

**Maryland Medicaid Advisory Committee Monthly Waiver Reports  
July 2023**

AMENDMENTS	PURPOSE	COMMENTS
<b>1915(c) Waiver Programs</b>		
<p>Waiver for Adults with Brain Injury (BI)</p>	<p>The purpose of the Amendment is:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the transition to fee-for-service billing using the State's data management system;</li> <li>2. the transition to Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) for billing of Individual Support Services (ISS);</li> <li>3. to update Utilization Control Agent (UCA) language; and</li> <li>4. to clarify requirements for monthly claims reviews.</li> </ol>	<p>The proposed effective date of this Amendment is July 1, 2023.</p> <p>The Amendment was submitted to CMS for review on June 16, 2023.</p>
<p>Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder</p>	<p>The purpose of the amendment is to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. increase Intensive Individual Support Service (IISS) units to 40 hours per week;</li> <li>2. allow legally responsible caregivers to provide IISS to participants;</li> <li>3. increase FY24 waiver slots by 1,350 for a total of 2,950;</li> <li>4. establish registry requirements for military families; and</li> <li>5. adjust the age and training requirements of direct care workers for IISS, Residential Habilitation, Respite Care, Therapeutic Integration and Intensive Therapeutic Integration.</li> </ol>	<p>The proposed effective date of this Amendment is July 1, 2023.</p> <p>This Amendment is posted for public comment from June 27, 2023 through July 26, 2023. More information regarding the public comment period can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p>
<p>Community Pathways, Family Supports and Community Supports Waivers</p>	<p>The purpose of this Amendment is to provide an option to exempt live-in caregivers who provide Personal Support and Respite Care Services from Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) requirements. This applies to both the traditional and self-directed services delivery model. The exemption is that live-in caregiver staff do not have to clock in and out in real time.</p>	<p>The proposed effective date of this Amendment is July 1, 2023.</p> <p>The Amendment was submitted to CMS for review on June 30, 2023.</p>
<p>Appendix K Amendment: Home and Community-Based Options Waiver, Medical Day Care Services Waiver, Model Waiver, Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder, and Waiver for Adults with Brain Injury</p>	<p>This Appendix K is ending the temporary authorities related to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Modifying additional targeting criteria;</li> <li>2. Exceeding service limitations;</li> <li>3. Expanding settings;</li> <li>4. Permitting payment for services rendered by family caregivers or legally responsible individuals;</li> <li>5. Increasing payment rates;</li> <li>6. Modifying the person-centered service plan development process;</li> <li>7. Modifying the reporting requirements;</li> <li>8. Including retainer payments to address emergency related issues;</li> <li>9. Increasing factor C;</li> <li>10. Allowing a telephonic method of service delivery; and</li> <li>11. Waiving provider qualifications.</li> </ol> <p>All temporary authorities will end on June 30, 2023 with the exception of the targeting criteria for the Brain Injury Waiver allowing individuals to be referred to the program from private nursing facilities, which will end six (6) months post the Public Health Emergency (PHE) on November 11, 2023.</p>	<p>This Appendix K Amendment will be submitted to CMS for review mid July.</p>
<p>Appendix K Amendment: Community Pathways, Family Supports, and Community Supports</p>	<p>This Appendix K is ending the temporary authorities related to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Modifying the service scope or coverage;</li> <li>2. Exceeding service limitations;</li> <li>3. Expanding settings;</li> <li>4. Allowing services in out of state settings;</li> <li>5. Modifying provider qualifications;</li> <li>6. Modifying licensures or other requirements for settings;</li> </ol>	<p>This Appendix K Amendment will be submitted to CMS for review mid July.</p>

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Modifying processes for level of care evaluations and re-evaluations;</li> <li>8. Increasing payment rates;</li> <li>9. Modifying incident reporting requirements;</li> <li>10. Allowing payment for services in an acute care hospital or short-term institutional stay;</li> <li>11. Including retainer payments to address an emergency related issues;</li> <li>12. Waiving certain self-directed budget modification requirements;</li> <li>13. Extending deadlines for audits and fiscal reporting;</li> <li>14. Extending deadlines for performance of required activities conducted by the Department; providers, and contracted entities.</li> </ol>	
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<b>1915(c) WAIVER NAME</b>	<b>RENEWAL STATUS</b>
Medical Day Care Services	On 06/28/23, CMS approved the Medical Day Care Services renewal effective July 1, 2023.

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Home & Community-Based Options Waiver	12/31/2022	12/29/2022	On 06/30/2023, CMS accepted the CMS report for the Home & Community-Based Options Waiver.

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Community Supports	10/17/22	Evidence based report was received on 6/10/22.	EBR submitted to CMS for review on 10/15/22. CMS accepted the EBR on 06/27/23.
Family Supports	10/17/22	Evidence based report was received on 6/10/22.	EBR submitted to CMS for review on 10/15/22. CMS accepted the EBR on 06/16/23.
Autism Waiver	10/17/22	Evidence based report was received on 6/10/22.	EBR submitted to CMS for review on 10/14/22. CMS accepted the EBR on 06/27/23.