

# HCBS Waiver for Persons with Physical Disabilities



**PRESENTED BY,  
THE DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FINANCING  
AND POLICY  
LONG TERM SERVICES AND SUPPORTS**

# Purpose of the HCBS PD Waiver



- To offer the option of Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) provided in the community as an alternative to nursing facility placement.
- To Support individuals in their home to remain in the community as an alternative to Nursing Facility placement.
- Eligible applicants may be placed on the Physically Disabled (PD) Waiver from a Nursing Facility, another waiver program, or the community.

# HCBS PD Waiver Eligibility



To be enrolled in the HCBS PD Waiver an individual must:

- Be determined to have a physical disability.
- Meet a Nursing Facility Level of Care.
- Require at least one Waiver service monthly.
- Be safe in the community with waiver supports.
- Meet the financial income criteria.

# HCBS PD Waiver Services



Services offered through the HCBS PD Waiver include:

- Case Management
- Homemaker
- Respite
- Attendant Care Services
- Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies
- Assisted Living Services
- Chore Services
- Environmental Accessibility Adaptations
- Home Delivered Meals
- Personal Emergency Response Systems (PERS)

# HCBS PD Waiver Renewal



The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) require that all HCBS Waivers be renewed every five years. The current HCBS PD Waiver will expire on December 26, 2017 and is in the process of being renewed.

Services under the HCBS PD Waiver will remain the same, however, there have been some changes made to the Waiver in the renewal.

# HCBS PD Waiver Changes



- The Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) became the operating agency as of July 1, 2015.
- The State is consolidating the review process with other services.
- There is a new focus on person centered planning.
- There is an allowance for different methods of signature on program documents.
- Recipients may self direct the following services: Attendant Care, Chore, Respite, or Homemaker.
- Another level of priority has been added to the waitlist based upon the assessed level of need.
- The new CMS rules for Home and Community Based Settings have been addressed.
- The DHCFP will accept the training and monitoring of training for personal care attendants that is required by the Department of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) as sufficient.