

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice of Intent to Adopt Regulations

In accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 4-168 of the Connecticut General Statutes, notice is hereby given that the Commissioner of Social Services, under section 17b-283 of the Connecticut General Statutes, proposes to establish in regulation, the policies for the administration of the Katie Beckett waiver program. The Department of Social Services, in accordance with section 17b-10 of the Connecticut General Statutes, will implement and operate under the proposed regulation effective April 1, 2014.

Statement of Purpose: (A) The purpose of the regulation is to set forth in regulation the policies regarding the administration of the Katie Beckett waiver program. The Katie Beckett waiver program is currently administered through policy set forth in the waiver application. The effect of the proposed regulation would be to formally establish the policies of the Katie Beckett waiver program in regulation format. (B) The main provisions of the regulation include: (1) A description of the purpose and scope of the Katie Beckett waiver program; (2) definitions of necessary terms; (3) eligibility requirements and determination of need; (4) a description of the home and community-based services available under the Katie Beckett waiver program; (5) assessment and development of a cost-effective service plan; (6) the responsibilities of the individual, the Department and Katie Beckett waiver providers; and (7) provider participation requirements and procedures.

(C) The legal effects of the regulation, including all of the ways that the regulation would change existing regulations or other laws are: The proposed regulation will set forth the policies for administration of the Katie Beckett waiver program.

A copy of the complete text of this regulation is available, at no cost, upon request from the Office of Legal Counsel, Regulations and Administrative Hearings, Department of Social Services, 25 Sigourney Street, Hartford, Connecticut 06106; email: lara.stauning@ct.gov.

All written comments, questions, and concerns regarding this regulation may be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice to the Department of Social Services, Office of Legal Counsel, Regulations & Administrative Hearings, 25 Sigourney Street, Hartford, Connecticut, 06106. Attention: Brenda Parrella, Director. A hearing will be scheduled on the proposed regulation if requested by fifteen persons, by a governmental subdivision of an agency or by an association having not less than fifteen members, if notice of the request is received by the Department within fourteen days after the date of publication of this notice.

When submitting correspondence, please refer to Regulation Control Number 12-12/KB.