

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO SEEK RENEWAL OF MEDICAID WAIVER FOR
COMPREHENSIVE SUPPORTS**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO SEEK AMENDMENT OF MEDICAID WAIVERS FOR
INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY SUPPORT AND EMPLOYMENT AND DAY SUPPORTS**

In accordance with the provisions of section 17b-8(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes, notice is hereby given that the Commissioner of Social Services intends to submit the following three applications to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (“CMS”), each to be effective October 1, 2018:

- (1) Renewal of the Medicaid Waiver for Comprehensive Supports;
- (2) Amendment of the Medicaid Waiver for Individual and Family Support;
- (3) Amendment of the Medicaid Waiver for Employment and Day Supports.

All three of the above-referenced waivers are operated by the Department of Developmental Services. The Department of Social Services and the Department of Developmental Services are proposing the following changes to these waivers:

- (1) Increasing the capacity of the Comprehensive Supports Waiver from the current number of 5,600 slots by a rate of 25 slots per year, reaching 5,700 slots by the final year of the waiver;
- (2) Adding Blended Supports as a service on all three waivers. Blended Supports provide waiver participants an opportunity to enhance their community-based skills;
- (3) Adding Customized Employment as a service on all three waivers. Customized Employment promotes integrated work opportunities in order to maximize the skills for waiver participants;
- (4) Adding Transitional Supports as a service on all three waivers. Transitional Supports provide waiver participants an opportunity to develop skills and resources to enhance their opportunity for employment;
- (5) Adding Training, Counseling and Support Services for Unpaid Caregivers as a service to the Employment and Day Supports Waiver. Training, Counseling and Support Services for Unpaid Caregivers provides unpaid caregivers an opportunity to access supports to provide the optimal care to their family members;
- (6) Alignment of the Performance Measures across all three waivers; and
- (7) Technical and administrative clarifications requested by CMS.

No current enrollees will be negatively impacted by the changes in these applications.

Copies of the complete text of the waiver applications are available upon request from: Siobhan Morgan, Director of Medicaid Operations, DDS Central Office, 460 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT, 06106, or via email at Siobhan.Morgan@ct.gov. They are also available on the Department of Social Services’ website, www.ct.gov/dss, under Publications > Updates > Medicaid Waiver Applications, or at <http://portal.ct.gov/DSS/Health-And-Home-Care/Medicaid-Waiver-Applications/Medicaid-Waiver-Applications>. In addition, they are available on the Department of Developmental Services’ website, www.ct.gov/dds, under “Latest News.”

All written comments regarding this renewal application must be submitted by April 14, 2018 to: Division of Waiver Services, DDS Central Office, 460 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Connecticut, 06106, Attention Siobhan Morgan, or via email at Siobhan.Morgan@ct.gov.