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Policy & Financing
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TO: All Stakeholders

FROM: The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing

DATE: October 7, 2015

SUBJECT: COMMUNICATION BRIEF- Notification that the Department will be releasing the Statewide Transition Plan (STP) for a second Public Notice period.

Purpose: To notify stakeholders that the Department is releasing the Statewide Transition Plan (STP) for a 30 day Public Comment period. The STP has been updated and is being re-released for a second Public Comment period.

Background: The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) issued a Final Rule for Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) effective March 17, 2014 to ensure individuals receiving Waiver services through HCBS programs have full access to the greater community and reside in home-like residences.

Federal rule requires States to submit a Statewide Transition Plan to meet new Federal criteria for all relevant HCBS programs under 1915(c), 1915(k), and 1915(i). This plan will outline how the final rule will be implemented over the next 5 years. In Colorado, there are seven HCBS waivers with residential and non-residential components that will be impacted by the new Federal rules:

- [Brain Injury Waiver \(BI\)](#)
- [Children's Habilitation Residential Program \(CHRP\)](#)
- [Community Mental Health Supports Waiver \(CMHS\)](#)
- [Developmental Disabilities Waiver \(DD\)](#)
- [Supported Living Services Waiver \(SLS\)](#)
- [Elderly, Blind and Disabled Waiver \(EBD\)](#)
- [Spinal Cord Injury Waiver \(SCI\)](#)

Information: The Department is providing a second 30 day Public Comment period for all stakeholders from October 13, 2015 to November 12, 2015. The Public Comment period will afford all stakeholders a chance to review the STP and provide feedback to the Department. All questions and comments will be compiled into a Listening Log that will also be released to Stakeholders and will include the Departments response. The STP can be viewed at: <https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/hcbs-waiver-transition> or a hard copy can be requested by contacting Adam Tucker at 303-866-5472 by e-mail adam.tucker@state.co.us or by U.S. Mail at:

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Action: The Department is releasing the updated STP for public comment from October 13, 2015 to November 12, 2015.

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