

PUBLIC NOTICE

South Dakota Medicaid

Notice is hereby given that the South Dakota Department of Social Services, in conjunction with the Department of Human Services, intends to make changes to the CHOICES 1915 (c) HCBS Waiver concerning case management waiver services. The CHOICES Waiver is operated by the Division of Developmental Disabilities in the South Dakota Department of Human Services. The proposed waiver amendment defines conflict-free case management waiver services and adjusts the corresponding waiver appendices.

This amendment is a result of federal regulations mandating implementation of conflict-free case management. This Amendment modifies Appendix C, D, F, G, and I, subsections C-1 a, C-2 f, D-1 b, D-1 d, D-1 e, D-2 a, D-2 b, D bi, F-1, F-3 b, F-3 c, G-1 b, G-1 c, G-1 d, G-1 e, G-2 ai, G-2 aii, G-2 bi, I-2 a, I-2 b, I-3 gii, of the CHOICES Waiver. The Department intends to make this amendment effective June 1, 2016.

The conflict-free case management rate was derived from Community Support Provider cost report data from salaries, benefits, taxes, and overhead for existing case managers. South Dakota Department of Labor wage statistics were used to validate the cost report data. The new conflict-free case management rate will shift approximately 53% of the current service coordination dollars to conflict-free case management, providing participants with same or greater level of case management services they currently receive. The Department of Human Services anticipates there will be no federal fiscal impact associated with the waiver amendment.

Copies of the proposed waiver amendment and public input schedules are available at the Department of Social Services, Division of Medical Services. Written requests for a copy of these changes, and corresponding comments, may be sent to:

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