The New Jersey Department of Human Services **Division of Developmental Disabilities** 

# OVERVIEW OF THE COMMUNITY CARE WAIVER (CCW)

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### **Community Care Waiver (CCW)**

- 1915(c) Medicaid Home & Community Based Services (HCBS) waiver program
- Established in NJ in 1982
- Designed to help individuals with specific service needs live in the community and avoid institutionalization
- Reside in own/family home or licensed settings

# **CCW ELIGIBILITY**

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## **CCW Eligibility**

- DDD eligibility
- Medicaid eligibility
- ICF/ID Level of Care (reviewed annually by SC)
- Waiting List (or emergency)
- Not enrolled on another waiver or MLTSS
- Own/family home or licensed setting

CCW Eligibility – What's different from the				
Supports Program?				
<u>CCW</u>	<u>Supports Program</u>			
Must meet ICF/ID LOC	Meet Functional Criteria			
Waiting List (or emergency)	No waiting list			
Own/Family Home or Licensed Settings	Own/Family Home, Unlicensed Settings			

# CCW – TIERS/INDIVIDUAL BUDGETS

## **Assigned Tiers**

- Applicable when someone shifts to FFS (or is newly enrolled once CCW FFS is fully launched)
- Based on NJ CAT results
  - Reassessment requests cannot be made for individuals on the CCW until transitioned to FFS
- Tiers
  - A through E
  - Acuity factor when clinical medical/behavioral support needs are identified (requires submission of "Addressing the Identified Clinical Needs Form" completed by SC & providers)

## **Individual Budgets**

- Applicable when someone shifts to FFS (or is newly enrolled once CCW FFS is fully launched)
- Individual Budget 3 Components
  - O Employment/Day
  - O Individual/Family Supports
  - **O Individual Supports (supports provided residentially)**
  - Additional Supported Employment as needed

CCW Tiers/Individual Budgets– What's different from the Supports Program?			
<u>CCW</u>	<u>Supports Program</u>		
3 Individual Budget Components – Individual Supports (supports provided residentially is the additional component)	2 Individual Budget Components		
No Bump-Up	Bump-Up is available		
Retirement – go up a tier & Individual Supports (residential supports) budget goes away	Retirement – same tier but can continue to use Employment/Day budget for supports		

#### **CCW Individual Budget Amounts**

Tier	Employment/ Day	Individual/Family Supports	Individual Supports (supports provided residentially)	SE	Total Individual Budget
A	\$14,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$25,740.00	As needed	\$44,740.00
Aa	\$20,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$54,692.00	As needed	\$79,692.00
В	\$18,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$51,480.00	As needed	\$79,480.00
Ba	\$26,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$109,383.00	As needed	\$145,383.00
С	\$22,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$85,801.00	As needed	\$117,801.00
Ca	\$32,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$182,303.00	As needed	\$224,303.00
D	\$33,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$120,122.00	As needed	\$168,122.00
Da	\$47,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$255,226.00	As needed	\$317,226.00
E	\$43,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$154,442.00	As needed	\$212,442.00
Ea	\$63,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$328,150.00	As needed	\$406,150.00

## **CCW ENROLLMENT PROCESS**

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#### **CCW Enrollment Process**

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- Ensure eligibility DDD, Medicaid, CCW
  - Accepted types of Medicaid now includes WorkAbility
  - CCW Only Medicaid is also available (particularly for Non-DACS)
- Assign SCA (everyone will have a SC with few exceptions)
- Upload signed CCW Participant Enrollment Agreement
- Develop ISP
  - Please note that there is a transitional ISP used for initial cohorts moving to FFS

#### Develop ISP

 Within 30 days of enrollment – enrollment date becomes date in which PEA was uploaded

CCW Enrollment Process – What's different from the Supports Program?			
<u>CCW</u>	<u>Supports Program</u>		
Residential provider must be involved in ISP planning/development unless individual chooses not to	Individual chooses whether provider will be involved in ISP planning/development or not		
ISP – Back up plan is required	ISP – Back up plan is optional		
Transitional ISP used for initial cohorts moving to FFS	Full ISP all the time		

# ACCESSING SERVICES THROUGH THE CCW

#### **CCW Services**

- Assistive Technology
- Behavioral Supports
- Career Planning
- Community Transition Services
- Day Habilitation
- Environmental Modifications
- Individual Supports
- Occupational Therapy

- Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)
- Physical Therapy
- Prevocational Training
- Respite
- Speech, Language, and Hearing Therapy
- Supported Employment
- Transportation
- Vehicle Modifications

#### **Process to Access CCW Services**

- Accessed through service providers and/or Self-Directed Employees (SDE)
- Providers and SDEs must follow service related qualifications, staff training, standards, etc.
- Providers must be Medicaid/DDD approved for applicable services
- Approved providers can be found through the Provider Search Database
- Provider claims through Molina or SDE/Business Entity submits timesheet/invoice (to PPL) for reimbursement once services have been rendered

# How are residential services (Individual Supports) covered?

- Individual Supports provide funding for staffing provided in a licensed setting or in the individual's own/family home
- Use the "Hourly" rate (15 minute units) when:
  - Individual Supports covered in or out of the home for an individual living in an unlicensed setting
  - Individuals sharing staff in unlicensed setting for under 3 hours/day
  - Self-Directed Employee (SDE) is providing the Individual Supports

#### • Use the "Daily" rate when:

- Individual Supports covered in or out of the home for an individual living in a licensed setting
- Individuals in unlicensed setting are sharing staff for more than 3 hours/day
- Home address is chosen in iRecord for location

#### How are "Housing" costs covered?

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- Housing Voucher through the Supportive Housing Connection (SHC)
  - O 30% of individual's income
  - Housing Voucher funds remaining amount based on Published Rent Standards or Single Room Occupancy rates depending on housing situation

#### Individual Contribution

• A percentage established by the residential provider to contribute to expenses such as food and utilities

# What documents are needed related to housing costs?

- SSI, SSD, last 4 pay stubs, statements from assets over \$5,000, other benefit/income/award documentation
- Lease or Residency agreement put in place by the provider and signed by the individual or guardian
- DDD Rental Subsidy Agreement
  - Outlines the requirements of receiving housing funding from DDD and signed by individual or guardian

Accessing CCW Services – What's different from the Supports Program?			
<u>CCW</u>	<u>Supports Program</u>		
Individual Supports	Community Based Supports		
Plans to amend CCW to further align services	Cognitive Rehabilitation, Community Inclusion Services, Goods & Services, Interpreter Services, Supports Brokerage		
Community Transition Services	Not available		
No PDN	Supports Program + PDN		
Housing voucher is available	Housing voucher may be available		

# MONITORING

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#### Monitoring

- Monthly phone call at a minimum
- Quarterly face-to-face, at least one quarterly visit per year must take place at any location in which the individual is receiving services more than 16 hours/week on a regular basis
- Annual Home Visit
- Documented on the Support Coordinator Monitoring tool and uploaded to iRecord

#### **Provider Processes/Standards**

- Process to access services through service providers and/or Self-Directed Employees
- Service related qualifications, staff training, standards, etc.
- Provider enrollment
- Provider Search Database (residential vacancies will not be included – must be shared by provider)
- Claiming process
- Fiscal Intermediary PPL
- Monitoring monthly, quarterly face-to-face, annual in home
- UIR process

# CCW POLICIES, PROCEDURES, STANDARDS

#### **CCW Policies, Procedures, Standards**

- Generally the same as Supports Program
- Draft CCW Policies & Procedures Manual goes into effect when someone enters the Fee-for-Service system
- http://www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddd/documen ts/community\_care\_waiver\_policy\_manual.pdf

# CCW SHIFT TO FEE-FOR-SERVICE

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#### What does CCW shift to FFS mean?

- Medicaid/DDD Approved Provider
- Discrete Services
- Additional Services
- Standardized Rates
- Individual Budgets
- Tiers
- Prior Authorization
- ISP
- Shift in Housing Funding
- CCW Policies & Procedures Manual
- Full implementation of the shift to FFS means the elimination of e-record, interim system, Real Life Choices, Challenge Grants, SDDS, etc.

#### **Completing the Shortened ISP**

- ISP (shortened or full version) opens in iRecord when the signed PEA has been uploaded & CCW is selected as the program type
- Shortened version is used when annual IHP date is more than 30 days from time of SCA assignment
  - Does not require PCPT or all information within the "Demographics" tab to be completed (only birth country, residency, and emergency contact info is needed)
  - Requires outcomes, services, providers, and details to be completed (info on services, providers, and details will be obtained through the CCW Shift to FFS Worksheet)
  - Requires litmus strip within the "Change Plan Status" tile to be green in order to review/approve the ISP
  - Review and approval process is the same as with full ISP

## **PHASES OF SHIFT**

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#### **Pilot Group**

- April July 2017
- Identification of providers, individuals
- Notification of individuals
- SCA assignment
- PEA, Provider collaboration, ISP development
- Service Delivery, Claiming

#### **Characteristics of the Pilot Group**

- Approximately 50 individuals
- Receiving all services from one of three pilot providers (The Arc of Ocean, Allies, CAU)
  - Providers are Medicaid/DDD approved for applicable services
  - Providers have experience with FFS through the Supports Program
- DDD eligible, Medicaid eligible, current NJ CAT, ICD10

#### Notification

- Phone calls with providers to confirm readiness
- Identification of individuals served by each provider who meet criteria – lists shared with providers
- Letters to individuals or guardians sent 5/15/2017
  Notification of shift to FFS
  - Support Coordination Selection form (to be completed by 5/26/2017)
  - Webinar announcement and registration details
  - Provider and Case Managers were copied

#### **Shift Process**

- Selection of the Support Coordination Agency
- Assignment of the SCA (assigned under CCW on 6/1/17) webinar for assigned SCAs held on 6/6/17
- Support Coordinator reached out to individual/family provider let SC know if family/guardian is not involved
- SC reviewed CCW Participant Enrollment Agreement with individual/family/guardian – uploaded signed copy to iRecord
- Provider sent "CCW Shift to FFS Services Worksheet" to SC
- Case Manager will reach out to assigned SCA for transitional case consultation
- Support Coordinator develops new Individualized Services Plan (ISP) in collaboration with individual/family and provider – current & new services

## Cohort 1

- July September 2017
- Identification of residential providers (completed June 2017)
- Identification of Individuals approximately 2,500 (in process)
- Notification of other providers (employment, day services, etc.)
- Notification of individuals
- SCA assignment
- PEA, Provider collaboration
- Development of shortened ISP
- Service Delivery, Claiming
- Provider, SCA, and individual/family webinars to be scheduled & announced to those involved with Cohort 1

## **Remaining Cohorts**

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#### Cohort 2

- October December 2017
- Approximately 5,000 individuals
- Cohort 3
  - O January March 2018
  - Approximately 2,500 individuals

#### Cohort 4

- O April June 2018
- All remaining CCW individuals (except those in CCRs and out-of-state placements)

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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#### **Information & Resources**

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#### DDD Website

o http://www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddd/home/

- DRAFT CCW Policies & Procedures Manual
  - o <u>http://www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddd/documents/commun</u> <u>ity care waiver policy manual.pdf</u>
  - CCW Help Desk
  - O DDD.CCWHelpdesk@dhs.state.nj.us
- Division Announcements
  - Email <u>DDD.Communications@dhs.state.nj.us</u> and write "Division Update Subscribe" in the subject line