

### **Public Comment Sought on Medicaid 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver Renewal Application**

The North Dakota Department of Human Services' Aging Services Division is accepting public comments on the renewal of the states' Medicaid waiver for home and community-based services. The waiver pays for a variety of in-home community-based support services that allows individuals who otherwise qualify for nursing home care to remain living in their homes and communities.

The Aging Services Division proposes to renew the 1915(c) Medicaid waiver. The Medicaid Waiver for home and community-based services provides service options for a continuum of in-home and community-based services in the most integrated setting. The goal is to adequately and appropriately sustain individuals in their own homes and communities and to delay or divert from institutional care. In order to successfully meet the mandate, a consumer-centered, affordable delivery system has been established for delivery of in-home services to the elderly and physically disabled.

View the entire draft waiver renewal application at: [www.nd.gov/dhs/info/pubs/medical.html](http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/pubs/medical.html). A copy will be provided upon request.

**Comments will be accepted from December 1, 2021, until 5 p.m. CST on December 30, 2021.** The anticipated effective date of the proposed renewal is April 1, 2022.

Comments will be accepted in the following ways:

Email: [dhshcbs@nd.gov](mailto:dhshcbs@nd.gov)

Phone: (855) 462-5465 or ND Relay TTY (text telephone) (800) 462-5465 or 711 (TTY)

Mail: North Dakota Department of Human Services  
Attn: Aging Services Division/HCBS  
1237 W. Divide Ave. Suite 6  
Bismarck, ND 58501

If you have any comments, questions or concerns about the proposed waiver renewal application, please contact Sandi Erber at [srerber@nd.gov](mailto:srerber@nd.gov) or by calling (701) 328-8915 or by mailing a written response to ND DHS Aging Services Division, 1237 W. Divide Ave., Suite 6, Bismarck ND 58501.

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