

CHILDREN'S DD SERVICES ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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| What changes are coming to the Children's Developmental Disability Services program? | On July 1, 2019 all <i>intervention services</i> for children will be moved to the State Plan. Community based services and school-based services will share the same service names. Additionally, individuals may choose to access children's intervention services up to their 21 st birthday. |
| Why are intervention services moving into the State Plan? | Changes in Federal law now require Medicaid to offer intervention services in the State Plan. Children will be allowed to access Medicaid intervention services that are medically necessary, based on need, no longer based on a diagnosis. |
| What services will be available in the State Plan for schools and community? | The proposed services include: Habilitative Skill, Behavioral Intervention, Interdisciplinary Training, Crisis Intervention, and Behavioral Consultation. Currently school-based services include Behavioral Intervention and Behavioral Consultation, only. |
| What does that mean for school-based services? | School Districts and Charter Schools will be able to seek reimbursement for Habilitative Skill, Behavioral Intervention, Interdisciplinary Training, Crisis Intervention, and Behavioral Consultation for students who demonstrate a need. |
| What about community-based support services? | Support Services will remain a waiver service like they are today. The proposed services include: Habilitative Supports, Family Education, Respite, and Family Directed Supports. These services will continue to be attached to a budget and are not school-based services. Individuals are eligible to receive children's support services up to their 18 th birthday. |
| When will these changes be effective? | The Department will be requesting a temporary /proposed rule to be implemented on July 1, 2019. This rule will no longer go in front of the 2019 Legislature, it has been moved to 2020. |

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| <p>Who is involved in developing the changes?</p> | <p>Four advisory groups are currently assisting in the work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A clinical advisory group. To provide clinical expertise and advice in the area of Developmental Disability needs of Children. • A family-directed services group. Parents and advocates who can provide experience and advice in the area of developmental disability needs of children currently using the Family Directed Services option. • A traditional services group. Parents and advocates who can provide experience and advice in the area of developmental disability needs of Children. • A provider advisory group. To aid in understanding the impacts and needs of providers in the area of Developmental Disability needs of Children. <p>The purpose of these groups is to provide us assistance in identifying concerns and needs of participants and providers as well as feedback and support as we move forward with designing and implementing the changes</p> |
| <p>How will updates be shared?</p> | <p>A website has been designed to provide up-to-date information on all decisions, updates, and communications as well as a way to provide your comments at: Enhancement.dhw.idaho.gov. You can subscribe to the website by choosing "Monitor this Site" and completing the required information.</p> |
| <p>How can I be involved?</p> | <p>Monthly family and provider meetings are scheduled in each region until June 2019. Please visit the website above for dates, times, and locations. The website also provides the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback directly to the project team by using the feedback form on the Contact Info tab.</p> |