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Public Comment Notice - Home and Community Based Services Waiver

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The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) proposes to amend the Home and Community Based Services Waiver (HCBS) for the Persons with Brain Injury – IL 0329. This amendment will be effective 7/1/2025. Changes in the amendment include:

1. Individual Provider (IP) rate increases;
2. Update the Service Cost Maximum (SCM);
3. Revise the procedure for establishing the exceptional care rate;
4. Change the purchase limits for Environmental Accessibility Adaptations and Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies from \$25,000 every five (5) years; to \$26,300 every three (3) years; and
5. Reduce the number of required bids for Environmental Mods from three (3) to two (2).

HFS seeks public input on this proposed waiver amendment through two separate statements of public notice.

- 1) An electronic public notice is posted on the HFS website at <https://hfs.illinois.gov/info/legal/publicnotices.html>.
- 2) A non-electronic public notice may be viewed at the Department of Human Services (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 above, HFS, the operating agency for the waiver, will share the public notice and the opportunity for input with stakeholders and other interested parties.

A hard copy of the proposed waiver amendment may be downloaded and printed from the HFS website at <https://hfs.illinois.gov/medicalclients/hcbs.html> or may be requested by calling 217/524-4148.

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 is accepting public input regarding this proposed amendment for a 30-day public comment period from 2/20/2025 through 3/22/2025. Those interested in providing input are asked to email feedback to the HFS email address at [HFS.HCBSWaiver@illinois.gov](mailto:HFS.HCBSWaiver@illinois.gov) or mail their written input to:

Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services  
ATTN: Waiver Operations Management  
201 South Grand Avenue East, 2FL  
Springfield, IL 62763

A summary of the public notice and comments will be incorporated into the waiver amendment. The summary will include modifications to the initial waiver amendment and the reasons why the State of Illinois adopted or did not adopt specific comments or recommendations.