Overview

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (the Department) will authorize 168 enrollments in the Home and Community-Based Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (HCBS-DD) waiver beginning on May 8, 2018. As of May 1, 2018, 2,936 individuals are waiting to enroll in the HCBS-DD waiver with a timeline of As Soon As Available. The authorized enrollments will apply to the first 168 individuals who are waiting for services as of May 1, 2018.

Background and Current State

Budgetary limitations restrict Colorado’s ability to serve all individuals who are eligible for and in need of long-term services and supports, consequently, individuals are placed on waiting lists.

Together with the General Assembly, the Department continues to make steady progress toward growing enrollment and meeting individuals needs in the HCBS-DD waiver through reserved capacity enrollments for individuals in emergency situations, those transitioning into the community from institutions, or transitioning from child to adult waivers. The chart below shows the historic and projected growth in HCBS-DD enrollments.
Through enhanced data management combined with efforts to increase reserved capacity in the HCBS- DD waiver, the Department can now begin to enroll individuals who are waiting for services As Soon As Available using current funding. The Department will enroll the first 168 individuals who are waiting for services As Soon As Available, and will continue to enroll individuals from the top of the waiting list on an ongoing basis.

**Next Steps**

Community Centered Boards who have individuals residing in their regions that are in the top 168 of the waiting list will be contacted directly by the Department with further guidance.

For more information about the HCBS- DD waiver waiting list and related reports, visit [https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/IDD-Services-enrollments-waitlists](https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/IDD-Services-enrollments-waitlists).

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