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DHCFP is proposing to amend the Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver for Persons with Physical Disabilities (PD) to reflect the following changes and must be submitted to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for approval. As part of the process, the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is requesting public comment regarding this amendment.

During the 2021 Legislative Session, Assembly Bill 495 was passed to add another self-directed model, called Financial Management Services (FMS). The FMS self-directed model is a budget authority which will be offered to PD waiver recipients for the provision of certain waiver services: Attendant Care, Chore, Homemaker, and Respite.

In the FMS budget authority model, the recipient is considered the employer of the caregiver/employee and has the flexibility in scheduling the provision of services, hire and fire employees, determines the amount paid for services within the state's established limits, and reallocate funds among certain waiver services.

The state procured an FMS vendor that will be developing, budgeting, assisting, and monitoring recipients' spending plan. In addition, the FMS vendor performs all functions of Fiscal/Employer Agents under Section 3504 of the Internal Revenue Code and IRS Revenue Procedure 2013-39 on behalf of the Employer/Employee.

The changes can be found at the following link:

<http://dhcfp.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/dhcfp.nv.gov/content/Home/features/Request%20for%20an%20Amendment%20to%20a%201915c%20PD%20Waiver.pdf>

To be assured consideration, comments must be received by one of the methods provided below no later than 5:00 PM on August 30, 2024. You may submit comments in one of three ways (please choose only one of the ways listed):

Electronically: You may email comments to:

hcbs@dhcfp.nv.gov. Write "FMS Amendment to PD Waiver" on the subject line.

Mail: You may mail written comments to the following address:

Division of Health Care Financing and Policy
ATTN: LTSS – "FMS Amendment to PD Waiver"
1100 E. William Street, Suite 101
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Fax: You may fax comments to the following number:

(775) 687-8724

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All comments received before the close of the comment period are available for viewing by the public, including any personally identifiable or confidential business information that is included in a comment. We will post all the comments

received by the close of the comment period, as soon as possible after they have been received, on the following web site: Link to be created.

There will be a link on the page for Public Comments received.