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# HCBS Waiver Transition FAQ for Individuals and Families 9/30/22

# What is going to change for my waiver services right now?

Nothing is immediately changing for anyone in services in terms of service delivery and general operations. You will continue to receive services in the same manner you do today. Your waiver services, including case management/care management, will not experience any changes at this time.

# Who is Impacted?

The Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services (DDRS) will be seeking to submit waiver changes in order to oversee the Aged &Disabled waiver (59 and under), and the Traumatic Brain Injury waiver (all people served by this waiver), which are currently being managed by the Division of Aging.

#### When?

While a specific date has not been set, it is intended that DDRS will be submitting waiver amendments by the end of 2023 or early 2024 to initiate this change. This would mean DDRS would not fully begin to manage the TBI and A&D target population (59 and under) until these proposed changes are approved, likely in early 2024.

#### Why are these changes being made?

A primary reason for this change is to start the process of building a stronger, more coordinated Home and Community Based Service (HCBS) waiver service delivery system. This step will begin to address stakeholder feedback over the past several years highlighting concerns related to the need for accessing waiver services faster across the HCBS Medicaid waiver options in Indiana as well as service options that may be applicable to participants on waivers within the Division of Aging and Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services. FSSA also received feedback on the need to strengthen coordination of medical and social services for members, and this transition better positions the agency to coordinate services for this population within one Division.

# How will these changes happen?

The Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services and Division of Aging will be working very closely to coordinate a transition plan to make these changes, and also share regular updates



with everyone on key dates and opportunities for sharing information and getting feedback from individuals and families as the transition plan unfolds.

# What do I need to do right now as a result of this planned change?

As a person or family receiving services and supports through the Aged & Disabled waiver (59 years of age and under) or the Traumatic Brain Injury waiver, you do not need to do anything at this time. Nothing is immediately changing in terms of your services and how they are delivered. You continue to have choice in services and providers of those services.

#### Where can I find more information on this waiver transition?

The Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services (DDRS) will be seeking stakeholder feedback throughout this process. Updates will be provided in a variety of ways including virtual and in-person listening sessions, written communications, and public comment periods.

# How will I get updates on this matter?

Updates will be provided in a variety of ways including virtual and in-person listening sessions, written communications, and public comment periods.

# What do I do if I have questions?

You may email (<u>backhome.indiana@fssa.in.gov</u>). You are also invited to join the feedback sessions being hosted in late October through mid-November to hear more about the plans for waiver transition and share your input. If you are not already signed up, please visit <a href="https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/INFSSA/subscriber/new?topic\_id=INFSSA\_43">https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/INFSSA/subscriber/new?topic\_id=INFSSA\_43</a> to sign up for updates from FSSA (text message or email) so you receive updates on when the feedback sessions are scheduled. You may also follow the Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services on Facebook, where regular updates will be posted: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064842934745">https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064842934745</a>.