

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

PROPOSAL TO COMMENT ON OREGON 1915(b)(4) SELECTIVE CONTRACTING WAIVER

COMMENTS DUE: March 30, 2018

BACKGROUND:

Aging and People with Disabilities, is in the process of renewing a 1915(b)(4) selective contracting waiver to ensure the availability of case management services to individuals receiving Medicaid Long-Term Services and Supports through the 1915(c) waiver and 1915(k) State plan options. The 1915(b)(4) selective contracting waiver limits the providers of case management services to staff of DHS and AAA offices throughout the state. The renewal of the 1915(b)(4) waiver will allow Aging and People with Disabilities to continue to provide case management services through DHS and AAA local offices and will ensure no disruption of case management services for individuals currently receiving these services.

PROPOSAL:

The Oregon Department of Human Services, Aging and People with Disabilities is asking for review and comment on its submission of the renewal of a 1915(b)(4) selective contracting waiver to provide case management services to individuals receiving Medicaid Long-Term Services and Supports. The current 1915(b)(4) waiver expires June 30, 2018. The waiver renewal application will be submitted March 1, 2018 with an effective date of July 1, 2018 and will run for an additional 5 years, through June 2023.

The renewal application contains no substantive changes to rates, rate methodology or the case management delivery system. The major change proposed at renewal is in Quality Assurance activities. Oregon is proposing to utilize the same measures used to review and remediate the (b)(4) waiver as are used in the 1915(c) waiver. This will eliminate the need for duplicative assessments and will create a more efficient quality review process.

Oregon is not proposing any substantive changes to the waiver and does not anticipate any significant impact to individuals receiving Medicaid Long-Term Services and Supports due to the renewal of the waiver.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2018

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION LOCATED AT:

<http://www.oregon.gov/dhs/seniors-disabilities/KPLAN/Pages/index.aspx>

HOW TO COMMENT: Send written comments by fax, mail or email to:

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NEXT STEPS: OHA will consider all comments received. A State Plan Amendment will be submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid.