

**DDDS LIFESPAN WAIVER
PRESENTATION**

**GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL TO DDDS
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BACKGROUND:

The Epilogue of the FY15 and 16 Budget Acts directed DDDS to plan for a “Family Support Waiver”.

APPROACH:

Rather than create a stand-alone 1915(c) waiver, DDDS will amend the current 1915(c) HCBS waiver, the DDDS waiver, to create the “Lifespan Waiver”.

The amended Lifespan Waiver will:

- add new family support services to the current menu of services
- add additional waiver slots to include people with IDD living at home with their family

WHY THIS APPROACH MAKES SENSE FOR DELAWARE:

- **Facilitate transitions as needs change**
- **Efficiencies in Waiver Administration**
 - Performance measure tracking and reporting
 - Provider Enrollment

HOW MUCH WILL THIS COST?

- **The amendment to create the Lifespan Waiver is designed to be budget neutral for the service costs.**
 - **The amendment will use current available DDDS funding of \$1.2M for family support services to leverage federal funds**
 - **State funds will still be available for individuals who will not be enrolled in the waiver**
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WHO WILL BE SERVED?

- **Current waiver enrollees**
 - **Individuals who currently receive only DDDS Day Services (approximately 1,000 individuals)**
 - **Individuals graduating from school each year**
 - **Individuals whose needs have changed to include residential services**
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WHICH SERVICES WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE LIFESPAN WAIVER?:

- All of the current DDDS waiver services
 - Community living support
 - Home and vehicle modifications
 - Assistive technology
 - Specialized equipment and supplies
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WHAT ELSE WILL BE DIFFERENT ABOUT THE LIFESPAN WAIVER?

- **Person Centered Planning**
- **Case Management**

PERSON-CENTERED PLANNING PROCESS:

- **Will be driven by the individual who will be fully engaged**
 - **Will continuously identify each person's needs and the services to best meet those needs as they change**
 - **Will include elements outlined in CMS' HCBS Rule.**
 - **For the first time, individuals living at home will also have a formalized planning *process***
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CASE MANAGEMENT:

Targeted Case Management option will be available for:

- Individuals living with their family
- Individuals living in a DDS residential setting

WILL THE STAFF WHO SUPPORT ME CHANGE?

- DDDS case managers will retain responsibility for overall coordination of services and quality assurance for individuals living in a waiver residential setting
- A separate private provider will hire case managers to provide service coordination and connect families to community resources. We expect that they will hire some or all of the current Family Support Specialists

ADDITIONAL STAFF TO OPERATE THE LIFESPAN WAIVER

DDDS will need 6.0 additional staff to :

- **Carry out internal waiver administrative functions**
- **Provide oversight for entities providing person-centered planning and targeted case management services in the community**

DMMA will need 3.0 additional staff to:

- **Process client waiver applications**

Questions?

Suggestions?