

## Public Notice

### Public Comment Period For 1915(c) Brain Injury Waiver Renewal

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Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code Section 249A.4, the Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS) intends to renew the Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Brain Injury (BI) Waiver effective October 1, 2019. This notice provides details about the BI Waiver renewal and serves to open the 30-day public comment period, which closes on May 13, 2019.

#### **Summary**

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) authorizes 1915(c) HCBS Waivers for a period of five years. The BI Waiver renewal application includes the adoption of the Mayo Portland Adaptability Inventory (MPAI) as a supplement to the current BI Waiver assessment tools used for level of care and service planning. There are no other substantive changes to the currently approved waiver.

**Public Review and Comments:** The HCBS BI waiver renewal application and this public notice are available at <https://dhs.iowa.gov/public-notices/BI-renewal>. To reach all stakeholders, non-electronic copies will be made available for review at the DHS Field Offices.

Prior to finalizing, DHS will consider all written comments received. The comments will be summarized and addressed in the final renewal application submitted to CMS.

Written comments may be addressed to LeAnn Moskowitz, Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise, 611 Fifth Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50309. Comments may also be sent via electronic mail to [imoskow@dhs.state.ia.us](mailto:imoskow@dhs.state.ia.us). All comments must be received by May 13, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.