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To: All Stakeholders

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Subject: COMMUNICATION BRIEF
Waiver Implementation Council Membership Invitation

Purpose: To invite interested individuals to apply to serve on the Waiver Implementation Council.

Background: The Waiver Implementation Council (WIC) consults and advises the Department throughout the design and implementation of a redesigned Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver to serve adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD). The WIC is rooted in the Waiver Redesign Workgroup, which was established in 2013. The Workgroup comprised a diverse group of interested stakeholders who examined the advantages, disadvantages, and fiscal implications of a redesigned waiver for adults with IDD. In 2015, the Workgroup's recommendations and statewide stakeholder input were captured in a comprehensive [Summary and Recommendation Report](#) and [Addendum](#).

In August 2016, the Workgroup transitioned to the WIC as a new capacity for consulting and advising the Department's design and implementation of a consolidated waiver. The WIC has been active across multiple series of in-person meetings, conference calls, and other channels of ongoing communication.

Information: The Department and the WIC will meet at least quarterly between July 2018 and June 2019. The next meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2018 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM.

In advance of these meetings, the Department has decided to renew and expand WIC membership. The Department invites current members and new interested individuals to indicate interest in the WIC membership through the respective procedures:

- Current members: Please notify the Department of your interest to continue as a member by emailing joshua.negrini@state.co.us no later than June 8th, 2018. Please indicate any changes to your affiliations, title, and/or contact information.



- New interested parties: Please complete and return the attached interest form to: joshua.negrini@state.co.us no later than 11:59 PM, June 17, 2018. The Department will evaluate each Interest Form against a standardized scoring system. The system will factor the applicant's narrative response and identified stakeholder perspective. The system distributes additional weight to underrepresented, direct stakeholder perspectives; specifically, individuals receiving services (self-advocates), family members and/or guardians of a person with IDD, professional or volunteer advocates for people with disabilities, and stakeholders with multiple perspectives. The Department also encourages submission of interest forms by service providers, Community Centered Board (CCB) representatives, and other stakeholder perspectives. The selected individuals will be notified by June 29, 2018, and the new WIC membership will be announced in an informational memo distributed on July 13, 2018.

Attachment(s): Waiver Implementation Council Interest Form

Waiver Implementation Calendar- Draft of Proposed Dates

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