general, the DD Waiver rules and standards (the waiver application, NMAC, DD Waiver Service Standards, DDSD Provider Application, and the DOH Provider Agreement) were found to be compliant, partially compliant, or silent about key aspects of the settings requirements. None of the DD Waiver governing rules were found to be in conflict with the settings requirements.

DD Waiver Service Standards areas of strength include the presence of language about:
1. Individual rights including rights to privacy, choice, legally enforceable agreements, access to food, choice of roommates, ability to decorate one’s own room, lockable doors, and financial control;
2. Implementing an individual’s definition of a meaningful day;
3. The Employment First Principle in the context of informed choice;
4. Provider agency requirements to follow all applicable federal and state laws which by default includes the settings requirements;
5. Person centered planning; and
6. Activities to be provided outside the home and in the community.
DD Waiver Service Standards that need to be addressed include:
1. Individual rights listed comprehensively in some service standards but absent or minimally noted in other service standards;
2. Silence about provider responsibilities to ensure rights and protection;
3. Silence about the setting location within the community and about personal choice of setting, among all options particularly non disability specific settings;
4. Silence about requirements to ensure the setting does not have the effect of isolating individuals receiving Medicaid HCBS from the broader community of individuals not receiving Medicaid HCBS especially when the service is intended for groups;
5. Silence about personal control of schedules;
6. Silence about conflict of interest in service planning by paid DD Waiver providers;
7. Over emphasis of service coordination among DD Waiver providers and under emphasis of coordination of natural supports and other non-disability specific community based options, over emphasis on group settings and under emphasis on promoting individual choice within day programs; and
8. Silence about choice group make-up for services provided in groups.

DOH Waiver Provider Agreement and Application areas of strength include the presence of language about:
1. Meaningful activities that promote integration and access to the greater community;
2. Reflecting what’s important to the individual to ensure delivery of services in a manner reflecting personal preferences and ensuring health and welfare;
3. Requirements to describe how the agency will encourage, promote and support individuals to gain meaningful employment; and
4. Community resources and transportation

DOH Waiver Provider Agreement and Application:
1. Does not address many areas of specific settings requirements; remediation required

1915 (c) DD Waiver areas of strength include the presence of language about:
1. Settings being integrated in and supporting access to the greater community;
2. Opportunities for employment in competitive integrated settings and engaging in community life; and
3. Person-centered planning.

1915 (c) DD Waiver areas that need to be addressed include:
1. Silence on informed choice;
2. Silence on responsibilities and protections from eviction;
3. Silence on individual rights; and
4. Lack of adequate information in written documentation in the individual service plan.

NMAC (applicable areas of regulations included Developmental Disabilities Home and Community-Based Services Waiver, Rights of Individuals with Developmental Disabilities Living in the Community, and Service Plans for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities Living in the Community) areas of strength include the presence of language about:
1. Person-centeredness
2. Written service plans
3. Integration and access to the community
4. Opportunity to seek employment and work in competitive integrated setting, engage in community life, and control personal resources
5. Individual rights
6. Optimized individual initiative, autonomy, and independence in making life choices

NMAC areas that need to be addressed include:
1. Silence on areas of the settings that are fully integrated with individuals not receiving Medicaid HCBS and encouragement of interactions with people from the community
2. Silence on transportation and access options
3. Silence on physical accessibility
4. Silence on age-appropriateness of activities
5. Silence on staff interactions
6. Silence on food and dining options  
7. Silence on provider responsibilities in settings  
8. Silence on legally enforceable agreements and protections from evictions  
9. Silence on choice of roommates  
10. Silence on choice of schedule  

Remediation: 
For the areas needing to be addressed and outlined in the previous pages, the State has already conducted some remediation activities by incorporating necessary changes in the waiver, service standards, and regulations for the Developmental Disabilities Waiver. The seven specific additions to the service standards revised June 15, 2015 included provisions for:  

1. A lease or legally enforceable agreement  
2. Privacy in sleeping or living units  
3. Lockable entrance doors  
4. Access to food at any time  
5. Visitors at any time  
6. Access to agency occupied buildings to the fullest extent possible  
7. Other protections for privacy and secure place for personal belongings  

In addition, DOH conducted training for its providers on the newly revised standards. Training documents were disseminated to Developmental Disabilities Waiver providers on February 1, 2016 and the training of providers begin on March 1, 2016 and was completed by July 1, 2016. The training was recorded and is posted (http://actnewmexico.org/webinars-training.html) for continual reference. Findings were presented to the ACQ for individuals with ID/DD and their families on August 12, 2014.  

Remediation of the DD Waiver rules and standards involves submitting a DD Waiver renewal application to CMS planned for February 2017. Considerations for restricting or substantially altering services require public input, a transition plan and approval by CMS in the renewal of the DD Waiver or a subsequent amendment. This is planned for February 2017.  

Additional remediation of the DD Waiver rules and standards will include:  
1. Stakeholder engagement to receive input and feedback on systemic assessment and collaborate on remediation strategies.  
2. Engage and collaborate with the ACQ to revise the DD Waiver rules, standards, waiver and subsequent amendments and provider agreement and application  
3. DD Waiver Renewal application with basic updates and enhancements to language planned for February 2017  
4. Subsequent amendments after a focused collection of meaningful public input related to systemic assessment  
5. Reissue of DD Waiver service standards after approval of DD Waiver renewal application and again as needed after amendments planned for October 2017  
6. Revision of provider application process and add language to provider agreements planned for January 2017  
7. Promulgation of revised regulations after DDW Renewal, STP approval and again after any subsequent DD waiver amendments planned for October 2017  
8. Alignment of any additional DDSD policies and procedures with any changes to above as needed, ongoing  
9. Sub-regulatory guidance as necessary  
10. Ad hoc training to stakeholders to include face-to-face statewide trainings and webinars, website updates, communication distribution on stakeholder meetings, trainings and general information, and other required training updates to reinforce changes  

Areas of remediation, which require further stakeholder and public input includes:  
1. Addition of a chapter in the DD Waiver Service Standards specifically for settings requirements that require all living care arrangements, community supports and employment supports to comply so that clarity and strength of language about settings requirements are consistent;  
2. Addition of a chapter in the DD Waiver Service Standards on person centered planning practices that includes roles and response abilities of service providers including considerations for conflict free service planning which prevents:  
a. Plans that focus on the convenience of the IDT members who are service providers rather than being person-centered, and  
b. Plans that reflect patterns of provider self-referral and undue influence resulting in compromised individual choice of services or providers.  
c. Plans reflect undue influence of the Provider resulting in a choice of activities convenient for the Provider and not activities chosen by the individual;
3. Addition of a chapter in the DD Waiver Service Standards to include an expansive list of individual rights and protections to be ensured by all service providers (e.g. Kansas DADS; https://www.kdads.ks.gov/docs/default-source/CSP/CSP-Documents/bhs-documents/Providers/SED_Waiver/participant_rights.cms.final.rules.pdf).

4. Enhancement of the case management service requirements to include language and requirements explicitly demonstrating choice of setting among all settings including non-disability specific settings;

5. Enforcement of Individual Service Plan (ISP) Quality Assurance (QA) requirements in the case management chapter of the DD Waiver Service Standards and in conjunction with the remediation of standards, review and enhance ISP template and use of its associated QA tool;

6. Reference all applicable authorities in the standards including the HCBS Final Rule.

7. Review and enhance home study approval criteria for Family Living settings and consider similar “site study” and approval process to ensure the quality of all settings is not isolating;

8. Addition of settings requirements section in NMAC regulations and Provider Application and Agreement;

9. Addition of provider policy requirements to Provider Application and/or Agreements that address and comply with the settings requirements;

10. Enhance the regulation outlining specific rights of people with I/DD to be more inclusive of settings requirements language and accessibility; and

11. Include language about informed choice to include providers and setting freedom of choice.

The state assures that the settings transition plan included in this waiver amendment will be subject to any provisions or requirements included in the State's approved Statewide Transition Plan. The state will implement any required changes upon approval of the Statewide Transition Plan and will make conforming changes to its waiver when it submits the next amendment or renewal.

Additional Needed Information (Optional)

Provide additional needed information for the waiver (optional):

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1. State Line of Authority for Waiver Operation. Specify the state line of authority for the operation of the waiver (select one):

- The waiver is operated by the State Medicaid agency.

Specify the Medicaid agency division/unit that has line authority for the operation of the waiver program (select one):

- The Medical Assistance Unit.

Specify the unit name:

(Do not complete item A-2)

- Another division/unit within the State Medicaid agency that is separate from the Medical Assistance Unit.

Specify the division/unit name. This includes administrations/divisions under the umbrella agency that has been identified as the Single State Medicaid Agency.

(Complete item A-2-a).

- The waiver is operated by a separate agency of the State that is not a division/unit of the Medicaid agency.
Specify the division/unit name:
Department of Health/Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DOH/DDSD)

In accordance with 42 CFR §431.10, the Medicaid agency exercises administrative discretion in the administration and supervision of the waiver and issues policies, rules and regulations related to the waiver. The interagency agreement or memorandum of understanding that sets forth the authority and arrangements for this policy is available through the Medicaid agency to CMS upon request. (Complete item A-2-b).

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2. Oversight of Performance.

a. Medicaid Director Oversight of Performance When the Waiver is Operated by another Division/Unit within the State Medicaid Agency. When the waiver is operated by another division/administration within the umbrella agency designated as the Single State Medicaid Agency. Specify (a) the functions performed by that division/administration (i.e., the Developmental Disabilities Administration within the Single State Medicaid Agency), (b) the document utilized to outline the roles and responsibilities related to waiver operation, and (c) the methods that are employed by the designated State Medicaid Director (in some instances, the head of umbrella agency) in the oversight of these activities:
   As indicated in section 1 of this appendix, the waiver is not operated by another division/unit within the State Medicaid agency. Thus this section does not need to be completed.

b. Medicaid Agency Oversight of Operating Agency Performance. When the waiver is not operated by the Medicaid agency, specify the functions that are expressly delegated through a memorandum of understanding (MOU) or other written document, and indicate the frequency of review and update for that document. Specify the methods that the Medicaid agency uses to ensure that the operating agency performs its assigned waiver operational and administrative functions in accordance with waiver requirements. Also specify the frequency of Medicaid agency assessment of operating agency performance:
The DOH/DDSD operates the DD Waiver and the HSD/MAD is responsible for the oversight of the waiver and provides ongoing monitoring through a Joint Powers Agreement that specifies the roles and responsibilities of each department and under which HSD/MAD holds DOH/DDSD accountable. Strong ongoing collaboration and cooperation exist between the agencies to achieve desired outcomes. A variety of formal and informal oversight activities of DOH/DDSD occur to ensure effective administration of the waiver by HSD/MAD. These methods include:
   • Collaborating with DOH/DDSD to review and analyze program findings, develop strategies for improvement, and make timely changes to the waiver program as determined necessary; and
   • Meetings with DOH/DDSD on a monthly basis to monitor the progress and to oversee the operations of the waiver program and to ensure compliance with Medicaid and CMS requirements.
   • Joint agency participation in the Developmental Disabilities Services Quality Improvement (DDSQI) Steering Committee as described in Appendix H of this application. DDSQI follows a comprehensive quality improvement strategy (QIS) which addresses compliance with waiver assurances among other quality improvement strategies and key performance indicators designed to help the DD Waiver service system achieve better outcomes for consumers, their communities, and the New Mexico public at large.
   • Oversight to DOH to ensure the JPA is implemented, operational responsibilities of DOH are met, and functions specified in the section A-7 chart are performed.
   • Ad hoc and regular waiver specific and cross-agency workgroups related to promulgations of state regulations and the development and implementation of standards, policies and procedures in alignment with all state and federal authorities related to home and community-based services (HCBS) waivers.
   • Monthly meetings, or more frequently if needed, informally with DOH/DDSD staff to: exchange information about the JPA; discuss department roles and responsibilities; identify and resolve program issues; identify and resolve client specific issues, complaints and concerns; identify needed changes; problem-solve; review and update the work plan developed to track and monitor progress on assignments and projects related to the operation of the waiver; and provide technical assistance. Examples of issues that would trigger a meeting prior to a regular monthly meeting include, but are not limited to special requests from policy makers; needed regulatory changes; provider issues; and constituent complaints.

In all oversight activities, HSD collaborates with DOH to review and analyze findings, develop strategies for
improvement, and make timely changes to the DD Waiver program, as indicated. If HSD/MAD identifies any issues that are inconsistent with Medicaid requirements at any time, HSD/MAD ensures that DOH corrects the problem through program improvement activities such as verbal direction, letters of direction, and implementation of formal corrective action plans.

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3. Use of Contracted Entities. Specify whether contracted entities perform waiver operational and administrative functions on behalf of the Medicaid agency and/or the operating agency (if applicable) (select one):

- Yes. Contracted entities perform waiver operational and administrative functions on behalf of the Medicaid agency and/or operating agency (if applicable).
  
  Specify the types of contracted entities and briefly describe the functions that they perform. Complete Items A-5 and A-6.

  The contracted entities referenced in A-7 refer to the Third-Party Assessor (TPA) contractor and the Outside Review (OR) contractor.

  The TPA Contractor reviews required level of care (LOC) assessments and determines medical eligibility for individuals who are newly allocated to the waiver and redeterminations. The TPA is contracted through HSD. In addition, the TPA Contractor approves and enters Individual Service Plans (ISPs)/budgets into the Medicaid Management Information System to ensure that waiver requirements are met.

  DOH-DDSD manages and oversees the following contracted entities and functions:

  1. Outside Reviewer (OR) that makes a clinical determination to approve or deny in whole or in part adult DD Waiver recipients’ requested Individual Service Plan (ISP) and proposed budget submissions (with the exception of Jackson Class Members and children).

  2. Single Statewide Supports Intensity Scale (SIS) Assessment Contractor that administers the SIS as a NM Medicaid provider and also performs scheduling and related public outreach as a separate administrative function. (The SIS is required for adults receiving DD Waiver services and information obtained from the SIS, along with other information, is used as part of the person-centered planning process to assist in developing the Individual Service Plan and budget for adult individuals receiving DD Waiver services.)

  3. American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD) that is the publisher of the SIS and is responsible for training, licensing and a web-based platform for SIS assessment data as well as training and certification of SIS assessors. The State only uses SIS assessors that have been trained and certified by AAIDD to ensure consistency.

  4. A DOH contracted entity provides NM Group assignments according to established decision rules. The contractor also performs research and analysis related to rate setting methodology, rate analysis and systems improvement initiatives.

  The state plans to discontinue initial and routine Supports Intensity Scale © (SIS) reassessments to make NM DDW Group assignments for adults by end of Waiver Year 1. New adult participants will receive budget approvals solely through the Outside Review process and clinical criteria developed by the State. Phasing out the use of the SIS is further discussed in Appendix C.

  ○ No. Contracted entities do not perform waiver operational and administrative functions on behalf of the Medicaid agency and/or the operating agency (if applicable).

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4. Role of Local/Regional Non-State Entities. Indicate whether local or regional non-state entities perform waiver operational and administrative functions and, if so, specify the type of entity (Select One):

- Not applicable

- Applicable - Local/regional non-state agencies perform waiver operational and administrative functions. Check each that applies:
  
  Local/Regional non-state public agencies perform waiver operational and administrative functions at the local or regional level. There is an interagency agreement or memorandum of understanding between the State and these agencies that sets forth responsibilities and performance requirements for these agencies that is available through the Medicaid agency.
Specify the nature of these agencies and complete items A-5 and A-6:

Local/Regional non-governmental non-state entities conduct waiver operational and administrative functions at the local or regional level. There is a contract between the Medicaid agency and/or the operating agency (when authorized by the Medicaid agency) and each local/regional non-state entity that sets forth the responsibilities and performance requirements of the local/regional entity. The contract(s) under which private entities conduct waiver operational functions are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Specify the nature of these entities and complete items A-5 and A-6:

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5. Responsibility for Assessment of Performance of Contracted and/or Local/Regional Non-State Entities. Specify the state agency or agencies responsible for assessing the performance of contracted and/or local/regional non-state entities in conducting waiver operational and administrative functions:

HSD/MAD contracts with the TPA Contractor and is responsible for assessing the Contractor’s performance and compliance in conducting its respective waiver operational and administrative functions based on the terms of its contract.

The DOH/DDSD is responsible for assessing the performance and compliance of the Outside Reviewer, AAIDD, Statewide SIS Assessor Contractor, and other contracted entities based on terms of the contract in conducting waiver operational and administrative functions.

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6. Assessment Methods and Frequency. Describe the methods that are used to assess the performance of contracted and/or local/regional non-state entities to ensure that they perform assigned waiver operational and administrative functions in accordance with waiver requirements. Also specify how frequently the performance of contracted and/or local/regional non-state entities is assessed:

HSD/MAD conducts periodic on-site operational and performance reviews of the Third-Party Assessor (TPA) Contractor including a review of the TPA Contractor’s quality management activity to assess compliance with the terms of the contract. HSD/MAD’s oversight includes monitoring of the TPA Contractor’s delegated functions which are: level of care evaluations, review of individual service plans and prior authorization of waiver services for children and Jackson Class members, review, approval and entry of all budgets into the Medicaid Management Information Systems, and quality assurance and quality improvement activities. In addition, HSD/MAD requires monthly and quarterly reports from the TPA to assess performance and compliance with contract requirements. DOH provides HSD/MAD with any data, complaints or other information DOH has obtained from any source regarding the TPA Contractor’s performance. If any problems are identified, HSD/MAD addresses performance issues with the TPA Contractor through weekly meetings and letters of direction. If non-performance continues, HSD/MAD may pursue a corrective action plan from the TPA Contractor.

DOH/DDSD assesses the performance of the Outside Reviewer through contract management activities which include:
1. Monthly review of deliverables prior to approving payment
2. Regular formal and informal meetings to review progress and quality of work products

The Outside Reviewer is also required to establish an internal quality management program applicable to all aspects of the work performed under this contract. DOH/DDSD issues Letters of Direction (LODs) as necessary to the OR to provide clarification, guidance and instructions required to be implemented. DOH/DDSD requires monthly and quarterly reporting from the OR to ensure compliance with contract requirements.

DOH/DDSD assesses the performance of the SIS Assessment Contractor through contract management activities
which include:
1. Monthly review of deliverables prior to approving payment
2. Regular formal and informal meetings to review progress and quality of work products

Additionally, the statewide SIS Assessment Contractor is required to develop, implement and report quarterly on a Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement Plan approved and monitored by DOH/DDSD and is required to meet all applicable state regulation, policy and procedures and waiver requirements as a New Mexico Medicaid Provider under contract with HSD/MAD. However, the state plans to discontinue initial and routine Supports Intensity Scale (SIS) reassessments for adults by end of Waiver Year 1.

DOH/DDSD assesses performance of the related contractors in the same fashion as indicated for the Outside Reviewer. DOH/DDSD also assesses performance of a contracted entity related to rate setting methodology and analysis through terms of the contract and regular meetings to define specifications of research and analysis required.

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7. Distribution of Waiver Operational and Administrative Functions. In the following table, specify the entity or entities that have responsibility for conducting each of the waiver operational and administrative functions listed (check each that applies):
In accordance with 42 CFR §431.10, when the Medicaid agency does not directly conduct a function, it supervises the performance of the function and establishes and/or approves policies that affect the function. All functions not performed directly by the Medicaid agency must be delegated in writing and monitored by the Medicaid Agency.

Note: More than one box may be checked per item. Ensure that Medicaid is checked when the Single State Medicaid Agency (1) conducts the function directly; (2) supervises the delegated function; and/or (3) establishes and/or approves policies related to the function.

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Quality Improvement: Administrative Authority of the Single State Medicaid Agency

As a distinct component of the State’s quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State’s methods for discovery and remediation.

a. Methods for Discovery: Administrative Authority

The Medicaid Agency retains ultimate administrative authority and responsibility for the operation of the waiver program by exercising oversight of the performance of waiver functions by other state and local/regional non-state agencies (if appropriate) and contracted entities.

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i. Performance Measures

*For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance, complete the following. Performance measures for administrative authority should not duplicate measures found in other appendices of the waiver application. As necessary and applicable, performance measures should focus on:*

- Uniformity of development/execution of provider agreements throughout all geographic areas covered by the waiver
- Equitable distribution of waiver openings in all geographic areas covered by the waiver
- Compliance with HCB settings requirements and other new regulatory components (for waiver actions submitted on or after March 17, 2014)

*Where possible, include numerator/denominator.*

*For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate."

Performance Measure:
Percentage of DD waiver data reports specified in the TPA contract with the Medicaid Agency (HSD) that were submitted on time and in the correct format. Numerator:
Number of data reports submitted on time and in the correct format Denominator:
Total number reports required to be submitted

Data Source (Select one):
Other
If 'Other' is selected, specify:

TPA and OR Contractor Reports

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### Performance Measure:
Percentage of delegated functions/deliverables specified in the Joint Powers of Agreement (JPA) with which DOH is compliant
Numerator: Number of JPA delegated functions/deliverables that DOH is compliant with on an annual basis
Denominator: Total number of JPA delegated functions/deliverables identified by HSD/MAD

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Performance Measure:
Percentage of DD waiver data reports specified in the OR contract with the Department of Health (DOH) agency that were submitted on time and in the correct format.
Numerator: Number of data reports submitted on time and in the correct format.
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**Performance Measure:**
Percentage of provider agreements for enrolled providers that adhered to the State’s uniform agreement requirements (specific to provider) Numerator: Number of provider agreements in compliance Denominator: Total number of provider agreements

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ii. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

As noted in Appendix A: 2.b., HSD/MAD monitors DOH for compliance with the JPA to ensure that the agency has fulfilled its operational responsibilities, based on the JPA, and performed the functions listed in the section A-7 chart. HSD/MAD monitors these activities through monthly meetings, review of quarterly and annual reports, and review of actions taken by the operating agency. Formal quality improvement processes are in place, as described in detail in the Developmental Disabilities Services Quality Improvement (DDSQI) Steering Committee description and structure in Appendix II, in which HSD/MAD participates with the operating agency.

DOH/DDSD facilitates and participates in regular stakeholder meetings to address issues various
stakeholders may be experiencing. Such meetings include:
1. Ad hoc stakeholder forums currently including monthly meetings with NM Association of Developmental Disabilities Community Providers (ADDCP) and ADDCP sub-committees and the NM Developmental Disabilities Planning Council,
2. Quality Summits bringing together stakeholders to plan systems improvements,
3. Bi-monthly meetings with Advisory Council on Quality Supports for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and their Families (ACQ) which advises the NM DOH on the provision of good quality services and supports that assists individuals with developmental disabilities of all ages and their families to be fully included in NM communities and ACQ sub-committees, and
4. Monthly Bureau Chief Meetings to address policy, programming and system improvement issues raised by regional offices.

b. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems
i. Describe the State’s method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items.
Remediation and improvement strategies vary, based on the findings. When problems and areas for improvement related to HSD/MAD’s administrative authority are identified by HSD/MAD, processes are in place to ensure that appropriate and timely action is taken whether the situation is in regard to individuals, providers and vendors of services and supports, contractors, or the State’s systems. Methods for fixing identified problems with functions performed by DOH include verbal direction, letters of direction, and formal corrective action plans. Documentation is kept on all actions taken. In some instances, policy and/or regulatory changes may be required in all cases, if HSD/MAD or DOH identifies any issues that are inconsistent with Medicaid requirements at any time, HSD/MAD ensures that DOH corrects the identified problems or issues and that compliance with the Assurance is met.

Problems with functions performed by the TPA Contractor as identified by various discovery methods may result in placing the TPA Contractor on corrective action, and/or sanctions may be implemented, including possible contract termination.

If the contractor fails to improve performance after receiving technical assistance from the state, a corrective action plan (CAP) may be required. The contractor is required to submit a corrective action plan to the state within 30 days of the request from the state. Based on state approval of the corrective action plan, the contractor is required to remediate the identified performance issues.

DOH/DDSD provides technical assistance, documents and tracks the issues with the contractors listed in this section. When performance issues are identified with waiver functions performed by contractors, DOH/DDSD meets regularly in person and by phone. Meetings may occur as frequently as weekly if needed with the contractors to provide technical assistance and guidance. If issues are not resolved, the Contractor may be placed on corrective action, and/or sanctions will be implemented, including possible contract termination.

ii. Remediation Data Aggregation
Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

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c. Timelines
When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Administrative Authority that are currently non-operational.

- No
- Yes
Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Administrative Authority, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility
B-1: Specification of the Waiver Target Group(s)

a. Target Group(s). Under the waiver of Section 1902(a)(10)(B) of the Act, the State limits waiver services to one or more groups or subgroups of individuals. Please see the instruction manual for specifics regarding age limits. In accordance with 42 CFR §441.301(b)(6), select one or more waiver target groups, check each of the subgroups in the selected target group(s) that may receive services under the waiver, and specify the minimum and maximum (if any) age of individuals served in each subgroup:

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b. Additional Criteria. The State further specifies its target group(s) as follows:
Developmental Disabilities (DD) Waiver Services are intended for individuals who have intellectual developmental disability or a Specific Related Condition as determined by the Department of Health Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD). The developmental disability must reflect the person’s need for a combination and sequence of special interdisciplinary or generic treatment or other supports and services that are lifelong or of extended duration and are individually planned and coordinated. The individual must also require the level of care provided in an Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/ID), or Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR), in accordance with 8.313.2 NMAC. The state plans to update the regulations to replace ICF/MR with Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/ID).

1. The definition for Mental Retardation/Intellectual Disability (MR/ID) is as follows:

Mental Retardation/Intellectual Disability refers to significantly sub-average general intellectual functioning existing concurrently with deficits in adaptive behavior and manifested during the developmental period.

   a. General intellectual functioning is defined as the results obtained by assessment with one or more of the individually administered general intelligence tests developed for the purpose of assessing intellectual functioning.
   b. Significantly sub-average is defined as approximately IQ of 70 or below.
   c. Adaptive behavior is defined as the effectiveness or degree with which individuals meet the standards of personal independence and social responsibility expected for age and cultural group.
   d. The developmental period is defined as the period of time between birth and the 18th birthday.

2. The definition for Specific Related Condition is as follows:

An individual is considered to have a Specific Related Condition if he/she has a severe chronic disability, other than mental illness, that meets all of the following conditions:

   a. Is attributable to Cerebral Palsy, Seizure Disorder, Autistic Disorder (as described in the Fourth Edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders), Chromosomal Disorders (e.g. Down’s), Syndrome Disorders, Inborn Errors of Metabolism, or Developmental Disorders of the Brain Formation;
   b. Results in impairment of general intellectual functioning or adaptive behavior similar to that of persons with mental retardation and requires treatment or services similar to people with mental retardation;
   c. Is manifested before the person reaches age twenty-two (22) years;
   d. Is likely to continue indefinitely; and
   e. Results in substantial functional limitations in three (3) or more of the following areas of major life activity:

      i. Self-care;
      ii. Receptive and expressive language;
      iii. Learning;
      iv. Mobility;
      v. Self-direction;
      vi. Capacity for independent living; and

   c. Transition of Individuals Affected by Maximum Age Limitation. When there is a maximum age limit that applies to individuals who may be served in the waiver, describe the transition planning procedures that are undertaken on behalf of participants affected by the age limit (select one):

      ☐ Not applicable. There is no maximum age limit
      ☐ The following transition planning procedures are employed for participants who will reach the waiver’s maximum age limit.

      Specify:

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility
B-2: Individual Cost Limit (1 of 2)

a. **Individual Cost Limit.** The following individual cost limit applies when determining whether to deny home and community-based services or entrance to the waiver to an otherwise eligible individual (select one). Please note that a State may have only ONE individual cost limit for the purposes of determining eligibility for the waiver:

- **No Cost Limit.** The State does not apply an individual cost limit. Do not complete Item B-2-b or item B-2-c.
- **Cost Limit in Excess of Institutional Costs.** The State refuses entrance to the waiver to any otherwise eligible individual when the State reasonably expects that the cost of the home and community-based services furnished to that individual would exceed the cost of a level of care specified for the waiver up to an amount specified by the State. Complete Items B-2-b and B-2-c.

The limit specified by the State is (select one)

- **A level higher than 100% of the institutional average.**

  Specify the percentage: 

- **Other**

  Specify:

- **Institutional Cost Limit.** Pursuant to 42 CFR 441.301(a)(3), the State refuses entrance to the waiver to any otherwise eligible individual when the State reasonably expects that the cost of the home and community-based services furnished to that individual would exceed 100% of the cost of the level of care specified for the waiver. Complete Items B-2-b and B-2-c.

- **Cost Limit Lower Than Institutional Costs.** The State refuses entrance to the waiver to any otherwise qualified individual when the State reasonably expects that the cost of home and community-based services furnished to that individual would exceed the following amount specified by the State that is less than the cost of a level of care specified for the waiver.

  Specify the basis of the limit, including evidence that the limit is sufficient to assure the health and welfare of waiver participants. Complete Items B-2-b and B-2-c.

The cost limit specified by the State is (select one):

- **The following dollar amount:**

  Specify dollar amount: 

  The dollar amount (select one)

  - **Is adjusted each year that the waiver is in effect by applying the following formula:**

    Specify the formula:

  - **May be adjusted during the period the waiver is in effect. The State will submit a waiver amendment to CMS to adjust the dollar amount.**

  - **The following percentage that is less than 100% of the institutional average:**
Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-2: Individual Cost Limit (2 of 2)

Answers provided in Appendix B-2-a indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

b. Method of Implementation of the Individual Cost Limit. When an individual cost limit is specified in Item B-2-a, specify the procedures that are followed to determine in advance of waiver entrance that the individual's health and welfare can be assured within the cost limit:

[Blank space for specification]

c. Participant Safeguards. When the State specifies an individual cost limit in Item B-2-a and there is a change in the participant's condition or circumstances post-entrance to the waiver that requires the provision of services in an amount that exceeds the cost limit in order to assure the participant's health and welfare, the State has established the following safeguards to avoid an adverse impact on the participant (check each that applies):

- [ ] The participant is referred to another waiver that can accommodate the individual's needs.
- [ ] Additional services in excess of the individual cost limit may be authorized.

Specify the procedures for authorizing additional services, including the amount that may be authorized:

[Blank space for specification]

- [ ] Other safeguard(s)

Specify:

[Blank space for specification]

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-3: Number of Individuals Served (1 of 4)

a. Unduplicated Number of Participants. The following table specifies the maximum number of unduplicated participants who are served in each year that the waiver is in effect. The State will submit a waiver amendment to CMS to modify the number of participants specified for any year(s), including when a modification is necessary due to legislative appropriation or another reason. The number of unduplicated participants specified in this table is basis for the cost-neutrality calculations in Appendix J:

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Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-3: Number of Individuals Served (3 of 4)

c. Reserved Waiver Capacity. The State may reserve a portion of the participant capacity of the waiver for specified purposes (e.g., provide for the community transition of institutionalized persons or furnish waiver services to individuals experiencing a crisis) subject to CMS review and approval. The State (select one):

- Not applicable. The state does not reserve capacity.
- The State reserves capacity for the following purpose(s).

d. Scheduled Phase-In or Phase-Out. Within a waiver year, the State may make the number of participants who are served subject to a phase-in or phase-out schedule (select one):

- The waiver is not subject to a phase-in or a phase-out schedule.
- The waiver is subject to a phase-in or phase-out schedule that is included in Attachment #1 to Appendix B-3. This schedule constitutes an intra-year limitation on the number of participants who are served in the waiver.

e. Allocation of Waiver Capacity.

Select one:

- Waiver capacity is allocated/managed on a statewide basis.
- Waiver capacity is allocated to local/regional non-state entities.
Specify: (a) the entities to which waiver capacity is allocated; (b) the methodology that is used to allocate capacity and how often the methodology is reevaluated; and, (c) policies for the reallocation of unused capacity among local/regional non-state entities:

f. Selection of Entrants to the Waiver. Specify the policies that apply to the selection of individuals for entrance to the waiver:

Individuals are allocated to the waiver on a statewide basis in chronological order by the date of waiver registration.

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-3: Number of Individuals Served - Attachment #1 (4 of 4)

Answers provided in Appendix B-3-d indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-4: Eligibility Groups Served in the Waiver

a. 1. State Classification. The State is a (select one):
   - §1634 State
   - SSI Criteria State
   - 209(b) State

2. Miller Trust State.
   Indicate whether the State is a Miller Trust State (select one):
   - No
   - Yes

b. Medicaid Eligibility Groups Served in the Waiver. Individuals who receive services under this waiver are eligible under the following eligibility groups contained in the State plan. The State applies all applicable federal financial participation limits under the plan. Check all that apply:

Eligibility Groups Served in the Waiver (excluding the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217)

- Low income families with children as provided in §1931 of the Act
- SSI recipients
- Aged, blind or disabled in 209(b) states who are eligible under 42 CFR §435.121
- Optional State supplement recipients
- Optional categorically needy aged and/or disabled individuals who have income at:

Select one:

- 100% of the Federal poverty level (FPL)
- % of FPL, which is lower than 100% of FPL.

Specify percentage: __________

- Working individuals with disabilities who buy into Medicaid (BBA working disabled group as provided in §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII) of the Act)
- Working individuals with disabilities who buy into Medicaid (TWWIIA Basic Coverage Group as provided in §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV) of the Act)
☐ Working individuals with disabilities who buy into Medicaid (TWWIIA Medical Improvement Coverage Group as provided in §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVI) of the Act)
☐ Disabled individuals age 18 or younger who would require an institutional level of care (TEFRA 134 eligibility group as provided in §1902(e)(3) of the Act)
☐ Medically needy in 209(b) States (42 CFR §435.330)
☐ Medically needy in 1634 States and SSI Criteria States (42 CFR §435.320, §435.322 and §435.324)
☐ Other specified groups (include only statutory/regulatory reference to reflect the additional groups in the State plan that may receive services under this waiver)

Specify:

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*Special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217*  Note: When the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217 is included, Appendix B-5 must be completed

☐ No. The State does not furnish waiver services to individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217. Appendix B-5 is not submitted.
☐ Yes. The State furnishes waiver services to individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217.

Select one and complete Appendix B-5.

☐ All individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217
☐ Only the following groups of individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217

Check each that applies:

☑ A special income level equal to:

Select one:

☐ 300% of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate (FBR)
☐ A percentage of FBR, which is lower than 300% (42 CFR §435.236)

Specify percentage: __________

☐ A dollar amount which is lower than 300%.

Specify dollar amount: __________

☐ Aged, blind and disabled individuals who meet requirements that are more restrictive than the SSI program (42 CFR §435.121)
☐ Medically needy without spenddown in States which also provide Medicaid to recipients of SSI (42 CFR §435.320, §435.322 and §435.324)
☐ Medically needy without spend down in 209(b) States (42 CFR §435.330)
☐ Aged and disabled individuals who have income at:

Select one:

☐ 100% of FPL
☐ % of FPL, which is lower than 100%.

Specify percentage amount: __________
Other specified groups (include only statutory/regulatory reference to reflect the additional groups in the State plan that may receive services under this waiver)

Specify:

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (1 of 7)

In accordance with 42 CFR §441.303(e), Appendix B-5 must be completed when the State furnishes waiver services to individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217, as indicated in Appendix B-4. Post-eligibility applies only to the 42 CFR §435.217 group.

a. Use of Spousal Impoverishment Rules. Indicate whether spousal impoverishment rules are used to determine eligibility for the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217:

Note: For the five-year period beginning January 1, 2014, the following instructions are mandatory. The following box should be checked for all waivers that furnish waiver services to the 42 CFR §435.217 group effective at any point during this time period.

✓ Spousal impoverishment rules under §1924 of the Act are used to determine the eligibility of individuals with a community spouse for the special home and community-based waiver group. In the case of a participant with a community spouse, the State uses spousal post-eligibility rules under §1924 of the Act. Complete Items B-5-e (if the selection for B-4-a-i is SSI State or §1634) or B-5-f (if the selection for B-4-a-i is 209b State) and Item B-5-g unless the state indicates that it also uses spousal post-eligibility rules for the time periods before January 1, 2014 or after December 31, 2018.

Note: The following selections apply for the time periods before January 1, 2014 or after December 31, 2018 (select one).

• Spousal impoverishment rules under §1924 of the Act are used to determine the eligibility of individuals with a community spouse for the special home and community-based waiver group.

In the case of a participant with a community spouse, the State elects to (select one):

• Use spousal post-eligibility rules under §1924 of the Act.
  (Complete Item B-3-b (SSI State) and Item B-5-d)

□ Use regular post-eligibility rules under 42 CFR §435.726 (SSI State) or under §435.735 (209b State)
  (Complete Item B-5-b (SSI State). Do not complete Item B-5-d)

□ Spousal impoverishment rules under §1924 of the Act are not used to determine eligibility of individuals with a community spouse for the special home and community-based waiver group. The State uses regular post-eligibility rules for individuals with a community spouse.
  (Complete Item B-5-b (SSI State). Do not complete Item B-5-d)

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B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (2 of 7)

Note: The following selections apply for the time periods before January 1, 2014 or after December 31, 2018.

b. Regular Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income: SSI State.

The State uses the post-eligibility rules at 42 CFR 435.726 for individuals who do not have a spouse or have a spouse who is not a community spouse as specified in §1924 of the Act. Payment for home and community-based waiver services is reduced by the amount remaining after deducting the following allowances and expenses from the waiver participant’s income:

i. Allowance for the needs of the waiver participant (select one):

https://wms-mmdl.cms.gov/WMS/faces/protected/35/print/PrintSelector.jsp
The following standard included under the State plan

Select one:

- SSI standard
- Optional State supplement standard
- Medically needy income standard
- The special income level for institutionalized persons

(select one):

- 300% of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate (FBR)
- A percentage of the FBR, which is less than 300%
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- A dollar amount which is less than 300%.
  Specify dollar amount: [
- A percentage of the Federal poverty level
  Specify percentage: [
- Other standard included under the State Plan
  Specify:

The following dollar amount

Specify dollar amount: [If this amount changes, this item will be revised.

The following formula is used to determine the needs allowance:

Specify:

The maintenance needs allowance is equal to the individual's total income as determined under the post-eligibility process which includes income that is placed in a Miller trust.

Other

Specify:

Allowance for the spouse only (select one):

- Not Applicable
- The state provides an allowance for a spouse who does not meet the definition of a community spouse in §1924 of the Act. Describe the circumstances under which this allowance is provided:

Specify:

Specify the amount of the allowance (select one):
iii. Allowance for the family (select one):

- Not Applicable (see instructions)
- AFDC need standard
- Medically needy income standard
- The following dollar amount:

Specify dollar amount: [ ___ ] If this amount changes, this item will be revised.

- The amount is determined using the following formula:

Specify:

- Other

Specify:

iv. Amounts for incurred medical or remedial care expenses not subject to payment by a third party, specified in 42 CFR 435.726:

a. Health insurance premiums, deductibles and co-insurance charges

b. Necessary medical or remedial care expenses recognized under State law but not covered under the State’s Medicaid plan, subject to reasonable limits that the State may establish on the amounts of these expenses.

Select one:

- Not Applicable (see instructions) Note: If the State protects the maximum amount for the waiver participant, not applicable must be selected.
- The State does not establish reasonable limits.
- The State establishes the following reasonable limits

Specify:
Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (3 of 7)

Note: The following selections apply for the time periods before January 1, 2014 or after December 31, 2018.

c. Regular Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income: 209(B) State.

Answers provided in Appendix B-4 indicate that you do not need to complete this section and therefore this section is not visible.

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (4 of 7)

Note: The following selections apply for the time periods before January 1, 2014 or after December 31, 2018.

d. Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income Using Spousal Impoverishment Rules

The State uses the post-eligibility rules of §1924(d) of the Act (spousal impoverishment protection) to determine the contribution of a participant with a community spouse toward the cost of home and community-based care if it determines the individual’s eligibility under §1924 of the Act. There is deducted from the participant’s monthly income a personal needs allowance (as specified below), a community spouse’s allowance and a family allowance as specified in the State Medicaid Plan. The State must also protect amounts for incurred expenses for medical or remedial care (as specified below).

i. Allowance for the personal needs of the waiver participant

(select one):
- SSI standard
- Optional State supplement standard
- Medically needy income standard
- The special income level for institutionalized persons
- A percentage of the Federal poverty level

Specify percentage: [ ]

The following dollar amount:

Specify dollar amount: [ ] If this amount changes, this item will be revised

- The following formula is used to determine the needs allowance:

Specify formula:
The maintenance needs allowance is equal to the individual’s total income as determined under the post-eligibility process which includes income that is placed in a Miller trust.

Other

Specify: [ ]

ii. If the allowance for the personal needs of a waiver participant with a community spouse is different from the amount used for the individual’s maintenance allowance under 42 CFR §435.726 or 42 CFR §435.735, explain why this amount is reasonable to meet the individual's maintenance needs in the community.

Select one:
iii. Amounts for incurred medical or remedial care expenses not subject to payment by a third party, specified in 42 CFR §435.726:

a. Health insurance premiums, deductibles and co-insurance charges
b. Necessary medical or remedial care expenses recognized under State law but not covered under the State's Medicaid plan, subject to reasonable limits that the State may establish on the amounts of these expenses.

Select one:

- Not Applicable (see instructions) Note: If the State protects the maximum amount for the waiver participant, not applicable must be selected.
- The State does not establish reasonable limits.
- The State uses the same reasonable limits as are used for regular (non-spousal) post-eligibility.

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (5 of 7)

Note: The following selections apply for the five-year period beginning January 1, 2014.


Answers provided in Appendix B-5-a indicate the selections in B-5-b also apply to B-5-e.

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (6 of 7)

Note: The following selections apply for the five-year period beginning January 1, 2014.


Answers provided in Appendix B-4 indicate that you do not need to complete this section and therefore this section is not visible.

Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (7 of 7)

Note: The following selections apply for the five-year period beginning January 1, 2014.


The State uses the post-eligibility rules of §1924(d) of the Act (spousal impoverishment protection) to determine the contribution of a participant with a community spouse toward the cost of home and community-based care. There is deducted from the participant's monthly income a personal needs allowance (as specified below), a community spouse's allowance and a family allowance as specified in the State Medicaid Plan. The State must also protect amounts for incurred expenses for medical or remedial care (as specified below).

Answers provided in Appendix B-5-a indicate the selections in B-5-d also apply to B-5-g.
Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-6: Evaluation/Reevaluation of Level of Care

As specified in 42 CFR §441.302(c), the State provides for an evaluation (and periodic reevaluations) of the need for the level(s) of care specified for this waiver, when there is a reasonable indication that an individual may need such services in the near future (one month or less), but for the availability of home and community-based waiver services.

a. Reasonable Indication of Need for Services. In order for an individual to be determined to need waiver services, an individual must require: (a) the provision of at least one waiver service, as documented in the service plan, and (b) the provision of waiver services at least monthly or, if the need for services is less than monthly, the participant requires regular monthly monitoring which must be documented in the service plan. Specify the State's policies concerning the reasonable indication of the need for services:

i. Minimum number of services.

The minimum number of waiver services (one or more) that an individual must require in order to be determined to need waiver services is:\underline{1}\underline{1}

ii. Frequency of services. The State requires (select one):

- The provision of waiver services at least monthly
- Monthly monitoring of the individual when services are furnished on a less than monthly basis

If the State also requires a minimum frequency for the provision of waiver services other than monthly (e.g., quarterly), specify the frequency:

Monthly for adults; quarterly for children.

b. Responsibility for Performing Evaluations and Reevaluations. Level of care evaluations and reevaluations are performed (select one):

- Directly by the Medicaid agency
- By the operating agency specified in Appendix A
- By an entity under contract with the Medicaid agency.

Specify the entity:

Evaluations and reevaluations are performed by the TPA Contractor. HSD/MAD establishes or approves the TPA Contractor’s scope of work including forms, tools, processes, criteria, updates to criteria, as appropriate, and timeframes to be used. HSD/MAD provides oversight for the level of care (LOC) process through a variety of contract management responsibilities.

- Other
  Specify:

\[\underline{\underline{\text{\hspace{1cm}}}}\]

c. Qualifications of Individuals Performing Initial Evaluation: Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(1), specify the educational/professional qualifications of individuals who perform the initial evaluation of level of care for waiver applicants:

The educational/professional qualifications of persons performing initial evaluations of level of care for waiver individuals include: a physician, a registered nurse licensed in New Mexico, or a qualified mental retardation professional as defined in 42 CFR 483.430. The TPA Contractor makes the level of care determination.

The TPA contractor must be a designated Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) or QIO-like entity as described in CFR 475. The current TPA contractor is a Quality Innovation Network-QIO.

The TPA contractor clinical staff are comprised of registered professional nurses, other licensed clinicians, paraprofessionals, and physicians. These professionals have a minimum of 3-5 years of clinical and utilization review experience. In addition, the TPA contractor employs master level, licensed social workers who have medical case management experience for all clinical functions and paraprofessionals educated in areas relating to special
needs populations.

The process involved in making the LOC determination is as follows: DD waiver case manager will initiate the LOC review by submitting the State's ICF/IID long term care assessment abstract form along with supporting documentation (i.e. client individual assessment and a history and physical) to the TPA contractor. A TPA reviewer will assess ICF/IID level of care criteria by comparing medical/clinical material contained in the history and physical and assessment information and other documentation supporting the ICF/IID LOC criteria. In the event that the TPA reviewer determines that LOC was not met, a second review is conducted by the TPA Medical Director for a final determination.

d. Level of Care Criteria. Fully specify the level of care criteria that are used to evaluate and reevaluate whether an individual needs services through the waiver and that serve as the basis of the State's level of care instrument/tool. Specify the level of care instrument/tool that is employed. State laws, regulations, and policies concerning level of care criteria and the level of care instrument/tool are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable), including the instrument/tool utilized.

Individuals must be diagnosed with a developmental disability and meet the level of care required in an Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID). The ICF/IID Long-Term Care Assessment Abstract (MAD 378) is used to evaluate if an individual meets the ICF/IID LOC criteria.

The ICF/IID Level of Care Criteria includes the following:

A. Physical Development and Health

1. Health and Supervision: is applied to individuals who require supervision specific to their health needs.
2. Medication Assessment: is applied to individuals who require the effectiveness of their medications to be monitored by a licensed personnel.
3. Medication Administration: an individual’s ability to self-administer medication.

B. Nutritional Status

1. Eating Skills: an individual’s ability to feed themselves;
2. Diet Supervision: the amount of supervision required by a staff or the need for dietary services.

C. Sensorimotor Development

1. Mobility: capacity for mobility that is not limited to ambulation.
2. Toileting: an individual’s ability to toilet themselves.
3. Hygiene: an individual’s ability to perform hygiene skills.
4. Dressing: an individual’s ability to dress themselves.

D. Affective Development: an individual’s ability to express their emotions.

E. Speech and Language Development

1. Expressive: an individual’s ability to communicate with others using speck, sign boards, sign language or other substitutes.
2. Receptive: an individual’s ability to comprehend what is said to them.

F. Auditory Functioning: an individual’s ability to hear and/or benefit from a hearing device.

G. Cognitive Development: an individual’s ability to reason, remember, problem solve or transfer skills.

H. Social Development

1. Interpersonal: an individual’s ability to establish relationships.
2. Social Participation: an individual’s ability to participate in social and recreational activities.

I. Independent Living
1. Home Skills: an individual's ability to perform household skills.
2. Community Skills: an individual's ability to participate in community activities utilizing skills such as street survival, money exchange, ordering in restaurants, running errands and attending recreational events.

J. Adaptive Behaviors

1. Harmful Behavior: are those behaviors that a client exhibits that are harmful to themselves or to others and require staff intervention.
2. Disruptive Behavior: are those behaviors exhibited by a client that are disruptive to others and require staff intervention.
3. Socially Unacceptable or Stereotypical Behavior: behaviors that are socially unacceptable or considered to be stereotypical and require staff intervention.
4. Uncooperative Behavior: uncooperative behaviors that require staff intervention.

e. Level of Care Instrument(s). Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(2), indicate whether the instrument/tool used to evaluate level of care for the waiver differs from the instrument/tool used to evaluate institutional level of care (select one):

   ● The same instrument is used in determining the level of care for the waiver and for institutional care under the State Plan.
   ○ A different instrument is used to determine the level of care for the waiver than for institutional care under the State plan.

Describe how and why this instrument differs from the form used to evaluate institutional level of care and explain how the outcome of the determination is reliable, valid, and fully comparable.

f. Process for Level of Care Evaluation/Reevaluation: Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(1), describe the process for evaluating waiver applicants for their need for the level of care under the waiver. If the reevaluation process differs from the evaluation process, describe the differences:

1. The initial level of care (LOC) evaluation occurs after the individual has received an allocation for waiver services and has chosen a case management agency (selected on the Freedom of Choice form). The case manager contacts the individual immediately and assists the individual in completing the eligibility process.

2. The case manager obtains the LTCAA form and history and physical from the physician, and gathers any other relevant information (i.e. client individual assessment) to substantiate the LOC. The documents are submitted to the TPA Contractor for LOC determination.

3. The TPA Contractor reviews, evaluates and approves all initial and annual LOC determinations. If the recipient has a change in condition that results in a change in the LOC, the case manager submits the revised MAD 378 and supporting documentation to the TPA Contractor for review.

4. The TPA Contractor is responsible to provide written notification to the case management agency of its determination. The case management agency is responsible for notifying the individual and/or family or legal representative of the LOC determination. If there is a denial of LOC, the denial letter is sent to the individual and/or family or legal representative and includes information on the reconsideration process and fair hearing rights.

g. Reevaluation Schedule. Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(4), reevaluations of the level of care required by a participant are conducted no less frequently than annually according to the following schedule (select one):

   ○ Every three months
   ○ Every six months
   ● Every twelve months
   ○ Other schedule
      Specify the other schedule:

h. Qualifications of Individuals Who Perform Reevaluations. Specify the qualifications of individuals who perform reevaluations (select one):
The qualifications of individuals who perform reevaluations are the same as individuals who perform initial evaluations.

The qualifications are different.

Specify the qualifications:

i. **Procedures to Ensure Timely Reevaluations.** Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(4), specify the procedures that the State employs to ensure timely reevaluations of level of care (specify):

The waiver case manager is responsible for tracking the individual’s LOC revaluation to ensure timely completion of the reevaluation process. The case manager must submit the Long-Term Care Assessment Abstract (LTCAA) packet to the TPA Contractor for LOC determination. For re-determinations, the submission shall occur between 45 days and 30 days prior to the LOC expiration date. DDSD Regional Office staff monitors compliance with required timeframes for initial level of care on an individual basis. For annual LOC redeterminations, systems are in place to prevent issuing a prior authorization (PA) for services without a currently approved LOC. This enables DDSD to monitor for expired PA effective dates. DDSD may implement Regional Office Contract Management Policy with DD Waiver case management agencies when expired PA’s are the result of a case manager’s failure obligations to submit LOC packets to the TPA timely.

j. **Maintenance of Evaluation/Reevaluation Records.** Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(3), the State assures that written and/or electronically retrievable documentation of all evaluations and reevaluations are maintained for a minimum period of 3 years as required in 45 CFR §92.42. Specify the location(s) where records of evaluations and reevaluations of level of care are maintained:

The TPA contractor and individual’s case manager maintain records of all LOC evaluations and reevaluations. Records are maintained by the TPA Contractor for a period of ten (10) years. Records are maintained at the case management agency for a period of at least six (6) years (8.302.1 NMAC).

**Appendix B: Evaluation/Reevaluation of Level of Care**

**Quality Improvement: Level of Care**

As a distinct component of the State’s quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State’s methods for discovery and remediation.

a. **Methods for Discovery: Level of Care Assurance/Sub-assurances**

   The state demonstrates that it implements the processes and instrument(s) specified in its approved waiver for evaluating/reevaluating an applicant’s/waiver participant’s level of care consistent with level of care provided in a hospital, NF or ICF/IID.

   i. Sub-Assurances:

   a. **Sub-assurance: An evaluation for LOC is provided to all applicants for whom there is reasonable indication that services may be needed in the future.**

      **Performance Measures**

      For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

      For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

      **Performance Measure:**
Percentage of new DD waiver applicants, with whom there is reasonable indication that services may be needed in the future, with an initial completed LOC evaluation. Numerator: Number of initial DD waiver LOC evaluations performed. Denominator: Total number of new DD waiver applicants.

**Data Source (Select one):**

**Other**

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

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b. **Sub-assurance:** The levels of care of enrolled participants are reevaluated at least annually or as specified in the approved waiver.

**Performance Measures**

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**c. Sub-assurance:** The processes and instruments described in the approved waiver are applied appropriately and according to the approved description to determine participant level of care.

**Performance Measures**

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**Performance Measure:**

Percentage of initial LOC evaluations for DD waiver participants that comply with the processes and instruments specified in the approved waiver

**Numerator:**

Number of compliant initial LOC evaluations for participant.

**Denominator:**

Total number of initial LOCs evaluations for waiver participants.

**Data Source (Select one):**

- Record reviews, off-site
- TPA Contractor reports

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

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ii. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible. Formal quality improvement processes are in place, as described in detail in the DDSQI Steering Committee description and structure in Appendix H.

b. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems
   i. Describe the State’s method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items. Remediation and improvement strategies vary, based on the findings. When problems and areas for improvement related to LOC are identified by HSD/MAD, processes are in place to ensure that appropriate and timely action is taken. In addition, the DDSQI Steering Committee routinely collects, aggregates, analyzes, and trends LOC data, as described in Appendix H. Irregularities and/or areas of concern are discussed and remediation strategies are developed.

Methods for fixing identified problems include verbal direction, letters of direction, and formal corrective action plans issued by HSD/MAD to the TPA contractor. Documentation is kept on all actions taken. In some instances, policy and/or regulatory changes are required. In all cases, if DOH identifies at any time any issues that are inconsistent with Medicaid requirements related to LOC, HSD/MAD ensures that the problem is corrected and that compliance with the Assurance is met.

Additionally, DOH-DDSD may provide technical assistance to case managers as well as implement Regional Office Contract Management Policy with case management agencies related to case manager obligations to submit LOC packets to the TPA contractor for at least annual redetermination. DOH-DDSD is authorized by agreement with HSD to enforce program and service regulations on service providers, and to impose sanctions on providers for failure to perform in accordance with standards applicable under statute, regulation, and contract. DDSD Provider Agreements state that providers shall be subject to sanctions pursuant to DOH-DDSD policy (DIV-DDSD.13.01).

ii. Remediation Data Aggregation
   Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

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   c. Timelines
   When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Level of Care that are currently non-operational.
   • No
   ○ Yes
   Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Level of Care, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.
Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility

B-7: Freedom of Choice

Freedom of Choice. As provided in 42 CFR §441.302(d), when an individual is determined to be likely to require a level of care for this waiver, the individual or his or her legal representative is:

i. informed of any feasible alternatives under the waiver; and

ii. given the choice of either institutional or home and community-based services.

a. Procedures. Specify the State’s procedures for informing eligible individuals (or their legal representatives) of the feasible alternatives available under the waiver and allowing these individuals to choose either institutional or waiver services. Identify the form(s) that are employed to document freedom of choice. The form or forms are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Once DDSD identifies the number of applicants who will receive an allocation, those applicants receive a pre-service letter and subsequent phone call. The pre-service letter and phone call are designed to ensure updated contact information is available not only to DDSD personnel, but also for the case management agency that will work with the applicant. Applicants then receive a Letter of Interest along with a Primary Freedom of Choice (PFOC) and "Attachment B". The PFOC provides the options of Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) or institutional services through an Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID). The "Attachment B" allows the registrant to place the allocation on hold or refuse waiver services. When the applicant completes the PFOC and selects HCBS, he or she may choose DD Waiver or MI Via Self Directed Waiver and then select from a number of agencies available in the registrant’s region to provide case management or consultant services (if the individual selects MI Via). The PFOC includes the contact information for each case management and consultant agency.

Following receipt of a completed PFOC, the DDSD then officially notifies the applicant, the HSD/Income Support Division, the TPA contractor, and the applicant’s selected case management agency of the selection. At this time, the applicant receives an Allocation Letter detailing the next steps in qualifying for DD Waiver services including financial and medical eligibility.

Once the individual is deemed eligible for the DD Waiver, the individual is informed of and given information about the freedom to choose all direct service providers by the case management agency and documents his/her choice on a Secondary Freedom of Choice form. DDSD also offers a Provider Selection Guide, as a useful tool for assisting individuals/families to select the right provider for their support needs. The DOH maintains the Secondary Freedom of Choice form that lists the currently contracted service providers. A Secondary Freedom of Choice of service providers can be revised at any time and is reviewed at least annually by the case manager and individual.

HCBS recipients may transfer between the DD Waiver and the MI Via Waiver. Interested individuals would contact the DDSD Regional Office personnel who maintain a Waiver Change Form and can provide additional information to assist the individual in making an informed decision.

b. Maintenance of Forms. Per 45 CFR §92.42, written copies or electronically retrievable facsimiles of Freedom of Choice forms are maintained for a minimum of three years. Specify the locations where copies of these forms are maintained.

Primary Freedom of Choice forms are maintained by the DOH and signed copies are maintained by the case management agency. Records are required to be maintained for a period of at least six (6) years per Medicaid regulations (8.302.1 NMAC)

Case managers are required to keep all relevant signed Secondary Freedom of Choice forms in the client file as long as the individual is still receiving services from those providers.

Waiver change forms are maintained by DOH and signed copied are stored at DDSD Regional offices statewide.
B-8: Access to Services by Limited English Proficiency Persons

Access to Services by Limited English Proficient Persons. Specify the methods that the State uses to provide meaningful access to the waiver by Limited English Proficient persons in accordance with the Department of Health and Human Services "Guidance to Federal Financial Assistance Recipients Regarding Title VI Prohibition Against National Origin Discrimination Affecting Limited English Proficient Persons" (68 FR 47311 - August 8, 2003):

Informational materials are available in English and Spanish. Spanish-speaking individuals are available at the HSD/ISD offices and at HSD and DOH statewide toll-free numbers. Statewide disability resource agencies, such as the Governor’s Commission on Disabilities, and New Mexicans with Disabilities Information Center, have bi-lingual staff available. All DD Waiver provider agencies are required to communicate in the language that is functionally required by the individual. As indicated in the application, all waiver provider agencies are required to communicate in the language that is functionally required by the individual and informational material will be translated into other languages as determined necessary. This includes Native American languages used in New Mexico.

Informational materials will be translated into the prevalent non-English language. The State defines prevalent non-English language as the language spoken by approximately five percent (5%) or more of the participant population.

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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
- Statutory Service

Service:
- Case Management

Alternate Service Title (if any):

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1: Sub-Category 1:

Category 2: Sub-Category 2:

Category 3: Sub-Category 3:

Category 4: Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
Case Management Services assist individuals to gain access to needed waiver and State plan services by linking the individual to needed medical, social, educational and other services from a variety of funding sources, including natural supports and non-disability specific services. Case Management services are intended to enhance, not replace, existing natural supports and other available community resources. Services will emphasize and promote the use of natural and generic supports to address the individual’s assessed needs. Case Managers facilitate and assist in assessment, service planning, and monitoring activities.

Case Management services are person-centered and intended to support individuals in pursuing their desired life outcomes while gaining independence, and facilitating access to services and supports. Case Management is a set of interrelated activities that are implemented in a collaborative manner involving the active participation of the individual, and/or his/her designated representative/guardian, and the entire Interdisciplinary Team. The Case Manager is an advocate for the person receiving services, and is responsible for developing the Individual Service Plan (ISP) and for the ongoing monitoring of the provision of services included in the ISP.

Case Management Services include:
- Case Management, Ongoing (New, Old) Monthly unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Case management is a monthly unit with a maximum number of 12 units per ISP year. A minimum of 4 units is required in the children’s category. When services are provided within the Children’s Category, services must be coordinated with and shall not duplicate other services such as: the Medicaid School Based Services Program, the Medicaid Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program, services offered by the New Mexico State Department of Education, or the DOH Family Infant Toddler Program. Each service must be provided in accordance with the corresponding DDW regulations, standards, and applicable DDSD
policies.

Case Management Services include:
Case Management, Ongoing (New, Old) Monthly unit

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

☐ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
✓ Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

☐ Legally Responsible Person
☐ Relative
☐ Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service
Service Name: Case Management

Provider Category:

Agency ✓

Provider Type:
Case Management Agency

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):
Licensed social worker as defined by the New Mexico (NM) Board of Social Work Examiners or licensed registered nurse as defined by the NM Board of Nursing (Nursing Practice Act:NMSA. Chapter 61, Art icle 3 and 16.12.1 New Mexico Administrative Code [NMACJ et seq.] or Bachelor’s or Master’s degree in social work, psychology, counseling, nursing, special education, or closely related field.

Certificate (specify):
Certificate of accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) or the Council on Quality and Leadership in Supports for People with Disabilities (The Council) on Quality and Leadership (CQL) or applicable waiver of such accreditation approved by DDSD.

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business License issued by the state, county or city government.
Initial training requirements set forth in DDSD Policy and periodic training updates and supplemental requirements as issued by DDSD.
Have one (1) year clinical experience related to the target population.
Have a working knowledge of health and social resources available within the region.

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, within 6-12 months after first year and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.
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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

☐ Statutory Service

Service:

☑ Supported Employment

Alternate Service Title (if any):
Community Integrated Employment

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1: Sub-Category 1:

Category 2: Sub-Category 2:

Category 3: Sub-Category 3:

Category 4: Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
Community Integrated Employment consists of intensive, ongoing services that support individuals to achieve competitive employment or business ownership who, because of their disabilities, might otherwise not be able to succeed without supports to perform in a competitive work setting or own a business.

Services for individuals who wish to work or are working will start with a Person-Centered Assessment. This assessment will include, at a minimum, information about the individual's background and current status, the individual's strengths and interests, conditions for success to integrate into the community, including conditions for job success, and support needs for the individual. A Career Development Plan is required and integrated and updated into the Individual Service Plan Community Integrated Employment results in employment alongside non-disabled co-workers within the general workforce and/or in business ownership. Individuals are supported to explore and seek opportunity for career advancement through growth in wages, hours, experience and/or movement from group to individual employment. Each of these activities is reflected in the individual career plans.

Community Integrated Employment activities are designed to increase or maintain the individual's skill and independence, and may include: career exploration; career enhancement; job development; job placement; on the-job training and support; business ownership; job coaching; job site analysis; skills training; benefits counseling; employer negotiations; co-worker training; vocational assessment; arrangement of transportation; assistance with medication administration; and nursing support while at the work place; integration of therapy plans; assistance with the use of assistive devices and medical equipment; personal care activities.

Community Integrated Employment consists of Individual Community Integrated Employment and Group Community Integrated Employment models. Community Integrated Employment services must not duplicate...
services covered under the Rehabilitation Act or the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Individual Community Integrated Employment offers one-to-one support to individuals placed in jobs or business ownership in the community and support is provided at the work-site as needed for the individual to learn and perform the job. The provider agency is encouraged to develop natural supports in the workplace to decrease the reliance of paid supports. Individuals must have the opportunity for inclusion in non-disability specific work settings.

Individual Community Integrated Employment may include competitive jobs in the public or private sector, or business ownership (self-employment). The service delivery model for Individual Community Integrated Employment includes the services of a job coach and a job developer.

Individual Community Integrated Employment includes career planning which is a short-term process that is a flexible blend of strategies designed to identify employment options for the job seeker or job holder/business owner. Support needs are specified through career planning that identifies the job or business ownership desired with strategies for development, supports needed in the general workforce or anticipated growth in gross income for business ownership. Career planning is also available to the job seeker or job holder/business owner seeking career advancement or support to make a career change. It is available to individuals with limited exposure to work and career development.

The job developer implements the Career Development Plan, job development activities, employer negotiations and job restructuring, job sampling, and placement in a job related to the individual's desired outcomes.

The job coach provides: training; skill development and employer consultation that an individual may require while learning to perform specific work tasks on the job; co-worker training; job site analysis; implementation of career planning; integration of therapy plans related to the workplace; education of the individual and co-workers on rights and responsibilities; medication administration; and referral for benefits counseling.

Supports for business ownership may include: the development of a business plan; location of business loans and leverage of other financial resources; marketing; advertising; obtaining a business license, permits, tax registration and other legal requirements for a business enterprise; and with banking services, financial management and the development, maintenance of information management systems necessary for business operations, referral for benefits counseling, as well as supports to develop and market any products.

Group Community Integrated Employment is the ongoing support needed by an individual to acquire and maintain a paid job as part of a supervised group of workers with disabilities within a community integrated general workforce. This service occurs on a work schedule (days/hours typical for the industry or employer). Individuals have ongoing work-related opportunities for inclusion with co-workers without disabilities who are not paid support staff and/or with the general public. Individuals receiving this service are in positions related to personal career planning goals.

Group Community Integrated Employment includes career planning which is a short-term process that is a flexible blend of strategies designed to identify employment options for the job seeker or job holder/business owner.

Services are provided in a manner that conforms with all HCBS settings requirements such that the setting is:
• Is integrated in and supports full access to the greater community;
• Is selected by the individual from among setting options;
• Ensures an individual's rights of privacy, dignity and respect, and freedom from coercion and restraint;
• Optimizes individual initiative, autonomy and independence; and
• Facilitates individual choice regarding services and supports.

Community Integrated Employment services include:
Supported Employment Intensive (New, Old)  Hour unit
Supported Employment Job Development (New) 15 min unit
Supported Employment Level 1, 2 and 3 group (Old) 15 minute unit
Supported Employment Job Developer (Old) Each
Supported Employment Group, Category 1 and 2 (New) 15 min unit
Supported Employment/Self Employment (New, Old) 15 min unit
Supported Employment Level 1, 2 and 3 Group, Exception (Old) 15 min unit
Supported Employment, Individual, Exception (Old) Hour unit
Supported Employment Job Aide (New) Hour unit
Supported Employment intensive, Exception (Old) Hour unit
Supported Employment Individual Job Maintenance- Monthly Unit
Supported Employment individual (Old) Hour unit
Supported Employment individual Job Maintenance (New) 15 min unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

☐ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
☑ Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

☐ Legally Responsible Person
☐ Relative
☐ Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service
Service Name: Community Integrated Employment

Provider Category:
Agency ☑

Provider Type:
Group Community Integrated Employment

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):

Certificate (specify):
Certificate of accreditation from CARF or The Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL) or applicable waiver or such accreditation approved by DDSD

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Training in accordance with DDSD Training Policy for Direct Support Professional and Internal Service Coordination.

New Providers shall conform with all HCBS settings requirements prior to approval from DDSD to contract for services.
Existing providers shall submit to validation activities detailed NM Statewide Transition Plan approved by CMS (see Appendix C-5 for current status) in order to demonstrate compliance or complete any required remediation activities for full compliance by March 1, 2019.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

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Provider Category:
Agency ✔

Provider Type:
Individual Community Integrated Employment

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):

Certificate (specify):
Certificate of accreditation from CARF or The Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL) or applicable waiver of such accreditation approved by DDSD

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Training in accordance with DDSD Training Policy for Direct Support Professional and Internal Service Coordination.

New Providers shall conform with all HCBS settings requirements prior to approval from DDSD to contract for services.
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Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
Statutory Service ✔

Service:
Habilitation ✔

Alternate Service Title (if any):
Customized Community Supports

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**Service Definition (Scope):**

Customized Community Supports consist of individualized services and support that enable an individual to acquire, maintain, and improve opportunities for independence, community membership, and integration.

Customized Community Supports services are designed around the preferences and choices of each individual and offers skill training and supports to include: adaptive skill development, adult educational supports, citizenship skills, communication, social skills, socially appropriate behaviors, self-advocacy, informed choice, community integration and relationship building. All services are provided in a community setting with the focus on community exploration and true community integration.

This service provides the necessary support to develop social networks with community organizations to increase the individual's opportunity to expand valued social relationships and build connections within local communities. This promotes self-determination, increases interdependence and enhances the individual's ability to interact with and contribute to his or her community.

Customized Community Supports services start with a Person-Centered Assessment and include, based on assessed need, personal support, nursing oversight, medication assistance/administration, and integration of strategies in the therapy and healthcare plans into the individuals daily activities. The Customized Community Supports provider will act as a fiscal management agency for the payment of adult education opportunities as determined necessary for the individual.

Customized Community Support providers are required to coordinate and collaborate with behavior support consultants to implement positive behavior support plans and other behavior support plans as outlined in the ISP. When an individual is approved to receive intense behavior support, then the Customized Community Support agencies will ensure agency direct support professionals get individual specific behavioral training and access ongoing technical assistance from the behavior support consultant. Customized Community Support agencies will also provide the necessary levels of staffing for individuals approved for intense behavior support. The additional staffing enhancement shall be provided only during times of increased risk of harm to self or others. Support will return to a typical staffing pattern when the circumstances associated with the increased risk have ended.

Customized Community Supports services may be provided regularly or intermittently based on the needs of the individual and are provided during the day, evenings and weekends.

Customized Community Supports may be provided in a variety of settings to include the community, classroom, and site-based locations. Services provided in any location are required to provide opportunities that lead to participation and integration in the community or support the individual to reach his/her growth and development.
Pre-vocational and vocational services are not covered under Customized Community Supports.

Fiscal Management of Educational Opportunities (FMEO) will provide participants the opportunity to enroll and complete courses which increase their skills toward their desired outcomes. This service is for purchase of tuition, fees, and/or related materials associated with educational opportunities as related to the ISP Action Plan and Outcomes. The purpose of continuing education is to offer individuals the opportunity to increase personal competence in regard to their social roles (citizen, worker, parent, and retiree), gain greater fulfillment or enrichment in their personal lives and to establish community connections by meeting and interacting with people who have similar interests. Courses are not formal courses of study and are provided in the community using typical community resources outside of the habilitation program. Examples include: Computer courses, art courses, yoga classes, photography, literacy, Spanish, cooking, theatre, etc. Individuals can be assisted to participate in these courses by staff in any service area; habilitation, residential or with natural supports, family or friends, depending on schedule or preference. Children will have their educational needs met through IDEA. Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service.

Services are provided in a manner that conforms with all HCBS settings requirements such that the setting is:

- Is integrated in and supports full access to the greater community;
- Is selected by the individual from among setting options;
- Ensures an individual's rights of privacy, dignity and respect, and freedom from coercion and restraint;
- Optimizes individual initiative, autonomy and independence; and
- Facilitates individual choice regarding services and supports.

Customized Community Supports services include:
- Adult Habilitation Level 1, 2, 3 (Old) 15 min unit
- Fiscal Management of Educational Opportunities (FMEO) per dollar
- Customized Community Supports, Center 15 min unit
- Customized Community Supports, Individual (New) 15 min unit
- Adult Habilitation Level 1, 2, 3, outlier (OLD) 15 min unit
- Customized Community Supports, Group, Category 1, 2 and Community only (New) 15 min unit
- Customized Community Supports, Individual, Intense Behavioral Supports (New) 15 min unit
- Community inclusion Aide (New) Hour unit
- Customized Community Supports, Community 15 min unit
- Community Access (OLD) 15 min unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount cannot exceed the individual budget allocation per ISP year.
Fiscal Management of Educational Opportunities (FMEO), is not to exceed $550 annually. (including an administrative processing fee of no more than 10% of the total cost).

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

- Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

- Legally Responsible Person
- Relative
- Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service
Service Type: Statutory Service

Service Name: Customized Community Supports

Provider Category:
Agency  
Provider Type:
Customized Community Supports Provider Agency

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):
Certificate of accreditation from CARF or The Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL) or applicable waiver of such accreditation approved by DDSD

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government. Training in accordance with DDSD Training Policy for Direct Support Professional and Internal Service Coordination.

New Providers shall conform with all HCBS settings requirements prior to approval from DDSD to contract for services.
Existing providers shall submit to validation activities detailed NM Statewide Transition Plan approved by CMS (see Appendix C-5 for current status) in order to demonstrate compliance or complete any required remediation activities for full compliance by March 1, 2019.

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
Statutory Service  

Service:
Residential Habilitation  

Alternate Service Title (if any):
Living Supports

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1:  

Sub-Category 1:

Category 2:  

Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:  

Category 4:  

Sub-Category 3:  

Sub-Category 4:  

**Service Definition (Scope):**

Living Supports is a residential habilitation service that is individually tailored to assist individuals eighteen (18) years or older who are assessed to need daily support and/or supervision with the acquisition, retention, or improvement of skills related to living in the community to prevent institutionalization. Living Supports are intended to increase and promote independence and to support individuals to live as independently as possible in the community at their own choice.

Living Supports are integrated in and support full access to the greater community. Living supports include training and assistance with activities of daily living, such as bathing, dressing, grooming, oral care, eating, transferring, mobility, and toileting. These services also include training and assistance with instrumental activities of daily living including housework, meal preparation, medication assistance, medication administration and monitoring, and healthcare management.

Living Supports include residential instruction, adaptive skill development, community inclusion, money management, shopping, transportation, adult educational supports, social skill development, and home and safety skills that assist the individual to live in the most integrated setting appropriate to his/her needs.

Living Supports support individuals to access generic and natural supports, employment, and opportunities to establish or maintain meaningful relationships throughout the community. Living Supports providers are also required to coordinate and collaborate with therapists and therapy assistants to implement therapy plans in accordance with the participatory approach to therapy.

Living Supports may be delivered in one of the following models:

**Family Living:** Family Living is intended for individuals who are assessed to need residential habilitation to ensure health and safety while providing the opportunity to live in a typical family setting. Family Living is direct support and assistance to no more than two individuals residing in the home of a natural or host family member. Substitute care is included in the service model to allow for sick leave and for time off as needed.

Family Living Provider Agencies are required to be an Adult Nursing provider and have a registered nurse (RN) by the State of New Mexico on staff and residing in New Mexico or bordering towns. All family living recipients must receive an annual nursing assessment; if ongoing nursing is needed, it must be budgeted separately through the adult nursing service.

**Supported Living:** Supported Living is intended for individuals who are assessed to need residential habilitation to ensure health and safety. Supported Living services are designed to address assessed needs and identified individual outcomes. The service is provided to two (2) to four (4) individuals in a provider operated and controlled community residence. Supported Living providers are responsible for providing an appropriate level of services and supports twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.

Supported Living Services Provider Agencies are required to have a licensed registered nurse (RN) by the State of New Mexico on staff to provide nursing services including nursing assessments, provide technical assistance to the Inter-Disciplinary Team (IDT) on the health care plan and to train the direct support professional on the assessment and health care plans. An agency nurse is required to be on call to respond to emergencies as needed. The provider agency is responsible for providing the level of nursing based on assessed need as specified in the in accordance with the waiver service standards.

Supported Living providers are required to coordinate and collaborate with behavior support consultants to implement positive behavior support plans and other behavior support plans as outlined in the ISP. When an
individual is approved to receive intense behavior support, then the Living Supports agencies will ensure agency direct support professionals get individual specific behavioral training and access ongoing technical assistance from the behavior support consultant. Living Supports agencies will also provide the necessary levels of staffing for individuals approved for intense behavior support. The additional staffing enhancement shall be provided only during times of increased risk of harm to self or others. Support will return to a typical staffing pattern when the circumstances associated with the increased risk have ended.

Payment for Living Supports is not made for the cost of room and board, home maintenance or upkeep and improvement of the residence.

Services are provided in a manner that conforms with all HCBS settings requirements such that the setting is:
• Is integrated in and supports full access to the greater community;
• Is selected by the individual from among setting options;
• Ensures an individual’s rights of privacy, dignity and respect, and freedom from coercion and restraint;
• Optimizes individual initiative, autonomy and independence; and
• Facilitates individual choice regarding services and supports.

Living Supports services include:
Supported Living, Level 1, 2, 3 Asleep Outlier (Old) Day Unit
Non-Ambulatory Stipend (New) Day unit
Supported Living Level 1, 2, 3 Asleep (Old) Day unit
Supported Living Level 1, 2, 3 Awake (Old) Day unit
Supported Living Level 1, 2, 3 Awake Outlier (Old) Day unit
Family Living (New) Day unit
Supported Living Category 2, 3 (New) Day unit
Family Living (Old) Day unit
Supported Living Category H (New) Day unit
Supported Living, Level 3, Asleep (Intensive Behavioral Supports) (Old) Day unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Amount cannot exceed 340 days per ISP year.
Payment for Living Supports is not made for the cost of room and board, home maintenance or upkeep and improvement of the residence.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

☐ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
☑ Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

☐ Legally Responsible Person
☐ Relative
☐ Legal Guardian

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Appendix C: Participant Services
C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service
Service Name: Living Supports

Provider Category:
Agency  ☑
Provider Type:
Supported Living

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):
Certificate of accreditation from CARF or The Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL) or applicable waiver of such accreditation approved by DDSD

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Current CPR and First Aid certification.
Training in accordance with DDSD Training Policy for Direct Support Professional and Internal Service Coordination

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service
Service Name: Living Supports

Provider Category:
Agency

Provider Type:
Family Living

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):
Certificate of accreditation from CARF or The Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL) or applicable waiver of such accreditation approved by DDSD

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Current CPR and First Aid certification.
Complete a minimum of forty (40) hours of initial training in accordance with DDSD Training Policy for Direct Support Professionals.

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.
C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
- Statutory Service

Service:
- Respite

Alternate Service Title (if any):

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1: Sub-Category 1:

Category 2: Sub-Category 2:

Category 3: Sub-Category 3:

Category 4: Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
Respite is a flexible family support service furnished on a short-term basis. The primary purpose of respite is to provide support to the individual and give the primary, unpaid caregiver relief and time away from his/her duties.

Respite Services include: assistance with routine activities of daily living (e.g., bathing, toileting, preparing or assisting with meal preparation and eating), enhancing self-help skills, and providing opportunities for leisure, play and other recreational activities; assisting the individual to enhance self-help skills, leisure time skills and community and social awareness; providing opportunities for community and neighborhood integration and involvement; and providing opportunities for the individual to make his/her own choices with regard to daily activities.

Respite services may be provided in the individual’s home, the provider’s home, in a community setting of the family’s choice (e.g. community center, swimming pool, and park); or in a center in which other individuals are provided care.

Respite Services include:
- Respite (New) 15 min unit
- Respite, Group (New) 15 min unit
- Respite, 15 min unit
- Respite/Substitute Care (Old) 15 min unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Individuals receiving Family Living, Supported Living, Intensive Medical Living Services or Customized In Home supports (not with a family or friend) may not access respite.
When services are provided within the Children’s Category, services must be coordinated with and shall not duplicate other services such as: the Medicaid School Based Services Program, the Medicaid Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program, services offered by the New Mexico State Department of Education, or the DOH Family Infant Toddler Program. Each service must be provided in accordance with the corresponding DDW regulations, standards, and applicable DDSD policies.

Service Delivery Method *(check each that applies):*

☐ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
✓ Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by *(check each that applies):*

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☐ Legal Guardian

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service
Service Name: Respite

Provider Category:

| Agency | ☑ |

Provider Type:
Respite Provider Agency

Provider Qualifications

License *(specify):*

Certificate *(specify):*
Certificate of accreditation from CARF or The Council

Other Standard *(specify):*
License issued by the state, county or city government.
Current CPR and First Aid certification.
Complete a minimum of forty (40) hours of initial training in accordance with DDSD Training Policy for Direct Support Professionals.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification
State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

**Service Type:**
- Extended State Plan Service ✔

**Service Title:**
- Nutritional Counseling

**HCBS Taxonomy:**

Category 1:  

Sub-Category 1:

Category 2:  

Sub-Category 2:  

Category 3:  

Sub-Category 3:  

Category 4:  

Sub-Category 4:  

**Service Definition (Scope):**
Nutritional Counseling services include assessment of the individual’s nutritional needs, development and/or revision of the individual’s nutritional plan, counseling and nutritional intervention, and observation and technical assistance related to implementation of the nutritional plan.

Nutritional Counseling services include:
- Nutritional Counseling, Visit unit
- Nutritional Counseling (NEW) 15 min unit

**Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:**
When services are provided within the Children’s Category, services must be coordinated with and shall not duplicate other services such as: the Medicaid School Based Services Program, the Medicaid Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program, services offered by the New Mexico State Department of Education, or the DOH Family Infant Toddler Program. Each service must be provided in accordance with the corresponding DDW regulations, standards, and applicable DDSD policies.

**Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):**
- ☐ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- ✔ Provider managed

**Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):**
- ☐ Legally Responsible Person
- ☐ Relative
- ☐ Legal Guardian

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Nutritional Counseling

Provider Category:
[ ] Agency
[ ] Individual

Provider Type:
[ ] Individual Practitioner

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Must be registered as a Dietitian by the Commission on Dietetic Registration of the American Dietetic Association; Nutrition and Dietetics Practice Act 61-7A-1 et seq., NMSA 1978

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Nutritional Counseling

Provider Category:
[ ] Agency
[ ] Individual

Provider Type:

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Must be registered as a Dietitian by the Commission on Dietetic Registration of the American Dietetic Association; Nutrition and Dietetics Practice Act 61-7A-1 et seq., NMSA 1978

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.
Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
- Extended State Plan Service

Service Title:
Occupational Therapy For Adults

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1:                      Sub-Category 1:

Category 2:                      Sub-Category 2:

Category 3:                      Sub-Category 3:

Category 4:                      Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
Diagnosis, assessment and management of functional limitations intended to support engagement in everyday life activities that affect health, functioning and quality of life. Occupational Therapy services typically include: customized treatment programs to improve one's or maintain ability to engage in daily activities; comprehensive environmental access evaluations with adaptation recommendations; assessments and treatment for performance skills; assistive technology recommendations and usage training; and training/consultation to family members and direct support personnel. Occupational Therapy services 1) increase, maintain or reduce the loss of functional skills, and/or 2) treat specific conditions clinically related to an individual's developmental disability, and/or 3) support the individual's health and safety needs, and/or 4) identify, implement, and train therapeutic strategies to support the individual and their family/support staff in efforts to meet the individual's ISP desired outcomes and goals.

Based upon therapy goals, services may be delivered in an integrated/natural setting or clinical setting.

Skilled Direct Treatment, may be provided to individuals based upon assessment findings. Skilled Direct Treatment services are used to treat a specific clinical condition or to provide services that require the skill of a licensed therapist. These services are not the role of non-therapists and cannot be delegated. Skilled therapy treatment must always be provided in conjunction with the Collaborative-Consultative Model of service delivery.

Therapists consider fading ongoing direct therapist involvement when implementation of strategies is correct and stable and skilled direct therapy treatment is no longer indicated. Ongoing training and monitoring may also be needed.

Adults on the DD Waiver may access therapy services under the State plan for acute and temporary conditions that are expected to improve significantly in a reasonable and generally predictable period of time. Therapy
services provided to adults under the DD Waiver are for maintenance and community integration purposes.

Occupational Therapy For Adults services include:
Occupational Therapy Assistant (Certified) (Old) 15 min unit
Occupational Therapy Clinic Based Exception (Old) 15 min unit
Occupational Therapy Evaluation (New) Each unit
Occupational Therapy Assistant, Incentive (New) 15 min unit
Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant, Standard (New) 15 min unit
Occupational Therapy Incentive (New) 15 min unit
Occupational Therapy Assistant (Certified) Exception (Old) 15 min unit
Occupational Therapy Integrated Therapy (Old) 15 min unit
Occupational Therapy Clinic Based (Old) 15 min unit
Occupational Therapy, Standard (New) 15 min unit
Occupational Therapy, Exception (Old) 15 min unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Initial assessments are limited to 1 per year. After an initial assessment, ongoing provision of this DDW service is limited by need to meet a set of criteria related to new allocation, core, or fading factors as well as various add-ons related to aspiration risk and management. A set of established clinical criteria is applied by an Outside Review Contractor. Services approvals depending on individual need may typically span 72 to 280 (15 minute units) under the highest level of licensure. An initial evaluation is conducted at frequency of an each unit.

This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary occupational therapy for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit. To the extent that any listed services are covered under the state plan, the services under the waiver would be limited to additional services not otherwise covered under the state plan, but consistent with waiver objectives of avoiding institutionalization.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

- [ ] Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- [✓] Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

- [ ] Legally Responsible Person
- [ ] Relative
- [ ] Legal Guardian

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Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Occupational Therapy For Adults

Provider Category:
- [✓] Agency

Provider Type:
Provider or group practice, clinics, hospitals

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Group Practice Agency that employs licensed physical therapists in accordance with New Mexico Regulations & Licensing Department.

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

| Service Type: Extended State Plan Service |
| Service Name: Occupational Therapy For Adults |

Provider Category:
Individual ✓

Provider Type:
Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):

Certificate (specify):
Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.
Licensed as per NM Regulation and Licensing Dept; Occupational Therapy Act 61-12A-1 et seq., NMSA 1978
Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD
Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement and every three (3) years upon renewal.
Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Extended State Plan Service

Service Title:
Physical Therapy For Adults

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1:

Sub-Category 1:

Category 2:

Sub-Category 2:

Category 3:

Sub-Category 3:

Category 4:

Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
Diagnosis and management of movement dysfunction and the enhancement of physical and functional abilities. Physical therapy addresses the restoration, maintenance and promotion of optimal physical function, wellness and quality of life related to movement and health. Physical therapy activities: 1) increase, maintain or reduce the loss of functional skills, and/or 2) treat a specific condition clinically related to an individual's developmental disability, and/or 3) support the individual's health and safety needs, and 4) identify, implement, and train on therapeutic strategies to support the individual and their family/support staff in efforts to meet the individual's ISP vision and goals.

Based upon therapy goals, services may be delivered in an integrated natural setting or clinical setting.
Skilled Direct Treatment, may be provided to individuals based upon assessment findings. Skilled Direct Treatment services are used to treat a specific clinical condition or to provide services that require the skill of a licensed therapist. These services are not the role of non-therapists and cannot be delegated. Skilled therapy treatment must always be provided in conjunction with the Collaborative-Consultative Model of service delivery.

Therapists consider fading ongoing direct therapist involvement when implementation of strategies is correct and stable and skilled direct therapy treatment is no longer indicated. Ongoing training and monitoring may also be needed.

Adults on the DD Waiver may access therapy services under the State plan for acute and temporary conditions that are expected to improve significantly in a reasonable and generally predictable period of time. Therapy services provided to adults under the DD Waiver are for maintenance and community integration purposes. Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Amount cannot exceed the individual budget amount per ISP year.

Physical Therapy for Adults services include:
- Physical Therapy Standard (New) 15 min unit
- Physical Integrated Therapy (Old) 15 min unit
- Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA), Exception (Old) 15 min unit
- Physical Therapy Evaluation (New) Each unit
- Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA), Standard (New) 15 min unit
- Physical Therapy (Old) 15 min unit
- Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA) Incentive (New) 15 min unit
- Physical Therapy, Incentive (New) 15 min unit
- Physical Therapy, Clinic Based (Old) 15 min unit
- Physical Therapy, Clinic Based, Exception (Old) 15 min unit
- Physical Therapy Assistant (PTA) (Old) 15 min unit
- Physical Integrated Therapy, Exception (Old) 15 min unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Initial assessments are limited to 1 per year. After an initial assessment, ongoing provision of this DDW service is limited by need to meet a set of criteria related to new allocation, core, or fading factors as well as various add-ons related to aspiration risk and management. A set of established clinical criteria is applied by an Outside Review Contractor. Services approvals depending on individual need may typically span 72 to 280 (15 minute units) under the highest level of licensure. An initial evaluation is conducted at frequency of an each unit.

This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary physical therapy for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit. To the extent that any listed services are covered under the state plan, the services under the waiver would be limited to additional services not otherwise covered under the state plan, but consistent with waiver objectives of avoiding institutionalization.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

- Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

- Legally Responsible Person
- Relative
- Legal Guardian

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Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

| Service Type: Extended State Plan Service |
| Service Name: Physical Therapy For Adults |

Provider Category:
- Individual ✔

Provider Type:
- Physical Therapy Assistant

Provider Qualifications
- License (specify):
  Licensed as per NM Regulation and Licensing Dept; Physical Therapy Act 61-12-1.1 et seq., NMSA 1978
- Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
- Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
- Entity Responsible for Verification:
  DOH/DDSD
- Frequency of Verification:
  Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

| Service Type: Extended State Plan Service |
| Service Name: Physical Therapy For Adults |

Provider Category:
- Individual ✔

Provider Type:
- Physical Therapist

Provider Qualifications
- License (specify):
  Licensed as per NM Regulation and Licensing Dept; Physical Therapy Act 61-12-1.1 et seq., NMSA 1978
- Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
- Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
- Entity Responsible for Verification:
  DOH/DDSD
- Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, within 6-12 months after first year and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

| Service Type: Extended State Plan Service |
| Service Name: Physical Therapy For Adults |

Provider Category:

Agency _ ✔_

Provider Type:
Group Practice

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):
Group Practice Agency that employs licensed physical therapists in accordance with New Mexico Regulations & Licensing Department.

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Extended State Plan Service _ ✔_

Service Title:
Speech and Language Therapy For Adults

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1: 

Sub-Category 1:  ✔

Category 2: 

Sub-Category 2:  ✔
Category 3: Sub-Category 3:

Category 4: Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
Diagnosis, counseling and instruction related to the development and disorders of communication including speech, fluency, voice, verbal and written language, auditory comprehension, cognition, swallowing dysfunction (oral or pharyngeal) and sensory motor competencies. Speech-Language Pathology is also used when an individual requires the use of an augmentative and alternative communication strategies. Services are intended to improve or maintain the individual's capacity for successful communication or to lessen the effects of individual's loss of communication skills and/or to treat a specific condition clinically related to a developmental disability and/or to improve or maintain the individual's ability to eat foods, drink liquids, and manage oral secretions with attention to aspiration risk management or other potential injuries or illness related to swallowing disorders. Activities include identification, implementation and training of therapeutic strategies to support the individual and their family/support staff in efforts to meet the individual's ISP vision and goals.

Based upon therapy goals, services may be delivered in an integrated natural setting or clinical setting.

Skilled Direct Treatment, may be provided to individuals based upon assessment findings. Skilled Direct Treatment services are used to treat a specific clinical condition or to provide services that require the skill of a licensed therapist. These services are not the role of non-therapists and cannot be delegated. Skilled therapy treatment must always be provided in conjunction with the Collaborative-Consultative Model of service delivery.

Therapists consider fading ongoing direct therapist involvement when implementation of strategies is correct and stable and skilled direct therapy treatment is no longer indicated. Ongoing training and monitoring may also be needed.

Adults on the DD Waiver may access therapy services under the state plan for acute and temporary conditions that are expected to improve significantly in a reasonable and generally predictable period of time. Therapy services provided to adults under the DD Waiver are for maintenance and community integration purposes. Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Amount cannot exceed the individual budget amount per ISP year.

Speech and Language Therapy for Adults services include:
Speech Therapy Standard (New) 15 min unit
Speech Therapy Incentive (New) 15 min unit
Speech Integrated Therapy, Exception (Old) 15 min unit
Speech Therapy, Evaluation (New) Each unit
Speech Integrated Therapy (Old) 15 min unit
Speech Group Therapy, Clinic Based (Old) 15 min unit
Speech Therapy, Clinic Based (Old) 15 min unit
Speech Therapy, Clinic Based, Exception (Old) 15 min unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Initial assessments are limited to 1 per year. After an initial assessment, ongoing provision of this DOW service is limited by need to meet a set of criteria related to new allocation, core, or fading factors as well as various add-ons related to aspiration risk and management and clinically justified services to support function. A set of established clinical criteria is applied by an Outside Review Contractor. Services approvals depending on individual need may typically span 72 to 280 (15 minute units) under the highest level of licensure. An initial evaluation is conducted at frequency of an each unit.

This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary speech and language therapy for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit. To the extent that any listed services are covered under the state plan, the services under the waiver would be limited to
additional services not otherwise covered under the state plan, but consistent with waiver objectives of avoiding institutionalization.

**Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):**

- [ ] Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- [✓] Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by *(check each that applies):*

- [ ] Legally Responsible Person
- [ ] Relative
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**Appendix C: Participant Services**

**C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service**

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**Service Type:** Extended State Plan Service  
**Service Name:** Speech and Language Therapy For Adults

**Provider Category:**

- Individual [✓]

**Provider Type:** Speech Language Pathologist

**Provider Qualifications**

**License (specify):**
Licensed as per NM Regulation and Licensing Dept; Speech and Language Pathology Act 61-14B-1 et seq., NMSA 1978

**Certificate (specify):**

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**Other Standard (specify):**
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

**Verification of Provider Qualifications**

**Entity Responsible for Verification:**
DOH/DDSD

**Frequency of Verification:**
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

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**Appendix C: Participant Services**

**C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service**

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**Service Type:** Extended State Plan Service  
**Service Name:** Speech and Language Therapy For Adults

**Provider Category:**
Individual ✓

Provider Type:
Clinical Fellow

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Licensed as per NM Regulation and Licensing Dept; Speech and Language Pathology Act 61-14B-1 et seq., NMSA 1978
Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement and every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit more frequently.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD
Frequency of Verification:
Frequency of Verification: Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Speech and Language Therapy For Adults

Provider Category:
Agency ✓

Provider Type:
Private or group practice, clinics, and hospitals

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Agency that employs licensed speechlicensed speech language pathologists therapists in accordance with New Mexico Regulations & Licensing Department.
Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD
Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification
State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

**Service Type:**
- [ ] Extended State Plan Service
- ✔️ Supplemental Dental Care

**HCBS Taxonomy:**

- **Category 1:**
  - Sub-Category 1:

- **Category 2:**
  - Sub-Category 2:

- **Category 3:**
  - Sub-Category 3:

- **Category 4:**
  - Sub-Category 4:

**Service Definition (Scope):**
Supplemental dental care includes a routine oral examination and cleaning to preserve and/or maintain oral health.

Adults on the DD Waiver may access one (1) routine cleaning a year under the State plan. Dental care provided to adults under the DD Waiver is for individuals who require more than one (1) routine cleaning a year to preserve and/or maintain oral health.

Children under the age of 21 on the DD Waiver may access two (2) routine cleanings a year under the State plan. Dental care provided to children under the age of 21 under the DD Waiver is for individuals who require more than two (2) routine cleanings a year to preserve and/or maintain oral health.

**Supplemental Dental services include:**
- Supplemental Dental Care (Old) Visit unit
- Supplemental Dental Care (New) Visit unit

**Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:**

**Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):**
- [ ] Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- ✔️ Provider managed

**Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):**
- [ ] Legally Responsible Person
- [ ] Relative
- [ ] Legal Guardian

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Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Supplemental Dental Care

Provider Category:
- Individual [✓]

Provider Type:
- Dental Hygienist

Provider Qualifications
  - License (specify):
    Licensed as per NM Regulation and Licensing Department, 61-5A-1 et seq., NMSA 1978

Verification of Provider Qualifications
  - Entity Responsible for Verification:
    DOH/DDSD
  - Frequency of Verification:
    Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Supplemental Dental Care

Provider Category:
- Agency [✓]

Provider Type:
- Dental Private or group practice, clinics

Provider Qualifications
  - License (specify):
    Licensed as per NM Regulation and Licensing Department, 61-5A-1 et seq., NMSA 1978

Verification of Provider Qualifications
  - Entity Responsible for Verification:
    DOH/DDSD

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services
C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Supplemental Dental Care

Provider Category:
Individual [✓]

Provider Type:
Dentist

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Licensed as per NM Regulation and Licensing Department, 61-5A-1 et seq., NMSA 1978

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services
C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Extended State Plan Service
Service Name: Supplemental Dental Care

Provider Category:
Agency [✓]

Provider Type:
Supplemental Dental Care Agency

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Must contract with New Mexico licensed dentists and dental hygienists

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Must demonstrate fiscal solvency, function as a payee for the service.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD
Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Other Service ✓

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:
Adult Nursing

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1: Sub-Category 1:

Category 2: Sub-Category 2:

Category 3: Sub-Category 3:

Category 4: Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
Nursing Services are provided based on the needs of the individual and include a review of medical history, an assessment, healthcare planning (in collaboration with other members of the IDT), training, monitoring healthcare plan implementation, advice, teaching and consultation and/or treatment for a chronic medical condition or disability. Such activities shall be based upon assessed support needs and may include medication management/administration; aspiration precautions; cardio/pulmonary management; feeding tube management; skin care; weight management; urinary catheter management; bowel and bladder care; wound care; pain management; health screening; infection control; environmental management for safety; nutrition management; oxygen management; seizure management and precautions; medical management of behavioral symptoms; health education and self-care assistance. May also include teaching and monitoring for delegated nursing tasks at nurse discretion.

Private Duty Nursing services are covered under the State Plan as expanded EPSDT benefits for waiver individuals under the age of 21.

Adult Nursing services include:
Private Duty Nursing, RN (Old) 15 min unit
Adult Nursing, LPN (New) 15 min unit
Private Duty Nursing, LPN (Old) 15 min unit
Adult Nursing, RN (New) 15 min unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
The Initial/Annual Nursing Assessment and Consultation (up to 12 hours per year) establishes the individual’s baseline needs and ongoing services is limited by need to meet a set of criteria related to health care planning and coordination, medication administration and coordination of complex conditions. A set of established clinical criteria is applied by an Outside Review Contractor for service approvals depending on individual need for various circumstances which typically shall not exceed 454 hours per year.

This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary nursing services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit. To the extent that any listed services are covered under the state plan, the services under the waiver would be limited to additional services not otherwise covered under the state plan, but consistent with waiver objectives of avoiding institutionalization.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

- ☑ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

- ☑ Legally Responsible Person
- Relative
- Legal Guardian

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Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Adult Nursing

Provider Category:
- Individual ☑

Provider Type:
Private Duty Nursing Individual

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):
Must be licensed by the New Mexico State Board of Nursing as a RN or LPN per the Nursing Practice Act: NMSA, Chapter 61, Article 3 and 16.12.1 New Mexico Administrative Code [NMAC] et seq.

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Have a minimum of one-year experience as a licensed nurse

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD
Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

| Service Type: Other Service |
| Service Name: Adult Nursing |

Provider Category:

Agency [ ]

Provider Type:
Private Duty Nursing Agency

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):
Licensed Home Health Agency (7 NMAC 28.2 et seq.) Must be licensed by the New Mexico State Board of Nursing as a RN or LPN per the Nursing Practice Act: NMSA, Chapter 61, Article 3 and 16.12.1 New Mexico Administrative Code [NMAC] et seq.

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.

Have a minimum of one-year experience as a licensed nurse.

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Other Service [ ]

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:
Assistive Technology

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1: [ ]

Sub-Category 1: [ ]
Service Definition (Scope):
Assistive Technology (AT) service is intended to increase the individual’s physical and communicative participation in functional activities at home and in the community. Items purchased through the AT service assist the individual to meet outcomes outlined in the ISP, increase functional participation in employment, community activities, activities of daily living, personal interactions, and/or leisure activities, or increase the individual’s safety during participation of the functional activity.

Assistive Technology services allow individuals to purchase needed items to develop low-tech augmentative communication, environmental access, mobility systems and other functional AT, not covered through the individual’s State plan benefits.

The focused use of Assistive Technology (AT) benefits individuals on the waiver program to engage more fully in life through increasing communication; independence and community access. Increased communication allows the individual to freely express their wishes and supports socialization. AT also supports individuals in the work setting thereby increasing their earning potential and independence. AT services are cost effective because they enable the person to function more independently, which decrease reliance on direct support staff. Administrative fees are allowable within this service.

Assistive Technology services include:
Assistive Technology Each unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
The maximum funding allowed under AT services is $250.00 per ISP year. Of the $250.00, no more than $20.00 can be used to purchase batteries.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

☐ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
☑ Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

☐ Legally Responsible Person
☐ Relative
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Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Assistive Technology

Provider Category:
Provider Type:
Assistive Technology Provider Agency
Provider Qualifications
License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Must demonstrate fiscal solvency and function as a payee of services.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD
Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services
C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:
Behavioral Support Consultation

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1: Sub-Category 1:

Category 2: Sub-Category 2:

Category 3: Sub-Category 3:

Category 4: Sub-Category 4:
Service Definition (Scope):
Behavioral Support Consultation service is intended to augment functional skills and positive behaviors that contribute to quality of life and reduce the impact of interfering behaviors that compromise quality of life. This service is provided by an authorized behavioral support consultant and includes an assessment and Positive Behavior Support Plan development; interdisciplinary team (IDT) training and technical assistance; and monitoring of an individual’s behavioral support services.

The key quality of life aspects addressed through this service to instruct and mentor the IDT are the opportunity, skills, and supports needed by the individual to:
1. Form and sustain a full range of relationships with natural or non-paid supports;
2. Pursue meaningful community integration and inclusion;
3. Acquire and/or maintain social, communication, daily living, leisure, work, and self care capacities; and
4. Manage and reduce behaviors which pose a health and safety risk to the individual or others.

Behavioral support consultants are licensed mental health professionals who contract with the Department of Health (DOH) to:
1. Guide interdisciplinary team understanding of contributing factors that influence the individual’s behavior such as: genetic and/or syndromal predispositions, developmental and physiological compromises, traumatic events, co-occurring intellectual and/or developmental disabilities and mental illness, communicative intentions, coping strategies, and environmental issues;
2. Develop behavior support strategies to ameliorate the negative impact of contributing factors with the intention of enhancing the individual’s autonomy and self-worth;
3. Enhance interdisciplinary team competency to predict, prevent, intervene with, and potentially reduce interfering behaviors;
4. Support effective implementation of an individual’s desired outcomes through comprehensive Positive Behavior Support assessments, subsequent Positive Behavioral Support Plan, and progress reports. Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plans, Risk Management Plans, and PRN Psychotropic Medication Plans are added when deemed necessary by the interdisciplinary team, and, in the case of PRN psychotropic medications, those prescribed by a legally licensed prescriber.
5. Collaborate with medical personnel and ancillary therapies to promote coherent and coordinated efforts; and
6. Advocate for supports that assure the individual is free from aversive, intrusive measures; chemical, mechanical, and non-emergency physical restraint; isolation; incarceration; and neglect, abuse, and exploitation, Attend a Human Rights Committee (HRC) meeting, either in person or by conference call, to answer questions that the HRC may have;
7. Advocate for supports that assure the individual is free from aversive, intrusive measures; chemical, mechanical, and non-emergency physical restraint; isolation; incarceration; and abuse, neglect, or exploitation.

The behavioral support consultants scope of service is provided through participation and consultation with interdisciplinary team members to support the individual to achieve desired outcomes listed in the ISP.

Behavioral Support Consultation services include:
Behavioral Consultant, Center Based (Old) 15 min unit
Behavior Consultant, Center Based, Exception (Old) 15 min unit
Behavior Support Consultation, Standard (New) 15 min unit
Behavior Consultant, Client Location (Old) 15 min unit
Behavior Support Consultation, Evaluation (New) Each unit
Behavior Consultant, Client Location, Exception (Old) 15 min unit
Behavior Support Consultation, Incentive (New) 15 min unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
When services are provided within the Children’s Category, services must be coordinated with and shall not duplicate other services such as: the Medicaid School Based Services Program, the Medicaid Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program, services offered by the New Mexico State Department of Education, or the DOH Family Infant Toddler Program. Each service must be provided in accordance with the corresponding DDW regulations, standards, and applicable DDSD policies.

Initial assessments are limited to 1 per year, unless there is a change in BSC provider. After an initial assessment, ongoing provision of this DDW service is limited by need to meet a set of criteria related to core, fading or complexity factors as well as various add-ons related to completion of an initial budget year, crisis and/or risk management. A set of established clinical criteria is applied by an Outside Review.
Contractor. Services approvals depending on individual may typically span 18 to 148 hours with applicable add-ons when justified.

**Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):**

- [ ] Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- [x] Provider managed

**Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):**

- [ ] Legally Responsible Person
- [ ] Relative
- [ ] Legal Guardian

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**Appendix C: Participant Services**

**C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service**

**Service Type:** Other Service  
**Service Name:** Behavioral Support Consultation

**Provider Category:**
- Individual [x]

**Provider Type:**  
Individual Behavioral Support Consultation Provider

**Provider Qualifications**

**License (specify):**
Licensed, psychologist, psychologist associate, independent social worker, master social worker, clinical counselor, professional counselor, marriage and family consultant, practicing art consultant, master degree psychiatric nurse or other related licenses and qualifications may be considered with DOH’s prior written approval.

**Certificate (specify):**

**Other Standard (specify):**
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.  
Minimum of one year of clinical experience.  
Must employ or subcontract with at least one (professional with an independent practice license.  
Complete training requirements as specified by DDSD.

**Verification of Provider Qualifications**

**Entity Responsible for Verification:**
DOH/DDSD

**Frequency of Verification:**
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

**Appendix C: Participant Services**

**C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service**
Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Behavioral Support Consultation

Provider Category:
- Agency [ ]

Provider Type:
Behavioral Support Consultation Provider Agency

Provider Qualifications
- License (specify):
Licensed, psychologist, psychologist associate, independent social worker, master social worker, clinical counselor, professional counselor, marriage and family counselor, practicing art counselor or other related licenses and qualifications may be considered with DOH's prior written approval.

- Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government. Minimum of one year of clinical experience. Complete training requirements as specified by DDSD. Must employ or subcontract with at least one professional with an independent practice license.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
- Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

- Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
- Other Service [ ]

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:
Crisis Support

HCBS Taxonomy:

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Service Definition (Scope):
Crisis Supports are designed to provide intensive supports by appropriately trained staff to an individual experiencing a behavioral or medical crisis. Crisis Supports are provided via one of the following models:

1. Crisis Supports in the Individual’s Residence: provide crisis response staff to assist in supporting and stabilizing the individual while also training and mentoring staff or family members, who normally support the individual, in order to remediate the crisis and minimize or prevent recurrence.

2. Crisis Supports in an Alternate Residential Setting: arrange an alternative residential setting and provide crisis response staff to support the individual in that setting, to stabilize and prepare the individual to return home or to move into another permanent location. In addition, staff will arrange to train and mentor staff or family members who will provide long-term support to the individual once the crisis has stabilized, in order to minimize or prevent recurrence.

In both of the above models, crisis support staff will deliver such support in a way that maintains the individual’s normal routine to the maximum extent possible. This includes support during attendance at employment or customized community supports services, which may billed on the same dates and times of service as Crisis Supports.

Crisis Supports services include:
Tier III Crisis (Support in Alternative Residential Setting) (New, Old) Day unit
Tier III Crisis (Support in Individuals Residence) (New, Old) 15 min unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Crisis Supports must be prior authorized by the Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) Office of Behavioral Supports. Crisis Supports may be authorized in fourteen (14) to thirty (30) calendar day increments, typically not to exceed ninety (90) calendar days. In situations requiring crisis supports in excess of ninety (90) calendar days, the DDSD Director must approve such authorization upon submittal of a written plan to transition the individual from crisis supports to typical menu of DD Waiver services. Crisis Supports in the Individual’s Residence is a 15 min unit increment that may be authorized within the span as outlined above. Crisis Supports in an Alternate Residential Setting may be authorized as a day unit as outlined above.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

- [ ] Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- [✓] Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

- [ ] Legally Responsible Person
- [ ] Relative
- [ ] Legal Guardian

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Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Crisis Support
Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
- Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:
Customized In-Home Supports

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1:  

Sub-Category 1:

Category 2:  

Sub-Category 2:

Category 3:  

Sub-Category 3:

Category 4:  

Sub-Category 4:
Service Definition (Scope): Customized In-Home Supports is not a residential habilitation service and is intended for individuals that do not require the level of support provided under living supports services. Customized In-Home Supports provide individuals the opportunity to design and manage the supports needed to live in their own home or their family home.

Customized In-Home Supports includes a combination of instruction and personal support activities provided intermittently as they would normally occur to assist the individual with activities of daily living, meal preparation, household services, and money management. The services and supports are individually designed to instruct or enhance home living skills, community skills and to address health and safety as needed.

This service provides assistance with the acquisition, improvement and/or retention of skills that provides the necessary support to achieve personal outcomes that enhance the individual’s ability to live independently in the community as specified in the Individual Service Plan (ISP).

Services are delivered by a direct support professional in the individual’s own home or family home in the community.

This service may not be provided in conjunction with respite. Individuals using this service may also receive customized community supports and community integrated employment.

Services are provided in a manner that conforms with all HCBS settings requirements such that the setting is:
- Is integrated in and supports full access to the greater community;
- Is selected by the individual from among setting options;
- Ensures an individual’s rights of privacy, dignity and respect, and freedom from coercion and restraint;
- Optimizes individual initiative, autonomy and independence; and
- Facilitates individual choice regarding services and supports.

Customized In-Home Supports services include:
- Customized In-Home Supports, Living Independently (2, 3 Clients) (New) 15 min unit
- Customized In-Home Supports, Living with Natural Supports (New) 15 min unit
- Independent Living (Old) Monthly unit
- Customized In-Home Supports, Hourly Rate
- Intensive Independent Living (Old) Monthly unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

- [ ] Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- [✓] Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

- [ ] Legally Responsible Person
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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Customized In-Home Supports

Provider Category:
Agency

Provider Type:
Customized In-Home Supports Provider Agency

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):

Certificate (specify):
Certificate of accreditation from CARF or The Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL) or applicable waiver of such accreditation approved by DDSD

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
A minimum of forty (40) hours of initial personal support training.
Current CPR and First Aid certification.

New Providers shall conform with all HCBS settings requirements prior to approval from DDSD to contract for services.
Existing providers shall submit to validation activities detailed NM Statewide Transition Plan approved by CMS (see Appendix C-5 for current status) in order to demonstrate compliance or complete any required remediation activities for full compliance by March 1, 2019.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:
Environmental Modifications

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1: Sub-Category 1:
Category 2: Sub-Category 2:

Category 3: Sub-Category 3:

Category 4: Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
Environmental Modifications Services include the purchase and/or installation of equipment and/or making physical adaptations to an individual’s residence that are necessary to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the individual or enhance the individual’s level of independence. Adaptations include: widening of doorways/hallways; installation of specialized electric and plumbing systems to accommodate medical equipment and supplies; lifts/elevators; modification of bathroom facilities (roll-in showers, sink, bathtub, and toilet modifications, water faucet controls, floor urinals and bidet adaptations and plumbing); turnaround space adaptations; specialized accessibility/safety adaptations/additions; trapeze and mobility tracks for home ceilings; automatic door openers/doorbells; voice-activated, light-activated, motion-activated and electronic devices; fire safety adaptations; air filtering devices; heating/cooling adaptations; glass substitute for windows and doors; modified switches, outlets or environmental controls for home devices; and alarm and alert systems and/or signaling devices.

All services shall be provided in accordance with applicable federal, state and local building codes. The environmental modification provider must ensure that proper design criteria is addressed in planning and design of the adaptation, provide or secure a licensed contractor(s) or approved vendor(s) to provide construction/remodeling services, provide administrative and technical oversight of construction projects, provide consultation to family members, waiver providers and contractors concerning environmental modification projects to the individual’s residence, and inspect the final environmental modification project to ensure that the adaptations meet the approved plan submitted for environmental adaptation.

Environmental Modifications are managed by professional staff available to provide technical assistance and oversight to environmental modification projects.

Excluded are those adaptations or improvements to the home that are of general utility, and are not of direct medical or remedial benefit to the individual. Adaptations that add to the total square footage of the home are excluded from this benefit except when necessary to complete an adaptation (e.g., in order to improve entrance/egress to a residence or to configure a bathroom to accommodate a wheelchair).

Environmental Modifications services include:
- Environmental Modifications (New) Each unit
- Environmental Modifications, Each unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Environmental Modifications are limited to $5,000 every five (5) years.

To the extent that any listed items are covered under the state plan, the items under the waiver would be limited to additional items not otherwise covered under the state plan, but consistent with waiver objectives of avoiding institutionalization.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):
- Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- Provider managed
Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

- [ ] Legally Responsible Person
- [ ] Relative
- [ ] Legal Guardian

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**Service Type:** Other Service
**Service Name:** Environmental Modifications

**Provider Category:**
- [ ] Agency

**Provider Type:**
Environmental Modifications Agency

**Provider Qualifications**

**License (specify):**
GB-2 Class Construction
License as per NM Regulation and Licensing Department, NMSA 1978, Section 60-13-3.

**Certificate (specify):**

**Other Standard (specify):**
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government. Comply with all applicable state laws, rules, regulations, and building codes for the state of New Mexico.

**Verification of Provider Qualifications**

**Entity Responsible for Verification:**
DOH/DDSD

**Frequency of Verification:**
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

**Service Type:**
- [ ] Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

**Service Title:**
Independent Living Transition Service

**HCBS Taxonomy:**
Category 1:  

Sub-Category 1:  

Category 2:  

Sub-Category 2:  

Category 3:  

Sub-Category 3:  

Category 4:  

Sub-Category 4:  

Service Definition (Scope):  
Independent Living Transition Services are one-time set-up expenses for individuals who transition from a twenty-four (24) hour Living Supports setting into a home or apartment of their own with intermittent support that allows them to live more independently in the community. The service covers expenses associated with security deposits that are required to obtain a lease on an apartment or home, set-up fees or deposits for utilities (telephone, electricity, heating, etc.), furnishings to establish safe and healthy living arrangements: bed, chair, dining table and chairs, eating utensils and food preparation items, and a telephone. The service also covers services necessary for the individual's health and safety such as initial or one-time fees associated with the cost of paying for pest control, allergen control or cleaning services prior to occupancy.

Independent living Transitions Services include:
Independent Living Transition (New) Each unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Independent Living Transition Services have a one-time only maximum cost of $1,500 for each individual. Funds may not be utilized to pay for food, clothing or rental/mortgage costs excluding deposits as specified above.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):
- Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):
- Legally Responsible Person
- Relative
- Legal Guardian

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Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Independent Living Transition Service

Provider Category:
- Agency

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Provider Type:
Independent Living Transition Provider Agency

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
The provider must demonstrate fiscal solvency and function as the payee of the service.

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
| Other Service |
As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:
Intense Medical Living Supports

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1:  Sub-Category 1:

Category 2:  Sub-Category 2:

Category 3:  Sub-Category 3:

Category 4:  Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
Intense Medical Living Supports provide community living supports for individuals in a Supported Living environment who require daily direct skilled nursing, in conjunction with community living supports that promote health and assist the individuals to acquire, retain or improve skills necessary to live in the community and prevent institutionalization, consistent with each individual’s ISP. No more than four (4) individuals may be served in a single residence at one time. Such residences may include a mixture of individuals receiving Intensive Medical Living Services and Supported Living Services.

Eligible individuals must meet criteria for intense medical living supports according to eligibility parameters in the standards for this service and require nursing care, ongoing assessment, clinical oversight and health management that must be provided directly by a registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse in accordance with the New Mexico Nursing Practice Act at least once per day. These medical needs include skilled nursing interventions, delivery of treatment, monitoring for change of condition and adjustment of interventions and revision of services and plans based on assessed clinical needs.

In addition to providing support to individuals with chronic health conditions, Intense Medical Living Supports are available to individuals who meet a high level of medical acuity and require short-term transitional support due to recent illness and/or hospitalization which will afford the core living support provider the time to update health status information and health care plans, train staff on new or exacerbated conditions and assure that the home environment is appropriate to meet the needs of the individual.

Short-term stay in this model may also be utilized by those individuals who meet the criteria that are living in a family setting when the family needs a substantial break from providing direct service.
In order to accommodate referrals for short-term stays, each approved Intense Medical Living Provider must maintain at least one (1) bed available for such short-term placements. If the short-term stay bed is occupied, additional requests for short-term stay will be referred to other providers of this service.

The Intense Medical Living provider will be responsible for providing the appropriate level of supports, twenty-four (24) hours per day seven (7) days a week, including necessary levels of skilled nursing based on assessed need. Daily nursing visits are required, however a nurse is not required to be present in the home during periods of time when skilled nursing services are not required or when individuals are out in the community. An on-call nurse must be available to staff during periods when a nurse is not present. Intense Medical Living Supports require supervision by a registered nurse in compliance with standards for this service.

Direct care professionals will provide services that include training and assistance with activities of daily living, such as bathing, dressing, grooming, oral care, eating, transferring, mobility, and toileting. These services also include training and assistance with instrumental activities of daily living including housework, meal preparation, medication assistance, medication administration, shopping, and money management.

The Intense Medical Living Support provider will be responsible for providing access to Customized Community Support and employment as outlined in the Individual Service Plan (ISP). This includes any skilled nursing needed by the individual to participate in Customized Community Support and Development and employment services.

This service must arrange transportation for all medical appointments, household functions and activities, and to and from day services and other meaningful community options.

Services are provided in a manner that conforms with all HCBS settings requirements such that the setting is:
- Is integrated in and supports full access to the greater community;
- Is selected by the individual from among setting options;
- Ensures an individual’s rights of privacy, dignity and respect, and freedom from coercion and restraint;
- Optimizes individual initiative, autonomy and independence; and
- Facilitates individual choice regarding services and supports.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Amount cannot exceed 340 days per ISP year.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):
- [ ] Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- [x] Provider managed
Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

☐ Legally Responsible Person
☐ Relative
☐ Legal Guardian

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Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Intense Medical Living Supports

Provider Category:
Agency

Provider Type:
Supported Living Provider Agency

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Current CPR and First Aid certification.
Training in accordance with DDSD Training Policy for Direct Support Professional and Internal Service Coordination.

New Providers shall conform with all HCBS settings requirements prior to approval from DDSD to contract for services.
Existing providers shall submit to validation activities detailed NM Statewide Transition Plan approved by CMS (see Appendix C-5 for current status) in order to demonstrate compliance or complete any required remediation activities for full compliance by March 1, 2019.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Intense Medical Living Supports

Provider Category:
Application for 1915(c) HCBS Waiver: Draft NM.019.06.01 - Jan 01, 2019

Agency

Provider Type:
Intense Medical Supports Provider Agency

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Current CPR and First Aid certification.
Training in accordance with DDSD Training Policy for Direct Support Professional and Internal Service Coordination.

New Providers shall conform with all HCBS settings requirements prior to approval from DDSD to contract for services.
Existing providers shall submit to validation activities detailed NM Statewide Transition Plan approved by CMS (see Appendix C-5 for current status) in order to demonstrate compliance or complete any required remediation activities for full compliance by March 1, 2019.

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:
Non-Medical Transportation

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1: Sub-Category 1:

Category 2: Sub-Category 2:

Category 3: Sub-Category 3:
Service Definition (Scope):
Non-Medical Transportation Service enables individuals to gain access to waiver and non-medical community services, events, activities and resources, work, volunteer sites, or homes of family or friends, civic organizations or social clubs, public meetings or other civic activities, and spiritual activities or events. Whenever possible, family, neighbors, friends, or community agencies that can provide this service without charge are utilized.

This service is offered in addition to medical transportation required under 42 CFR §431.53 and transportation services under the State plan, defined at 42 CFR §440.170(a), and does not replace them.

Non-Medical Transportation services include:
- Non-Medical Transportation Per Mile (New, Old) Per Mile unit
- Non-Medical Transportation Pass/Ticket (New, Old) Item unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Billable per mile with a maximum of $750 or billable per dollar for pass/ticket with a maximum of $460 per year

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):
- [ ] Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- [x] Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):
- [ ] Legally Responsible Person
- [ ] Relative
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<td>Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government. Valid New Mexico driver's license and be free of physical or mental impairment that would adversely affect driving performance. Eligible drivers will not have any Driving Under the Influence convictions, or chargeable (at fault) accidents within the previous two (2) years.</td>
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Current CPR and First Aid certification.
Compliance with the Employee Abuse Registry requirements.

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

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State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
Other Service ✓

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:
Personal Support Technology/On-Site Response Service

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1: Sub-Category 1:

Category 2: Sub-Category 2:

Category 3: Sub-Category 3:

Category 4: Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
Personal Support Technology/On-Site Response Service is an electronic device or monitoring system that supports individuals to be independent in the community or in their place of residence with limited assistance or supervision of paid staff. This service provides up to twenty-four (24) hour alert, monitoring or personal emergency response capability, prompting or in home reminders, or environmental controls for independence through the use of technologies. The service is intended to promote independence and quality of life, to offer opportunity to live safely and as independently as possible in one's home, and to ensure the health and safety of the individual in services.

Personal Support Technology/On-Site Response Service is available to individuals who may want to live independently in their own homes, may have a demonstrated need for timely response due to health or safety concerns, or may be afforded increased freedom or quality of life. The use of technology should ease life...
activities for individuals and their families.

Personal Support Technology/On-Site Response Service includes development of individualized response plans, the installation of the electronic device or sensors, monthly maintenance fees, and hourly response funding for staff that support the individual when the device is activated.

Personal Support Technology services include:
Personal Technology/Onsite Response (Installation) (New)
Personal Technology/Onsite (New) Daily

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
Reimbursement unit for installation, rental, and/or maintenance of electronic devices is one (1) dollar per unit. up to $5000 per year.

Reimbursement for staff to respond when individual needs assistance is a fifteen (15) minute unit

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

☐ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
☒ Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

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Service Type: Other Service
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Provider Type:

Personal Support Technology/On-Site Response Service

Provider Qualifications

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Comply with all laws, rules, and regulations from the Federal Communications Commission for telecommunications.

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:
- [ ] Other Service

☑ As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:
Preliminary Risk Screening and Consultation Related To Inappropriate Sexual Behavior

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1:

Sub-Category 1:

Category 2:

Sub-Category 2:

Category 3:

Sub-Category 3:

Category 4:

Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
Preliminary Risk Screening and Consultation Related to Inappropriate Sexual Behavior (PRSC) services identify, screen, and provide periodic technical assistance and crisis intervention when needed to the interdisciplinary teams supporting individuals with risk factors for sexually inappropriate or offending behavior. This service is part of a continuum of behavioral support services (including Behavioral Support Consultation and Socialization and Sexuality Education (SSHE) services that promote community safety and reduce the impact of interfering behaviors that compromise quality of life. These services are provided by a trained independently licensed mental health professional that is approved by DOH as a Risk Evaluator by the Bureau of Behavioral Support (BBS) for this service.

The Preliminary Risk Screening & Consultation Service was developed as an integral part of the overall system of services provided to individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (I/DD) in the state of New Mexico. It is one of the few community-based programs across the country for individuals with I/DD that assesses and manages the risk for individuals that exhibit sexually inappropriate and sexually offending behavior. The preliminary risk screening process tailors supports and community-based treatment options to these individuals so that they may be successfully integrated and treated in their communities. Often, when an individual is arrested for a sexual crime, the first reaction of the team is to set up a containment/ supervision
program that often may increase the chance that the individual may reoffend. Outcomes for the individuals supported by this service include an increased capacity to self-manage their behavior, thus allowing them to participate in community-based education, vocational, and leisure activities with increased levels of independence (i.e., less supervision from direct support professionals or other community members).

The Preliminary Risk Screening & Consultation Service utilizes the existing interdisciplinary team to assess, plan, and deliver supports for each individual. Grouping individuals together with a few community providers was attempted, but the model failed due to the geographic and cultural diversity of the state. What has been found to be most beneficial is to create a support for individuals and teams that teach them about the static and dynamic factors that make risk of sexual offending more or less likely, as well as how to modify supports to meet the skills and needs of each individual served in their particular community.

The key functions of PRSC services are:

1. To provide a structured screening of behaviors that may be sexually inappropriate;
2. To develop and document recommendations in the form of a report or consultation note;
3. To assist in the development and periodic revisions of Risk Management Plans, when recommended; and
4. To provide consultation regarding the management and reduction of sexually inappropriate behavioral incidents that may pose a health and safety risk to the individual or others.
5. An independently licensed mental health professional trained and authorized by DDSD provides PRSC services Inform the interdisciplinary team members about the static, stable, and acute risk factors that contribute to the individual's ability to manage sexually inappropriate behavior;
6. Improve the interdisciplinary team's competency to prevent, intervene with, and potentially reduce the incidence of sexually inappropriate behavior;
7. Recommend support and supervision strategies to enhance the individual's ability to manage sexually inappropriate behavior;
8. When appropriate, recommend that the behavior support consultant develop a risk management plan;
9. Collaborate with medical personnel and ancillary therapies to promote understanding of risk factors, and coherent and coordinated efforts; and
10. Advocate for supports so that the individual is free from aversive, intrusive measures; chemical, mechanical, and non-emergency physical restraint; isolation; incarceration; and neglect, abuse, and exploitation.

Preliminary Risk Screening and Consultation Related to Inappropriate Sexual Behavior services include:
Preliminary Risk Screening, Standard (New) 15 min unit
Preliminary Risk Screening, Incentive (New) 15 min unit
Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
1. The initial preliminary risk screening typically does not exceed twenty-five (25) hours per ISP year. An additional screening, if needed, in a subsequent ISP year shall typically not exceed fifteen (15) hours per ISP year.
2. If periodic consultation is needed beyond the screening, additional units to provide technical assistance typically do not exceed fifteen (15) hours per ISP year.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

- [ ] Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- [✓] Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

- [ ] Legally Responsible Person
- [ ] Relative
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Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Preliminary Risk Screening and Consultation Related To Inappropriate Sexual Behavior

Provider Category:
[Individual ✓]

Provider Type:
Preliminary Risk Screening Provider

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
A PRSC provider agency must subcontract with or employ the Risk Evaluator who is trained and authorized by DDSD BBS and holds a current, independent practice license, through a Board of the New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department, in a counseling or counseling-related field (e.g., Counseling and Therapy Practice, Psychologist Examiners, Social Work Examiners).

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
A master’s or doctoral degree in a counseling or counseling-related field from an accredited college or university.
Training as specified by DDSD.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD
Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, within 6-12 months after first year and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Preliminary Risk Screening and Consultation Related To Inappropriate Sexual Behavior

Provider Category:
Agency ✓

Provider Type:
Preliminary Risk Screening Provider Agency

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
A PRSC provider agency must subcontract with or employ the Risk Evaluator who is trained and authorized by DDSD BBS and holds a current independent practice license, through a Board of the New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department, in a counseling or counseling-related field (e.g., Counseling and Therapy Practice, Psychologist Examiners, Social Work Examiners).

Certificate (specify):

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
A master’s or doctoral degree in a counseling or counseling-related field from an accredited college
or university:
Training as specified by DDSD.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type: Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:
Socialization and Sexuality Education

HCBS Taxonomy:

Category 1: Sub-Category 1:

Category 2: Sub-Category 2:

Category 3: Sub-Category 3:

Category 4: Sub-Category 4:

Service Definition (Scope):
The Socialization and Sexuality Education service is intended to provide a proactive educational program about the values and critical thinking skills needed to form and maintain meaningful relationships, and about healthy sexuality and sexual expression. Social skills learning objectives include positive self-image, communication skills, doing things independently and with others, and using paid and natural supports. Sexuality learning objectives include reproductive anatomy, conception and fetal development, safe sex, and health awareness. Positive outcomes for the individual student include safety from negative consequences of being sexual, assertiveness about setting boundaries and reporting violations, expressing physical affection in a manner that is appropriate, and making informed choices about the relationships in his/her life. Independent living skills are enhanced and improved work outcomes result from better understanding of interpersonal boundaries, and improved communication, critical thinking, and self-reliance skills.
The socialization and sexuality service has been developed utilizing the collaborative input of self-advocates with I/DD, their family members and guardians, psychologists and psychotherapists, other professionals and direct support professionals that serve individuals with developmental disabilities in the community. The service provides information and support to help the individual to make the strongest connection possible between their personal values and good choices about relationships, particularly intimate ones, and build strong self-advocacy skills in order to achieve the relationships they want. The outcome of this sexuality program is that increasing numbers of people with Intellectual and/or developmental disabilities are able to have social intimacy and sexual relationships in their lives. Additionally, it is recognized that sexual education is needed to improve employment outcomes and safety from sexual abuse. The capacity of people with developmental disabilities to build relationships is also key to creating avenues for participation in communities and not just be recipients of services.

The Socialization and Sexuality Education Service is taught in a group classroom setting with the support of direct support professionals, family members, and natural supports as well as the guidance of teachers and peer mentors where appropriate.

These intentions are carried out through a series of classes:
1. A train-the-trainer model is used where an experienced lead trainer teaches classes and also mentors others with an interest in teaching;
2. Self-advocate peer mentors along with direct support professionals participate by demonstrating lessons and leading groups, and supporting students in and out of the classroom, and;
3. Parents, guardians, direct support professionals and others who support students attend and actively participate, thus, the continuity of learning is extended beyond the classroom setting.

Agencies authorized by the Department to provide this service will:
1. Coordinate with DOH/DDSD/Bureau of Behavioral Supports (BBS) on administrative duties related to assuring classes are held (i.e., logistics, student and teacher eligibility, teacher training, preparation and hiring of self-advocate peer mentors);
2. Teach classes, utilizing BBS approved teacher(s), student teacher(s) and self-advocate peer mentor(s);
3. Collaborate with interdisciplinary teams, and others to assure that the student attends classes, and is supported to use learned skills across all settings; and, if applicable;
4. Provide education to individuals, behavior support consultants, parents, guardians, and other team members regarding individualized socialization and sexuality education.

Socialization and Sexuality Education services include:
Socialization and Sexuality Individual Each unit
Socialization and Sexuality Classes Each unit

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:
1. Authorization for per class rate shall not exceed twenty-four (24) classes (total of 48 hours) per student per ISP year

**Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):**

- [ ] Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- [✓] Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

- [ ] Legally Responsible Person
- [ ] Relative
- [ ] Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:**

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Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Socialization and Sexuality Education

Provider Category:
- Individual

Provider Type:
- Socialization and Sexuality Provider

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
Licensed, psychologist, psychologist associate, independent social worker, master social worker, clinical counselor, professional counselor, marriage and family counselor, practicing art counselor or other related licenses and qualifications may be considered with DOH's prior written approval.

Certificate (specify):
Certification in Special Education
New Mexico level three recreational therapy instructional support provider certification

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Master's degree or higher in Psychology, Counseling, Special Education, Social Work or related field.

Training requirements as specified by DDSD.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Prior to the approval of the initial provider agreement, within 6-12 months after first year and at least every three (3) years upon renewal. Providers under DOH sanctions may be required to submit provider renewal applications more frequently.

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C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Socialization and Sexuality Education

Provider Category:
- Agency

Provider Type:
- Socialization and Sexuality Provider Agency

Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
A master’s degree or higher in psychology, counseling, special education, social work, a bachelor’s degree in special education, or a Registered Nurse or Licensed Practical Nurse

Certificate (specify):
Certification in Special Education

Other Standard (specify):
Have a current business license issued by the state, county or city government.
Master's degree or higher in Psychology, Counseling, Special Education, Social Work or related field.

Training requirements as specified by DDSD.

Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
DOH/DDSD

Frequency of Verification:
Appendix C: Participant Services

C-1: Summary of Services Covered (2 of 2)

b. Provision of Case Management Services to Waiver Participants. Indicate how case management is furnished to waiver participants (select one):

☐ Not applicable - Case management is not furnished as a distinct activity to waiver participants.

☐ Applicable - Case management is furnished as a distinct activity to waiver participants.

Check each that applies:

☑ As a waiver service defined in Appendix C-3. Do not complete item C-1-c.

☐ As a Medicaid State plan service under §1915(i) of the Act (HCBS as a State Plan Option). Complete item C-1-c.

☐ As a Medicaid State plan service under §1915(g)(1) of the Act (Targeted Case Management). Complete item C-1-c.

☐ As an administrative activity. Complete item C-1-c.

c. Delivery of Case Management Services. Specify the entity or entities that conduct case management functions on behalf of waiver participants:

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-2: General Service Specifications (1 of 3)

a. Criminal History and/or Background Investigations. Specify the State's policies concerning the conduct of criminal history and/or background investigations of individuals who provide waiver services (select one):

☐ No. Criminal history and/or background investigations are not required.

☐ Yes. Criminal history and/or background investigations are required.

Specify: (a) the types of positions (e.g., personal assistants, attendants) for which such investigations must be conducted; (b) the scope of such investigations (e.g., state, national); and, (c) the process for ensuring that mandatory investigations have been conducted. State laws, regulations and policies referenced in this description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid or the operating agency (if applicable):

The Caregivers Criminal History Screening (CCHS) Requirements (7.1.9 NMAC) applies to caregivers whose employment or contractual service includes direct care or routine unsupervised physical or financial access to any care recipient served by the DD Waiver.

All covered care providers must undergo a nationwide criminal history background investigation through the use of fingerprints reviewed by the Department of Public Safety and also submitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation to ensure to the highest degree possible the prevention of abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation of individuals receiving care. The direct care provider agency must initiate and perform the necessary nationwide criminal history screening, pursuant to 7.1.9 NMAC and in accordance with NMSA 1978, Section 29-17-5 of the Caregivers Criminal History Screening Act. The direct care provider agency must ensure that the individual has submitted to a request for a nationwide criminal history screening within twenty (20) calendar days of first day of employment or effective date of a contractual relationship with the care provider.
The employee may only work under direct supervision until he/she clears the criminal history and background screen; the employee may not provide services alone during the screen.

DOH/Division of Health Improvement (DHI) monitors provider compliance with regulations governing criminal background screening of agency personnel. DOH/DHI reviews providers at a minimum of every three (3) years through on-site record reviews. The documentation required to be kept in the provider file is the CCHS letter or the agency must have proof of request of clearance for each employee within twenty (20) days of the date of hire. If DOH/DHI determines that a provider is out of compliance, a verification review may be conducted following the provider's completion of a Plan of Correction (POC). A verification review is a desk or on-site review of evidence from the agency that the POC has been implemented and that the agency is now in compliance.

b. Abuse Registry Screening. Specify whether the State requires the screening of individuals who provide waiver services through a State-maintained abuse registry (select one):

- No. The State does not conduct abuse registry screening.
- Yes. The State maintains an abuse registry and requires the screening of individuals through this registry.

Specify: (a) the entity (entities) responsible for maintaining the abuse registry; (b) the types of positions for which abuse registry screenings must be conducted; and, (c) the process for ensuring that mandatory screenings have been conducted. State laws, regulations and policies referenced in this description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable):

The Department of Health has established and maintains an electronic Employee Abuse Registry in accordance with NMAC 7.1.12 and NMSA Sections 27-7a-1 through 27-7a-8 of the Employee Abuse Registry Act. The Registry lists all unlicensed direct care providers who, while employed by a provider, have been determined to have engaged in a substantiated incident of abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a person receiving services and who have met the Registry’s severity standard. Direct care providers include employees or contractors that provide face-to-face services or have routine unsupervised physical or financial access to a recipient of care or services. Health care providers are required to check this registry prior to hiring an unlicensed care provider, and to maintain documentation in that person’s personnel file to reflect that this inquiry has taken place.

By statute, New Mexico providers must conduct screenings and document that screening has occurred. Documentation is required to be maintained in the employee's personnel record. It is a responsibility of the direct care provider to ensure that such screening has been conducted and properly documented.

DOH/Division of Health Improvement (DHI) monitors provider compliance with regulations governing the Employee Abuse Registry to ensure that screening has been conducted and properly documented. DOH/DHI reviews providers at a minimum of every three (3) years. If DOH/DHI determines that a provider is out of compliance, a verification review may be conducted following the provider's completion of a plan of correction.

Corrective action plans require that any identified risk of harm be corrected immediately, including immediate termination of an employee found to be on the abuse registry. The provider is required to submit a plan of correction within 10 business days from the receipt of the letter from DOH/DHI. The corrective action plan is required to be implemented within 45 from the approval date by DOH/DHI. A provider can dispute the findings within 10 business days of receipt of the letter.

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C-2: General Service Specifications (2 of 3)

c. Services in Facilities Subject to §1616(e) of the Social Security Act. Select one:

- No. Home and community-based services under this waiver are not provided in facilities subject to §1616(e) of the Act.
Yes. Home and community-based services are provided in facilities subject to §1616(e) of the Act. The standards that apply to each type of facility where waiver services are provided are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-2: General Service Specifications (3 of 3)

d. Provision of Personal Care or Similar Services by Legally Responsible Individuals. A legally responsible individual is any person who has a duty under State law to care for another person and typically includes: (a) the parent (biological or adoptive) of a minor child or the guardian of a minor child who must provide care to the child or (b) a spouse of a waiver participant. Except at the option of the State and under extraordinary circumstances specified by the State, payment may not be made to a legally responsible individual for the provision of personal care or similar services that the legally responsible individual would ordinarily perform or be responsible to perform on behalf of a waiver participant. Select one:

- No. The State does not make payment to legally responsible individuals for furnishing personal care or similar services.
- Yes. The State makes payment to legally responsible individuals for furnishing personal care or similar services when they are qualified to provide the services.

Specify: (a) the legally responsible individuals who may be paid to furnish such services and the services they may provide; (b) State policies that specify the circumstances when payment may be authorized for the provision of extra ordinary care by a legally responsible individual and how the State ensures that the provision of services by a legally responsible individual is in the best interest of the participant; and, (c) the controls that are employed to ensure that payments are made only for services rendered. Also, specify in Appendix C-1/C-3 the personal care or similar services for which payment may be made to legally responsible individuals under the State policies specified here.

☐ Self-directed
☐ Agency-operated

e. Other State Policies Concerning Payment for Waiver Services Furnished by Relatives/Legal Guardians.
Specify State policies concerning making payment to relatives/legal guardians for the provision of waiver services over and above the policies addressed in Item C-2-d. Select one:

- The State does not make payment to relatives/legal guardians for furnishing waiver services.
- The State makes payment to relatives/legal guardians under specific circumstances and only when the relative/guardian is qualified to furnish services.

Specify the specific circumstances under which payment is made, the types of relatives/legal guardians to whom payment may be made, and the services for which payment may be made. Specify the controls that are employed to ensure that payments are made only for services rendered. Also, specify in Appendix C-1/C-3 each waiver service for which payment may be made to relatives/legal guardians.

☐ Relatives/legal guardians may be paid for providing waiver services whenever the relative/legal guardian is qualified to provide services as specified in Appendix C-1/C-3.

Specify the controls that are employed to ensure that payments are made only for services rendered.

Relatives/legal guardians, who are qualified to provide services as specified in Appendix C-3, may be paid for providing waiver services. Payment to relatives/legal guardians are allowed under the following circumstances:
- Legal guardians who are also natural or adoptive family members who meet the DOH/DDSD requirements...
and are approved to provide Family Living services may be paid for providing services.

- Legal guardians, relatives, or natural family members that meet the DOH/DDSD requirements and are approved to provide Customized In-Home Supports may be paid for providing services.

All waiver services are determined with the individual and the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) and are documented in the ISP, which includes provision of services provided by a legal guardian.

The case manager is responsible for monitoring the implementation of services on a monthly basis. In addition, the IDT also monitors the provision of service.

Payment is only made for services that are identified in the ISP and the provider agency is responsible for verifying that services have been rendered in accordance with the ISP by completing, signing, and submitting documentation including timesheet to the provider agency.

The DOH/Division of Health Improvement (DHI) conducts provider surveys to ensure services are provided in accordance with the DOH/DDSD DD Waiver Service Standards.

☐ Other policy.

Specify:

f. Open Enrollment of Providers. Specify the processes that are employed to assure that all willing and qualified providers have the opportunity to enroll as waiver service providers as provided in 42 CFR §431.51:

Provider enrollment is a continuous, open enrollment. To assure that all willing and qualified providers have the opportunity to enroll as waiver service providers, the enrollment requirements, procedures, established timeframes for qualifying and enrolling in the program, and applications for enrollment are available on the DOH/DDSD website. Interested providers may also request information and a provider enrollment application at any time by calling the DOH/DDSD Provider Enrollment Unit. DOH/DDSD staff are available to meet with interested providers to provide technical assistance on the application process, review criteria or to obtain further information, as needed. In addition, DOH/DDSD issues a formal call for providers when provider capacity does not meet the demands of the waiver.

Once the provider enrollment application is approved by DOH/DDSD, it is forwarded to HSD/MAD for final approval, including approval of the administrative section of the application. All initial provider applications must be approved by HSD/MAD prior to the provision of waiver services.

Appendix C: Participant Services

Quality Improvement: Qualified Providers

As a distinct component of the State’s quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State’s methods for discovery and remediation.

a. Methods for Discovery: Qualified Providers

The state demonstrates that it has designed and implemented an adequate system for assuring that all waiver services are provided by qualified providers.

i. Sub-Assurances:

a. Sub-Assurance: The State verifies that providers initially and continually meet required licensure and/or certification standards and adhere to other standards prior to their furnishing waiver services.

Performance Measures
For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance, complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:
Percentage of enrolled licensed/certified providers who meet licensure/certification requirements prior to furnishing waiver services
Numerator: Number of newly enrolled providers that meet licensure/certification requirements prior to furnishing waiver services. Denominator: Total number of newly enrolled providers.

Data Source (Select one):
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Performance Measure:
Percentage of enrolled licensed/certified providers who continually meet required licensure/certification standards. Numerator: Number of enrolled licensed/certified providers who meet required licensure/certification requirements. Denominator: Total number of enrolled licensed/certified providers.

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b. Sub-Assurance: The State monitors non-licensed/non-certified providers to assure adherence to waiver requirements.

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For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:
Percentage of non-licensed/non-certified providers who initially meet waiver requirements. Numerator: Number of non-licensed/non-certified providers that initially meet waiver requirements. Denominator: Total number of new non-licensed/non-certified providers

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**Performance Measure:**
Percentage of non-licensed/non-certified providers that continue to meet waiver requirements. Numerator: Number of non-licensed/non-certified providers that
continue to meet waiver requirements. Denominator: Total number of non-licensed/non-certified providers.

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**c. Sub-Assurance:** The State implements its policies and procedures for verifying that provider training is conducted in accordance with state requirements and the approved waiver.

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance, complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:
Percentage of agency staff, reviewed during annual surveys, who are in compliance with training requirements as specified in the DD Waiver policies and procedures. Numerator: Number of agency staff that meet training requirements specified in the DD Waiver policies and procedures. Denominator: Total number of agency staff that are required to meet the training requirements.

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ii. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

Formal quality improvement processes are in place, as described in detail in the DDSQI Steering Committee description and structure in Appendix H.

b. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems

1. Describe the State's method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items.

Remediation and improvement strategies vary, based on the findings. When problems and areas for improvement related to qualified providers are identified by the State, processes are in place to ensure that appropriate and timely action is taken. In addition, the DDSQI Steering Committee routinely collects, aggregates, analyzes, and trends provider qualification data, as described in Appendix H. Irregularities and/or areas of concern are discussed and remediation strategies are developed.

Assistance with individual problems occurs through the DDSD regional offices. Regional Office Request for Intervention Forms (RORFs) are routed to the appropriate staff and are tracked and trended for system improvement. Regional Office Directors are authorized to provide administrative actions and technical assistance.

Additionally, DOH has an Internal Review Committee (IRC) that meets monthly to address provider compliance issues. If remediation and improvements are not made in accordance with the corrective action plan and other remediation activities, civil monetary penalties may be assessed against a provider, including
and up to termination of the provider agreement.

Methods for fixing identified problems include verbal direction, letters of direction, and formal corrective action plans. Documentation is kept on all actions taken. In some instances, policy and/or regulatory changes are required. In all cases, if DOH identifies at any time any issues that are inconsistent with Medicaid requirements related to provider qualifications, HSD/MAD ensures that the problem is corrected and compliance with the assurance measure is met.

ii. Remediation Data Aggregation

Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

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c. Timelines

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Qualified Providers that are currently non-operational.

☐ No

☐ Yes

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Qualified Providers, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-3: Waiver Services Specifications

Section C-3 'Service Specifications' is incorporated into Section C-1 'Waiver Services.'

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-4: Additional Limits on Amount of Waiver Services

a. Additional Limits on Amount of Waiver Services. Indicate whether the waiver employs any of the following additional limits on the amount of waiver services (select one).

☐ Not applicable- The State does not impose a limit on the amount of waiver services except as provided in Appendix C-3.

☐ Applicable - The State imposes additional limits on the amount of waiver services.
When a limit is employed, specify: (a) the waiver services to which the limit applies; (b) the basis of the limit, including its basis in historical expenditure/utilization patterns and, as applicable, the processes and methodologies that are used to determine the amount of the limit to which a participant's services are subject; (c) how the limit will be adjusted over the course of the waiver period; (d) provisions for adjusting or making exceptions to the limit based on participant health and welfare needs or other factors specified by the state; (e) the safeguards that are in effect when the amount of the limit is insufficient to meet a participant's needs; (f) how participants are notified of the amount of the limit. *(check each that applies)*

- **Limit(s) on Set(s) of Services.** There is a limit on the maximum dollar amount of waiver services that is authorized for one or more sets of services offered under the waiver.
  
  *Furnish the information specified above.*

- **Prospective Individual Budget Amount.** There is a limit on the maximum dollar amount of waiver services authorized for each specific participant.
  
  *Furnish the information specified above.*

- **Budget Limits by Level of Support.** Based on an assessment process and/or other factors, participants are assigned to funding levels that are limits on the maximum dollar amount of waiver services.
  
  *Furnish the information specified above.*

Children’s Category services are only available to individuals from birth to the age of eighteen (18). The child’s Level of Care (LOC) assessment is used to determine the Annual Resource Allotment (ARA) within the Children’s Category. The Individual Service Plan (ISP) process will continue to focus on the goals of the individual and will identify the specific services and amounts of service needed for the individual to achieve their outcomes within the total resource allocation amount available. The child’s family may shift the amount or number of units, as well as drop and add units throughout the year, to accommodate changing needs within the ARA. Revisions to the budget must be approved by the Medicaid Third Party Assessor (TPA). Service Options funded with the ARA within the children’s category include:

a. Behavior Support Consultation;
b. Customized Community Support, Individual;
c. Respite;
d. Non-Medical Transportation;
e. Case Management; (minimum 4 units per year)
f. Supplemental Dental Care;
g. Nutritional Counseling;
h. Environmental Modifications;
i. Personal Support Technology; and
j. Socialization and Sexuality Education.

ARA determination is also used with individuals included in the class established pursuant to Walter Stephen Jackson, et al vs. Fort Stanton Hospital and Training School et. al, 757 F. Supp. 1243 (DNM 1990) Jackson Class Members (JCM). As required by Federal Court, JCM are using certain services, procedure codes and modifiers outlined in Appendix I in the approved waiver. The State is working with the Plaintiffs and the court to align the use of services, procedure codes and modifiers used by all waiver participants. The State expects this transition to occur within this waiver cycle.

For adults, the resource allocation system previously developed through a contract with the Human Research Institute (HSRI) and Burns and Associates during year one of the waiver, used data generated from SIS assessments to establish a seven-level system that groups individuals with comparable needs together in one of seven NM DDW groups. All current adult participants have received a Supports Intensity Scale® (SIS) assessment and corresponding NM DDW Group assignment. The state plans to discontinue periodic SIS reassessments and Group assignments for adults in State Fiscal Year 2017 (SFY 17). New adult participants will receive budget approvals solely through the Outside Review process and
clinical criteria developed by the State.

While phasing out use of the SIS and NM DDW Group assignments, the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) will continue to have information from the most recent SIS and DDW Group assignment available to consider when developing a person-centered Individual Service Plan (ISP). The ISP and requested budget prepared by the IDT are then subject to the Outside Review process and must include specific clinical justification for the services and service amounts requested. Individuals without a history of a SIS assessment and NM DDW Group Assignment will begin the Outside Review process relying on clinical criteria established to justify each service request for annual budgets.

☑ Other Type of Limit. The State employs another type of limit.

Describe the limit and furnish the information specified above.

In addition to any service parameters addressing any applicable limits on amount, frequency or duration of a service described in Appendix C-3, each DD Waiver service is limited by need to meet a set of criteria that is applied by an Outside Review Contractor when services are requested.

Appendix C: Participant Services

C-5: Home and Community-Based Settings

Explain how residential and non-residential settings in this waiver comply with federal HCB Settings requirements at 42 CFR 441.301(c)(4)-(5) and associated CMS guidance. Include:

1. Description of the settings and how they meet federal HCB Settings requirements, at the time of submission and in the future.

2. Description of the means by which the state Medicaid agency ascertains that all waiver settings meet federal HCB Setting requirements, at the time of this submission and ongoing.

Note instructions at Module 1, Attachment #2, HCB Settings Waiver Transition Plan for description of settings that do not meet requirements at the time of submission. Do not duplicate that information here.

Please refer to Main, Attachment #2.

The state assures that the settings transition plan included in this waiver amendment will be subject to any provisions or requirements included in the State's approved Statewide Transition Plan. The state will implement any required changes upon approval of the Statewide Transition Plan and will make conforming changes to its waiver when it submits the next amendment or renewal.

Appendix D: Participant-Centered Planning and Service Delivery

D-1: Service Plan Development (1 of 8)

State Participant-Centered Service Plan Title:
Individual Service Plan (ISP)

a. Responsibility for Service Plan Development. Per 42 CFR §441.301(b)(2), specify who is responsible for the development of the service plan and the qualifications of these individuals (select each that applies):

☐ Registered nurse, licensed to practice in the State
☐ Licensed practical or vocational nurse, acting within the scope of practice under State law
☐ Licensed physician (M.D. or D.O)
☑ Case Manager (qualifications specified in Appendix C-1/C-3)
☐ Case Manager (qualifications not specified in Appendix C-1/C-3).

Specify qualifications:

☐ Social Worker
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b. Service Plan Development Safeguards. Select one:
   - Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility for service plan development may not provide other direct waiver services to the participant.
   - Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility for service plan development may provide other direct waiver services to the participant.

The State has established the following safeguards to ensure that service plan development is conducted in the best interests of the participant. Specify:

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c. Supporting the Participant in Service Plan Development. Specify: (a) the supports and information that are made available to the participant (and/or family or legal representative, as appropriate) to direct and be actively engaged in the service plan development process and (b) the participant's authority to determine who is included in the process.

During the initial steps in the development of the Individual Service Plan (ISP), the case manager engages and supports the individual and/or family or legal representative, as appropriate, in developing the ISP. The case manager meets with the individual prior to service planning meetings to explain the waiver process, provide information, and encourage his/her leadership and full participation in the service plan meetings. For adults, Living Care Arrangements available through the waiver and the process for preparing the ISP and budget is also explained by the case manager.

The case manager:
1. Explains the supports and services available through the DD waiver to obtain the goals and outcomes;
2. Explains the risk associated with the outcomes and services identified and possible options to mitigate the risks;
3. Provides information and linkage for enhancing natural supports and exploring non disability specific, publicly funded programs and community resources available to all citizens within the individual’s community;
4. Explains the rights and responsibilities of the individual, guardian, family, and other team members;
5. Provides a list of the specific service providers available in the individual’s area from which the individual may select his/her providers, updated and made available through the secondary freedom of choice process
6. Explains the team process and composition of the team;
7. Encourages the individual and/or family or legal representative to include others of his/her choice as team members;
8. Supports the individual to lead the team meeting;
9. Advocates for the individual on an ongoing basis; and
10. Assists with obtaining and reviewing assessments that can inform the person centered planning process. Assessments may include those required by DD Waiver and others relevant to the individual.

Working together, the case manager, individual, and/or family or legal representative, as appropriate, identify the
individual's strengths, and assist the individual in identifying his/her dreams, goals, preferences and outcomes for service.

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d. Service Plan Development Process. In four pages or less, describe the process that is used to develop the participant-centered service plan, including: (a) who develops the plan, who participates in the process, and the timing of the plan; (b) the types of assessments that are conducted to support the service plan development process, including securing information about participant needs, preferences and goals, and health status; (c) how the participant is informed of the services that are available under the waiver; (d) how the plan development process ensures that the service plan addresses participant goals, needs (including health care needs), and preferences; (e) how waiver and other services are coordinated; (f) how the plan development process provides for the assignment of responsibilities to implement and monitor the plan; and, (g) how and when the plan is updated, including when the participant’s needs change. State laws, regulations, and policies cited that affect the service plan development process are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable):

ISP’s are written by the case manager and developed by the participant with support from their Inter-disciplinary team, typically consisting of selected DD Waiver providers and any other individuals or natural supports that the individual would like present.

All current adult participants have received a Supports Intensity Scale® (SIS) assessment and corresponding NM Developmental Disabilities Waiver (DDW) Group assignment. The state plans to discontinue periodic SIS reassessments and the corresponding Group assignments for adults in Waiver Year 1.

The Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) also utilizes the following types of assessments to support clinical justification for various DD Waiver services provided to adults and support the person centered planning process:

a. The initial or annual level of care assessment
b. The Electronic Health Assessment Tool (ECHAT), documents and tracks health conditions and informs planning.
c. Medication Administration Assessment Tool (MAAT) clarifies the level and type of assistance needed with the delivery of medications.
d. assessment and evaluation tools for speech, occupational and physical therapies.
e. Aspiration Risk Screening Tool, a screening for aspiration risk, supports informed decision making on the part of the individual and their guardian, collaborative development of a Comprehensive Aspiration Risk Management Plan (CARM), training and monitoring.
f. Person Centered Assessments and career development plans

g. Positive Behavior Supports Assessments and Positive Behavior Support Plans

h. Preliminary Risk Screening and Consultation related to Inappropriate Sexual Behavior - Risk Management Plan

i. Client Individual Assessment (CIA)
j. Other assessments from non HCBS providers as relevant to the individual

For children, the child’s Level of Care (LOC) assessment is used to determine the Annual Resource allotment. Other assessments as relevant to the child are also used to assist the family and team in person centered planning and identifying the DD Waiver services and supports that may help the child achieve ISP outcomes.

In developing the service plan, the case manager explains the individual’s rights and responsibilities and the services available through the waiver and other resources. The case manager meets with the individual to arrange a team meeting to develop the Individual Service Plan (ISP). The ISP is based on relevant clinical information and other individualized assessments, as needed.

Assessment activities that occur prior to the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) meeting include the Comprehensive Individual Assessment (CIA), individual history and physical by primary care physician (PCP), review of other pertinent assessments as listed above and medical historical documents, and the initial or annual LOC determination. These assessments assist in the development of an accurate and functional plan. The CIA is conducted in preparation of the LOC determination process which addresses the following needs of a person:
medical (including current medications), adaptive behavior skills, nutritional, functional, and community/social factors. Assessments occur on an annual basis, or as needed, during significant changes in circumstance.

The team includes the individual, and/or family or legal representative, service providers, core members as identified in waiver service standards and any other members of the individual’s choosing. The case manager schedules the meeting and notifies the individual. The case manager invites and supports the individual to lead the team meeting.

An individualized plan is completed when the team has identified:

1. The individual’s interests and preferences;
2. The needed support areas and activities;
3. The settings the individual is most likely to be in, as well as the activities in which the individual will participate;
4. The specific support functions which will address the identified support needs;
5. Natural supports available for the person;
6. Valued personal outcomes; and
7. Mechanism to monitor the provision and effectiveness of the support provided.

The team develops an ISP prior to expiration of the current plan and within timelines established by DDSD to process the submission of ISP and budget for approval and entry into Medicaid management Information system (MMIS) or as needed based upon the individual’s needs, interests and preferences. At the meeting, the case manager supports the individual to express his/her outcomes for services and supports, preferences, current goals and steps needed to achieve those goals. The ISP goals, activities to accomplish goals, services, and amount, frequency and duration of waiver services, services through other resources, and natural supports are developed based on the individual’s outcomes, preferences, assessed needs and goals. The ISP addresses the individual’s needed waiver services and includes reference to services and supports that are not waiver funded.

Waiver and other services are coordinated through ongoing communication between the case manager, service providers, and the individual and/or family or legal representative as appropriate. The ISP delineates the roles and responsibilities of each service provider related to the implementation of the plan. Pursuant to the waiver service standards, the case manager is responsible for monitoring implementation of the plan on a monthly or quarterly basis, or more frequently as needed.

The ISP must be updated annually, when requested by the individual, or when the individual experiences one of the following circumstances:
1. Major medical changes;
2. Risk of significant harm;
3. Loss of primary caregiver or other significant person;
4. Serious accident, illness, injury or hospitalization that disrupts the implementation the ISP;
5. Serious or sudden change in behavior;
6. Change in living situation;
7. Changes to or completion of ISP outcomes or vision;
8. Loss of job;
9. Proposed change in services or providers;
10. Abuse, neglect or exploitation is substantiated;
11. Criminal justice system involvement;
12. Any team member requests a meeting;
13. Individual and case manager have not been able to resolve issues and barriers, concerns or proposed changes; or
14. Request by DOH/DDSD.

The State does not use temporary, interim service plans to initiate services while a more detailed service plan can be finalized.

Based upon established review and approval processes (i.e. children, adult, Jackson Class member) for each service, the HSD/MAD TPA Contractor reviews and enters approved services and providers initially, annually and when revisions are needed which may include the following circumstances:

1. The individual will be accessing a Residential Service for the first time;
2. The individual is changing from one type of Residential Services to another (this does not include a change of
provider for the same type of Residential Services);
3. DOH requests a review.

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e. **Risk Assessment and Mitigation.** Specify how potential risks to the participant are assessed during the service plan development process and how strategies to mitigate risk are incorporated into the service plan, subject to participant needs and preferences. In addition, describe how the service plan development process addresses backup plans and the arrangements that are used for backup.

In order to adequately assess and mitigate risks, the individual, family or legal representative, and others who provide supports must be involved throughout the service plan development process. The process begins with the case manager’s completion of the Level of Care (LOC) packet. Based on the LOC packet, the case manager then works with the individual and/or family or legal representative, as applicable, to identify the individual’s health and safety needs. The provider completes assessments as needed to more clearly identify the individual’s potential risk factors within the service delivery environment.

A discussion among the team members occurs about the identified potential risks, benefits, consequences of various courses of action, and the conditions under which the individual is willing and able to assume responsibility for the risks.

The team discussion regarding risks is documented in the ISP. In addition, Health Care and Therapy Plans are checked off the list and the service provider is responsible for developing a detailed treatment plan in conjunction with appropriate physicians and ensuring that a copy of the plan is given to the case manager to be maintained in the primary record. Plans are incorporated by reference into the ISP.

The Individual Services Plan (ISP) includes a training plan for staff, primary caregivers or other family members, as needed, and is related to the potential risks identified. Additionally, specific action steps are identified on the ISP to address potential risks. Healthcare and therapy plans are developed by the specific service provider and identify specific strategies to reduce risk and to address back-up plans and arrangements for back up.

For individuals with chronic medical conditions with potential to exacerbate into a life-threatening situation, providers are required to develop and implement an individualized Medical Emergency Response Plan. Likewise, for individuals with challenging behaviors that periodically escalate to the point of potential harm to self or others, the Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) with the Behavior Support Consultant must develop a Crisis Intervention Plan.

Back-up plans are in addition to the ISP and are developed by the team and individual providers in collaboration with the appropriate specialists as needed. Depending on the need of the individual and the type of plan, the specialist may be a nurse, doctor, a therapist, or behavioral consultant.

Providers are also required to have back-up plans and an on-call system in the event staff should call in sick, or are unable to work. This back-up plan must also address what to do in emergency, as well as more anticipated events such as inclement weather, illness, or if day services are closed.

All referenced back-up plans described above are based on the identified needs of the individual and are incorporated into the ISP.

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f. **Informed Choice of Providers.** Describe how participants are assisted in obtaining information about and selecting from among qualified providers of the waiver services in the service plan.

When funding becomes available to serve additional individuals on the waiver, a letter from DOH/DDSD is sent to the individuals on the Central Registry based on the date of the individual application. When an applicant is interested in receiving waiver services, he/she completes and returns the form entitled, Primary Freedom of Choice Form, contained in the allocation packet from DOH/DDSD to select an intermediate care facility/individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID) or the Mi Via Waiver or the DD Waiver and corresponding a case management
agency. This form includes a list of case management agencies that have been authorized to provide waiver services in the individual’s county. Once the form is returned, DOH/DDSD informs the case management agency of the selection and the case manager begins the Level of Care (LOC) process. Waiver recipients may select a different case management agency at any time after case management services begin by completing a new Primary Freedom of Choice Form.

Once eligibility is determined, the case manager assists the individual and his/her family in an exploration of service options and provides the individual with relevant Secondary Freedom of Choice Forms. The Secondary Freedom of Choice lists eligible providers in the individual’s county for the anticipated services. Individuals and families are encouraged to research and visit service providers before making selections and to ask providers to describe their programs. Once the individual makes a provider selection, he/she indicates the selection and signs the Secondary Freedom of Choice Form. DDSD provides tools including provider information and sample questions to ask providers in an effort to assist individuals with choice of providers, and a web based list of currently approved and qualified waiver providers by service type, region and county. Current tools to assist in provider selection are updated as appropriate and are posted on DDSD website. DDSD has staff available to provide technical assistance to case managers, providers, individuals and guardians regarding the freedom of choice and person centered planning process as outlined in the waiver standards and regulations.

At the initial team meeting, the ISP document is developed. The ISP describes the waiver services that the individual needs and the service providers selected to provide these services. Individuals may elect to change service providers at any time. Secondary Freedom of Choice Forms are provided to the individual by the case manager, and completed by the individual whenever there is a change in providers. DOH/DDSD maintains the Secondary Freedom of Choice Forms through the Provider Enrollment Unit.

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h. Service Plan Review and Update. The service plan is subject to at least annual periodic review and update to assess the appropriateness and adequacy of the services as participant needs change. Specify the minimum schedule for the review and update of the service plan:

- Every three months or more frequently when necessary
- Every six months or more frequently when necessary
- Every twelve months or more frequently when necessary
i. **Maintenance of Service Plan Forms.** Written copies or electronic facsimiles of service plans are maintained for a minimum period of 3 years as required by 45 CFR §92.42. Service plans are maintained by the following (check each that applies):

- [ ] Medicaid agency
- [ ] Operating agency
- [x] Case manager
- [x] Other

*Specify:*

TPA Contractor
Outside Reviewer

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**Appendix D: Participant-Centered Planning and Service Delivery**

**D-2: Service Plan Implementation and Monitoring**

**a. Service Plan Implementation and Monitoring.** Specify: (a) the entity (entities) responsible for monitoring the implementation of the service plan and participant health and welfare; (b) the monitoring and follow-up method(s) that are used; and, (c) the frequency with which monitoring is performed.

The case manager is responsible for monitoring the implementation of the ISP, continued appropriateness or need for ISP revision, and the health and welfare of the individual being served by the waiver at any location where he/she is receiving waiver services. This monitoring is done through visits with the individual, reviews of incident reports, telephone contacts, reviews of regularly required reports from therapists and providers and/or reviews of HSD/MAD Prior Authorization reports.

During the monitoring, the case manager is responsible for assuring that:
1. Individuals have access to waiver services as identified in the service plan;
2. Individuals have access to non-waiver services as identified in the service plan, including access to health services;
3. Services meet the needs and preferences of the individual and are chosen from among non-disability specific options;
4. Individuals exercise free choice of qualified and locally available providers of Waiver services;
5. Back-up plans are effective;
6. Individual health and welfare are assured; and
7. Waiver Services are furnished in accordance with the service plan.

Face-to-face visits with individuals other than children must occur monthly or at least quarterly, as determined by the team, and must be documented on a site visit form in the individual's primary file. For children under 18, the team may also determine that the case manager visit the individual/family a minimum of four (4) times a year. The site visits for adults may occur in the home, day habilitation program, community employment site or during therapy sessions. At least every other month, this visit takes place in the individual's home. If monitoring is occurring by phone, the case manager must reflect the issues discussed and follow-up needed in case notes in the file. Follow-up must be completed by the case manager within a timely manner and a team meeting must be convened.

As part of the monitoring process, if a serious incident is identified, DD Waiver program staff must secure the safety of the individual. The staff person with the most direct knowledge of the incident must report the incident and inform the case manager, preferably within one day of the incident. The incident report must be reported to the 24 hour DOH/Department of Health Improvement (DHI) hotline as soon as safety is assured. Within 24 hours of knowledge of incident an incident report is required to be provided to DOH/DHI via fax or internet. DOH/DHI coordinates with Adult Protective Services, at Aging and Long Term Care Services Division (ALTSD) and the Child Protective Services at Children, Youth and Families Departments (CYFD). Reporting details are provided in Appendix G.
Any team member may also fill out a "request for Developmental Disabilities Supports Division Regional Office Intervention" form to report persistent issues to regional offices and to obtain assistance. DDSD has the authority to provide technical assistance or directly impose administrative actions, civil monetary penalty (CMP), and sanctions on community based provider agencies for non-compliance with or violations of regulations, service standards, policies, procedures, and/or provider agreement requirements which includes requirements related to implementation of an ISP.

The HSD/MAD MMIS contractor supplies providers and case managers with Prior Authorization Reports, and weekly updates of prior authorization and utilization of service units. Case managers and providers are responsible for tracking and monitoring utilization to ensure services are being provided in accordance with the ISP. The provider is responsible for requesting additional service units through the case manager.

DOH/DHI conducts periodic compliance reviews of provider agencies and their adherence to standards, regulations, policies and procedures through their Quality Management Bureau. Problems are identified by reviewing files, incident reports and complaints, interviewing staff and waiver individuals, and through direct observations. DHI approves a plan of correction required to be developed by the with providers when crucial items are missing or incomplete. POCs are forwarded to DOH/DDSD. DOH/DHI is responsible to track and follow-up with agencies to ensure that the Plan of Corrections are completed successfully, or referred to the appropriate entity for further administrative action or sanctions.

b. **Monitoring Safeguards. Select one:**

- Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility to monitor service plan implementation and participant health and welfare may not provide other direct waiver services to the participant.

- Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility to monitor service plan implementation and participant health and welfare may provide other direct waiver services to the participant.

The State has established the following safeguards to ensure that monitoring is conducted in the best interests of the participant. *Specify:*

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**Quality Improvement: Service Plan**

As a distinct component of the State’s quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State’s methods for discovery and remediation.

a. **Methods for Discovery: Service Plan Assurance/Sub-assurances**

*The state demonstrates it has designed and implemented an effective system for reviewing the adequacy of service plans for waiver participants.*

i. **Sub-Assurances:**

a. **Sub-assurance:** Service plans address all participants’ assessed needs (including health and safety risk factors) and personal goals, either by the provision of waiver services or through other means.

**Performance Measures**

*For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.*

*For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.*
Performance Measure:
Percentage of service plans (new and annual recertifications) that adequately address needs and goals identified through LOC assessment and the ISP.
Numerator: Number of ISPs determined to adequately address needs and goals identified through LOC assessment and ISP that resulted in approved budgets.
Denominator: Total number of individual service plans submitted.

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| Sampling Approach (check each that applies): |
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Data Aggregation and Analysis:

| Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies): |
| State Medicaid Agency |
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h. Sub-assurance: The State monitors service plan development in accordance with its policies and procedures.

Performance Measures

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyse and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

c. Sub-assurance: Service plans are updated/revised at least annually or when warranted by changes in the waiver participant's needs.

Performance Measures

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Performance Measure:
Percentage of individual service plans (ISP) that were reviewed annually or revised, as warranted, by changes in individuals' needs, for individuals with continuous enrollment of 12 months. Numerator: Number of ISP's reviewed annually/revised for individuals with enrollment of 12 months. Denominator: Total number of ISP's for individuals with continuous enrollment of 12 months.

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d. **Sub-assurance:** Services are delivered in accordance with the service plan, including the type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the service plan.

**Performance Measures**

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**Performance Measure:**
Percentage of individuals receiving services consistent with their service plan in type, scope, amount, duration and frequency of services. **Numerator:** Number of waiver individuals receiving services with their individual service plan as measured by using 70% or more of their approved budget. **Denominator:** Total number of individuals who have a full year approved budget ending in each waiver year.

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e. **Sub-assurance: Participants are afforded choice: Between/among waiver services and providers.**

**Performance Measures**

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**Performance Measure:**

Percentage of DD Waiver participants afforded the choice between/among waiver services and providers

**Numerator:** Number of records reviewed which contained current Secondary Freedom of Choice forms for all services being received.

**Denominator:** Total number of record reviews for individuals on the DD Waiver.

**Data Source (Select one):**

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Percentage of DD Waiver participants who are afforded choice between waiver services or institutional care. Numerator: Number of records reviewed which contained Primary Freedom of Choice forms. Denominator: Total number of record reviews for individuals on the DD Waiver.

**Data Source (Select one):**
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ii. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.
Formal quality improvement processes are in place, as described in detail in the DDSQI Steering Committee description and structure in Appendix H.

b. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems
i. Describe the State’s method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items. Remediation and improvement strategies vary based on the findings. When problems and areas for improvement related to service plans are identified by the State, processes are in place to ensure that appropriate and timely action is taken. In addition, the DDSQI Steering Committee routinely collects, aggregates, analyzes, and trends service plan data, as described in Appendix H. Irregularities and/or areas of concern are discussed and remediation strategies are developed.

Assistance with individual problems occurs through the DDSD regional offices. Regional Office Request for Intervention Forms (RORIs) are routed to the appropriate staff and are tracked and trended for system improvement. Regional Office Directors are authorized to provide administrative actions and technical assistance.

Methods for fixing identified problems include verbal direction, letters of direction, and formal corrective action plans. Documentation is kept on all actions taken. In some instances, policy and/or regulatory changes are required. In all cases, if DOH identifies at any time any issues that are inconsistent with Medicaid requirements related to service plans, HSD/MAD ensures that the problem is corrected and that compliance with the Assurance is met.

ii. Remediation Data Aggregation
Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

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When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Service Plans that are currently non-operational.

- No
- Yes

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Service Plans, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

Applicability (from Application Section 3, Components of the Waiver Request):

- Yes. This waiver provides participant direction opportunities. Complete the remainder of the Appendix.
- No. This waiver does not provide participant direction opportunities. Do not complete the remainder of the Appendix.

CMS urges states to afford all waiver participants the opportunity to direct their services. Participant direction of services includes the participant exercising decision-making authority over workers who provide services, a participant-managed budget or both. CMS will confer the Independence Plus designation when the waiver evidences a strong commitment to participant direction.

Indicate whether Independence Plus designation is requested (select one):

- Yes. The State requests that this waiver be considered for Independence Plus designation.
- No. Independence Plus designation is not requested.

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-1: Overview (1 of 13)

Answers provided in Appendix E-0 indicate that you do not need to submit Appendix E.

Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-1: Overview (2 of 13)

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Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-1: Overview (3 of 13)

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E-1: Overview (4 of 13)

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Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-1: Overview (5 of 13)

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Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-1: Overview (6 of 13)

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E-1: Overview (7 of 13)

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E-1: Overview (8 of 13)

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E-1: Overview (9 of 13)

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E-1: Overview (10 of 13)

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E-1: Overview (12 of 13)

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Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-1: Overview (13 of 13)

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Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-2: Opportunities for Participant Direction (1 of 6)

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Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services

E-2: Opportunities for Participant-Direction (2 of 6)

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E-2: Opportunities for Participant-Direction (6 of 6)

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Appendix F: Participant Rights

Appendix F-1: Opportunity to Request a Fair Hearing

The State provides an opportunity to request a Fair Hearing under 42 CFR Part 431, Subpart E to individuals: (a) who are not given the choice of home and community-based services as an alternative to the institutional care specified in Item 1-F of the request; (b) are denied the service(s) of their choice or the provider(s) of their choice; or, (c) whose services are denied, suspended, reduced or terminated. The State provides notice of action as required in 42 CFR §431.210.

Procedures for Offering Opportunity to Request a Fair Hearing. Describe how the individual (or his/her legal representative) is informed of the opportunity to request a fair hearing under 42 CFR Part 431, Subpart E. Specify the notice(s) that are used to offer individuals the opportunity to request a Fair Hearing. State laws, regulations, policies and notices referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the operating or Medicaid agency.

State laws, regulations, policies and notices referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the operating or Medicaid agency.

The waiver rules promulgated by HSD (8.352.2 NMAC; 8.354.2 NMAC), provide that the State must grant an opportunity for an administrative hearing pursuant to state statute and regulations and 42 CFR Section 431.220(a)(1) and (2).

In order to ensure that a participant is fully informed of rights to a Fair Hearing, DOH/DDSD provides general information about an individual's right to a Fair Hearing in various formats during the waiver entrance process and post enrollment activities, including:

1. Verbal information provided by case managers upon entrance to the DD Waiver;
2. Written Notice of Rights in Addendum A to the Individual Service Plan (ISP), provided annually to participants and guardians and made part of the official participant record;
3. Website postings (see current information here: http://actnewmexico.org/fair-hearing-rights.html);
4. Hard copy informational documents distributed by DOH/DDSD and Office of Constituent Affairs at regular stakeholder meetings and public forums;
5. Written notice of rights accompany the DD Waiver application provided to the applicant, guardian and authorized representative at the start of the application process; and
6. Verbal explanation provided by DDSD regional Offices as requested

DOH/DDSD also provides information about fair hearing rights as part of required curriculum for Pre-Service, Orientation, and Level One Competency Requirements for Direct Support Staff and their Supervisors so that DDSD staff as well as
provider agencies have adequate knowledge of fair hearing rights and can educate individual participants and guardians accordingly.

Various agencies including HSD’s Third Party Assessor and the DOH/DDSD Outside Review Contractor are responsible for providing the waiver participant with the review determination in writing, including reasons for any denial of requested services or level of care. The participant or their authorized representative is informed by the appropriate agency, in writing, of the opportunity to request a Fair Hearing. The letter providing notice of the adverse action explains the participant's right to continue to receive services during the Hearing process. The HSD Fair Hearings Bureau is responsible for maintaining documentation regarding all aspects of the hearing. Benefits are continued consistent with the due process standards set out in Goldberg v Kelly 397 US 254 (1970) and information on the automatic continuation of benefits is included in the notice.

The agencies responsible for giving notice to individuals or their authorized representatives of their rights to Fair Hearings are responsible for maintaining documentation of the notification.

Eligible recipients are also offered the opportunity to participate in an agency review conference (ARC) to allow the agency or its designee, and the eligible recipient to meet and discuss the fair hearing issues to attempt clarification and possible resolution. Participation in the ARC is not mandatory and does not affect or delay the fair hearing process and is described in more detail in Appendix F-2b.

Appendix F: Participant-Rights

Appendix F-2: Additional Dispute Resolution Process

a. Availability of Additional Dispute Resolution Process. Indicate whether the State operates another dispute resolution process that offers participants the opportunity to appeal decisions that adversely affect their services while preserving their right to a Fair Hearing. Select one:

- No. This Appendix does not apply
- Yes. The State operates an additional dispute resolution process

b. Description of Additional Dispute Resolution Process. Describe the additional dispute resolution process, including: (a) the State agency that operates the process; (b) the nature of the process (i.e., procedures and timeframes), including the types of disputes addressed through the process; and, (c) how the right to a Medicaid Fair Hearing is preserved when a participant elects to make use of the process: State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the operating or Medicaid agency.

DOH/DDSD operates two additional dispute resolution processes:
1. The Agency Review Conference (ARC), offered after a Fair Hearing is requested, and
2. Team Facilitation Process

To assist individuals and families through the hearing process, DOH/DDSD created a unit to centralize matters related to waiver-related Fair Hearings. The DDSD Fair Hearings Unit receives all hearing acknowledgements from the HSD Fair Hearings Bureau, and compiles the Summary of Evidence (SOE) for the Parties and the Administrative Law Judge. Eligible recipients are also offered the opportunity to participate in an Agency Review Conference (ARC) to allow the agency or its designee, and the eligible recipient to meet and discuss the fair hearing issues to attempt clarification and possible resolution before the Fair Hearing. The DOH/DDSD Fair Hearings Unit works with all interested Parties to schedule and conduct an Agency Review Conference (ARC) in the hopes of resolving issues outside of the hearing. Instructions on how to request an ARC are included in the notice of the adverse action.

The ARC process includes:

a. Contacting individuals who have requested a fair hearing to ask if the individual is interested in participating in an agency conference, and
b. Providing assistance to individuals, families, guardians, case managers, and providers in order to efficiently resolve issues outside of the formal hearing.

Frequently, Fair Hearing cases are resolved through action items discussed and acted upon via the Agency Review Conference process. However, participating in an ARC does not replace or impact the individual’s right to a Fair Hearing. The DOH/DDSD Fair Hearings Unit verbally explains this to the individual or the individual’s representative in addition to the written notice.
The DOH/DDSD Office of Constituent Support operates an additional statewide due process (Team Facilitation Process) for all recipients of services within the DDSD, which includes the Developmental Disabilities Medicaid Waiver. The Team Facilitation Process (TFC) consists of Individual Assistance and Advocacy (IAA) outreach, which informs the individual that the Team Facilitation Process is not a prerequisite or substitute for a fair hearing when the individual is informed that the dispute has been accepted and a mediator has been assigned.

The TFC was established to allow all individuals and their team members to have a voluntary means to present and address their concerns or issues in the presence of a neutral third party (trained mediator). The role of the mediator is to provide strategies to facilitate communication, act as a resource, and provide technical assistance to the team. Issues or conflicts that can be disputed apply to the individual’s service plan (ISP) when an individual or team believes the ISP is not being implemented appropriately. Conflict resolution consensus is developed with the team and implemented by the interdisciplinary team. This process is offered in addition to the Medicaid fair hearing process.

The process includes the following:
1. Requestor contacts the Manager of the IAA Unit either by telephone, in writing, by fax, or in person to request team facilitation.
2. IAA Manager reviews and determines to accept or deny the request per criteria (has five (5) working days to review).
3. If accepted, the case is assigned to a trained mediator.
4. If not accepted, a letter is sent to the requestor stating the reason for denial within ten (10) working days.
5. If accepted, the mediator has thirty (30) days to complete the team facilitation.

During the thirty (30) days, the Mediator:
- Speaks to the requestor and other pertinent parties;
- Collects necessary documents;
- Schedules a meeting with the requestor and other pertinent parties;
- Facilitates the meeting and has team participants sign an agreement to approving the mediation;
- Documents, in writing, at the meeting the resolution(s) on an agreement sheet that is signed by all team participants; and
- Hands out the agreement sheet(s) to all team participants (agreements amend the service plans, and therefore, are binding.

Appendix F: Participant-Rights

Appendix F-3: State Grievance/Complaint System

a. Operation of Grievance/Complaint System. Select one:

- No. This Appendix does not apply
- Yes. The State operates a grievance/complaint system that affords participants the opportunity to register grievances or complaints concerning the provision of services under this waiver

b. Operational Responsibility. Specify the State agency that is responsible for the operation of the grievance/complaint system:

Both HSD/MAD and DOH/DDSD is responsible for the operation of the grievance/complaint system.

c. Description of System. Describe the grievance/complaint system, including: (a) the types of grievances/complaints that participants may register; (b) the process and timelines for addressing grievances/complaints; and, (c) the mechanisms that are used to resolve grievances/complaints. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

The DOH/DDSD Regional Directors and Office of Constituent Support monitor resolution to complaints received by DOH. The individual and/or family or legal representative may also register complaints, about any issue with which he/she is dissatisfied, with DOH/DDSD via email, mail, or by phone. The DOH/DDSD Office of Constituent Support / Regional Directors follow up within two (2) business days from the date the complaint/grievance is received and informs the individual that the process is not a prerequisite or substitute for a fair hearing. A database
is used to track and monitor the requests and actions taken. Complaints may be resolved using state policies and procedures or other mechanisms as appropriate to the program. If the complaint or grievance is not resolved within fourteen (14) days, an action plan with additional timeframes is put in place to resolve the complaint/grievance.

Appendix G: Participant Safeguards

Appendix G-I: Response to Critical Events or Incidents

a. Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process. Indicate whether the State operates Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process that enables the State to collect information on sentinel events occurring in the waiver program. Select one:

- Yes. The State operates a Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process (complete items b through e)
- No. This Appendix does not apply (do not complete items b through e)

If the State does not operate a Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process, describe the process that the State uses to elicit information on the health and welfare of individuals served through the program.

b. State Critical Event or Incident Reporting Requirements. Specify the types of critical events or incidents (including alleged abuse, neglect and exploitation) that the State requires to be reported for review and follow-up action by an appropriate authority, the individuals and/or entities that are required to report such events and incidents and the timelines for reporting. State laws, regulations, and policies that are referenced are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

The DOH operates two reporting systems for critical events or incidents involving individuals receiving DD waiver services: (1) the Division of Health Improvement (DHI)/Incident Management Bureau (IMB) protocols for incidents of abuse, neglect, exploitation, suspicious injury, environmental hazard and deaths, and (2) the DDSD General Events Reporting (GER) system for significant events experienced by adults of the DD Waiver program, which do not meet criteria for reportable incidents listed in (1) but which may pose a risk to individuals served.

DOH/DHI/IMB REPORTING PROTOCOLS:

The DOH/DHI/IMB operates a joint protocols with the NM’s Children Youth and Families Department (CYFD) -Child Protective Services (CPS) and Aging and Long Term Services Division (ALTS) - Adult Protective Services (APS) for reports of:

- Abuse
- Neglect
- Exploitation
- Suspicious Injury
- Environmental hazard
- Death

The DOH/DHI/IMB receives, triages, and investigates reports of alleged abuse, neglect, exploitation, any death, suspicious injury and environmentally hazardous conditions which create an immediate threat to health or safety of the individual receiving DD Waiver Services. The reporting of incidents is mandated pursuant to 7.1.14 of the New Mexico Administrative Code (NMAC). Any suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation must be reported to the CYFD/CPS for individuals under the age of 18 or to the DOH/DHI/IMB for those over the age of 18. Additionally, per the NMAC 7.1.14, those providing DD Waiver services are directed to immediately report abuse, neglect, exploitation, suspicious injuries, any death and also environmentally hazardous conditions which create an immediate threat to life or health to the DHI hotline. Per NMAC 7.1.14 anyone may contact this hotline to report abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation. Anyone may report an incident; however, the person with the most direct knowledge of the incident is the individual who is required to report the incident. An Immediate Action and Safety Plan is developed at the time of intake to ensure health and safety for the individual.

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The DDSD GENERAL EVENTS REPORTING SYSTEM:

The DDSD General Events Reporting (GER) is a system to report, track and analyze significant events experienced by adults of the DD Waiver program, which do not meet criteria reportable incidents listed above but which may pose a risk to individuals served. Types of incidents include:

1. Utilization of emergency services;
2. Hospitalization;
3. Psychiatric facility admission;
4. Law enforcement intervention that results in the arrest or detention of a participant are reportable in a designated;
5. Use of Emergency Physical Restraint; and
6. Medication Errors

Approved DD Waiver Provider agencies are required to report specified incidents through the GER System according to timelines specified in DDSD policy (i.e. within 2 business days of occurrence or knowledge of occurrence)

c. Participant Training and Education. Describe how training and/or information is provided to participants (and/or families or legal representatives, as appropriate) concerning protections from abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including how participants (and/or families or legal representatives, as appropriate) can notify appropriate authorities or entities when the participant may have experienced abuse, neglect or exploitation.

Training and information on reporting critical incidents is provided through training and information by case managers, including incident reporting forms as well as contact information and phone numbers, is provided to participants and/or family members or legal representatives at the initial enrollment meetings, and during the annual plan renewal meetings. Basic Developmental Disabilities Waiver training includes a section on self-protection, how to recognize abuse, neglect and exploitation, and where to go for help. All related trainings conducted by services providers are documented on a form signed by the individual and/or legal representative acknowledging this training and that s/he understand how to report and get help. The signed acknowledgement form is maintained in the each service provider's file.

This information is reinforced by the Case Managers and community providers, who work with participants during the planning and monitoring process. DOH/DHI posts online and presents an abuse, neglect and exploitation training to identify the indications of abuse, neglect and exploitation as well as identify risk factors and risk reduction.

d. Responsibility for Review of and Response to Critical Events or Incidents. Specify the entity (or entities) that receives reports of critical events or incidents specified in item G-1-a, the methods that are employed to evaluate such reports, and the processes and time-frames for responding to critical events or incidents, including conducting investigations.

The DOH/DHI/IMB receives reports, investigates incidents and works collaboratively with other state agencies (the Children Youth and Families Department Child Protective Services (CYFD-CPS) and the Aging and Long Term Service Division Adult Protective Services (ALTSD-APS)that accept abuse, neglect and exploitation reports concerning any children or adults in New Mexico. The DOH/DHI/IMB’s entire intake process must be completed by close of business the day following the date of receipt of a report. Upon receipt of the Incident Report, DOH intake staff determine if IMB has the jurisdiction and authority to investigate. Additional information is obtained from the community-based service provider within the 24-hour timeline, however, the IMB has an extended intake process that can be requested by the intake specialist in order to receive appropriate documents. The process includes:

1. Search for and print a history from the database of prior reported incidents (past 12 months) on the individual participant;
2. Verify or attain the funding source; and
3. Triage/Intake Investigation is the decision process utilized by Intake staff to determine priority, severity and assignment of the case. Intake staff will triage the case within one (1) working day of receipt, however, the IMB does have an extended intake process that can be requested by the intake specialist in order to receive appropriate documents.

A. FOR REPORTABLE INCIDENTS
A decision is made regarding whether the reported incident meets the definition of at least one of the six categories of reportable incidents listed below. Categories include:

i. Abuse;
ii. Neglect;
iii. Exploitation;
iv. Environmental hazard;
v. Suspicious Injury; and
vi. Death.

If the incident meets the definition of what is reportable, the following steps are taken:

1. Review Participant History: Identify possible trends.

2. Determine Severity and Priority: Medical Triggers that receive priority are aspiration, fractures, dehydration, and a history of multiple emergency room (ER) visits (in a short period of time). In addition, priority is described as:
   a) Emergency case: Reports of very serious cases of Abuse, Neglect, or Exploitation resulting in physical harm, including sexual abuse, or mental anguish which leave affected consumers at continued risk for injury or harm. Due to the severity of the case, the investigator will respond within (3) hours.
   b) Priority I Case: Reports of urgent cases of Abuse, Neglect or Exploitation. Due to the severity of the case, the investigator will respond within twenty-four (24) hours, but does not require more immediate action.
   c) Priority 2 Case: Reports of cases of Abuse, Neglect, or Exploitation. Due to the severity of the case, the investigation will be initiated within five (5) calendar days.

3. Assign Investigator using the following considerations about the report:
   a) Region of the incident occurrence: DHI/IMB has divided the State into five (5) regions (consistent with DOH/Developmental Disabilities Support Division (DDSD) Regional designations). DHI investigators are located in each region.
   b) Participant specific: Investigator with an existing case involving the participant or with the most knowledge of the participant. Cultural or language needs of the participant are also given consideration.
   c) Provider specific: Investigator with an existing case involving the responsible provider.
   d) Caseload based: Cases will be assigned with a caseload maximum.
   e) Level of urgency: Cases may be assigned based on the most available investigator.
   f) Gender based Deaths: All deaths are assigned to the DHI Clinical Team for investigation.
   g) ALTSD/Adult Protective Services (APS) or CFYD/Child Protective Services (CPS) Status: If DOH/DHI also has jurisdiction, the investigation is a collaborative process.

4. Intake staff documents the Triage decisions.

5. Database Entries are made as appropriate. See also Appendix F: Incident Management Database User's Manual.

6. Notifications are made to the following entities, as appropriate:
   a) DOH-Office of the General Counsel (OGC),
   b) DOH-DDSD ALTSD (APS)
   c) ALTSD-Elderly and Disability Services Division (EDSD)
   d) CFYD (CPS)
   e) DOH/DHI and DDSD Director's Office
   f) Law Enforcement
   g) Human Services Department (HSD)-Medical Assistance Division (MAD),
   h) Medicaid Fraud Control Unit,
   i) NM Attorney General's Office
   j) DOH, Office of Internal Audit (OIA).
   k) Responsible Provider in cases of late reporting or failure to report

7. Support staff fax to the assigned investigator and provide notifications to the appropriate entities within 24 hours.

8. Support staff files the entire packet in the appropriate file and make a file folder for cases closed during the Intake process. Closure notifications will be sent at this time for each case completed during Intake to case managers, participants (who are over the age of 18 and are their own guardians), guardians and the provider.

B. FOR NON-REPORTABLE INCIDENTS AND NON-JURISDICTITIONAL INCIDENTS (NRI/NJI):
1. Data Entry of information into the separate NRI/NJJ Database.

2. As appropriate notifications should be made to the following entities:
   a. DOH, Office of the General Counsel (OGC),
   b. DOH/DDSD
   c. ALTSD (APS)
   d. ALTSD (EDSD)
   e. CYFD (CPS)
   f. DOH/DHI and DDSD Director's Office
   g. Law Enforcement
   h. HSD/MAD
   i. Medicaid Fraud Control Unit,
   j. NM Attorney General’s Office, and
   k. DOH OIA,

NOTIFICATION TO THE PARTICIPANT:

In each situation that critical incident investigations are completed by ALTSD APS, CYFD/CPS, or DOH/DHI, the DD Waiver participant or the participant's guardian receives a letter stating the results of the investigation. The investigator has up to forty-five (45) days to complete the investigation and up to seven (7) days for writing the investigation report. Therefore, informing the participant or guardian and other relevant parties of the investigation results occurs no more than fifty-two (52) days following DOH/DHI /JMB's receipt of the investigation report. Under extenuating circumstances, i.e., necessary documentary evidence is not yet available, a thirty (30) day extension to the forty-five (45)-day timeline may be granted by the investigator's supervisor. With the extension, relevant parties may be notified up to eighty-two (82) days following the incident report. Regulations are found in NMSA 1978, Sections 27-7-14 through 27-7-31 (Adult Protective Services Act) and in NMSA1978, Sections 32A-4-1 through 32A-4-34 (Child Abuse and Neglect Act).

DDSD General Events Reporting System includes, but is not limited to:
   i. Utilization of emergency services;
   ii. Hospitalization;
   iii. Psychiatric facility admission;
   iv. Law enforcement intervention that results in the arrest or detention of a participant are reportable in a designated;
   v. Use of Emergency Physical Restraints; and
   vi. Medication Administration Errors.

Along with DDSD and the Developmental Disabilities Services Quality Improvement (DDSQI) Steering committee, community agency providers review incidents at least quarterly. Individual case managers are required to log into the GER system to review reports and consult with providers regarding the need to convene an interdisciplinary team meeting to address any pattern that emerges regarding multiple events for an individual. All cases involving the use of law enforcement initiated by a community-based waiver service agency in the course of services to a DD Waiver participant will be reported via the GER system. DOH/DDSD Bureau of Behavioral Support (BBS) staff review all GERs reported for the use of Law Enforcement services. Those incidents of Law Enforcement involvement that are suspected to include possible abuse, neglect or exploitation are also reported to DOH/DHI for investigation. Investigations are assigned priority and must be completed within a 45 day timeline. If problems are identified and not corrected within the course of the investigation, the follow-up process will begin to assure the health and safety of the participant and the correction of the identified issues. Case closure letters are sent to the participant, and/or his/her guardian, Consultant and, if appropriate the provider. Detail about more immediate follow-up action required in incidents of use of emergency physical restraint, and medication errors is detailed in Appendix G-2 and G -3.

e. Responsibility for Oversight of Critical Incidents and Events. Identify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for overseeing the reporting of and response to critical incidents or events that affect waiver participants, how this oversight is conducted, and how frequently.

DOH/DDSD and DOH/DHI are jointly responsible for trending, remediation and oversight of critical incidents and management in collaboration with HSD/MAD. Oversight of critical incidents and events is part of the Quality Improvement Strategy. As with all components of the Quality Improvement Strategy, DOH/DDSD and DOH/DHI
work together to analyze aggregated data and identify trends. Quality assurance and quality improvement action plans are developed as needed, based on identified trends and other identified issues in order to prevent reoccurrence. The aggregated data and identified trends are then reported to the (DDSDQ) for review. Trending and analysis of the data are used to prioritize improvements of the quality management system.

Technical assistance for individual specific critical incident follow-ups and/or identification and remediation of health and safety challenges is available through the DOH as requested by the case manager. Issues brought to the DOH/DDSD by concerned case managers will be addressed in terms of options or resources for the participant to pursue in mitigating their risks. The DOH may consult with knowledgeable professionals within other State Departments or other relevant community resources to explore potential options. The State has a system to monitor, track, and investigate critical incidents for DD Waiver recipients. DOH/DHI investigates and follows-up regarding providers and critical incidents.

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Appendix G-2: Safeguards Concerning Restraints and Restrictive Interventions

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a. Use of Restraints. (Select one): (For waiver actions submitted before March 2014, responses in Appendix G-2-a will display information for both restraints and seclusion. For most waiver actions submitted after March 2014, responses regarding seclusion appear in Appendix G-2-c.)

☐ The State does not permit or prohibits the use of restraints

Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for detecting the unauthorized use of restraints and how this oversight is conducted and its frequency:

☐ The use of restraints is permitted during the course of the delivery of waiver services. Complete Items G-2-a-1 and G-2-a-ii.

i. Safeguards Concerning the Use of Restraints. Specify the safeguards that the State has established concerning the use of each type of restraint (i.e., personal restraints, drugs used as restraints, mechanical restraints). State laws, regulations, and policies that are referenced are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Personal restraints are defined as emergency physical restraints: the use of personal, manual physical force to limit, prohibit or preclude imminently dangerous behavior by restricting movement through specified and allowed sustained physical contact or holding procedures. The most recent guidance is the DDSD Director’s Release regarding the reporting and monitoring of emergency physical restraints which requires that use of any emergency physical restraints be written into a Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan, approved by a Human Rights Committee, and is used as a last resort only when other less intrusive alternatives have failed and under limited circumstances that include protecting an individual or others from imminent, serious physical harm, or to prevent or minimize any physical and/or emotional harm to the individual. The Director’s Release requires that staff be trained in both nonphysical and physical interventions and prohibits any emergency physical restraint used as programmatic contingent punishment, or as a cost response to property destruction, refusal to comply with a rule or staff directive, verbal threats, or disruptive behavior that does not risk imminent physical harm to self or others. It also prohibits the use of supine and prone floor restraints.

The Aversive Intervention Prohibitions policy further prohibits interventions which result in physical pain, may cause tissue damage or injury, and is ethically unacceptable for people who are not disabled. Providers are required to develop policies regarding use of emergency physical restraints, must establish methods for evaluating risk of harm versus benefits of harm reduction with use of emergency physical restraints and must document its use, including an internal incident report process, post incident analysis and report to the interdisciplinary team and DDSD Bureau of Behavioral Support via the General Events Reporting (GER) system in Therap. When abuse, neglect or exploitation is suspected, the report also goes to the DOH/DHI Incident Management Bureau. See DDSD Director’s Release (August 3, 2010),
Aversive Intervention Prohibitions Policy (February 12, 2010) and Human Rights Committee Policy (February 12, 2010).

Drugs used as restraints are defined as chemical restraints: the administration of medication at a dose and/or frequency to intentionally and exclusively preclude behavior without identifying an underlying anxiety, fear or severe emotional distress or other symptoms of psychiatric/emotional disturbance to be eased, managed and/or treated. The administration may be regularly scheduled or on an “as needed” PRN basis. The DDSD Director’s Release (August 3, 2010), the Aversive Intervention Prohibitions Policy (February 12, 2010) and the Psychotropic Medication Use Policy (February 12, 2010) all prohibit the use of chemical restraints. The administration of PRN medication is allowed when prescribed in advance by the prescribing professional. A Human Rights Committee must approve use of PRN medication. PRN orders must include the dosage, method of administration, and prescribe a maximum number of PRN administrations and maximum amount of medication per day. A collaborative PRN Psychotropic Medication Plan (PPMP) is developed listing behavioral indications for use, suggested non-chemical, non-physical methods for redirection and/or de-escalation to be attempted prior to PRN medication assistance, intended behavioral effects of the medication, and medical contraindications for its use. See Psychotropic Medication Use Policy (February 12, 2010), Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan Policy (September 13, 2010) and Human Rights Committee Policy (April 19, 2010).

Mechanical restraints are defined as the use of a physical device to restrict the individual’s capacity for desired or intended movement including movement or normal function of a portion of his or her body. The DDSD Director’s Release (August 3, 2010) and Aversive Intervention Prohibitions Policy (February 12, 2010) both prohibit the use of mechanical restraints.

Any individual for whom the use of emergency personal restraints or PRN medications is allowed is required to have a Positive Behavioral Supports Assessment, Positive Behavior Support Plan, and a Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan or PRN Psychotropic Medication Plan completed by a Behavior Support Consultant in conjunction with the individual’s Interdisciplinary Team. The Positive Behavior Support Plan addresses person centered, positive behavioral supports and approaches to teach functional skills and mediate behavior that interferes with the individual’s quality of life and community integration. The Positive Behavior Support Plan is intended to teach strategies to enhance the individual’s skills and capacities, including skills to substitute for problem behavior. Staff is required to be trained in each individual’s Positive Behavior Support Plan, and, if needed, the Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan and PRN Psychotropic Medication Plan. See Behavior Support Service Provisions Policy (February 12, 2010) and Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan Policy (September 13, 2010).

ii. State Oversight Responsibility. Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for overseeing the use of restraints and ensuring that State safeguards concerning their use are followed and how such oversight is conducted and its frequency:

DOH/DDSD and DOH/DHI both have oversight responsibility. DOH/DDSD Bureau of Behavior Supports (BBS) provides oversight through the periodic review of provider emergency physical restraint policies and provider reports on prolonged or repeated use of emergency physical restraints, review of Positive Behavior Support Plans, including Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plans, training provided to providers, teams and Human Rights Committees, and the provision of technical assistance to providers, teams, and Human Rights Committees when problems are identified.

DOH/DHI conducts periodic compliance reviews of provider agencies and their adherence to standards, regulations, policies and procedures through their Quality Management Bureau. During provider compliance reviews DOH/DHI monitors restraints, restrictive practices and seclusion to ensure safeguards of their use when allowable are followed and to detect unauthorized use of these practices. DOH/DHI also conducts investigations when there are incidents of abuse, neglect, exploitation. The data is collected by DOH/DHI and entered into a database through their Incident Management Bureau. Reports are generated from the database and are reviewed to identify trends. The reports can be aggregated in different ways as requested by the Developmental Disabilities Services Quality Indicators (DDSQI) Steering Committee (i.e. by provider, by finding, by type of incident). DOH/DDSIQI Steering Committee review the data and determine if any action is necessary. The DDSQI Steering Committee meets monthly and quarterly and as needed. HSD/MAD participates on the Steering Committee.
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b. Use of Restrictive Interventions. (Select one):

☐ The State does not permit or prohibits the use of restrictive interventions

Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for detecting the unauthorized use of restrictive interventions and how this oversight is conducted and its frequency:

☐ The use of restrictive interventions is permitted during the course of the delivery of waiver services

Complete Items G-2-b-i and G-2-b-ii.

i. Safeguards Concerning the Use of Restrictive Interventions. Specify the safeguards that the State has in effect concerning the use of interventions that restrict participant movement, participant access to other individuals, locations or activities, restrict participant rights or employ aversive methods (not including restraints or seclusion) to modify behavior. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the specification are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency.

Restrictive Interventions are defined as interventions that limit an individual’s movement; a person’s access to other individuals, locations, or activities, or restrict participant rights (From the CMS Technical Guidance document). This does not include restraints or seclusion which are both addressed in other areas of this section (i.e., G-2-a and G-2-e).

Use of Restrictive Interventions must be documented in the individual’s Positive Behavior Support Plan and/or Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan and/or Risk Management Plan and must be reviewed by the Human Rights Committee prior to implementation. See DDS Director’s Release (August 3, 2010).

Certain specific interventions are considered ethically unacceptable for application and, as such, are unequivocally prohibited. As outlined in the Aversive Intervention Prohibitions Policy (February 12, 2010) such interventions which are prohibited include but are not limited to: (a) contingent electrical aversion procedures; (b) forced exercise; (c) withholding food, water, or sleep; (d) public or private humiliation; (e) application of water mist; (f) application of noxious taste, smell, or skin agents; (g) interventions causing or resulting in physical pain; (h) interventions which cause or may potentially cause tissue damage, physical illness or injury, or require the involvement of medical personnel; and (i) the use of police presence and emergency rooms as a principal strategy of behavioral support.

In situations involving documented patterns of risk (i.e., behavioral risk such as conditions that might cause harm to the person or others) certain activities, items, locations, and access to other persons may be limited and are considered a Restrictive Intervention.

The definition of risk above is from the CMS Technical Guidance glossary.

Any individual for whom the use of Restrictive Interventions are allowed is required to have a Positive Behavior Supports Assessment, Positive Behavior Supports Plan, and, if warranted, a Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan completed by a Behavior Support Consultant in conjunction with the individual’s Interdisciplinary Team. The Positive Behavior Supports Assessment focuses on a holistic person-centered conceptualization with a focus on possible environmental, skill-based, and/or communicative contributors to behavioral expression. When Restrictive Interventions are proposed, the Positive Behavior Supports Assessment clearly outlines the topography of behavioral patterns that constitute risk. The Positive Behavior Supports Plan addresses person centered, positive behavioral supports and approaches to teach functional skills and to mediate behavior that interferes with the individual’s quality of life and community integration. The Positive Behavior Supports Plan is intended to teach strategies to enhance the individual’s skills and capacities, including skills to substitute for problem behavior. The provision of behavioral supports is based on principles of planning built on strengths, choices in the planning process, planning that maintains the individual’s self-esteem and dignity, and planning that is
focused on desired outcomes that arise from the individual's vision. Direct Support Professionals are required to be trained in each individual’s Positive Behavior Supports Plan and Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan. See Behavior Support Service Provisions Policy (February 12, 2010) and Human Rights Committee Policy (February 12, 2010).

In certain situations involving sexually inappropriate or offending behavior with evidence and/or history of offense against others, the Behavior Support Consultant may write a Risk Management Plan. As outlined in policy S-001a Support for Individuals with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities Who Exhibit or have Exhibited Risk Factors for Sexually Inappropriate or Offending Behavior (November 24, 2008) the Risk Management Plan is part of a comprehensive integrated system of sexuality services to assure that effective supports are provided in these conditions. This multicomponent system provides services to address the socialization and sexuality skills and supports needed for individuals with I/DD to live safely in the community and to obtain and keep jobs and form relationships, including intimate ones. Risk Management Plans are derived in conjunction with Preliminary Risk Screening—a consultative interview of an individual who has a recent incident or history of engaging in sexually inappropriate and/or offending behavior. The screening is used to identify and assess risk factors for re-offending behaviors, to determine whether further assessment is warranted and to identify educational and risk management strategies. A Risk Management Plan is a supplement to the Positive Behavior Supports Assessment that describes a supportive set of interventions designed to increase manageability of risk via specific strategies and supervision. Specifically, Risk Management Plans may contain recommendations for limitations on certain activities or locations in the community, security measures in residences (e.g., door alarms), staff ratios and proximity of supports, and prohibitions on certain materials (e.g., pornography, images of children, unmonitored internet access). All direct support professionals must be trained on the Risk Management Plan. The Bureau of Behavioral Support oversees these processes and reviews the management of risk. Agency Human Rights Committees must approve the components of a Risk Management Plan prior to instigation. Process and components regarding Risk Management Plans are outlined in procedure SP-001-a: Support for Individuals with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities Who Exhibit or have Exhibited Risk Factors for Sexually Inappropriate or Offending Behavior (November 24, 2008).

In other cases, Restrictive Practices (e.g., response cost, restitution, limits on access to items or activities) may be recommended or enacted for other types of risk patterns (e.g., physical harm to self or others; severe property destruction). Again, these interventions must be clearly outlined in the related documentation (i.e., Positive Behavior Support Plan, Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plan) and approved by the provider agency Human Rights Committee prior to implementation. The Bureau of Behavioral Support provides guidance via trainings and written materials (i.e., BBS Response Cost Guidelines; BBS Restitution Guidelines) regarding the necessary components when including these types of interventions. The focus of this guidance is to ensure that efforts toward skill development, communication, and community integration remain primary and consequently the team remains focused on increasing skills/activities/integration rather than solely on decreasing a behavior seen as challenging.

ii. State Oversight Responsibility. Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for monitoring and overseeing the use of restrictive interventions and how this oversight is conducted and its frequency:

DOH/DDSD and DOH/DHI both have oversight responsibility. DOH/DDSD Bureau of behavior Supports (BBS) provides oversight through the periodic review of provider policies and provider use of restrictive practices, review of Positive Behavior Support Plans, including Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plans, training provided to providers, teams and Human Rights Committees, and the provision of technical assistance to providers, teams, and Human Rights Committees when problems are identified.

DOH/DHI conducts periodic compliance reviews of provider agencies and their adherence to standards, regulations, policies and procedures through their Quality Management Bureau. During provider compliance reviews DOH/DHI monitors restraints, restrictive practices and seclusion to ensure safeguards of their use when allowed are followed and to detect unauthorized use of these practices. DOH/DHI also conducts investigations when there are incidents of abuse, neglect, exploitation. The data is collected by DOH/DHI and entered into a database through their Incident Management Bureau. Reports are generated from the database and are reviewed to identify trends. The reports can be aggregated in different ways as requested by the Developmental Disabilities Services Quality Indicators (DDSQI) Steering Committee (i.e. by provider, by finding, by type of incident). DOH/DDSQI Steering
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\(c\). Use of Seclusion. (Select one): (This section will be blank for waivers submitted before Appendix G-2-c was added to WMS in March 2014, and responses for seclusion will display in Appendix G-2-a combined with information on restraints.)

- The State does not permit or prohibits the use of seclusion

Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for detecting the unauthorized use of seclusion and how this oversight is conducted and its frequency:

The use of seclusion is prohibited pursuant to the DDSD Aversive Intervention Prohibitions Policy.

DOH/DDSD and DOH/DHI both have oversight responsibility. DOH/DDSD Bureau of Behavior Supports (BBS) provides oversight through the periodic review of provider policies and provider practices, review of Positive Behavior Support Plans, including Behavioral Crisis Intervention Plans, training provided to providers, teams and Human Rights Committees, and the provision of technical assistance to providers, teams, and Human Rights Committees when problems are identified.

DOH/DHI conducts periodic compliance reviews of provider agencies and their adherence to standards, regulations, policies and procedures through their Quality Management Bureau. During provider compliance reviews DOH/DHI monitors restraints, restrictive practices and seclusion to ensure safeguards of their use when allowed are followed and to detect unauthorized use of these practices. DOH/DHI also conducts investigations when there are incidents of abuse, neglect, exploitation. The data is collected by DOH/DHI and entered into a database through their Incident Management Bureau. Reports are generated from the database and are reviewed to identify trends. The reports can be aggregated in different ways as requested by the Developmental Disabilities Services Quality Indicators (DDSQI) Steering Committee (i.e. by provider, by finding, by type of incident). DOH/DDSI Steering Committee review the data and determine if any action is necessary. The DDSQI Steering Committee meets monthly and as needed. HSD/MAD participates on the Steering Committee.

- The use of seclusion is permitted during the course of the delivery of waiver services. Complete Items G-2-c-i and G-2-c-ii.

i. Safeguards Concerning the Use of Seclusion. Specify the safeguards that the State has established concerning the use of each type of seclusion. State laws, regulations, and policies that are referenced are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

ii. State Oversight Responsibility. Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for overseeing the use of seclusion and ensuring that State safeguards concerning their use are followed and how such oversight is conducted and its frequency:

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Appendix G-3: Medication Management and Administration (1 of 2)

This Appendix must be completed when waiver services are furnished to participants who are served in licensed or unlicensed living arrangements where a provider has round-the-clock responsibility for the health and welfare of residents. The Appendix does not need to be completed when waiver participants are served exclusively in their own personal residences or in the home of a family member.

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a. Applicability. Select one:

☐ No. This Appendix is not applicable (do not complete the remaining items)
● Yes. This Appendix applies (complete the remaining items)

b. Medication Management and Follow-Up

i. Responsibility. Specify the entity (or entities) that have ongoing responsibility for monitoring participant medication regimens, the methods for conducting monitoring, and the frequency of monitoring.

For individuals who receive any type of customized in home supports, family living or supported living, the relevant provider has primary responsibility for monitoring participant medication regimens. However, customized community supports providers or community integrated employment providers are responsible for providing assistance with medication delivery needs as outlined in the Individual Service Plan during the time the individual is participating in those services.

The DDW Provider agency nurse is responsible for medication management oversight and collaborates with agency management in tracking and reporting all adverse medication events and/or medication errors as part of the agency’s required Continuous Quality Improvement program. Monitoring of the medication record for individuals occurs by the agency nurse at a minimum on a monthly basis. Secondarily, the case manager is also responsible for monitoring for any concerns regarding an individual’s health and safety and the implementation of the Individual Services Plan which includes health and safety.

Second-line monitoring is the responsibility of the DOH/DDSD Regional Offices and the DOH Division of Health Improvement (DHI). These state agency responsibilities are detailed in section G-3c iv.

ii. Methods of State Oversight and Follow-Up. Describe: (a) the method(s) that the State uses to ensure that participant medications are managed appropriately, including: (a) the identification of potentially harmful practices (e.g., the concurrent use of contraindicated medications); (b) the method(s) for following up on potentially harmful practices; and, (c) the State agency (or agencies) that is responsible for follow-up and oversight.

The Division of Health Improvement (DHI)/Quality Management Bureau (QMB) oversees the provider agency’s medication management monitoring through periodic routine agency compliance surveys. During a routine survey QMB reviews medication management policies, procedures, and practices to identify compliance with regulation and to identify potentially harmful practices. DHI/QMB reviews medication administration documentation for consumers in the review sample in addition to data collected by the provider agency on medication management to identify any non compliance including harmful practices.

Compliance with requirements related to "Assisting With Medication Delivery" (AWMD) training are reviewed during the survey to determine whether all staff who assist with the administration of medication delivery have successfully completed this class initially and annually.

QMB determines through interview, observation and record review if the individuals in the sample are receiving medications as prescribed. The survey team determines what medications the individual is currently taking and what medication allergies the individual has. QMB then compares this information with the actual medications in the home, the medications listed on the Medication Administration Record (MAR) and the official Physician orders from the prescriber to determine the accuracy and consistency of the information.

The actual medications in Supported Living and Family Living, if receiving nursing medication oversight services, are examined in order to ascertain whether:
1. The ordered medications are available and stored correctly;
2. Medications have been administered as prescribed (i.e. correct dose, time, amount, form, route, etc.); each medication is labeled correctly; and
3. Each medication is documented correctly in the MAR.
This is done for all routinely given medications and PRN medications. Additionally, medications are reviewed for individuals receiving inclusion services if the medication is given during the time the individual is receiving the inclusion service.
Each provider agency receives a routine survey between one (1) and three (3) years, based upon compliance history from previous surveys. Every agency receives a survey at least every three (3) years. New DDW provider agencies are receive an initial compliance survey within 6 – 12 months of providing services to Individuals participating in waiver programs. Agencies may also be monitored at any time as a result of a request for a focused survey, based upon complaints or concerns raised by DDSD or DHI staff or other stakeholders. Request for focused surveys must be presented through the Internal Review Committee process. If systemic issues are identified, the DDSQI Steering Committee ensures an action plan is developed and implemented to improve quality.

The Human Services Department (HSD), Medical Assistance Division (MAD) is provided oversight results in three ways:
1) DHI/QMB provides a copy of all QMB provider survey reports to HSD/MAD;
2) An HSD/MAD staff member is a voting member of the IRC; and
3) staff from HSD/MAD are members of the DDSQI Steering Committee.

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Appendix G-3: Medication Management and Administration (2 of 2)

c. Medication Administration by Waiver Providers

i. Provider Administration of Medications. Select one:

- [ ] Not applicable. (do not complete the remaining items)
- ☐ Waiver providers are responsible for the administration of medications to waiver participants who cannot self-administer and/or have responsibility to oversee participant self-administration of medications. (complete the remaining items)

ii. State Policy. Summarize the State policies that apply to the administration of medications by waiver providers or waiver provider responsibilities when participants self-administer medications, including (if applicable) policies concerning medication administration by non-medical waiver provider personnel. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the specification are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

The DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy (M-001 effective November 1, 2006) applies to all waiver providers for residential and community services. The Medication Administration Assessment Policy and Procedure also identifies the role of the agency nurse, including responsibilities for annual and event-driven medication assessments, and training and procedures for delivery of PRN medication.

The DDSD Medication Assessment and Delivery Policy (M-001 effective November 1, 2006) applies to all waiver providers for living supports, customized community supports, community integrated employment, intense medical living supports,

The policy outlines the requirements regarding the assessment of an individual’s ability and/or needs regarding medication delivery. Additionally, the policy outlines criteria for self-administration of medications, physical assistance by staff when needed, assistance with medication delivery by staff, and criteria for medication administration by licensed nurses or certified personnel. When medication is administered by licensed nurses or certified personnel the requirements set forth in the New Mexico Nursing Practice Act, 1978 NMAC 16.12.1 et seq. must be complied with.

iii. Medication Error Reporting. Select one of the following:

- ☐ Providers that are responsible for medication administration are required to both record and report medication errors to a State agency (or agencies).

Complete the following three items:

(a) Specify State agency (or agencies) to which errors are reported:
DHI and DDSD collaborated to create a General Events Reporting Guide that clearly identifies the proper reporting process for all types of medication errors. An electronic General Events Report (GER) is available in Therap, the DDSD electronic records system. All providers have access to this system for reporting and as a data source for internal QI.

In situations where a medication error results in: 1) the need for medical treatment or the agency nurse determines the need to consult with a physician/CNP/PA, pharmacist or poison control; or 2) the individual misses multiple dose over a period equal to or greater than 48 hour; or 3) a prescribed medication is delivered to the wrong person, this error must be reported immediately using the DHI Abuse, Neglect or Exploitation (ANE) report system and toll free number. Provider agencies may opt to use the GER to track this level of event only after the DHI-ANE report has been filed.

The GER system, or an alternative electronic method, is used by providers to report medication errors such as wrong medication, route, dose or time. Errors related to charting are not required to be reported in GER but agencies may choose to do so. These documentation or charting errors should be recorded and reviewed by the agency for trends as part of their ongoing Quality Improvement processes.

(b) Specify the types of medication errors that providers are required to record:

Providers are required to record all medication errors including documentation errors, administering medication to the wrong person/patient or at the wrong time, missed doses, dosage errors, delivery errors, and medication reactions/interactions.

(c) Specify the types of medication errors that providers must report to the State:

Providers are required to record all medication errors including documentation errors, administering medications to the wrong person/patient or at the wrong time, missed doses, dosage errors and delivery errors.

Providers responsible for medication administration are required to record medication errors but make information about medication errors available only when requested by the State.

Specify the types of medication errors that providers are required to record:

iv. State Oversight Responsibility. Specify the State agency (or agencies) responsible for monitoring the performance of waiver providers in the administration of medications to waiver participants and how monitoring is performed and its frequency.

DDSD Regional office directors have authority to provide technical assistance or directly impose administrative actions, civil monetary penalty (CMP), and sanctions on community based provider agencies for non-compliance with or violations of regulations, service standards, policies, procedures, and/or Provider Agreement requirements which includes requirements related to medication administration.

DHI/Incident Management Bureau (IMB) investigates when adverse medication events occur that involve possible abuse, neglect, and exploitation. When abuse, neglect or exploitation is confirmed, the provider is required to take preventative/corrective action and report that action to the investigator. Failure to take adequate actions may result in a referral to the Internal Review Committee (IRC). The IRC is comprised of voting members from the Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD), the Division of Health Improvement (DHI), and the Human Services Department (HSD). The purpose of the committee is to review performance issues identified by any bureau or responsible party within DDSD, DHI, or HSD, and to apply sanctions, if necessary, to ensure compliance. The IMB reviews data monthly and quarterly to identify any problematic trends or harmful practices within an agency, concerning an individual, or within the region. The trends are discussed at monthly and quarterly Regional Quality Management Meetings with additional information provided by participants, as applicable. Meeting participants develop and implement actions plans to resolve correct or prevent harmful practices, as needed. The Regional Quality Management Meetings include participants from DHI/IMB, DHI/Quality Management Bureau (QMB) and DDSD Regional Offices.
The DHI/Quality Management Bureau (QMB) also conducts periodic agency compliance surveys during which they check for the presence of adequate agency policies, procedures and practices relative to medication management. OMB also monitors for evidence of the agency’s implementation of these policies, procedures and practices. During these surveys, DHI/OMB reviews medication administration records for individuals in the review sample in addition to data collected by the provider agency on medication management to identify any non-compliance including harmful practices. Each provider agency receives a routine survey between one and three years, based upon compliance history from previous surveys. Every agency receives a survey at least every three years. New DDW provider agencies receive initial compliance survey within six (6) to twelve (12) to eighteen (18) months following the award of their contract. New DDW provider agencies receive an initial compliance survey within six (6) to twelve (12) months of providing services to Individuals participating in waiver programs. Agencies may also be monitored at any time as a result of a request for a focused survey, based upon complaints or concerns raised by DDSD or DHI staff or other stakeholders. Request for focused surveys must be presented through the Internal Review Committee process.

Appendix G: Participant Safeguards

Quality Improvement: Health and Welfare

As a distinct component of the State’s quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State’s methods for discovery and remediation.


The State demonstrates it has designed and implemented an effective system for assuring waiver participant health and welfare. (For waiver actions submitted before June 1, 2014, this assurance reads "The State, on an ongoing basis, identifies, addresses, and seeks to prevent the occurrence of abuse, neglect and exploitation.")

i. Sub-Assurances:

   a. Sub-assurance: The State demonstrates on an ongoing basis that it identifies, addresses and seeks to prevent instances of abuse, neglect, exploitation and unexplained death. (Performance measures in this sub-assurance include all Appendix G performance measures for waiver actions submitted before June 1, 2014.)

Performance Measures

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:
Percentage of substantiated abuse, neglect and exploitation (ANE) investigations resulting in a corrective action plan (CAP) initiated by the Division of Health Improvement. Numerator: Number of CAP’s developed as a result of substantiated ANE incidents Denominator: Number of substantiated ANE incidents involving DD waiver individuals

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Performance Measure:
Percentage of agencies who are compliant with ANE training requirements. Numerator: Number of agencies compliant with ANE training requirements. Denominator: Total number of agencies that are required to meet training requirements.
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b. **Sub-assurance:** The state demonstrates that an incident management system is in place that effectively resolves those incidents and prevents further similar incidents to the extent possible.

**Performance Measures**

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**Performance Measure:**
Percentage of DD waiver participant critical incidents that were reported, initiated, reviewed and completed within the timeframes required as specified in the approved waiver. Numerator: Number of accepted participant critical incidents that were reported, initiated, reviewed and completed within the required timeframes Denominator: Number of accepted and reported participant incidents

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### c. Sub-assurance: The state policies and procedures for the use or prohibition of restrictive interventions (including restraints and seclusion) are followed.

**Performance Measures**

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*For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.*

**Performance Measure:** Percentage of DD waiver participants without confirmed reports of restrictive interventions (including restraints and seclusion) outside of specified use.

**Numerator:** Number of DD waiver participants without confirmed reports or restrictive interventions.

**Denominator:** Total number of DD participants.

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d. **Sub-assurance:** The state establishes overall health care standards and monitors those standards based on the responsibility of the service provider as stated in the approved waiver.

**Performance Measures**

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**Performance Measure:**

Percentage of waiver individuals who received physical exams in accordance with the state waiver policies. **Numerator:** Number of waiver individuals with completed history and physical. **Denominator:** Total number of waiver individuals with a completed LOC.

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ii. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

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b. *Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems*

i. Describe the State's method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items.

Assistance with individual problems occurs through the DDSD regional offices. Regional Office Request for Intervention Forms (RORFs) are routed to the appropriate staff and are tracked and trended for system improvement. Regional Office Directors are authorized to provide administrative actions and technical assistance which may include but are not limited to the following:

1. Attend interdisciplinary team meetings (IDT) to provide the team with information or guidance to consider changes, enhancements, or improvements to the Individual Service Plan and overall services for the person served.
2. Meet with team members individually (such as the Case Manager or Agency Nurse) to provide direction or guidance to improve overall services for the person served (Examples: Provide technical assistance to improve the ISP vision, desired outcomes, actions plans, and/or provide technical assistance to improve health care plans, etc.).
3. Meet with agency personnel to provide technical assistance to assure that agency policies, procedures, guidelines, and practices are in compliance with DDSD regulations, service standards, policies, and procedures.
4. Complete programmatic site visits and provide technical assistance based on the results of the visit.
5. Request additional information, documentation, or follow up from a provider. Provide technical assistance based on the review of information requested.
6. Request an individual protection from harm plan.
7. Provide directed technical assistance. Providers must follow directed technical assistance and recommendations from the Regional Office representative. Directed technical assistance is not optional for an agency.
8. Make a referral to another oversight entity such as the Department's Office of Internal Audit (OIA), the Attorney General's Office, Medicaid Fraud Unit (MFU), the Social Security Administration (SSA), etc.
9. Develop and monitor a Performance Improvement Plan (PIP).
10. Request a Division of Health Improvement (DHI), Quality Management Bureau (QMB) focused survey.
11. Review and discuss individual, provider, and/or systemic concerns at the respective Regional Quality Improvement Meetings with the Division of Health Improvement (DHI).
12. Meet with the Chief Executive Officer, Senior Management, and/or the Board of Directors of an agency.

Data is also collected by DHI and entered into a database. Reports are generated from the database and are reviewed to identify trends. DHI and DDSQI Steering Committee review the data and determine if any action is necessary. The Steering Committee meets bi-monthly.

ii. Remediation Data Aggregation

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c. Timelines

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Health and Welfare that are currently non-operational.

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Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Health and Welfare, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

Appendix H: Quality Improvement Strategy (1 of 2)

Under §1915(c) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR §441.302, the approval of an HCBS waiver requires that CMS determine that the State has made satisfactory assurances concerning the protection of participant health and welfare, financial accountability and other elements of waiver operations. Renewal of an existing waiver is contingent upon review by CMS and a finding by CMS that the assurances have been met. By completing the HCBS waiver application, the State specifies how it has designed the waiver’s critical processes, structures and operational features in order to meet these assurances.

- Quality Improvement is a critical operational feature that an organization employs to continually determine whether it operates in accordance with the approved design of its program, meets statutory and regulatory assurances and requirements, achieves desired outcomes, and identifies opportunities for improvement.
CMS recognizes that a state's waiver Quality Improvement Strategy may vary depending on the nature of the waiver target population, the services offered, and the waiver's relationship to other public programs, and will extend beyond regulatory requirements. However, for the purpose of this application, the State is expected to have, at the minimum, systems in place to measure and improve its own performance in meeting six specific waiver assurances and requirements.

It may be more efficient and effective for a Quality Improvement Strategy to span multiple waivers and other long-term care services. CMS recognizes the value of this approach and will ask the state to identify other waiver programs and long-term care services that are addressed in the Quality Improvement Strategy.

Quality Improvement Strategy: Minimum Components

The Quality Improvement Strategy that will be in effect during the period of the approved waiver is described throughout the waiver in the appendices corresponding to the statutory assurances and sub-assurances. Other documents cited must be available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if appropriate).

In the QIS discovery and remediation sections throughout the application (located in Appendices A, B, C, D, G, and I), a state spells out:

- The evidence based discovery activities that will be conducted for each of the six major waiver assurances;
- The remediation activities followed to correct individual problems identified in the implementation of each of the assurances;

In Appendix H of the application, a State describes (1) the system improvement activities followed in response to aggregated, analyzed discovery and remediation information collected on each of the assurances; (2) the correspondent roles/responsibilities of those conducting assessing and prioritizing improving system corrections and improvements; and (3) the processes the state will follow to continuously assess the effectiveness of the QIS and revise it as necessary and appropriate.

If the State's Quality Improvement Strategy is not fully developed at the time the waiver application is submitted, the state may provide a work plan to fully develop its Quality Improvement Strategy, including the specific tasks the State plans to undertake during the period the waiver is in effect, the major milestones associated with these tasks, and the entity (or entities) responsible for the completion of these tasks.

When the Quality Improvement Strategy spans more than one waiver and/or other types of long-term care services under the Medicaid State plan, specify the control numbers for the other waiver programs and/or identify the other long-term services that are addressed in the Quality Improvement Strategy. In instances when the QIS spans more than one waiver, the State must be able to stratify information that is related to each approved waiver program. Unless the State has requested and received approval from CMS for the consolidation of multiple waivers for the purpose of reporting, then the State must stratify information that is related to each approved waiver program, i.e., employ a representative sample for each waiver.

Appendix H: Quality Improvement Strategy (2 of 2)

H-1: Systems Improvement

a. System Improvements

i. Describe the process(es) for trending, prioritizing, and implementing system improvements (i.e., design changes) prompted as a result of an analysis of discovery and remediation information.

The Department of Health's Developmental Disabilities System Quality Improvement Committee (DDSQI) was established to support effective management practices at the Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) and the Division of Health Improvement (DHI) that lead to sustained improvement in the programs for individuals with Intellectual Developmental Disabilities operated by the Department. The DDSQI also carries out functions specified in the approved Medicaid Home and Community Based Waiver Applications for programs operated by DOH under an intergovernmental agreement with the Human Services Department specifically the Developmental Disabilities Waiver (NM.0173).

The DDSQI will initiate procedures and activities to measure, report and act on identified DDSD Key Performance Indicators, CMS Performance Measures and other DOH quality measures.
• Performance Measures: Performance measures are specific to each of the Waiver assurances and are described in Appendices A, B, C, D, G, and I. The DD Waiver assurance work groups report to the DDSQI Steering Committee where data are reviewed and actions are discussed and reported back to the program for implementation and remediation as required by CMS. Action plans must include an evaluative component to determine the effectiveness of actions once implemented. On a periodic basis a report on the status of the Assurance Performance Measures will be presented to the Developmental Disabilities System Quality Improvement steering committee (DDSQI). If system wide remediation is needed the DDSQI will charge the program with additional remediation and the DDSQI will monitor progress.

• Processes: The DDSQI Steering Committee is responsible for making systemic improvements to the DD Waiver based on compliance monitoring. This committee meets every quarter.

• Recommendations: Recommendations made by the DDSQI Steering Committee for system design changes are forwarded to senior management of HSD and DOH for consideration and implementation. When a system design change is implemented DD Waiver program staff, at both DOH and HSD, work together to inform families and providers (through various means) of changes due to new system design. The formal route for the information is dependent upon the impact of the change on the participants and stakeholders. Information regarding system design changes is always communicated to key stakeholders at least thirty (30) days prior to implementation. Information-sharing may include letters, announcements at scheduled meetings, website updates and state-wide meetings. If DD Waiver Service Standards or State regulation changes are needed, the State follows applicable State rules.

DOH/DDSD work with providers and families to obtain stakeholder input and to assist the State with the ongoing evaluation of the DD Waiver. The Advisory Council on Quality Supports (ACQ) is statutorily required to advise the DOH on policy related to the programs administered by DOH. The ACQ meets quarterly and is comprised of DD Waiver stakeholders, including individuals and their families. The ACQ participants give feedback and recommendations to DOH/DDSD. Additionally, the Association of Developmental Disabilities Community Providers (ADDCP), a group comprised of DD Waiver provider agencies, meets quarterly with the DOH/DDSD to exchange information and provide recommendations for program improvement. These family and provider stakeholder groups are a key source of feedback for evaluating the State’s performance.

### ii. System Improvement Activities

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### b. System Design Changes

i. Describe the process for monitoring and analyzing the effectiveness of system design changes. Include a description of the various roles and responsibilities involved in the processes for monitoring & assessing system design changes. If applicable, include the State’s targeted standards for systems improvement.

The DDSQI has an extended scope of work which includes an ongoing evaluation of the effectiveness of both the assurance workgroup strategies in improving the functions of the Waiver and an evaluation of the effectiveness of system design changes. The DDSQI continuously reviews information about current remediation activities. The DDSQI strategically develops future quality management plans. Both activities are related to evaluating how well the Waiver is operating and to ensure that Waiver QIS supports
participants in accessing services, identifies opportunities for improvement, and ensures that the State meets each of the required assurances to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). The DDSQI Executive Committee routinely reviews the effectiveness of the workgroups, analysis of data collection and effectiveness of the DDSQI.

DDSQI Structure and Membership

The DDSQI is chaired jointly by the DDSD and DHI Division Directors. The committee is comprised of the following members:
1. The DDSD Division Director
2. The DDSD Medical Director
3. The DDSD Deputy Directors (4 positions)
4. The DDSD System Improvement Bureau Chief
5. The DHI Division Director
6. The DHI Deputy Director for Community Programs
7. The HSD Medical Assistance Deputy Director or designee
8. The HSD Exempt Services Bureau Chief

DDSQI Responsibilities:
1. Establish I/DD Service System Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and monitor system performance in regards to those KPI.
2. Initiate procedures and activities to measure, report and act on identified DDSD Key Performance Indicators, CMS Performance Measures and relevant DOH quality measures from the Department’s Strategic Plan.
3. Receive and act on referrals from the DOH I/DD Mortality Review Committee
4. Annually meet with the DOH Advisory Council on Quality to discuss and plan for quality improvement in the DOH administration of the I/DD service system.
5. Annually report to the DOH Secretary on DDSQI actions and outcomes

ii. Describe the process to periodically evaluate, as appropriate, the Quality Improvement Strategy.

One of the DDSQI Steering Committee meeting has an extended scope of work. It includes an evaluation of the effectiveness of both the assurance specific work groups' strategies in improving the function of the Waiver and an evaluation of the effectiveness of the DDSQI Steering Committee's oversight of the strategies. The final report of this assessment is distributed to senior management, the workgroups, the DDSQI Steering Committee, and identified stakeholders. This report also includes information about current remediation activities and projections of future quality management plans in relation to the operational success of the waiver, identifies opportunities for improvement and ensures that the State meets each of the required assurances to CMS.

Appendix I: Financial Accountability

I-1: Financial Integrity and Accountability

Financial Integrity. Describe the methods that are employed to ensure the integrity of payments that have been made for waiver services, including: (a) requirements concerning the independent audit of provider agencies; (b) the financial audit program that the state conducts to ensure the integrity of provider billings for Medicaid payment of waiver services, including the methods, scope and frequency of audits; and, (c) the agency (or agencies) responsible for conducting the financial audit program. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Providers are required to have an annual financial statement audit. Providers for the DD Waiver sign a Provider Agreement at the time of entry and renewal periods in which they agree that if they receive State or Federal funds from the Department of Health (DOH), they shall comply, if applicable, with auditing requirements under the Single Audit Act (31 U.S.C. §7501, et seq.) and the New Mexico State Auditor's rules and regulations. If the Provider is determined to be a sub recipient and not a vendor under the Federal Single Audit Act, the provider shall comply with the audit requirements of the Single Audit Act. If the provider receives more than $250,000 under this agreement or more than $250,000 in any single fiscal year, from the Human Services Department (Medicaid), the provider shall prepare annual financial statements and obtain an audit of, or an opinion on, the financial statements from an external Certified Public Accountant. HSD’s Administrative Services Division, Financial Accounting Bureau, receives and reviews the
audits. The annual audits are submitted to DOH for further review.

The HSD, Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) generates monthly client Explanation of Medical Benefits (EOMB) letters. The EOMB is a quality control tool that is used to verify that clients received the services billed by providers. A designated percentage of clients receive these letters. That percentage is determined from the HSD EOMB Report Selection Percentage parameter. The first client selected is based on a random selection process. The clients' reported claims are selected by claims payment date. The EOMB Month End Date parameter is used to determine the month of paid claims used for reporting.

In addition to the MMIS, the DOH Quality Management Bureau conducts post-payment reviews of DD waiver provider billing to verify whether services are being rendered according to the state's rules and regulations. Post-payment review methods are discussed below.

The DOH/QMB creates an annual review schedule that is based on the contract terms of provider agreements. 100% of DDW providers, who received payment for claims in the above services during the previous quarter, three months of paid claims, are reviewed. Claims data is taken from the MMIS system. Within that provider sample, 100% of paid claims for each provider are reviewed and validated for: 1) correct service codes; 2) correct billed units; 3) supporting documentation for services rendered. All reviews are conducted on-site. The agency is required to correct all deficiencies cited during the Plan of Correction Process and the Plan of Correction process is not closed until all deficiencies have been corrected. All QMB reports are shared with the Human Services Department and the Department of Health Office of Internal Audit who can make the determination whether or not to complete a more comprehensive financial review.

When deficiencies are found in billing, the agency is afforded the opportunity to submit a void/adjust claim to the Medicaid agency and no additional plan of correction is required. If an agency does not submit a void/adjust claim at that time then when they receive their report of findings, they are required to complete a void/adjust claim or remit the identified overpayment to the Medicaid agency.

In addition, the HSD or DOH may refer providers for audit to the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the State Attorney General's Office.

Independent auditors conduct the Human Services Department audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General, and in accordance with the Single Audit Act.

Appendix I: Financial Accountability

Quality Improvement: Financial Accountability

As a distinct component of the State's quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the State's methods for discovery and remediation.

a. Methods for Discovery: Financial Accountability Assurance:

The State must demonstrate that it has designed and implemented an adequate system for ensuring financial accountability of the waiver program. (For waiver actions submitted before June 1, 2014, this assurance reads "State financial oversight exists to assure that claims are coded and paid for in accordance with the reimbursement methodology specified in the approved waiver.")

i. Sub-Assurances:

a. Sub-assurance: The State provides evidence that claims are coded and paid for in accordance with the reimbursement methodology specified in the approved waiver and only for services rendered.

(Performance measures in this sub-assurance include all Appendix I performance measures for waiver actions submitted before June 1, 2014.)

Performance Measures

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.
For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analysed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:
Percentage of claims coded in accordance with the reimbursement codes and rates approved by Medicaid. Numerator: Number of claims coded in accordance with the reimbursement codes and rates approved by Medicaid. Denominator: Total number of claims coded.

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Performance Measure:
Percentage of claims paid in accordance with waiver claims payment requirements. Numerator: The number of claims paid in accordance with waiver claims payment requirements. Denominator: Total number of claims paid.

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### Performance Measure:
Percentage of paid waiver services claims reviewed during post-payment audits for which the service units specified in the participant's approved SSP were rendered. Numerator: Number of paid waiver claims reviewed for which the service and service units specified in the participants approved SSP were rendered. Denominator: Total number of waiver service claims reviewed.

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b. Sub-assurance: The state provides evidence that rates remain consistent with the approved rate methodology throughout the five year waiver cycle.

Performance Measures

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For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure:
Percentage of rates that remain consistent with the approved rate methodology throughout the five year waiver cycle Numerator: Number of rates that remained
consistent throughout the five year waiver cycle. Denominator: Total number of rates.

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ii. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

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b. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems
   i. Describe the State’s method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the State to document these items. Remediation and improvement strategies vary, based on the findings. When problems and areas for improvement related to financial accountability are identified by HSD/MAD, processes are in place to ensure that appropriate and timely action is taken. In addition, the HSD and DOH DDSQI Steering Committee aggregates, analyzes, and trends financial data, as described in Appendix H. Irregularities and/or areas of concern are discussed and remediation strategies are developed.

   Methods for fixing identified problems include verbal direction, letters of direction, and formal corrective action plans. Documentation is kept on all actions taken. In some instances, policy and/or regulatory changes are required. In all cases, if DOH identifies at any time any issues that are inconsistent with Medicaid requirements related to financial accountability, HSD/MAD ensures that the problem is corrected and that compliance with the Assurance is met.

   ii. Remediation Data Aggregation

   Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

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Appendix I: Financial Accountability

1-2: Rates, Billing and Claims (1 of 3)

a. Rate Determination Methods. In two pages or less, describe the methods that are employed to establish provider payment rates for waiver services and the entity or entities that are responsible for rate determination. Indicate any opportunity for public comment in the process. If different methods are employed for various types of services, the description may group services for which the same method is employed. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available upon request to CMS through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Rate determination and oversight is a joint responsibility between the Department of Health’s Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) and the Human Services Department (HSD). The State can increase rates based on Legislative appropriation, however, HSD must approve all rates and any changes to these rates. Most waiver services are reimbursed on a prospective, fee-for-service basis, with the exceptions noted below for items that are reimbursed based on cost. Rates do not vary by provider type.

In 2011, DDSD engaged Burns & Associates, Inc. (B&A), a national consultant experienced in developing provider payment rates for 1915(c) waivers, to establish independent rate models for most waiver services. The rate models are based on specific assumptions related to providers’ costs, including:

- Direct support professionals’ wages, benefits, and productivity (to account for non-billable responsibilities)
- Other direct care costs, such as transportation and program supplies
- Indirect costs such as program support and administration

In addition to cost assumptions, the rate models incorporate programmatic assumptions, such as staffing ratios. The individual assumptions within the rate models are not prescriptive to service providers; for example, providers are not required to pay the wages assumed in the rate models. Rather, providers have the flexibility within the total rate to design programs that meet members’ needs, consistent with service requirements and members’ individual service plans.

Constructing the rate models involved a number of tasks, including several opportunities for public input and periodic review:

- Service definitions and policies were reviewed in order to ensure that the rate models reflect these requirements.
- A provider advisory group was convened several times during the rate-setting process to serve as a ‘sounding board’ to discuss project goals and materials. The group included a diverse mix of providers in terms of services provided, size, and areas served.
- All providers were invited to complete a survey related to the services they provide and their costs.
- Benchmark data was identified and researched, such as the Bureau of Labor Statistics’ cross-industry wage and benefit data.
- Analysis was conducted to use Supports Intensity Scale (SIS) assessment data and other data related to individuals with high behavioral and high medical need to create ‘tiered’ rates for Supported Living, Customized Community Support-Group, and Community Integrated Employment-Group to recognize the need for more intensive staffing for individuals with more significant needs. Specifically, each adult member has been assigned to one of seven groups based on assessment results in the areas of home living support needs, community living support needs, health and safety needs, medically-related support needs, and behaviorally-related support needs. These seven groups, in turn, are crosswalked to two or three rate categories.
- During this Waiver cycle, DDSD intends to discontinue use of the SIS assessment data for tiered rates and rely on other assessments and data used for clinical justification of services to provide the basis for the tiered rates established for Customized Community Supports- group, Supported Living, and Community Integrated Employment- group.
• Access to certain ‘professional’ services was evaluated and resulted in the designation of ‘incentive’ counties and the corresponding establishment of higher rates for Behavior Support Consultation, Therapies, Preliminary Risk Screening and Consultation Related to Inappropriate Sexual Behavior, and Socialization and Sexuality Education. DDSD has established higher ‘incentive’ rates, based on participants’ county of residence, in order to build capacity for certain professional services where there is a shortage of providers in these areas. An analysis of claims data to measure participants’ access to these services as well as a review of the number of providers delivering services in each county was conducted to determine the geographical areas that saw provider shortages. Additional criteria to determine incentive counties include:
  a. One or no providers in the county;
  b. In counties with two or more providers, only one provider actually resides in the county;
  c. The existing providers are at full capacity or are on Self-Imposed Moratorium;
  d. There are individuals in service who have unmet needs due to lack of providers; and
  e. Availability of funds.

Burns & Associates developed the rate models for incentive counties using the same approach for other services as described in Appendix I-2-a. The difference between the standard and incentive counties relates to a greater number of assumed miles traveled by the professionals delivering the service and a commensurately larger productivity adjustment for travel time. These assumptions recognize the more rural nature and lower population density of the incentive counties. Proposed rate models outlining specific cost assumptions were developed for each service.

• The proposed rate models and supporting documentation were posted on a dedicated website. Providers and other stakeholders were notified of the posting via email and a webinar was conducted to explain the proposals. A dedicated email address was created to accept comments and suggestions for more than one month. DDSD reviewed every comment submitted and prepared a written document summarizing its response to each, including any resulting revision to the rate models or an explanation for why no change was made. This comment period occurred before the proposed rates were formally incorporated into the waiver application. The entire application, including the rates, was then subject to a formal comment period overseen by HSD.

• As required by Federal Court, individuals included in the class established pursuant to Walter Stephen Jackson, et al vs. Fort Stanton Hospital and Training School et. al, 757 F. Supp. 1243 (DNM 1990) (JCM) are using certain services, procedure codes and modifiers outlined in Appendix J in the approved waiver. The State is working with the Plaintiffs and the court to align the use of services, procedure codes and modifiers used by all waiver participants. The state expects this transition to occur in within the first year after approval of the new waiver with plaintiff agreement. A phased implementation of the final rates began in November, 2012.

• There is no formal schedule for a periodic review and adjustment of the rates, but several rates have been increased in the intervening years based on legislated appropriations and stakeholder feedback. Specifically, rates for Supported Living, Family Living, Customized In-Home Support, Customized Community Support Group, and Supported Employment-Individual were increased in state fiscal year 2015 and rates for Supported Living, Customized In-Home Supports, and Customized Community Supports-Individual were increased in state fiscal year 2016. Additionally, DDSD periodically reviews the number of counties designated as incentive based upon an analysis of existing utilization patterns to determine which areas appear under served.

Rate and reimbursement methodologies for services not included in the rate-setting effort described above are as follows:

• Assistive Technology, Independent Living Transition Services, Personal Support Technology Installation, and Transportation Passes and Tickets are reimbursed based on the actual cost of goods purchased, plus an administrative fee of up to 10 percent (Assistive Technology and Non-Medical Transportation Passes and Tickets) or 15 percent (Independent Living Transition Services).

• Non-Medical Transportation is reimbursed at $0.41 per mile, the rate for state employees in effect when the waiver was approved.

• Rates for Case Management, Community Integrated Employment-Self-Employment, Environmental Modifications, Personal Support Technology-Monthly Maintenance, and Supplemental Dental Care were developed in an earlier rate study that relied upon wage proxies, estimates of staffing levels, and other estimates of costs that would be incurred in the course of service delivery. The central component of the study was a cost survey instrument adapted from Medicare cost reports that collected and recognized the costs that providers incur in order to deliver services.

• The rate for Socialization and Sexuality Education was developed based on research of the costs of conducting the seminar and typical attendance.

The waiver rates can be accessed through HSD’s website at http://www.hsd.state.nm.us/providers/fee-for-
service.aspx. Individuals may also request a copy of the fee schedule from their case manager, DOH-DDSD, or HSD.

Additionally, in 2018 DOH-DDSD plans to conduct a comprehensive review of provider payment rates. The implementation and work of a rate study is scheduled to begin in state fiscal year (SFY) 2019.

In addition, the rate study and associated work in SFY 2019 will allow the state to address the following:

1. Identify a contractor that will ensure that the rate study and rate determination is conducted in accordance with methods and standards that have been approved by the state Medicaid agency.
2. All three of New Mexico’s HCBS waivers: Medically Fragile, Mi Via (NM.0448), and Developmental Disabilities (NM.0173) will be included in this comprehensive rate study. This ensures that HCBS waivers concurrently operating within the state have the comparable rate methodologies and standards applied in all jurisdictions and within similar services.

Factors that will be reviewed during the rate study will include: effect of recent FLSA changes; the CMS Final Rule: HCBS Settings Requirements; EVV; current wages; productivity assumptions; benefits factors; administrative overhead; program support costs; paid time off and training time; and staffing ratios. The rate study will assure that rates continually afford participants’ access to services and are consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care.

The rate study will be completed and new rates will be developed and submitted through the waiver amendment process within thirty months of the approval of this waiver renewal. New rates are contingent upon the availability of state dollars.

In the interim, the State has determined that a rate adjustment will be implemented effective January 1, 2019 as per stakeholder feedback during the 2018 state legislative session. The rate adjustment will provide funding support for the current waiver provider system. Rates for Behavioral Support Consultation, Case Management, Community Integrated Employment Services, Customized Community Supports, Customized In-Home Supports, Crisis Supports, Living Supports, Nutritional Counseling, Preliminary Risk Screening and Consultation Related to Inappropriate Sexual Behavior, Adult Nursing, Respite, Supplemental Dental Care, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Speech, Language Pathology will be increased. A copy of the proposed rate table is available upon CMS request.

The State Medicaid Agency will include the proposed rate table as part of formal public comment for this amendment request.

b. Flow of Billings. Describe the flow of billings for waiver services, specifying whether provider billings flow directly from providers to the State’s claims payment system or whether billings are routed through other intermediary entities. If billings flow through other intermediary entities, specify the entities:

Providers bill to Medicaid directly via the MMIS or through a clearinghouse. The New Mexico MMIS claims processing system processes all waiver claims. Claims are processed for payment by the MMIS and paid by the HSD fiscal agent.

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c. Certifying Public Expenditures (select one):

- No. State or local government agencies do not certify expenditures for waiver services.
- Yes. State or local government agencies directly expend funds for part or all of the cost of waiver services and certify their State government expenditures (CPE) in lieu of billing that amount to Medicaid.

Select at least one:

- Certified Public Expenditures (CPE) of State Public Agencies.
Specify: (a) the State government agency or agencies that certify public expenditures for waiver services; 
(b) how it is assured that the CPE is based on the total computable costs for waiver services; and, (c) how 
the State verifies that the certified public expenditures are eligible for Federal financial participation in 
accordance with 42 CFR §433.51(b). (Indicate source of revenue for CPEs in Item I-4-a.)

Certified Public Expenditures (CPE) of Local Government Agencies.

Specify: (a) the local government agencies that incur certified public expenditures for waiver services; (b) 
how it is assured that the CPE is based on total computable costs for waiver services; and, (c) how the State 
verifies that the certified public expenditures are eligible for Federal financial participation in accordance 
with 42 CFR §433.51(b). (Indicate source of revenue for CPEs in Item I-4-b.)

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d. Billing Validation Process. Describe the process for validating provider billings to produce the claim for federal 
financial participation, including the mechanism(s) to assure that all claims for payment are made only: (a) when the 
individual was eligible for Medicaid waiver payment on the date of service; (b) when the service was included in the 
participant's approved service plan; and, (c) the services were provided:

The New Mexico MMIS Claims Processing System processes all waiver claims. As claims enter the system they are 
subject to a complete series of edits and audits to ensure that only valid claims for eligible clients and covered 
services are reimbursed to enrolled providers. The Claims Pricing and Adjudication function edits, prices, audits, and 
processes claims to final disposition according to the policies and procedures established by MAD. A complete 
range of data validity, client, provider, reference, prior authorization, and third-party liability (TPL) edits are applied 
to each claim. In addition, the system performs comprehensive duplicate checking and utilization criteria auditing.

The system determines the proper disposition of each claim using the Reference subsystem exception control 
database. The exception control database allows authorized staff to associate a claim disposition with each 
exception code (i.e. Edit or Audit) based on the claim input medium, claim document type, client major program, 
and claim type. Modifications to the claims exception control database are applied online.

Waiver Service Plan information is loaded to the MMIS system’s prior authorization system. Each claim is then 
validated against the client’s eligibility on date of service, allowed services, dates, and number of units contained in 
this prior authorization system. Any claim that contains services that are not contained in the waiver prior 
authorization or where the number of units has already been used for the authorization is denied.

Validation that services have been provided as billed on the claims is a function of quality assurance and audit 
functions performed by DOH and HSD/MAD. Retrospective audits include verification that the services were 
provided as billed.

e. Billing and Claims Record Maintenance Requirement. Records documenting the audit trail of adjudicated claims 
(including supporting documentation) are maintained by the Medicaid agency, the operating agency (if applicable), 
and providers of waiver services for a minimum period of 3 years as required in 45 CFR §92.42.

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1-3: Payment (1 of 7)

a. Method of payments -- MMIS (select one):

● Payments for all waiver services are made through an approved Medicaid Management Information 
  System (MMIS).
Payments for some, but not all, waiver services are made through an approved MMIS.

Specify: (a) the waiver services that are not paid through an approved MMIS; (b) the process for making such payments and the entity that processes payments; (c) how an audit trail is maintained for all state and federal funds expended outside the MMIS; and, (d) the basis for the draw of federal funds and claiming of these expenditures on the CMS-64.

Payments for waiver services are not made through an approved MMIS.

Specify: (a) the process by which payments are made and the entity that processes payments; (b) how and through which system(s) the payments are processed; (c) how an audit trail is maintained for all state and federal funds expended outside the MMIS; and, (d) the basis for the draw of federal funds and claiming of these expenditures on the CMS-64.

Payments for waiver services are made by a managed care entity or entities. The managed care entity is paid a monthly capitated payment per eligible enrollee through an approved MMIS.

Describe how payments are made to the managed care entity or entities:

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b. Direct payment. In addition to providing that the Medicaid agency makes payments directly to providers of waiver services, payments for waiver services are made utilizing one or more of the following arrangements (select at least one):

☐ The Medicaid agency makes payments directly and does not use a fiscal agent (comprehensive or limited) or a managed care entity or entities.
☐ The Medicaid agency pays providers through the same fiscal agent used for the rest of the Medicaid program.
☐ The Medicaid agency pays providers of some or all waiver services through the use of a limited fiscal agent.

Specify the limited fiscal agent, the waiver services for which the limited fiscal agent makes payment, the functions that the limited fiscal agent performs in paying waiver claims, and the methods by which the Medicaid agency oversees the operations of the limited fiscal agent:

☐ Providers are paid by a managed care entity or entities for services that are included in the State's contract with the entity.

Specify how providers are paid for the services (if any) not included in the State's contract with managed care entities.

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c. Supplemental or Enhanced Payments. Section 1902(a)(30) requires that payments for services be consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care. Section 1903(a)(1) provides for Federal financial participation to States for expenditures for services under an approved State plan/waiver. Specify whether supplemental or enhanced payments are made. Select one:

- No. The State does not make supplemental or enhanced payments for waiver services.
- Yes. The State makes supplemental or enhanced payments for waiver services.

Describe: (a) the nature of the supplemental or enhanced payments that are made and the waiver services for which these payments are made; (b) the types of providers to which such payments are made; (c) the source of the non-Federal share of the supplemental or enhanced payment; and, (d) whether providers eligible to receive the supplemental or enhanced payment retain 100% of the total computable expenditure claimed by the State to CMS. Upon request, the State will furnish CMS with detailed information about the total amount of supplemental or enhanced payments to each provider type in the waiver.

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d. Payments to State or Local Government Providers. Specify whether State or local government providers receive payment for the provision of waiver services.

- No. State or local government providers do not receive payment for waiver services. Do not complete Item I-3-e.
- Yes. State or local government providers receive payment for waiver services. Complete Item I-3-e.

Specify the types of State or local government providers that receive payment for waiver services and the services that the State or local government providers furnish:

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e. Amount of Payment to State or Local Government Providers.

Specify whether any State or local government provider receives payments (including regular and any supplemental payments) that in the aggregate exceed its reasonable costs of providing waiver services and, if so, whether and how the State recoups the excess and returns the Federal share of the excess to CMS on the quarterly expenditure report. Select one:

Answers provided in Appendix I-3-d indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

- The amount paid to State or local government providers is the same as the amount paid to private providers of the same service.
- The amount paid to State or local government providers differs from the amount paid to private providers of the same service. No public provider receives payments that in the aggregate exceed its reasonable costs of providing waiver services.
The amount paid to State or local government providers differs from the amount paid to private providers of the same service. When a State or local government provider receives payments (including regular and any supplemental payments) that in the aggregate exceed the cost of waiver services, the State recoups the excess and returns the federal share of the excess to CMS on the quarterly expenditure report.

Describe the recoupment process:

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f. Provider Retention of Payments. Section 1903(a)(1) provides that Federal matching funds are only available for expenditures made by states for services under the approved waiver. Select one:

○ Providers receive and retain 100 percent of the amount claimed to CMS for waiver services.
○ Providers are paid by a managed care entity (or entities) that is paid a monthly capitated payment.

Specify whether the monthly capitated payment to managed care entities is reduced or returned in part to the State.

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g. Additional Payment Arrangements

i. Voluntary Reassignment of Payments to a Governmental Agency. Select one:

○ No. The State does not provide that providers may voluntarily reassign their right to direct payments to a governmental agency.
○ Yes. Providers may voluntarily reassign their right to direct payments to a governmental agency as provided in 42 CFR §447.10(e).

Specify the governmental agency (or agencies) to which reassignment may be made.

ii. Organized Health Care Delivery System. Select one:

○ No. The State does not employ Organized Health Care Delivery System (OHCDS) arrangements under the provisions of 42 CFR §447.10.
○ Yes. The waiver provides for the use of Organized Health Care Delivery System arrangements under the provisions of 42 CFR §447.10.

Specify the following: (a) the entities that are designated as an OHCDS and how these entities qualify for designation as an OHCDS; (b) the procedures for direct provider enrollment when a provider does not voluntarily agree to contract with a designated OHCDS; (c) the method(s) for assuring that participants have free choice of qualified providers when an OHCDS arrangement is employed, including the
selection of providers not affiliated with the OHCDS; (d) the method(s) for assuring that providers that furnish services under contract with an OHCDS meet applicable provider qualifications under the waiver; (e) how it is assured that OHCDS contracts with providers meet applicable requirements; and, (f) how financial accountability is assured when an OHCDS arrangement is used.

iii. Contracts with MCOs, PIHPs or PAHPs. Select one:

- The State does not contract with MCOs, PIHPs or PAHPs for the provision of waiver services.
- The State contracts with a Managed Care Organization(s) (MCOs) and/or prepaid inpatient health plan(s) (PIHP) or prepaid ambulatory health plan(s) (PAHP) under the provisions of §1915(a)(1) of the Act for the delivery of waiver and other services. Participants may voluntarily elect to receive waiver and other services through such MCOs or prepaid health plans. Contracts with these health plans are on file at the State Medicaid agency.

Describe: (a) the MCOs and/or health plans that furnish services under the provisions of §1915(a)(1); (b) the geographic areas served by these plans; (c) the waiver and other services furnished by these plans; and, (d) how payments are made to the health plans.

- This waiver is a part of a concurrent §1915(b)/§1915(c) waiver. Participants are required to obtain waiver and other services through a MCO and/or prepaid inpatient health plan (PIHP) or a prepaid ambulatory health plan (PAHP). The §1915(b) waiver specifies the types of health plans that are used and how payments to these plans are made.

- This waiver is a part of a concurrent §1115/§1915(c) waiver. Participants are required to obtain waiver and other services through a MCO and/or prepaid inpatient health plan (PIHP) or a prepaid ambulatory health plan (PAHP). The §1115 waiver specifies the types of health plans that are used and how payments to these plans are made.

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I-4: Non-Federal Matching Funds (1 of 3)

a. State Level Source(s) of the Non-Federal Share of Computable Waiver Costs. Specify the State source or sources of the non-federal share of computable waiver costs. Select at least one:

- Appropriation of State Tax Revenues to the State Medicaid agency
- Appropriation of State Tax Revenues to a State Agency other than the Medicaid Agency.

If the source of the non-federal share is appropriations to another state agency (or agencies), specify: (a) the State entity or agency receiving appropriated funds and (b) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the Medicaid Agency or Fiscal Agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement, and/or, indicate if the funds are directly expended by State agencies as CPEs, as indicated in Item I-2-c:

- Other State Level Source(s) of Funds.

Specify: (a) the source and nature of funds; (b) the entity or agency that receives the funds; and, (c) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the Medicaid Agency or Fiscal Agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement, and/or, indicate if funds are directly expended by State agencies as CPEs, as indicated in Item I-2-c:
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I-4: Non-Federal Matching Funds (2 of 3)

b. Local Government or Other Source(s) of the Non-Federal Share of Computable Waiver Costs. Specify the source or sources of the non-federal share of computable waiver costs that are not from state sources. Select One:

- Not Applicable. There are no local government level sources of funds utilized as the non-federal share.
- Applicable
  Check each that applies:
  - Appropriation of Local Government Revenues.
    Specify: (a) the local government entity or entities that have the authority to levy taxes or other revenues; (b) the source(s) of revenue; and, (c) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the Medicaid Agency or Fiscal Agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement (indicate any intervening entities in the transfer process), and/or, indicate if funds are directly expended by local government agencies as CPEs, as specified in Item I-2-c:

- Other Local Government Level Source(s) of Funds.
  Specify: (a) the source of funds; (b) the local government entity or agency receiving funds; and, (c) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the State Medicaid Agency or Fiscal Agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement, and/or, indicate if funds are directly expended by local government agencies as CPEs, as specified in Item I-2-c:

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I-4: Non-Federal Matching Funds (3 of 3)

c. Information Concerning Certain Sources of Funds. Indicate whether any of the funds listed in Items I-4-a or I-4-b that make up the non-federal share of computable waiver costs come from the following sources: (a) health care-related taxes or fees; (b) provider-related donations; and/or, (c) federal funds. Select one:

- None of the specified sources of funds contribute to the non-federal share of computable waiver costs
- The following source(s) are used
  Check each that applies:
  - Health care-related taxes or fees
  - Provider-related donations
  - Federal funds

For each source of funds indicated above, describe the source of the funds in detail:

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I-5: Exclusion of Medicaid Payment for Room and Board
a. Services Furnished in Residential Settings. Select one:

- No services under this waiver are furnished in residential settings other than the private residence of the individual.
- As specified in Appendix C, the State furnishes waiver services in residential settings other than the personal home of the individual.

b. Method for Excluding the Cost of Room and Board Furnished in Residential Settings. The following describes the methodology that the State uses to exclude Medicaid payment for room and board in residential settings:

The waiver cost study specifically excluded the cost of room and board in setting rates for residential services. Rates are based on the provision of direct care services and do not include payment for room and board. Pursuant to DOH/DDSD Waiver Service Standards, providers are prohibited from using Medicaid payment for room and board.

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I-6: Payment for Rent and Food Expenses of an Unrelated Live-In Caregiver

Reimbursement for the Rent and Food Expenses of an Unrelated Live-In Personal Caregiver. Select one:

- No. The State does not reimburse for the rent and food expenses of an unrelated live-in personal caregiver who resides in the same household as the participant.
- Yes. Per 42 CFR §441.310(a)(2)(ii), the State will claim FFP for the additional costs of rent and food that can be reasonably attributed to an unrelated live-in personal caregiver who resides in the same household as the waiver participant. The State describes its coverage of live-in caregiver in Appendix C-3 and the costs attributable to rent and food for the live-in caregiver are reflected separately in the computation of factor D (cost of waiver services) in Appendix J. FFP for rent and food for a live-in caregiver will not be claimed when the participant lives in the caregiver's home or in a residence that is owned or leased by the provider of Medicaid services.

The following is an explanation of: (a) the method used to apportion the additional costs of rent and food attributable to the unrelated live-in personal caregiver that are incurred by the individual served on the waiver and (b) the method used to reimburse these costs:

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I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (1 of 5)

a. Co-Payment Requirements. Specify whether the State imposes a co-payment or similar charge upon waiver participants for waiver services. These charges are calculated per service and have the effect of reducing the total computable claim for federal financial participation. Select one:

- No. The State does not impose a co-payment or similar charge upon participants for waiver services.
- Yes. The State imposes a co-payment or similar charge upon participants for one or more waiver services.

i. Co-Pay Arrangement.

Specify the types of co-pay arrangements that are imposed on waiver participants (check each that applies):

Charges Associated with the Provision of Waiver Services (if any are checked, complete Items 1-7-a-li through 1-7-a-iv):

- Nominal deductible
- Coinsurance
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I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (2 of 5)

a. Co-Payment Requirements.

   ii. Participants Subject to Co-pay Charges for Waiver Services.

   Answers provided in Appendix I-7-a indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

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I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (3 of 5)

a. Co-Payment Requirements.

   iii. Amount of Co-Pay Charges for Waiver Services.

   Answers provided in Appendix I-7-a indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

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I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (4 of 5)

a. Co-Payment Requirements.

   iv. Cumulative Maximum Charges.

   Answers provided in Appendix I-7-a indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

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I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (5 of 5)

b. Other State Requirement for Cost Sharing. Specify whether the State imposes a premium, enrollment fee or similar cost sharing on waiver participants. Select one:

   ○ No. The State does not impose a premium, enrollment fee, or similar cost-sharing arrangement on waiver participants.

   ○ Yes. The State imposes a premium, enrollment fee or similar cost-sharing arrangement.

Describe in detail the cost sharing arrangement, including: (a) the type of cost sharing (e.g., premium, enrollment fee); (b) the amount of charge and how the amount of the charge is related to total gross family income; (c) the groups of participants subject to cost-sharing and the groups who are excluded; and, (d) the mechanisms for the collection of cost-sharing and reporting the amount collected on the CMS 64:
Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-1: Composite Overview and Demonstration of Cost-Neutrality Formula

Composite Overview. Complete the fields in Cols. 3, 5 and 6 in the following table for each waiver year. The fields in Cols. 4, 7 and 8 are auto-calculated based on entries in Cols 3, 5, and 6. The fields in Col. 2 are auto-calculated using the Factor D data from the J-2-d Estimate of Factor D tables. Col. 2 fields will be populated ONLY when the Estimate of Factor D tables in J-2-d have been completed.

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Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (1 of 9)

a. Number Of Unduplicated Participants Served. Enter the total number of unduplicated participants from Item B-3-a who will be served each year that the waiver is in operation. When the waiver serves individuals under more than one level of care, specify the number of unduplicated participants for each level of care:

Table: J-2-a: Unduplicated Participants

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Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (2 of 9)

b. Average Length of Stay. Describe the basis of the estimate of the average length of stay on the waiver by participants in item J-2-a.

Average length of stay has been held constant at 337 days, the level reported on the fiscal year 2014 CMS 372. Since this is a mature waiver, it is assumed that the yearly turnover and length of waiver experience will be fairly stable.

Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (3 of 9)
c. Derivation of Estimates for Each Factor. Provide a narrative description for the derivation of the estimates of the following factors.

i. Factor D Derivation. The estimates of Factor D for each waiver year are located in Item J-2-d. The basis for these estimates is as follows:

The methodology used to estimate Factor D and the basis for the state's revised cost estimate is as follows:

For WY1 and WY2: The estimate for factor D is based on actual expenditure for waiver services provided to DD waiver participants who were in the waiver in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2014, WY3. The number of users for each service for Appendix J-2-d was calculated using the UDRs reported in Appendix J-2-a. The State then trended the increase in UDRs based on SFY2014 actual percentage of unduplicated participants using each service. UDRs for Appendix J-2-a were calculated using the CMS 372 report for SFY 2014, WY3 data. 4,003 participants were reported to have used DD waiver services in SFY 2014. This number was trended forward with an anticipated growth of 2.5% MBL, in addition to an estimated increase of 100 participants per waiver year due to transitions from other 1915(c) waivers and due to the waiver allocation trending.

For WY3, WY4 and WY5: The state has identified that the number of participants in the Developmental Disabilities Waiver (DDW) is lower than the projections previously submitted to CMS during the waiver renewal. A decrease in waiver allocations and an increase in participant transitions from the DDW to NM.0448, the self-directed Mi Via Waiver, have influenced the projections. Factor D was calculated based on the updated UDR projections as noted in table J-2-a. Average cost per unit was calculated to include the 2019 rate adjustment as outlined in Appendix J-2-a.

ii. Factor D' Derivation. The estimates of Factor D' for each waiver year are included in Item J-1. The basis of these estimates is as follows:

Factor D' is the estimated annual average per capita Medicaid costs for all services that are furnished in addition to waiver services while the individual is in the waiver. Factor D' estimates accounts for all clients who have waiver expenditures and all fee for service claims that are not waiver services. The State did not use pre-Medicare Part D expenditure data in its estimate for Factor D', so it was not necessary to adjust for this factor.

Factor D' is based on the actual Factor D' reported in the fiscal year 2014 CMS 372, trended forward at the Medicare PPS Market Basket Index of 2.5%. Utilization rates for each individual service have been held constant at 2014 levels.

iii. Factor G Derivation. The estimates of Factor G for each waiver year are included in Item J-1. The basis of these estimates is as follows:

Factor G is based on the actual Factor G reported in the fiscal year 2014 CMS 372, trended forward at the Medicare PPS Market Basket Index of 2.5%.

iv. Factor G' Derivation. The estimates of Factor G' for each waiver year are included in Item J-1. The basis of these estimates is as follows:

Factor G' is based on the actual Factor G' reported in the fiscal year 2014 CMS 372, trended forward at the Medicare PPS Market Basket Index of 2.5%.

Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (4 of 9)

Component management for waiver services. If the service(s) below includes two or more discrete services that are reimbursed separately, or is a bundled service, each component of the service must be listed. Select "manage components" to add these components.

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Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (5 of 9)

d. Estimate of Factor D.

i. Non-Concurrent Waiver. Complete the following table for each waiver year. Enter data into the Unit, # Users, Avg. Units Per User, and Avg. Cost/Unit fields for all the Waiver Service/Component items. Select Save and Calculate to automatically calculate and populate the Component Costs and Total Costs fields. All fields in this table must be completed in order to populate the Factor D fields in the J-1 Composite Overview table.

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**Grand Total:** 220349949.36

Total Estimated Unduplicated Participants: 4618

Factor D (Divide total by number of participants): 47715.24

Average Length of Stay on the Waiver: 337
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**GRAND TOTAL:**

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| 47735.24 |
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**Average Length of Stay on the Waiver:**

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**GRAND TOTAL:** 22834899.56

Total Estimated Unduplicated Participants: 4618
Factor D (Divide total by number of participants): 4775.24

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**Factor D (Divide total by number of participants):**

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Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (6 of 9)

d. Estimate of Factor D.

i. Non-Concurrent Waiver. Complete the following table for each waiver year. Enter data into the Unit, # Users, Avg. Units Per User, and Avg. Cost/Unit fields for all the Waiver Service/Component items. Select Save and Calculate to automatically calculate and populate the Component Costs and Total Costs fields. All fields in this table must be completed in order to populate the Factor D fields in the J-1 Composite Overview table.

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Average Length of Stay on the Waiver: 337
Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (7 of 9)

d. Estimate of Factor D.

i. Non-Concurrent Waiver. Complete the following table for each waiver year. Enter data into the Unit, # Users, Avg. Units Per User, and Avg. Cost/Unit fields for all the Waiver Service/Component items. Select Save and Calculate to automatically calculate and populate the Component Costs and Total Costs fields. All fields in this table must be completed in order to populate the Factor D fields in the J-1 Composite Overview table.

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Total Estimated Unduplicated Participants: 3664
Factor B (Divide total by number of participants): 7370.56
Average Length of Stay on the Waiver: 337

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Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (8 of 9)

d. Estimate of Factor D.

i. Non-Concurrent Waiver. Complete the following table for each waiver year. Enter data into the Unit, # Users, Avg. Units Per User, and Avg. Cost/Unit fields for all the Waiver Service/Component items. Select Save and Calculate to automatically calculate and populate the Component Costs and Total Costs fields. All fields in this table must be completed in order to populate the Factor D fields in the J-1 Composite Overview table.

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**GRAND TOTAL:**

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**Total Estimated Unduplicated Participants:** 3679

**Factor D (Divide total by number of participants):** 794821.29

**Average Length of Stay on the Waiver:** 337

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### Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

**J-2: Derivation of Estimates (9 of 9)**

**d. Estimate of Factor D.**

**i. Non-Concurrent Waiver.** Complete the following table for each waiver year. Enter data into the Unit, # Users, Avg. Units Per User, and Avg. Cost/Unit fields for all the Waiver Service/Component items. Select Save and Calculate to automatically calculate and populate the Component Costs and Total Costs fields. All fields in this table must be completed in order to populate the Factor D fields in the J-1 Composite Overview table.

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Total Estimated Unduplicated Participants: 3679
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Average Length of Stay on the Waiver: 337

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