

Legislative Initiative 2017

Waiver Consolidation



Goal

Transition individuals enrolled in the following waivers into the Long-term Care (LTC) Waiver to receive home and community-based services (HCBS):

- Traumatic Brain and Spinal Cord Injury (TBI/SCI) Waiver
- Adult Cystic Fibrosis (ACF) Waiver
- Project AIDS Care (PAC) Waiver (enrollees who require HCBS)

Intent

Leverage the services, structures, and heightened case management/support processes in place under the Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) program to provide impacted individuals with:

- Simplified access to Medicaid services
- Greater consistency in the Medicaid process
- Improved case management/care coordination
- Access to the additional benefits of the SMMC program



Traumatic Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Waiver

- Approximately 350 individuals enrolled and 350 recipients on the waiting list
- Nursing facility level of care
 - Currently eligible to enroll in the LTC program if they chose.



Adult Cystic Fibrosis Waiver

- Approximately 140 individuals enrolled
- Hospital level of care
 - Create an eligibility group under the LTC waiver



Project AIDS Care Waiver

- Approximately 8000 individuals enrolled
 - Majority only receive case management services through the PAC Waiver
- Hospital or nursing facility level of care
 - Create an eligibility group under the 1115 Managed Medical Assistance Waiver to maintain this populations' access to Medicaid
 - Individuals requiring additional HCBS able to enroll in the LTC Waiver



Service Comparability

- Most services under existing waivers align with the LTC Waiver
- Analysis indicates the following services can be replaced by existing services as indicated:



WAIVER	CURRENT SERVICE	REPLACEMENT SERVICE
PAC	Restorative Massage	Physical Therapy/ Chiropractic
TBI/SCI	Life Skills Training	Occupational/ Physical Therapy
	Personal Adjustment Counseling	Behavioral Management
ACF	Massage Therapy	Physical Therapy
	Nutritional Supplements	Prescribed Drugs



Transition Process

- Transition process designed to:
 - Facilitate understanding of the transition process early and often
 - Help individuals make an affirmative and appropriate plan choice
- Plans contractually required to ensure continuity of care during transition period
- Complete transition by January 1, 2018



Questions

