SUBJECT: DDS Waiver Amendments

Below is a brief overview of the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Home and Community Based Service (HCBS) waiver amendments that are being heard on Friday, September 20, 2019.

The amendments are to each of the three DDS HCBS Waiver Programs: (1) Comprehensive Supports, (2) Individual and Family Supports, and (3) Employment and Day Services.

The amendments propose adding the following services to the waivers:
1. Vehicle Lease Services
2. Remote Supports
3. Eligibility Coordination
4. Personal Emergency Response System (Employment & Day Services only - the other waivers already include this service)

The amendments propose increasing the per participant expenditure limits (over a five year period) on the following services:
1. Assistive Technology, from $5,000 to $15,000
2. Motor Vehicle Modification, from $10,000 to $15,000
3. Environmental Modification, from $15,000 to $25,000

The amendments also propose the alignment of performance measures, and other technical and administrative changes.

Fiscal Impact: No net budgetary impact is anticipated from the amendments to the waivers. The four new services and the three increased expenditure levels are additional options that DDS consumers may choose to use with their existing funding allocations. The state receives a 50% federal Medicaid reimbursement for the services covered under the waivers, which are deposited to the General Fund.
The following table shows the major accounts in DDS and the Department of Social Services (DSS) that support the majority of DDS consumers in the HCBS waivers.

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<th>Account Title/Agency</th>
<th>FY 20 Appropriation</th>
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<td>Community Residential Services/DSS</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
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**BACKGROUND – DDS Waiver Programs**

- **Comprehensive Supports** – provides residential services delivered in licensed settings such as group homes and community companion homes, and in-home services to individuals who require an intensive level of support to remain in their own or family home, and employment and day services.
  - **Waiver Participants**: 5,208 as of June, 2019 / 5,600 maximum
  - **Average Annual Cost Per Person (FY 18)**: $112,242
  - **Waiver Cost Cap**: 150% of the average cost of institutional care - ICF/IID\(^1\)
    - $21,218 per month

- **Individual and Family Supports** – provides in-home and family supports, and employment and day services to individuals who live in their own home or family home.
  - **Waiver Participants**: 3,616 as of June, 2019 / 4,500 maximum
  - **Average Annual Cost Per Person (FY 18)**: $25,909
  - **Waiver Cost Cap**: $130,000 annually

- **Employment and Day Services** – provides career development, supported employment or community based day supports, respite, and/or behavioral supports to DDS consumers who live in their own or family home and have strong support systems.
  - **Waiver Participants**: 1,352 as of June, 2019 / 1,750 maximum
  - **Average Annual Cost Per Person (FY 18)**: $16,084
  - **Waiver Cost Cap**: $58,000 annually

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\(^{1}\) Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disability is an optional Medicaid benefit described [here](#).