



## INFORMATIONAL MEMO

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### **Purpose and Audience:**

The purpose of this Informational Memo is to inform stakeholders of upcoming meetings hosted by the Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (Department) to discuss and receive feedback on proposed changes to how day program services are able to be provided through the duration of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) and beyond. These meetings are open to all interested stakeholders, including Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver members, guardians and relatives of members, advocates, and representatives of providers and Case Management Agencies serving individuals who receive day program services through HCBS waivers.

### **Information:**

The Department has revised service provisions in HCBS in response to the COVID-19 PHE. These provisions have allowed for day program services to be delivered using a

more flexible, person-centered approach. The Department understands the value that flexible service provision offers waiver members. For this reason, the Department is pursuing permanently modifying day program services, across all HCBS waivers, to allow for HCBS day program services to be provided in various ways to better meet the needs of HCBS waiver members. The Department plans to revise both regulations and the waivers to implement more permanently some of these changes to how day program services can continue to be provided in a flexible way.

### Stakeholder Engagement Opportunities

The Department seeks to engage providers, waiver members, family members, advocates, and Case Managers through a series of stakeholder meetings to work towards implementing and operating flexible day program services in HCBS waivers. The Department plans to continue collaborating with stakeholders on this topic.

Day program engagement opportunities are being divided into two groups, Adult Day Services (ADS) stakeholders and Day Habilitation stakeholders. Each group will have two opportunities to provide comments, suggestions and asks questions, as well as review potential waiver application and regulation changes. Stakeholders interested in this topic are encouraged to hold the dates for the following engagement opportunities:

### **Engagement Opportunities for Adult Day Service (ADS) Stakeholders**

#### Date and Time:

Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.– 11:00 a.m.

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Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.– 11:00 a.m.

To access these ADS Stakeholder Meetings, please use the following link:

<https://cohcpf.adobeconnect.com/ads/>

### **Engagement Opportunities for Day Habilitation Stakeholders**

#### Date and Time:

Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.– 11:00 a.m.

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Thursday, October 1, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.– 11:00 a.m.

To access the Day Habilitation Stakeholder Meetings, please use the following link:

<https://cohcpf.adobeconnect.com/idd/>

**Attachment(s):**

None

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