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AMENDMENTS	PURPOSE	COMMENTS			
1915(c) Waiver Programs					
Community Pathways Appendix K	This Appendix K is additive to the approved Appendix K and updates temporary authorities related to residential retainer payments. Effective January 1, 2022, providers who have not accessed Appendix K retainer payments or have exhausted Appendix K retainer payments may access retainer payments as stipulated in the base waiver.	3/28/23 - The Appendix K was approved.			
Autism Waiver Amendment	 This waiver amendment includes: 1. An increase to the approved total unduplicated number of participant slots for FY22 - FY24. 2. A change of service unit increments for respite care, adult life planning, family consultation, intensive individual support services, therapeutic integration, and intensive therapeutic integration to reflect a 15-minute unit increment. 3. A change to the daily minimum for therapeutic integration (regular and intensive) to a half hour unit instead of an hour. 4. A change to the educational requirement for Service Coordinators. 5. The addition of virtual supports as a service delivery option for individual intensive support services, therapeutic integration (regular and intensive), family consultation and adult life planning. 6. The lowering of the age requirement and removal of the lifetime limitation for adult life planning. 7. A change to allow adult life planning services while receiving residential habilitation. 8. A change to qualified assessor for level of care to include licensed psychologist, licensed clinical social worker, licensed clinical professional counselor, certified school psychologist, or an approved service coordinator employed or contracted by the local lead agency, the local education agency, the State, or the State's designee. 9. The qualified assessor will also make determinations for Environmental Accessibility Adaptations. 10. A modification to the degree requirement for Adult Life Planners and Supervisors from a master's degree to a bachelor's degree. 11. A removal of the high school diploma requirement and the addition of a minimum age requirement of 16 for direct care workers for residential habilitation (regular and intensive), intensive individual support services, respite care and therapeutic). Intensive individual support services, respite care and therapeutic integration (regular and intensive) 12. An update to the provider enrollment	5/9/23 - The amendment was approved by CMS.			

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Medical Day Care Services	CMS has approved an extension through 6/22/23 to continue addressing a specific CMS concern in the waiver document.	
Community Pathways Waiver, Community Supports Waiver, and Family Supports Waiver	The renewal applications for the three DDA-operated Waivers were approved as follows: Community Pathways and Community Supports Waivers were approved on 4/19/23. Family Supports Waiver was approved on 4/21/23.	
Model Waiver	The renewal application was submitted to CMS on 3/29/23. The renewal is under review with CMS.	

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Family Supports Waiver	12/31/2022	1/8/2023	Under review by CMS.
Community Supports Waiver	12/31/2022	1/8/2023	Under review by CMS.
Community Pathways Waiver	12/31/2022	1/8/2023	Under review by CMS.
Model Waiver for Fragile Children	12/31/2022	12/29/2022	Under review by CMS.
Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder	12/31/2022	12/16/2022	Report accepted by CMS on 3/3/2023.
Brain Injury Waiver	12/31/2022	12/16/2022	Report accepted by CMS on 3/15/23.
Home & Community-Based Options Waiver	12/31/2022	12/29/2022	Under review by CMS.
Medical Day Care Waiver	12/31/2022	12/16/2022	Report accepted by CMS on 3/15/23.
1915(c) WAIVER NAME	EBR Due	EBR SUBMITTED	EBR APPROVED BY CMS
Community Supports	10/17/22	Evidence based report was received on 6/10/22.	EBR submitted to CMS for review on 10/15/22. DDA & OLTSS responded to questions from CMS on 2/15/23. CMS' final approval is pending.
Family Supports	10/17/22	Evidence based report was received on 6/10/22.	EBR submitted to CMS for review on 10/15/22. DDA & OLTSS responded to questions from CMS on 2/15/23. CMS' final approval is pending.
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' final approval is pending.