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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) in conjunction with the Illinois Department on Aging (DoA), proposes to amend the following Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver:

• HCBS Waiver for Persons who are Elderly – IL 0143

The purpose of this amendment is to increase service rates of reimbursement associated with in-home, adult day, adult day transportation and emergency home response services.

Illinois seeks public input on this proposed Waiver Amendment to the HCBS Waiver for Persons who are Elderly through two separate statements of public notice and input.

- An electronic public notice is posted on the HFS website at <u>https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/info/legal/PublicNotices/Pages/default.aspx.</u>
- 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, the Illinois Department on Aging, the operating agency of the HCBS Waiver for Persons who are Elderly, has emailed this notification to its stakeholders and other interested parties.

A hard copy of the proposed waiver amendment may be downloaded and printed from the HFS website at <u>https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/default.aspx</u> 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 is accepting public input regarding the proposed amendment of the HCBS Waiver for Persons who are Elderly for a 30 day public comment period from 07/01/19 through 07/31/19. 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 and the reasons why the State of Illinois adopted or did not adopt specific comments or recommendations.