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Subject: Important Changes to Your Medicaid Waiver - Starting in October 2025

IMPORTANT: This letter has important updates about your Medicaid waiver services. If you need help to understand this letter or would like it in a different format (like large print or another language), please contact the Central Maryland Regional Office at 410-234-8200.

What is Changing?

The Maryland Department of Health is making changes to the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) Medicaid waiver programs. Starting in October 2025, the **Family Supports Waiver** and **Community Supports Waiver** will be combined into one program called the **Community Pathways Waiver**.

This change is part of an official update (called a waiver amendment). It will help make services easier to access, faster to receive, and more focused on each person's needs. These changes are planned to go into effect on **October 6, 2025**. Once the amendment is approved, you will move into the **Community Pathways Waiver** program.

What Does This Mean for You?

- You will **keep all the same services and supports** you have now.
- You will **automatically move into the Community Pathways Waiver** program.
- **You do not need to apply again or complete a new waiver application.**
- Your current Person-Centered Plan and approved services will now be provided under the Community Pathways Waiver program.
- Your service providers (including staff under the self-directed services model, if applicable) will continue to be paid - just under the Community Pathways Waiver program.

What's Next?

You **do not need to do anything right now**.

We will be offering **free webinars** soon to explain the changes and answer questions.

These webinars are for:

- People receiving services
- Families
- Coordinators of Community Services (CCS)
- Providers
- Anyone else who wants to learn more

To get updates about the webinars and more information, please sign up for the DDA's email list here: <https://tinyurl.com/3wnzjrhv>

Contact Us

We want to make this change as easy as possible for you and your family. If you have questions or need more information, please contact your Coordinator of Community Services (CCS).

More Information

For more information, please review the Frequently Asked Questions included in this letter.

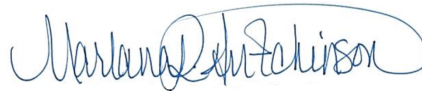
For updates and more details, go to the new “**October 2025 Waiver Changes and You**” webpage at: <https://tinyurl.com/5e4k6pns>

You can also sign up for email updates from the DDA: <https://tinyurl.com/3wnzjrhv>

Sincerely,



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cc: Frequently Asked Questions