

Home and Community-Based Medicaid Waiver Services

Aged and Disabled Waiver Amendment
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Welcome!

Nebraska Medicaid is seeking stakeholder feedback on its Medicaid Waiver amendment being submitted to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

- Today, we will share the proposed changes to the Aged and Disabled (AD) Waiver amendment.
- Summaries of all proposed changes are included in the presentation.

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Overview

Location of Proposed Changes

- Participant Access and Eligibility (Appendix B)
- Participant Services (Appendix C)

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Overview

Summary of Proposed Changes

- Remove Nutrition as a service
- Re-locate and update Quality Improvement Performance Measures
- Add the Medicaid expansion group as individuals who can be eligible for the waiver

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Participant Services

Remove Nutrition as a service:

- The AD waiver currently provides Nutrition service. This service is now available under the Medicaid State Plan and will be removed from the AD waiver.
- No individuals enrolled for the AD waiver are currently utilizing this service through the AD waiver.

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Participant Services

Re-locate and update QI Performance Measures:

Through technical assistance with U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) it was determined that providers that were currently being counted as non-licensed/certified providers should be counted as non-licensed/non-certified.

- This update is comprised of moving three performances measures currently located under **Sub-Assurance a.:** *The State verifies that providers initially and continually meet required licensure and/or certification standards and adhere to other standards prior to their furnishing waiver services* to **Sub Assurance b.:** *The State monitors non-licensed/non-certified providers to assure adherence to waiver requirements.*

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Participant Services Update performance measure 1 of 3

Current performance measure

Number and percent of enrolled non-licensed, certified providers reviewed that met provider standards at annual review. Numerator = number of enrolled non-licensed, certified providers reviewed that met provider standards at annual review; Denominator = number of enrolled non-licensed, certified providers reviewed that have had an annual review.

Updated performance measure

Number and percent of enrolled non-licensed, non-certified providers reviewed that met provider standards at annual review. Numerator = number of enrolled non-licensed, non-certified providers reviewed that met provider standards at annual review; Denominator = number of enrolled non-licensed, non-certified providers reviewed that have had an annual review.

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Participant Services Update performance measure 2 of 3

Current performance measure

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Participant Services Update performance measure 3 of 3

Current performance measure

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Participant Access and Eligibility

Medicaid Expansion Group

- The new Medicaid eligibility group covered by Medicaid expansion, referred to as Heritage Health Adult, will be listed as a group that will qualify for the AD waiver provided they meet all other eligibility criteria for the AD waiver.
 - The definition of this group is described in 42 CFR 435.119

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View the Aged and Disabled Waiver

<http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Medicaid-Aged-and-Disabled-Waiver.aspx>

Copies of the proposed AD Waiver application are available upon request.



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