



Medicaid and CHIP Operations Group

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Tricia Roddy, Acting Medicaid Director
Maryland Department of Health
201 W Preston Street, Room 525
Baltimore, MD 21201

RE: Maryland's Community Supports Waiver, MD.1506.R02.00 renewal

Dear Ms. Roddy:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is approving the state's request to renew Family Supports Waiver for individuals with developmental disability ages 18 – no maximum age limit. The CMS Control Number for the renewal is MD.1506.R02.00 and should be referenced on all future correspondence relating to this waiver renewal.

For this HCBS waiver, you have requested a waiver of 1902(a)(10)(B) of the Social Security Act in order to waive comparability of services. The waiver has been approved for a five year period with an effective date of July 1, 2023.

This waiver will offer the following supports for waiver participants: Career Exploration, Day Habilitation, Medical Day Care, Personal Supports, Respite Care Services, Support Broker Services, Assistive Technology and Services, Behavioral Support Services, Community Development Services, Employment Discovery and Customization, Employment Services, Environmental Assessment, Environmental Modifications, Family and Peer Mentoring Supports, Family Caregiver Training and Empowerment Services, Housing Support Service, Individual and Family Directed Goods and Services, Nursing Support Services, Participant Education, Training and Advocacy Supports, Supported Employment, Transportation, and Vehicle Modifications. The following number of unduplicated recipients and estimates of average per capita cost of waiver services have been approved:

<u>Waiver</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>C Factor</u> <u>Estimates</u>	<u>D Factor</u> <u>Estimates</u>	<u>D' Factor</u> <u>Estimates</u>	<u>G Factor</u> <u>Estimates</u>	<u>G' Factor</u> <u>Estimates</u>
Year 1	3,640	\$31,637.41	\$14,627.48	\$304,278.06	\$6,572.50
Year 2	4,186	\$32,217.58	\$15,139.44	\$314,927.79	\$6,802.54
Year 3	4,803	\$34,047.42	\$15,669.32	\$325,950.26	\$7,040.63
Year 4	5,421	\$35,326.84	\$16,217.74	\$337,358.52	\$7,284.05
Year 5	6,038	\$36,656.74	\$16,785.36	\$349,166.07	\$7,542.10

This approval is subject to your agreement to serve no more individuals than those indicated in “C Factor Estimates” shown in the table above. If the state wishes to serve more individuals or make any other alterations to this waiver, an amendment must be submitted for approval. The state may renew the waiver at the end of the five-year period by providing evidence and documentation of satisfactory performance and oversight. It is important to note that CMS’ approval of this waiver solely addresses the state’s compliance with the applicable Medicaid authorities. CMS’ approval does not address the state’s independent and separate obligations under federal laws including, but not limited to, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, or the Supreme Court’s Olmstead decision. Guidance from the Department of Justice concerning compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Olmstead decision is available at http://www.ada.gov/olmstead/q&a_olmstead.htm.

Thank you for your cooperation during the review process. If you have any questions concerning this information, please contact me at (410) 786-7561. You may also contact Alice Robinson Ross at Alice.RobinsonRoss@cms.hhs.gov or (215) 861-4261.

Sincerely,

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