

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

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO RENEW THE EMPLOYMENT AND DAY SUPPORTS
MEDICAID WAIVER**

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 renew the Employment and Day Supports Medicaid waiver to be effective April 1, 2021. This waiver is operated by the Department of Developmental Services and is designed to support individuals with intellectual disability who live with family or in their own homes and require career development, supported employment or community-based day supports, respite, and/or behavioral supports to remain in the community.

As part of the renewal application, the Department of Social Services and the Department of Developmental Services are proposing the following changes to the Employment and Day Supports Medicaid waiver:

- (1) Differentiating Transitional Employment Services from Prevocational Services in the waiver and modifying their definitions to match those used in the Individual and Family Supports and Comprehensive waivers. Prior to this renewal, Prevocational Services was incorrectly listed as an alternate service title to Transitional Employment Services, rather than as a separate service.
- (2) Modifying and aligning performance measures to ensure consistency across all Connecticut Medicaid waivers, including those revisions requested by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (“CMS”); and
- (3) Technical and administrative clarifications, including those revisions requested by CMS.

No current enrollees will be negatively impacted by the changes proposed in the application.

Copies of the complete text of the waiver application are available upon request from: Tammy Venenga, Director of Specialized Service Development, DDS Central Office, 460 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT, 06106, or via email at Tammy.Venenga@ct.gov. It is also available on the Department of Social Services’ website, www.ct.gov/dss, under “News and Press,” as well as the following direct link: <http://portal.ct.gov/DSS/Health-And-Home-Care/Medicaid-Waiver-Applications/Medicaid-Waiver-Applications>, and the Department of Developmental Services’ website, <https://portal.ct.gov/dds>, under “Latest News.”

All written comments regarding these applications must be submitted by Friday, November 27, 2020 to: Tammy Venenga, 460 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Connecticut, 06106, or via email at Tammy.Venenga@ct.gov.