

**LEGAL NOTICE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES**

TAKE NOTICE that the New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, intends to submit an application to renew the Section 1115 Demonstration “Comprehensive Waiver” to the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The proposed effective dates for the renewal are July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022. The Waiver application is seeking continued flexibility in administering and managing the NJ FamilyCare programs. Over the next five years, New Jersey seeks authority to not only continue current programs, but to:

- Move to an at-risk managed behavioral health delivery system that includes a flexible and comprehensive substance use disorder (SUD) benefit;
- Redefine the scope and duration of support services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities;
- Streamline NJ FamilyCare eligibility and enrollment;
- Increase care coordination for individuals who are dual eligible through a seamless enrollment option;
- Develop an uninterrupted reentry system for incarcerated individuals;
- Include reinvestment dollars targeting housing support services for homeless or at-risk of being homeless individuals;
- Expand and enhance the current value-based purchasing strategies to include additional target populations and data-driven performance metrics;
- Enhance access to critical providers and underserved areas through alternative provider development initiatives; and
- Continue DSRIP funding for health care delivery system innovations.

During this demonstration, the state plans to test the following hypotheses:

- Expanding Medicaid managed care to include long-term care services and supports will result in improved access to care and quality of care and reduced costs, and allow more individuals to live in their communities instead of institutions.
- The implementation of an at-risk Behavioral Health delivery system will improve access to services, quality of care, and will reduce spending relative to the period before implementation.
- The expansion of the 2012-2017 waiver programs offering home and community-based services to a broader population of Medicaid and CHIP beneficiaries with serious emotional disturbance (SED), autism spectrum disorder, or intellectual/developmental disabilities will lead to better care outcomes.
- Expanding self-attestation of transfer of assets for individuals applying for long-term care and home and community based services up to 300% of the Federal

Benefit Rate will be implemented effectively.

- Individuals being released from state prisons and jails will be assigned to NJ FamilyCare MCOs and engage in care in a timely and sustained way in order to maximize their opportunities for successful transition back into the community.
- Health services utilization patterns will improve and Medicaid spending will be reduced for individuals enrolled in Medicaid Supportive Housing Services (MSHS) relative to similar populations not receiving such services.
- The Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) Program will result in better care for individuals (including access to care, quality of care, health outcomes), better health for the population, and lower cost through improvement.

The parameters around the hypotheses are in development.

The estimated budget neutrality calculation and enrollment calculations are in development and dependent on discussions with CMS.

New Jersey will be presenting on the renewal during the statewide Medical Assistance Advisory Council (MAAC) meeting on June 15, 2015 from 10am to 1pm at the State Police Headquarters Complex and PHEAL Building in Ewing, NJ.

NJ will also discuss the renewal at various stakeholder meetings throughout the comment period.

A copy of this Notice and the Comprehensive Waiver Renewal Application are available for public review on the Department's website at <http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/home/waiver.html>, and also are available at the local Medical Assistance Customer Centers and County Welfare Agencies and is intended to satisfy all Federal notice requirements including 42 CFR 431.408. Comments or inquiries must be submitted in writing within 30 days of the date of this notice. Comments or inquiries can be sent to:

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