

# Community Supports Waiver Design

NM Department of Health (DOH), Developmental  
Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD)

# Objectives

Understand	HSD's and DOH's research on Supports Waivers
Overview	Of other states' Supports Waivers that were considered as possible models, and criteria used to make those selections
Understand	Timeline, required by CMS, to ensure this waiver is available by January 1, 2020
Review	Stakeholder groups identified for input and upcoming meeting dates
Review	Processes that need operationalization and timelines in relation to CSW-DDW and Mi Via Waiver System

# HSD-DOH National Research Efforts on Supports Waivers

- Consultation and technical assistance from the National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services (NASDDDS)
- Consultation and technical assistance from Human Services Research Institute (HSRI)
- Consultation with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)
- Developed criteria and questions to guide research with other states:
  - ✓ Populations served
  - ✓ Service Plan Funding methodologies
  - ✓ Is waiver used to address the waiting list
  - ✓ 1915 C Waiver Authority
  - ✓ Tiered Waiver System
  - ✓ Services Offered

# Initial Research

- DDSD reviewed 18 states that utilize supports waivers
- DDSD identified 8 states that would serve as useful models for NM
  - ✓ Maryland
  - ✓ Ohio
  - ✓ Virginia
  - ✓ Louisiana
  - ✓ Pennsylvania
  - ✓ Missouri
  - ✓ Tennessee
  - ✓ Washington

# Research

- DDSD contacted all 8 states and discussed our criteria and questions
- Developed an information sheet of all 8 states
- Shared information with DOH/HSD leadership
- Reviewed approved support waivers in all 8 states

# Focused Research

- DDS developed the following criteria to review supports waivers to inform the final selection of 3 models to consider
  - ✓ Populations served
  - ✓ Used to address the waiting list
  - ✓ 1915 c waiver authority
  - ✓ Tiered system
  - ✓ Flexibility

# Research

- ✓ Promote self-determination, independence, productivity, inclusion and integration
- ✓ Support families
- ✓ Have budget allotments
- ✓ Allow additional funds to the budget allotments to address increased needs on a short term basis (i.e. short term exception process)
- ✓ Focus on transition from school to employment

Maryland

Pennsylvania

Louisiana

Align	With NM's vision
Represent	Promising practices to address state waiting list
Represent	Best practices
Represent	States that also operate comprehensive/other waiver programs
Represent	Varied service arrays and budget amounts

Population	All ages
Budget Allotment	\$25,000
Temporary Budget Exceptions	Yes
1915 (c) waiver	Yes
Used to address waiting list	Yes
Tiered waiver system	Yes
Limits to service amounts	No
Case Management inside budget	No
Provider/vendor structure	Provider
Self-directed option	Yes

## **Model #1 Maryland**

- Service array:
  - Supported Employment Services
  - Transitional Employment Services
  - Employment Discovery & Customization
  - Community Development Services
  - Day Habilitation
  - Medical Day Care
  - Support Services
  - Self-Direction Supports

Population	All ages
Budget Allotment	\$33,000
Temporary Budget Exceptions	Yes
1915 (c) waiver	Yes
Used to address waiting list	Yes
Tiered waiver system	Yes
Limits to service amounts	No
Case Management inside budget	Yes
Provider/vendor structure	Provider
Self-directed option	Yes

## Model # 2 Pennsylvania

- Service Array
  - Advanced Supported Employment
  - Assistive Technology
  - Behavioral Support
  - Benefits Counseling
  - Communication Specialist
  - Community Participation Support
  - Companion
  - Consultative Nutritional Services
  - Education Support
  - Family/Caregiver Training and Support
  - Home Accessibility Adaptations
  - Homemaker/Chore
  - Housing Transition and Tenancy Sustaining Services
  - In-Home and Community Support

## **Model #2 Pennsylvania**

- Service Array
  - Music, Art, and Equine Assisted Therapy
  - Participant-Directed Goods and Services
  - Respite
  - Shift Nursing
  - Small Group Employment
  - Specialized Supplies
  - Supported Employment
  - Supports Broker Supports Coordination
  - Therapy – Physical, Occupational, Speech, Language, and Orientation, Mobility and Vision
  - Transportation
  - Vehicle Accessibility Adaptations

Population	18 +
Budget Allotment	Avg. \$7,000
Temporary Budget Exceptions	No
1915 (c) waiver	Yes
Used to address waiting list	Yes
Tiered waiver system	Yes
Limits to service amounts	Yes
Case Management inside budget	Yes
Provider/vendor structure	Provider
Self-directed option	No

## **Model #3 Louisiana**

- Service array
  - Support Coordination
  - Supported Employment – Individual or Group
  - Day Habilitation
  - Prevocational
  - Respite (center-based or in-home)
  - Habilitation
  - Permanent Supportive Housing Stabilization
  - Permanent Supportive Housing Stabilization Transition
  - Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)

People want to be integrated in the community

CSW will remove people from the wait list

There will be funding limits

People tend to use the maximum amount of their budget allotments

We will serve as many people as possible.

Anyone allocated can access the CSW

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Population	All ages
Budget Allotment	TBD
Temporary Exceptions	Yes
1915 (c) waiver authority	Yes
How waiting list will be addressed	TBD
Tiered waiver system	TBD
Limits in service amounts	TBD
Community Supports Coordinator inside individual budget	TBD
Provider/vendor structure	TBD
Self-directed option	TBD

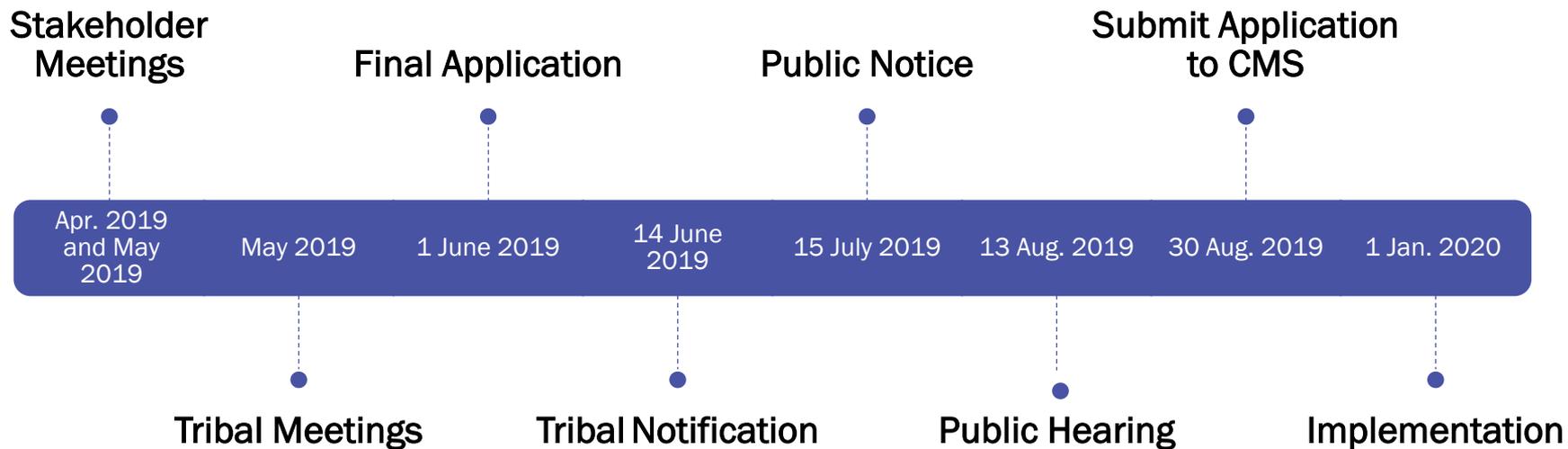
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## **New Mexico Ideas**

- Service array
  - Transportation
  - Self-Advocacy Training
  - Employment
  - Behavior Supports
  - Help with Locating Housing
  - Community Coordination
  - Technology
  - Budget and Money Management
  - Respite
  - Other Recommendations?

Options	Age	Budget Allotment	SGF ( State Share)	Sub Total	Total
1	all	\$20,000	\$5,552		<b>\$27,771,104</b>
2	all	\$25,000	\$6,940		<b>\$34,713,880</b>
3	all	\$30,000	\$8,328		<b>\$41,656,656</b>
4	0-21	\$20,000	\$5,552	\$14,668,384	<b>\$31,046,784</b>
	22 and over	\$25,000	\$6,940	\$16,378,400	
5	0-17	\$15,000	\$4,164	\$7,270,344	<b>\$28,623,336</b>
	18-21	\$20,000	\$5,552	\$4,974,592	
	22 and over	\$25,000	\$6,940	\$16,378,400	

- Covered Services
- Community Supports Coordinator
- Self-directed component: Yes, No, or a hybrid?
- Budget allotment amount
- Limits in service categories
- Exception amounts (temporary or otherwise)
- Provider/vendor network
- Tiered waiver system/entrance criteria
- Stopover/interim while waiting for DDW/MVW or end in itself
- Assessment Tool



## Required Timelines 1/1/20 Implementation

Input from people in services and on Wait List

- 2016 KIT Letter response from WL
- 2017-2018 Statewide KYR and ARR Townhalls
- 2019 Waitlist Survey

Informing identified stakeholder groups and public

- SW PowerPoint (HCBS Medicaid Supports Waiver)
- Fact Sheets

Advisory meetings hosted by DOH Secretary

- DOH secretary meeting with varied stakeholder groups including ACQ, DRNM, legislators, advocates, and provider associations

DOH –HSD Task Force for decision making

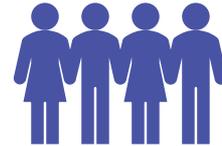
- Reviews national research, data points, survey results, and CMS requirements in order to make decisions

Statewide Town Hall Meetings

- Regionally scheduled prior to formal public notification of draft application
- Provide information and accept questions or comments

# Partners and Stakeholders

- People waiting for services and their families
- Disability Rights New Mexico (DRNM)
- ARC of New Mexico
- Governor's Commission on Disability
- Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (DDPC)
- Parents Reaching Out (PRO)
- Advisory Council on Quality Services for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and Their Families (ACQ)
- Center for Self-Advocacy
- People First
- Tribal Communities



# Partners and Stakeholders

- Association of Developmental Disabilities Community Providers (ADDCP)
- Consultant Association
- Case Management Action and Advocacy Committee
- Therapy Network
- Behavior Therapy Association
- Nursing Association
- Mi Via Advisory Committee
- NM Association of Family Living Providers



# Resources

- DOH website: <https://nmhealth.org/about/ddsd/pgsv/>
- Office of Constituent Support tracking inquiries Lisa Storti  
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