



# End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) 1115 Demonstration Waiver

Request for waiver renewal,  
effective January 1, 2016

# Background

- Public notice is posted for May 20 – June 19, 2015
- Public hearings scheduled for Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> and June 2, 2015, both at 1:00pm.
- Preserves secondary health insurance coverage for individuals with ESRD who have Medicare and would otherwise be unable to access kidney transplant services.
- In May 2014, continued coverage for approximately 350 individuals with ESRD was approved by CMS on a temporary basis through an emergency amendment to an existing 1115 demonstration waiver. That waiver is due to expire December 2015.
- FSSA is now making application to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for a three (3) year waiver renewal to extend coverage specifically for individuals with ESRD.
- This ESRD waiver will maintain coverage for this group until an ESRD 1915i program is operational in July 2016.



# Timeline

June 2014 – December 2015	<b>1115 Waiver</b> Temporary emergency amendment to insure former spend-down enrollees
January 2016 – October 2016	<b>ESRD 1115 Waiver Renewal</b> Former spend-down Enrollees that are not otherwise Medicaid eligible
July 2016 – Forward	<b>ESRD 1915(i) Program</b> ~ Public comment ~
January 2016 – December 2018	<b>ESRD 1115 Waiver</b> Continued coverage for 1915(i) ineligible ~ Public comment ~



# Program Goals and Objectives

Individuals eligible under this demonstration waiver will be eligible for Medicaid State Plan benefits after they meet their ESRD liability

Eligibility Group	Benefit Package
Former Spend Down Enrollees	Full Medicaid State Plan – Package A
New Enrollees	
1915(i) Ineligibles	



# Program Eligibility

## Criteria for new enrollees:

- Have Medicare
- Diagnosed with ESRD
- Income between 150-300% FPL
- Incur medical expenses which bring income down to the SSI federal benefit rate
- Have resources less than \$1,500 for an individual or \$2,250 for a couple
- Are not institutionalized
- Meet all other Medicaid eligibility criteria, including but not limited to, state residency and citizenship.



Questions?

