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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 Adults with Developmental Disabilities – IL0350. Changes in the amendment include:

- 1. Adding a new Specialty Telehealth and Assessment Team service to the waiver.
- 2. Rate increases for the Community Day Services, Residential Habilitation, and Supported Employment.
- 3. Updates to Main B Optional and J-2-c-i due to character limits and to clean up language.

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, the Department of Human Services, Division of Developmental Disabilities, 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 Healthcare and Family Services

201 South Grand Avenue East 401 South Clinton Springfield, IL 62763 Chicago, IL 60607

HFS is accepting public input regarding this proposed amendment for a 30-day public comment period from 9/6/2024 through 10/6/2024. Those interested in providing input are asked to email feedback to the HFS email address at 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.