

**NOTICE OF WEBINAR TOWN HALL ON HFS 1115 HEALTHCARE
TRANSFORMATION WAIVER**

STATE OF ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES

DATE: August 7, 2024

The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services will present a Webinar Town Hall to provide updates on the recently approved 1115 Healthcare Transformation Waiver.

The Town Hall will take place on **Monday, August 26, 2024, 2:00-3:00 pm CT**. To register to attend, please click [here](#).

On July 2, 2024, Federal CMS approved an 1115 Healthcare Transformation Waiver request from the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) to provide new services addressing Health Related Social Needs. This will allow the state to leverage Medicaid resources to address root causes of health disparities.

The approval includes support for housing supports (including medical respite/recuperative care services, as well as transitions from carceral and institutional settings) and nutrition services. The approval also includes coverage of services up to 90 days prior to release from carceral settings, as well as services to address substance use disorder (SUD), employment supports for people with disabilities, and violence prevention and intervention.

The Town Hall webinar will include HFS Director Elizabeth M. Whitehorn and other HFS staff. Topics will include:

- Approval parameters
- Implementation planning efforts and timeline
- Initial results of stakeholder engagement
- Next steps and opportunities to provide feedback