

# **Public Notice of Nevada Medicaid Application for Section 1115 Oral Health Demonstration Waiver Project**

**July 18, 2022**

The Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) is publishing public notice of its intent to submit to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) a section 1115 Demonstration Waiver application to pilot a new oral health project for adults with diabetes who are enrolled in Medicaid. This notice is being provided pursuant to federal requirements for public notice and comment under 42 CFR 431.408. A copy of the full public notice and the draft Demonstration application may be found at:

<http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Pgms/waivers/1115OHDiabetes>.

The Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is requesting authority from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for a five-year, section 1115 demonstration waiver to expand access to dental services for adults with diabetes in Nevada who receive services from participating federally qualified health centers (FQHCs). Specifically, DHHS seeks authority to waive federal requirements in Medicaid for “statewideness” and “comparability” under the Social Security Act to provide this new benefit to a subset of adults enrolled in Medicaid in Nevada. This Demonstration will further the objectives of Title XIX and Title XXI of the Social Security Act by improving access to high-quality, dental services that produce positive health outcomes for individuals with diabetes. The Demonstration will not modify the Nevada’s current Medicaid program or Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP) outside of the dental benefits described within the application.

## **Public Comments & Hearing Information**

For additional detail on this waiver, please attend the Medicaid Consumer Advisory Committee meeting on July 19, 2022 for the first public hearing, which will provide an overview of the waiver and opportunity for public comment. For more information about additional hearings on this waiver, please visit: <http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Pgms/waivers/1115OHDiabetes>.

The state intends to also host an additional hearing on August 30, 2022. For more information, notice and agenda for public hearings on this waiver will be posted online also at <http://dhcfp.nv.gov>, <http://dhcfp.nv.gov/Pgms/Waivers/1115/>, and <http://notice.nv.gov>, as well as Carson City, Las Vegas, Elko, and Reno central offices for DHCFP.

Written public comments can be submitted to [1115waivers@dhcfp.nv.gov](mailto:1115waivers@dhcfp.nv.gov) through 5 p.m. Pacific Standard Time on Monday, September 19, 2022.

Please see addresses for central office locations: 1100 E. William Street, Suite 101 Carson City, Nevada 89701 1010 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 103, Elko, Nevada 89801 1210 S. Valley View, Suite 104, Las Vegas, Nevada 745 W. Moana Lane, Suite 200, Reno, Nevada 89509

E-mail notice will be made to individuals who have requested notice of meetings (to request notifications please email [1115waivers@dncfp.nv.gov](mailto:1115waivers@dncfp.nv.gov), or write to 1100 East William Street, Suite 101, Carson City, Nevada 89701.)

If you require a physical copy of supporting material for the public meeting, please contact [1115waivers@dncfp.nv.gov](mailto:1115waivers@dncfp.nv.gov), or at 1100 East William Street, Suite 101, Carson City, Nevada 89701. Supporting material will also be posted online as referenced above.

Note: We are pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public with a disability that wish to participate. If accommodated arrangements are necessary, notify DHCNP as soon as possible and at least ten days in advance of the meeting, by e-mail at [1115waivers@dncfp.nv.gov](mailto:1115waivers@dncfp.nv.gov) or in writing, at 1100 East William Street, Suite 101, Carson City, Nevada 89701