

Home & Community-Based Services Stakeholder Meeting Agenda

February 2, 2026

4:00 PM Central Time

Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81170221250?pwd=ZXFrUHc0VFhCUDBrWHpnVmdnakcrUT09>

1. DHHS Division Updates:

A. Division of Child and Family Services

- i. Bridge to Independence
- ii. Home for Every Child federal initiative/CFSR

B. Office of Economic Assistance

- i. SNAP: The SNAP Healthy Choices Waiver went into effect on January 1, 2026.
 - a) Soda and energy drinks can no longer be purchased with SNAP benefits.
 - b) Additional information can be found here: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Healthy-Choices-Waiver.aspx>
- ii. LIHEAP: The Heating season continues through March 31, 2026.

C. Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care

- i. ABA:
 - a) Revised ADA service definitions posted for public comment. Public comment ends January 31st. MLTC will review comments and develop final definitions, expected to post Quarter 2 this year.
- ii. Legislative Session:
 - a) The period for new bill submission has ended. MLTC is going through the process right now of evaluating the new bills this year for impact.

D. Division of Developmental Disabilities

- i. National Core Indicator (NCI) State of Workforce Survey 2024 Overview
- ii. Public Comment Periods
 - a) Comprehensive Developmental Disabilities (CDD) and Developmental Disabilities Adult Day (DDAD) Waivers Public Comment Period January 26-February 25, 2026.
 - National Core Indicator (NCI) State of Workforce Survey 2024 Overview coming Informational presentations of proposed changes online via zoom: Wednesday, February 4, 4:30 pm- 5:15 Central Time and February 6, 1:00 pm – 2:15 Central Time
 - b) Aged and Adult & Children with Disabilities (A&D) and the Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Waivers will go out for a 2nd public comment period February 2, 2026-March 4, 2026
 - Informational presentation of proposed changes online via zoom: Thursday, February 5, 11:00 am-12:00 Central Time

2. Department Resource Lesson Series: To continue sharing and increase education on available resources, the Department will highlight and provide information on specific programs stakeholders may find useful.

A. Legal Assistance and Elder Abuse Prevention Resources

3. Next Meeting: March 2, 2026