

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES
PROPOSED RENEWAL OF HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES (HCBS) WAIVER
HCBS WAIVER FOR PERSONS WITH BRAIN INJURY
PUBLIC INPUT EXTENSION**

The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS), in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Human Services, Division of Rehabilitation Services (DHS-DRS), propose to renew the HCBS Waiver for Persons with Brain Injury. The proposed waiver renewal includes (1) changes necessary to comply with federal regulations, including modifications to the processes related to Participant Centered Planning (PCP) and inclusion of language described in the Illinois Statewide Transition Plan for Compliance with HCBS settings as required by CMS, (2) updated cost and participant estimates that reflect historical trends, including an additional subcategory of Overtime Nursing to account for Extended State Plan Services of Intermittent Nursing Services and overtime pay, (3) updated performance measures, and (4) revision of reassessment timeline from semi-annual reassessments to annual reassessments..

Illinois seeks public input into the development of the HCBS Waiver renewal for Persons with Brain Injury through two separate statements of public notice and input.

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

In addition to the two methods of notification, DHS-DRS, the operating agency of the HCBS Waiver for Persons with Brain Injury, has emailed this notification to its stakeholders and other interested parties.

A hard copy of the proposed waiver renewal may be downloaded and printed from the HFS website at <https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/default.aspx> or may be requested by calling 217/557-0997. Copies are also available at the following locations:

Healthcare and Family Services
201 South Grand Avenue East
Springfield, IL 62763

Healthcare and Family Services
401 South Clinton
Chicago, IL 60607

HFS will be accepting public input regarding the proposed renewal of the HCBS Waiver for Persons with Brain Injury for a 30 day public comment period from *May 31, 2017* through *June 30, 2017*. Those interested in providing input are asked to email feedback to the HFS web portal email address at HFS.HCBSWaiver@illinois.gov or mail their written input to:

Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services

ATTN: Waiver Management
201 South Grand Avenue East 2FL
Springfield, IL 62763

A summary of the public notice and comments will be incorporated into the amendment. The summary will include modifications to the initial waiver amendment, the reasons why the State of Illinois adopted or did not adopt specific comments or recommendations, and any changes made as a result of this extended public comment period.