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Department of Health Care  
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# HCBS Waiver Amendment Overview

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The Department intends to submit waiver amendments for the following Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waivers:

- Community Mental Health Support (CMHS)
- Persons who are Elderly, Blind and Disabled (EBD)

The proposed amendment is for a targeted rate increase for Alternative Care Facilities (ACF) within the HCBS-CMHS waiver and HCBS-EBD waiver.

The Department will have the amendments out for public notice from May 31, 2018 through June 29, 2018. The Department is requesting an effective date of October 1, 2018 for these amendments.

Explanations of changes within each waiver can be found below.

## Public Comment Opportunity

The Department will have drafts of the Waiver Amendments posted on the Department's website at <https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/hcbs-waiver-transition> for public comment.

To request a paper or electronic copy of any waiver renewals or amendment materials, including the full draft waiver and/or provide public comment please do so by:

Phone: (303) 866-6113

Email: [LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us](mailto:LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us)

In-Person: 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203

Postal Mail: 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203 ATTN: HCBS Waiver Amendments

Fax: (303) 866-2786 ATTN: HCBS Waiver Amendments

**Public Comments will be accepted from May 31, 2018 through June 29, 2018.**

## Summary of Changes

### Alternative Care Facility (ACF) targeted rate increase

- *CMHS and EBD waiver have been amended to increase the Alternative Care Facility (ACF) rate by 25%. The increase is included in the state budget, which*

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*was signed by the Governor on April 30, 2018. The current ACF rate is \$51.92. With the 25% increase, the new ACF rate will be \$64.90 per day.*

## **Guidelines for Submitting Comments**

- The Department will have a draft of the Waiver Amendments open for 30-day public comment from May 31 through June 29, 2018. The amendments will be posted on the Department's website here: <https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/hcbs-waiver-transition>
- Individuals may request a copy of the full waiver amendments by email, phone, fax, postal mail or in-person.
- Comments regarding the draft waiver amendments can be emailed directly to [LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us](mailto:LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us); submitted by phone at (303) 866-6113; submitted by fax at (303) 866-2786 ATTN: HCBS Waiver Amendments or in-person at 1570 Grant Street, Denver CO 80203.

- Comments can also be addressed by mail to:

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- All comments and responses will be recorded in a listening log that will be published after the public comment period ends.

The Department commits to incorporating comments, concerns, and suggestions when possible.

