# **Application for a §1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waiver**

## PURPOSE OF THE HCBS WAIVER PROGRAM

The Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver program is authorized in §1915(c) of the Social Security Act. The program permits a state to furnish an array of home and community-based services that assist Medicaid beneficiaries to live in the community and avoid institutionalization. The State has broad discretion to design its waiver program to address the needs of the waivers target population. Waiver services complement and/or supplement the services that are available to participants through the Medicaid State plan and other federal, state and local public programs as well as the supports that families and communities provide.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) recognizes that the design and operational features of a waiver program will vary depending on the specific needs of the target population, the resources available to the state, service delivery system structure, state goals and objectives, and other factors. A State has the latitude to design a waiver program that is cost-effective and employs a variety of service delivery approaches, including participant direction of services.

## Request for a Renewal to a §1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waiver

## **1. Major Changes**

Describe any significant changes to the approved waiver that are being made in this renewal application:

(9) Other changes include general clarification, alignment with state statute and clean-up.

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## **1. Request Information** (1 of 3)

- **A.** The **State** of **Oklahoma** requests approval for a Medicaid home and community-based services (HCBS) waiver under the authority of §1915(c) of the Social Security Act (the Act).
- **B. Program Title** (*optional this title will be used to locate this waiver in the finder*):

Medically Fragile

#### C. Type of Request: renewal

**Requested Approval Period:** (For new waivers requesting five year approval periods, the waiver must serve individuals who are dually eligible for Medicaid and Medicare.)

O 3 years ● 5 years

Draft ID: OK.010.03.00

D. Type of Waiver (select only one): Regular Waiver E. Proposed Effective Date: (mm/dd/yy) 07/01/23

#### **PRA Disclosure Statement**

The purpose of this application is for states to request a Medicaid Section 1915(c) home and community-based services (HCBS) waiver. Section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act authorizes the Secretary of Health and Human Services to waive certain specific Medicaid statutory requirements so that a state may voluntarily offer HCBS to state-specified target group(s) of Medicaid beneficiaries who need a level of institutional care that is provided under the Medicaid state plan. Under the Privacy Act of 1974 any personally identifying information obtained will be kept private to the extent of the law.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0938-0449 (Expires: December 31, 2023). The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 160 hours per response for a new waiver application and 75 hours per response for a renewal application, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. If you have comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: CMS, 7500 Security Boulevard, Attn: PRA Reports Clearance Officer, Mail Stop C4-26-05, Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

#### 1. Request Information (2 of 3)

**F. Level(s) of Care**. This waiver is requested in order to provide home and community-based waiver services to individuals who, but for the provision of such services, would require the following level(s) of care, the costs of which would be reimbursed under the approved Medicaid state plan (*check each that applies*):

## **⊠** Hospital

Select applicable level of care

#### • Hospital as defined in 42 CFR §440.10

If applicable, specify whether the state additionally limits the waiver to subcategories of the hospital level of care:

0	Inpatient psychiatric facili	y for individuals age 21 and under as p	provided in42 CFR §440.160
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## Nursing Facility

Select applicable level of care

#### • Nursing Facility as defined in 42 CFR ??440.40 and 42 CFR ??440.155

If applicable, specify whether the state additionally limits the waiver to subcategories of the nursing facility level of care:

The state limits the waiver to the skilled subcategory of nursing facility level of care.

- O Institution for Mental Disease for persons with mental illnesses aged 65 and older as provided in 42 CFR §440.140
- L Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID) (as defined in 42 CFR §440.150)

If applicable, specify whether the state additionally limits the waiver to subcategories of the ICF/IID level of care:

1. Request Information (3 of 3)

**G. Concurrent Operation with Other Programs.** This waiver operates concurrently with another program (or programs) approved under the following authorities

Select one:

## • Not applicable

**O** Applicable

Check the applicable authority or authorities:

Services furnished under the provisions of §1915(a)(1)(a) of the Act and described in Appendix I

□ Waiver(s) author	rized under §1915(b) of the Act.
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Specify the §1915(b) waiver program and indicate whether a §1915(b) waiver application has been submitted or previously approved:

Specify the §1915(b) authorities under which this program operates (check each that applies):

- □ §1915(b)(1) (mandated enrollment to managed care)
- \$1915(b)(2) (central broker)

\$1915(b)(3) (employ cost savings to furnish additional services)

\$1915(b)(4) (selective contracting/limit number of providers)

## └ A program operated under §1932(a) of the Act.

Specify the nature of the state plan benefit and indicate whether the state plan amendment has been submitted or previously approved:

- └ A program authorized under §1915(i) of the Act.
- A program authorized under §1915(j) of the Act.
- □ A program authorized under §1115 of the Act. Specify the program:

H. Dual Eligiblity for Medicaid and Medicare.

Check if applicable:

 $\overline{X}$  This waiver provides services for individuals who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid.

## 2. Brief Waiver Description

**Brief Waiver Description.** *In one page or less*, briefly describe the purpose of the waiver, including its goals, objectives, organizational structure (e.g., the roles of state, local and other entities), and service delivery methods.

The State of Oklahoma request the waiver renewal of the 1915(c) Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Medicaid members who have been diagnosed with a medically fragile condition who require hospital or skilled nursing level of care (LOC) and whose needs could not otherwise be met through another Oklahoma Waiver. A medically fragile condition is defined as a chronic physical condition, which results in prolonged dependency on medical care for which daily skilled (nursing) intervention is medically necessary and is characterized by one or more of the following:

(1) There is a life-threatening condition characterized by reasonably frequent periods of acute exacerbation which requires frequent medical supervision, and/or physician consultation and which in the absence of such supervision or consultation would require hospitalization.

(2) The individual requires frequent time-consuming administration of specialized treatments which are medically necessary.

(3) The individual is dependent on medical technology such that without the technology reasonable level of health could not be maintained. Examples include but are not limited to dependence on ventilators, dialysis machines, enteral or parenteral nutrition support and continuous oxygen.

The goal of this program is to provide services which allow Medicaid eligible persons whose UCAT assessment scores meet hospital or skilled nursing level of care and one of the characteristics of a medically fragile condition as listed above; the opportunity to remain at home or in the residential setting of their choosing while receiving the necessary care. The Medically Fragile program offers an alternative to institutional placement in order to receive Medicaid-funded care. The waiver also offers self-direction opportunities for a specified group of services such as Advanced Supportive/Restorative, Personal Care and Respite as service delivery options.

Under the Medically Fragile Waiver Program, Oklahomans who qualify will receive the following services:

- \* Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance
- \* Case Management
- \* Environmental Modifications
- \* Home Delivered Meals
- \* Hospice Care
- \* Institutional Transition Case Management
- \* Occupational Therapy
- \* Personal Care
- \* Prescribed Drugs
- \* Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)
- \* Physical Therapy
- \* Private Duty Nursing
- \* Respiratory Therapy
- \* Respite
- \* Skilled Nursing
- \* Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies
- \* Self-Directed Goods and Services
- \* Speech Therapy
- \* Transitional Case Management

The Medically Fragile waiver is a State of Oklahoma Medicaid program operated by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA), the State Medicaid Agency. As a Medicaid program, federal and state guidelines, rules, regulations and laws govern the operation of the program. At the state level, authority for the operation of Medicaid programs rests with the OHCA. Services are provided by qualified providers who have entered into provider agreements with OHCA.

## 3. Components of the Waiver Request

#### The waiver application consists of the following components. Note: Item 3-E must be completed.

- **A. Waiver Administration and Operation. Appendix A** specifies the administrative and operational structure of this waiver.
- **B.** Participant Access and Eligibility. Appendix B specifies the target group(s) of individuals who are served in this waiver, the number of participants that the state expects to serve during each year that the waiver is in effect, applicable Medicaid

eligibility and post-eligibility (if applicable) requirements, and procedures for the evaluation and reevaluation of level of care.

- **C. Participant Services. Appendix C** specifies the home and community-based waiver services that are furnished through the waiver, including applicable limitations on such services.
- **D.** Participant-Centered Service Planning and Delivery. Appendix D specifies the procedures and methods that the state uses to develop, implement and monitor the participant-centered service plan (of care).
- **E. Participant-Direction of Services.** When the state provides for participant direction of services, **Appendix E** specifies the participant direction opportunities that are offered in the waiver and the supports that are available to participants who direct their services. (*Select one*):

• Yes. This waiver provides participant direction opportunities. Appendix E is required.

**O** No. This waiver does not provide participant direction opportunities. *Appendix E is not required.* 

- **F. Participant Rights. Appendix F** specifies how the state informs participants of their Medicaid Fair Hearing rights and other procedures to address participant grievances and complaints.
- **G. Participant Safeguards. Appendix G** describes the safeguards that the state has established to assure the health and welfare of waiver participants in specified areas.
- H. Quality Improvement Strategy. Appendix H contains the Quality Improvement Strategy for this waiver.
- **I. Financial Accountability. Appendix I** describes the methods by which the state makes payments for waiver services, ensures the integrity of these payments, and complies with applicable federal requirements concerning payments and federal financial participation.
- J. Cost-Neutrality Demonstration. Appendix J contains the state's demonstration that the waiver is cost-neutral.

## 4. Waiver(s) Requested

- **A. Comparability.** The state requests a waiver of the requirements contained in §1902(a)(10)(B) of the Act in order to provide the services specified in **Appendix C** that are not otherwise available under the approved Medicaid state plan to individuals who: (a) require the level(s) of care specified in Item 1.F and (b) meet the target group criteria specified in **Appendix B**.
- **B.** Income and Resources for the Medically Needy. Indicate whether the state requests a waiver of §1902(a)(10)(C)(i)(III) of the Act in order to use institutional income and resource rules for the medically needy (*select one*):
  - O Not Applicable
  - No
  - O<sub>Yes</sub>
- **C. Statewideness.** Indicate whether the state requests a waiver of the statewideness requirements in §1902(a)(1) of the Act *(select one)*:

• No

O<sub>Yes</sub>

If yes, specify the waiver of statewideness that is requested (check each that applies):

Geographic Limitation. A waiver of statewideness is requested in order to furnish services under this waiver only to individuals who reside in the following geographic areas or political subdivisions of the state. Specify the areas to which this waiver applies and, as applicable, the phase-in schedule of the waiver by geographic area:

Limited Implementation of Participant-Direction. A waiver of statewideness is requested in order to make *participant-direction of services* as specified in Appendix E available only to individuals who reside in the following geographic areas or political subdivisions of the state. Participants who reside in these areas may elect

to direct their services as provided by the state or receive comparable services through the service delivery methods that are in effect elsewhere in the state.

Specify the areas of the state affected by this waiver and, as applicable, the phase-in schedule of the waiver by geographic area:

#### **5.** Assurances

In accordance with 42 CFR §441.302, the state provides the following assurances to CMS:

- A. Health & Welfare: The state assures that necessary safeguards have been taken to protect the health and welfare of persons receiving services under this waiver. These safeguards include:
  - 1. As specified in Appendix C, adequate standards for all types of providers that provide services under this waiver;
  - 2. Assurance that the standards of any state licensure or certification requirements specified in **Appendix C** are met for services or for individuals furnishing services that are provided under the waiver. The state assures that these requirements are met on the date that the services are furnished; and,
  - **3.** Assurance that all facilities subject to §1616(e) of the Act where home and community-based waiver services are provided comply with the applicable state standards for board and care facilities as specified in **Appendix C**.
- **B. Financial Accountability.** The state assures financial accountability for funds expended for home and community-based services and maintains and makes available to the Department of Health and Human Services (including the Office of the Inspector General), the Comptroller General, or other designees, appropriate financial records documenting the cost of services provided under the waiver. Methods of financial accountability are specified in **Appendix I**.
- **C. Evaluation of Need:** The state assures that it provides for an initial evaluation (and periodic reevaluations, at least annually) of the need for a level of care specified for this waiver, when there is a reasonable indication that an individual might need such services in the near future (one month or less) but for the receipt of home and community-based services under this waiver. The procedures for evaluation and reevaluation of level of care specified in **Appendix B**.
- **D.** Choice of Alternatives: The state assures that when an individual is determined to be likely to require the level of care specified for this waiver and is in a target group specified in **Appendix B**, the individual (or, legal representative, if applicable) is:
  - 1. Informed of any feasible alternatives under the waiver; and,
  - **2.** Given the choice of either institutional or home and community-based waiver services. **Appendix B** specifies the procedures that the state employs to ensure that individuals are informed of feasible alternatives under the waiver and given the choice of institutional or home and community-based waiver services.
- **E.** Average Per Capita Expenditures: The state assures that, for any year that the waiver is in effect, the average per capita expenditures under the waiver will not exceed 100 percent of the average per capita expenditures that would have been made under the Medicaid state plan for the level(s) of care specified for this waiver had the waiver not been granted. Cost-neutrality is demonstrated in Appendix J.
- **F. Actual Total Expenditures:** The state assures that the actual total expenditures for home and community-based waiver and other Medicaid services and its claim for FFP in expenditures for the services provided to individuals under the waiver will not, in any year of the waiver period, exceed 100 percent of the amount that would be incurred in the absence of the waiver by the state's Medicaid program for these individuals in the institutional setting(s) specified for this waiver.
- **G. Institutionalization Absent Waiver:** The state assures that, absent the waiver, individuals served in the waiver would receive the appropriate type of Medicaid-funded institutional care for the level of care specified for this waiver.
- **H. Reporting:** The state assures that annually it will provide CMS with information concerning the impact of the waiver on the type, amount and cost of services provided under the Medicaid state plan and on the health and welfare of waiver participants. This information will be consistent with a data collection plan designed by CMS.

- **I. Habilitation Services.** The state assures that prevocational, educational, or supported employment services, or a combination of these services, if provided as habilitation services under the waiver are: (1) not otherwise available to the individual through a local educational agency under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) or the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and, (2) furnished as part of expanded habilitation services.
- **J. Services for Individuals with Chronic Mental Illness.** The state assures that federal financial participation (FFP) will not be claimed in expenditures for waiver services including, but not limited to, day treatment or partial hospitalization, psychosocial rehabilitation services, and clinic services provided as home and community-based services to individuals with chronic mental illnesses if these individuals, in the absence of a waiver, would be placed in an IMD and are: (1) age 22 to 64; (2) age 65 and older and the state has not included the optional Medicaid benefit cited in 42 CFR §440.140; or (3) age 21 and under and the state has not included the optional Medicaid benefit cited in 42 CFR § 440.160.

## 6. Additional Requirements

Note: Item 6-I must be completed.

- **A. Service Plan**. In accordance with 42 CFR §441.301(b)(1)(i), a participant-centered service plan (of care) is developed for each participant employing the procedures specified in **Appendix D**. All waiver services are furnished pursuant to the service plan. The service plan describes: (a) the waiver services that are furnished to the participant, their projected frequency and the type of provider that furnishes each service and (b) the other services (regardless of funding source, including state plan services) and informal supports that complement waiver services in meeting the needs of the participant. The service plan is subject to the approval of the Medicaid agency. Federal financial participation (FFP) is not claimed for waiver services furnished prior to the development of the service plan or for services that are not included in the service plan.
- **B. Inpatients**. In accordance with 42 CFR §441.301(b)(1)(ii), waiver services are not furnished to individuals who are inpatients of a hospital, nursing facility or ICF/IID.
- **C. Room and Board**. In accordance with 42 CFR §441.310(a)(2), FFP is not claimed for the cost of room and board except when: (a) provided as part of respite services in a facility approved by the state that is not a private residence or (b) claimed as a portion of the rent and food that may be reasonably attributed to an unrelated caregiver who resides in the same household as the participant, as provided in **Appendix I**.
- **D.** Access to Services. The state does not limit or restrict participant access to waiver services except as provided in Appendix C.
- **E. Free Choice of Provider**. In accordance with 42 CFR §431.151, a participant may select any willing and qualified provider to furnish waiver services included in the service plan unless the state has received approval to limit the number of providers under the provisions of §1915(b) or another provision of the Act.
- **F. FFP Limitation**. In accordance with 42 CFR §433 Subpart D, FFP is not claimed for services when another third-party (e.g., another third party health insurer or other federal or state program) is legally liable and responsible for the provision and payment of the service. FFP also may not be claimed for services that are available without charge, or as free care to the community. Services will not be considered to be without charge, or free care, when (1) the provider establishes a fee schedule for each service available and (2) collects insurance information from all those served (Medicaid, and non-Medicaid), and bills other legally liable third party insurers. Alternatively, if a provider certifies that a particular legally liable third party insurer for that annual period.
- **G. Fair Hearing:** The state provides the opportunity to request a Fair Hearing under 42 CFR §431 Subpart E, to individuals: (a) who are not given the choice of home and community-based waiver services as an alternative to institutional level of care specified for this waiver; (b) who are denied the service(s) of their choice or the provider(s) of their choice; or (c) whose services are denied, suspended, reduced or terminated. **Appendix F** specifies the state's procedures to provide individuals the opportunity to request a Fair Hearing, including providing notice of action as required in 42 CFR §431.210.
- **H. Quality Improvement**. The state operates a formal, comprehensive system to ensure that the waiver meets the assurances and other requirements contained in this application. Through an ongoing process of discovery, remediation and improvement, the state assures the health and welfare of participants by monitoring: (a) level of care determinations; (b) individual plans and services delivery; (c) provider qualifications; (d) participant health and welfare; (e) financial oversight and (f) administrative oversight of the waiver. The state further assures that all problems identified through its discovery

processes are addressed in an appropriate and timely manner, consistent with the severity and nature of the problem. During the period that the waiver is in effect, the state will implement the Quality Improvement Strategy specified in **Appendix H**.

I. Public Input. Describe how the state secures public input into the development of the waiver:

The following processes and forums have provided opportunity for public input to the waiver amendment process:

The comment period was open from 01/05/2023-02/04/2023.

On January 3, 2023, the OHCA held their bi-monthly SoonerCare Tribal Consultation Meetings which included a presentation of the proposed Medically Fragile waiver renewal.

The Medically Fragile renewal was placed on the OHCA website for public comment from January 5, 2023–February 4, 2023. The waiver was posted at

http://okhca.org/providers.aspx?id=12395#Home\_and\_Community\_Based\_Services\_Waivers.

To fulfill the non-electronic requirements for public comment, the State posted written notices in all county offices to ensure meaningful opportunities for input for individuals served or eligible to be served in the waiver. The public notice contained a summary of the changes and instruction where individuals could submit comments and request a full copy of the waiver. This comment period was open from January 5, 2023 - February 4, 2021.

- **J. Notice to Tribal Governments**. The state assures that it has notified in writing all federally-recognized Tribal Governments that maintain a primary office and/or majority population within the State of the State's intent to submit a Medicaid waiver request or renewal request to CMS at least 60 days before the anticipated submission date is provided by Presidential Executive Order 13175 of November 6, 2000. Evidence of the applicable notice is available through the Medicaid Agency.
- K. Limited English Proficient Persons. The state assures that it provides meaningful access to waiver services by Limited English Proficient persons in accordance with: (a) Presidential Executive Order 13166 of August 11, 2000 (65 FR 50121) and (b) Department of Health and Human Services "Guidance to Federal Financial Assistance Recipients Regarding Title VI Prohibition Against National Origin Discrimination Affecting Limited English Proficient Persons" (68 FR 47311 August 8, 2003). Appendix B describes how the state assures meaningful access to waiver services by Limited English Proficient persons.

## 7. Contact Person(s)

A. The Medicaid agency representative with whom CMS should communicate regarding the waiver is:

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	Ward
First Name:	
	David
Title:	
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	Oklahoma Health Care Authority
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**B.** If applicable, the state operating agency representative with whom CMS should communicate regarding the waiver is:

Last Name:	
First Name:	
Title:	
Agency:	
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State:	Oklahoma
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Phone:	Ext: TTY
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E-mail:	, 

### 8. Authorizing Signature

This document, together with Appendices A through J, constitutes the state's request for a waiver under §1915(c) of the Social Security Act. The state assures that all materials referenced in this waiver application (including standards, licensure and certification requirements) are *readily* available in print or electronic form upon request to CMS through the Medicaid agency or, if applicable, from the operating agency specified in Appendix A. Any proposed changes to the waiver will be submitted by the Medicaid agency to CMS in the form of waiver amendments.

Upon approval by CMS, the waiver application serves as the state's authority to provide home and community-based waiver services to the specified target groups. The state attests that it will abide by all provisions of the approved waiver and will

continuously operate the waiver in accordance with the assurances specified in Section 5 and the additional requirements specified in Section 6 of the request.

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Signature:	
	State Medicaid Director or Designee
Submission Date:	
-	Note: The Signature and Submission Date fields will be automatically completed when the State Medicaid Director submits the application.
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Check the box next to	o any of the following changes from the current approved waiver. Check all boxes that apply.

- □ Replacing an approved waiver with this waiver.
- □ **Combining waivers.**
- □ Splitting one waiver into two waivers.
- Eliminating a service.
- Adding or decreasing an individual cost limit pertaining to eligibility.
- Adding or decreasing limits to a service or a set of services, as specified in Appendix C.
- **Reducing the unduplicated count of participants (Factor C).**
- Adding new, or decreasing, a limitation on the number of participants served at any point in time.
- ☐ Making any changes that could result in some participants losing eligibility or being transferred to another waiver under 1915(c) or another Medicaid authority.

## └ Making any changes that could result in reduced services to participants.

Specify the transition plan for the waiver:

The State affirms that no current participants will experience a change in services.

#### Attachment #2: Home and Community-Based Settings Waiver Transition Plan

Specify the state's process to bring this waiver into compliance with federal home and community-based (HCB) settings requirements at 42 CFR 441.301(c)(4)-(5), and associated CMS guidance.

Consult with CMS for instructions before completing this item. This field describes the status of a transition process at the point in time of submission. Relevant information in the planning phase will differ from information required to describe attainment of milestones.

To the extent that the state has submitted a statewide HCB settings transition plan to CMS, the description in this field may reference that statewide plan. The narrative in this field must include enough information to demonstrate that this waiver complies with federal HCB settings requirements, including the compliance and transition requirements at 42 CFR 441.301(c)(6), and that this submission is consistent with the portions of the statewide HCB settings transition plan that are germane to this waiver. Quote or summarize germane portions of the statewide HCB settings transition plan as required.

Note that Appendix C-5 <u>HCB Settings</u> describes settings that do not require transition; the settings listed there meet federal HCB setting requirements as of the date of submission. Do not duplicate that information here.

Update this field and Appendix C-5 when submitting a renewal or amendment to this waiver for other purposes. It is not necessary for the state to amend the waiver solely for the purpose of updating this field and Appendix C-5. At the end of the state's HCB settings transition process for this waiver, when all waiver settings meet federal HCB setting requirements, enter "Completed" in this field, and include in Section C-5 the information on all HCB settings in the waiver.

The state assures that this waiver renewal will be subject to any provisions or requirements included in the state's most recent and/or approved home and community-based settings Statewide Transition Plan. The state will implement any required changes by the end of the transition period as outlined in the home and community-based settings Statewide Transition Plan.

#### **Additional Needed Information (Optional)**

Provide additional needed information for the waiver (optional):

The following information is attached here as a result of exceeding the character limit in Appendix I-2-a (Rate Determination Methods)

Effective October 1, 2019, Home Delivered Meals (HDM) rates will increase from \$5.15 to \$5.41. Effective October 1, 2019, Hospice rates will increase from \$122.67 to \$128.80. The rate for private duty nursing (PDN) was also increased from \$7.78 to \$8.17. Effective October 1, 2018, PDN rates will increase from \$7.55 to \$7.78.

In August 2019, OHCA responded to the Senate Bill 1044 by which the legislative body determined a rate increase of 5% effective October 1, 2019. Rates included in this mandate are as follows: Case Management, Personal Care, Respite, Advanced Supportive Restorative Assistant, Self-Directed Goods and Services, Home Delivered Meals, Hospice Care, Environmental Modifications, Institutional Case Management, Transitional Case Management Personal Emergency Response, Private Duty Nursing, Skilled Nursing, Therapy Services: Respiratory, PT, OT and Speech.

Waiver members are informed about payment rates for services as the service plan is developed in a participant-centered manner with the member and designated representatives Each service plan covers one year of services, including the informal supports, and contains a summary of projected costs. The approved plan is distributed to the case manager, who in turn gives the approved plan to the waiver member. If a plan is amended due to changes in the member's goals or needs, the revised plan also includes all projected costs and payment rates.

#### Skilled Nursing:

The rate setting methodologies for nursing and skilled nursing services were reviewed in 2006. Two separate and unrelated circumstances prompt this request for a rate change for ADvantage Skilled Nursing services. First, the utilization of the per visit code for service plan development participation and assessment/evaluation has become increasingly problematic. This is because the time period of these encounters are extremely variable, yet, the code allows for only a fixed rate reimbursement. Consequently, this fixed rate often and increasingly fails to cover the skilled nursing costs incurred. The second event was the 55% increase, effective October 1, 2005, in the Medicaid State Plan Home Health benefit skilled nurse rate to which the waiver skilled nurse rates had previously been linked in policy. The rate methodology used to set the revised Medicaid State Plan Home Health benefit skilled nurse rate was based upon Medicare Home Health benefit rate tables and protocols. However, the skilled nursing services provided under the waiver and the Medicare program are not the same and agency providers of skilled nursing services under the ADvantage Program are not required to be Medicare certified providers and usually are not. In addition, changes in Medicaid State Plan Personal Care (SPPC) policy shift responsibility for skilled nursing assessment and service planning from state DHS nurses to provider agency nurses.

Effective January 2016 under the direction of CMS the code G0154 was split into two codes to differentiate levels of nursing services provided during a hospice stay and/or home health episode of care. The G0299 code represents direct skilled nursing services of an RN and G0300 represents direct skilled nursing services of an LPN. At that time the State identified that the rate for the codes were sufficient and there was no need to consider a rate change at that time. In addition, Medically Fragile agreed to maintain parity between the waiver service programs in their core in-home services for, nursing and skilled nursing. Effective October 1, 2018, Skilled Nursing rates will increase from \$13.50 to \$13.91. Effective October 1, 2019, the Skilled Nursing rate will increase from \$13.91 to \$14.61.

#### Therapy Services:

The rate setting methodology for therapy services were reviewed in September 2012. At that time ADvantage therapy service rates had not been increased since 1997. Per the rate brief, the average Consumer Price Index (CPU) had increased at an annual rate of 2.2% since 2006 and the price of gasoline, which is a major cost center for these services, has increased at an annual rate of 4.8% since 2006. SB1979 authorized \$1.5 million in appropriated funds for "an increase in reimbursement rates for the ADvantage waiver program" in FY13. The proposed rate increases honor this legislative intent. Therapy rates were increased from \$13.75 to \$20.00, for a total of a \$6.25 increase which equates to 45.5%. In addition, Medically Fragile agreed to maintain parity between the waiver service programs in their core in-home services for Physical Therapy, Occupational, and Speech/Language Therapy. The rates were determined by utilization of services, the last time a rate increase was done for those services, and a comparison of rates in other states. Effective October 1, 2018, Therapy rates will increase from \$20.00 to \$20.00

#### d) Medical Equipment and Supplies

State's response: The rate setting methodology for medical equipment and supplies were reviewed in July 2010; at this time the ADvantage program requested the establishment of fixed and uniform rates to ensure access to the service and ensure uniform

reimbursement for such supplies.

Currently prices for incontinence supplies range from \$.24 to \$159.58. Due to the need for the price quoting and the wide variance in prices it seems practical to establish a fixed and uniform rate.

After researching other states, gathering information from the DME providers, the rates under procedure code are requested to assure that the state of Oklahoma is spending appropriate amounts for incontinence supplies for ADvantage Waiver members. New rates will be sufficient to cover providers costs of delivering the service based on comparisons of other states. In addition, Medically Fragile agreed to maintain parity between the waiver service programs in their core in-home services for medical equipment and supplies.

Institutional Transition Case Management Transitional Case Management

For case management services (to include institutional transition case management and transitional case management), those rates were addressed on the same brief as therapy services utilizing the same methodology. The proposed rates for these services bring the rates to between 85% and 90% of what the CPI indexed rate would be.

**Appendix A: Waiver Administration and Operation** 

**1. State Line of Authority for Waiver Operation.** Specify the state line of authority for the operation of the waiver (*select one*):

## • The waiver is operated by the state Medicaid agency.

Specify the Medicaid agency division/unit that has line authority for the operation of the waiver program (*select one*):

#### • The Medical Assistance Unit.

Specify the unit name:

Long Term Services and Supports Unit

(Do not complete item A-2)

<sup>O</sup> Another division/unit within the state Medicaid agency that is separate from the Medical Assistance Unit.

Specify the division/unit name. This includes administrations/divisions under the umbrella agency that has been identified as the Single State Medicaid Agency.

(Complete item A-2-a).

## <sup>O</sup> The waiver is operated by a separate agency of the state that is not a division/unit of the Medicaid agency.

Specify the division/unit name:

In accordance with 42 CFR §431.10, the Medicaid agency exercises administrative discretion in the administration and supervision of the waiver and issues policies, rules and regulations related to the waiver. The interagency agreement or memorandum of understanding that sets forth the authority and arrangements for this policy is available through the Medicaid agency to CMS upon request. (*Complete item A-2-b*).

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#### 2. Oversight of Performance.

a. Medicaid Director Oversight of Performance When the Waiver is Operated by another Division/Unit within the State Medicaid Agency. When the waiver is operated by another division/administration within the umbrella agency designated as the Single State Medicaid Agency. Specify (a) the functions performed by that

division/administration (i.e., the Developmental Disabilities Administration within the Single State Medicaid Agency), (b) the document utilized to outline the roles and responsibilities related to waiver operation, and (c) the methods that are employed by the designated State Medicaid Director (in some instances, the head of umbrella agency) in the oversight of these activities:

As indicated in section 1 of this appendix, the waiver is not operated by another division/unit within the State Medicaid agency. Thus this section does not need to be completed.

**b.** Medicaid Agency Oversight of Operating Agency Performance. When the waiver is not operated by the Medicaid agency, specify the functions that are expressly delegated through a memorandum of understanding (MOU) or other written document, and indicate the frequency of review and update for that document. Specify the methods that the Medicaid agency uses to ensure that the operating agency performs its assigned waiver operational and administrative functions in accordance with waiver requirements. Also specify the frequency of Medicaid agency assessment of operating agency performance:

As indicated in section 1 of this appendix, the waiver is not operated by a separate agency of the State. Thus this section does not need to be completed.

## **Appendix A: Waiver Administration and Operation**

- **3. Use of Contracted Entities.** Specify whether contracted entities perform waiver operational and administrative functions on behalf of the Medicaid agency and/or the operating agency (if applicable) (*select one*):
  - Yes. Contracted entities perform waiver operational and administrative functions on behalf of the Medicaid agency and/or operating agency (if applicable).

Specify the types of contracted entities and briefly describe the functions that they perform. *Complete Items A-5 and A-6*.:

The contracted Fiscal Management Services (FMS) provider performs waiver administrative functions for members who self-direct some of their services with all payrolls, spending plans, claims filed and processed and provider enrollment functions. Contracted Case Management (CM) agencies perform assessments for members who are referred to the Medically Fragile waiver from another home and community-based services waiver to determine medical eligibility for enrollment.

The state is currently in the process of developing requirements to contract with a private entity through the contractual process to provide an electronic visit verification (EVV) system. This new system will be used by Medically Fragile services providers of Personal Care and Home Health services statewide. The system will be a time and attendance verification and tracking system supported through specialized telephony and GPS software. The system will allow real-time tracking of service delivery with alerts for missed or late visits. The system will also provide a number of management reports for providers and the state to review service utilization.

O No. Contracted entities do not perform waiver operational and administrative functions on behalf of the Medicaid agency and/or the operating agency (if applicable).

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**4. Role of Local/Regional Non-State Entities.** Indicate whether local or regional non-state entities perform waiver operational and administrative functions and, if so, specify the type of entity (*Select One*):

## • Not applicable

- Applicable Local/regional non-state agencies perform waiver operational and administrative functions. Check each that applies:
  - Local/Regional non-state public agencies perform waiver operational and administrative functions at the local or regional level. There is an interagency agreement or memorandum of understanding between the State

and these agencies that sets forth responsibilities and performance requirements for these agencies that is available through the Medicaid agency.

Specify the nature of these agencies and complete items A-5 and A-6:

Local/Regional non-governmental non-state entities conduct waiver operational and administrative functions at the local or regional level. There is a contract between the Medicaid agency and/or the operating agency (when authorized by the Medicaid agency) and each local/regional non-state entity that sets forth the responsibilities and performance requirements of the local/regional entity. The **contract(s)** under which private entities conduct waiver operational functions are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Specify the nature of these entities and complete items A-5 and A-6:

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**5. Responsibility for Assessment of Performance of Contracted and/or Local/Regional Non-State Entities.** Specify the state agency or agencies responsible for assessing the performance of contracted and/or local/regional non-state entities in conducting waiver operational and administrative functions:

OHCA's Long Term Services and Supports Unit has the responsibility for assessing the performance of the FMS, Case Management agencies and EVV provider. The LTSS contract monitor is responsible assessing provider performance.

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**6. Assessment Methods and Frequency.** Describe the methods that are used to assess the performance of contracted and/or local/regional non-state entities to ensure that they perform assigned waiver operational and administrative functions in accordance with waiver requirements. Also specify how frequently the performance of contracted and/or local/regional non-state entities is assessed:

The FMS and Case Management agency's performance is monitored by the LTSS contract monitor based on contract performance standards. The contractors are responsible for providing, at a minimum, monthly reports of activities furnished in support of waiver members. These reports are analyzed by the contract person. On a quarterly basis, the contract monitor assesses performance and reports findings to the Long-Term Care Quality Initiative Council (LTCQIC). The state will also on a quarterly basis consider member complaint data recorded in the Member Inquiry Tracking System in evaluating contractor performance. Although contractor performance is monitored daily and ongoing by the contract monitor a formal performance assessment of these contractors occur at least twice each year in the semi-annual readiness review for contractors and the provider performance review.

The contracted Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) system provider will be monitored according to the process described above. LTSS contract monitor will review on an ongoing basis EVV reports submitted by the provider that will track service delivery including missed or late visits, claims payments, use of unauthorized phone for tracking service delivery and voice authentication failures. A formal performance assessment of the EVV contractor will occur at least twice each year in the semi-annual readiness review for contractors and the provider performance review.

## **Appendix A: Waiver Administration and Operation**

**7. Distribution of Waiver Operational and Administrative Functions.** In the following table, specify the entity or entities that have responsibility for conducting each of the waiver operational and administrative functions listed (*check each that* 

#### applies):

In accordance with 42 CFR §431.10, when the Medicaid agency does not directly conduct a function, it supervises the performance of the function and establishes and/or approves policies that affect the function. All functions not performed directly by the Medicaid agency must be delegated in writing and monitored by the Medicaid Agency. *Note: More than one box may be checked per item. Ensure that Medicaid is checked when the Single State Medicaid Agency (1) conducts the function directly; (2) supervises the delegated function; and/or (3) establishes and/or approves policies related to the function.* 

Function	Medicaid Agency	<b>Contracted Entity</b>
Participant waiver enrollment	X	
Waiver enrollment managed against approved limits	X	
Waiver expenditures managed against approved levels	X	X
Level of care evaluation	X	X
Review of Participant service plans	X	
Prior authorization of waiver services	X	
Utilization management	X	X
Qualified provider enrollment	X	X
Execution of Medicaid provider agreements	X	
Establishment of a statewide rate methodology	X	
Rules, policies, procedures and information development governing the waiver program	X	
Quality assurance and quality improvement activities	X	

## **Appendix A: Waiver Administration and Operation**

**Quality Improvement: Administrative Authority of the Single State Medicaid Agency** 

As a distinct component of the States quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the States methods for discovery and remediation.

#### a. Methods for Discovery: Administrative Authority

The Medicaid Agency retains ultimate administrative authority and responsibility for the operation of the waiver program by exercising oversight of the performance of waiver functions by other state and local/regional non-state agencies (if appropriate) and contracted entities.

#### i. Performance Measures

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance, complete the following. Performance measures for administrative authority should not duplicate measures found in other appendices of the waiver application. As necessary and applicable, performance measures should focus on:

- Uniformity of development/execution of provider agreements throughout all geographic areas covered by the waiver
- Equitable distribution of waiver openings in all geographic areas covered by the waiver
- Compliance with HCB settings requirements and other new regulatory components (for waiver actions submitted on or after March 17, 2014)

#### Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Measure:**

Number and percentage of days EVV system operates and supports the required business applications for performance and availability for use in accordance with provider agreement. Numerator: Number of days that EVV system is operational and available for use by providers. Denominator: Total number of days in report period.

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: Monthly EVV Scorecards

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other Specify: EVV Provider	□ Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify: Semi-annually	

#### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data aggregation</b> <b>and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
X State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
□ Operating Agency	□ Monthly

<b>Responsible Party for data aggregation</b> <b>and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	<ul><li>☑ Other Specify:</li><li>Semi-annually</li></ul>

**Performance Measure:** 

Number and percentage of members participating in self-direction whose spending plan utilization did not exceed approved service plan units. Numerator: Number of spending plans that did not exceed approved service plan units. Denominator: Number of spending plans submitted for members participating in self-direction.

**Data Source** (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

**Spending Plans** 

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> ( <i>check</i> <i>each that applies</i> ):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> ( <i>check</i> <i>each that applies</i> ):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
X State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	X Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other Specify:	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and	Other

Ongoing	Specify:
Other Specify:	

<b>Responsible Party for data aggregation</b> <b>and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	X Monthly
Sub-State Entity	X Quarterly
Other Specify:	X Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

#### **Performance Measure:**

Percentage of payroll functions reported monthly by the FMS that were submitted on time and in correct format as specified in the agreement with OHCA. Numerator: Total reports received timely and in the correct format. Denominator: Total payroll function reports required.

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: FMS Monthly Report

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> ( <i>check</i> <i>each that applies</i> ):		<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid	U Weekly	🗵 100% Review

Agency		
Operating Agency	X Monthly	Less than 100% Review
Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other       Specify:   FMS	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

<b>Responsible Party for data aggregation</b> <b>and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	X Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly
Other Specify:	Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	<b>Other</b> Specify:

<b>Responsible Party for data aggregation</b>	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b>
<b>and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):

**Performance Measure:** 

Number and percentage of Providers enrolled quarterly by the FMS that met provider qualifications prior to performing services for members choosing self-direction. Numerator: Providers that met qualifications prior to performing services. Denominator: Individual providers enrolled by the FMS to perform services for members choosing selfdirection.

Data Source (Select one): Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

FMS monthly provider qualifications report

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	X Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ <sub>Quarterly</sub>	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other       Specify:   FMS	☐ Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

<b>Responsible Party for data aggregation</b> <b>and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	X Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	□ Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

**Performance Measure:** 

Number and percentage of reports submitted by EVV provider that were received by the 15th of the following month, and in the correct format as specified in the provider agreement. Numerator: Number of reports submitted by EVV provider that were received by the 15th of the following month, submitted as complete and in the correct format. Denominator: EVV Provider Reports.

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: EVV Provider Reports

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	X Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
X Other	🔀 Annually	□ Stratified

Specify: EVV Provider		Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

<b>Responsible Party for data aggregation</b> <b>and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly
Other Specify:	X Annually
	□ Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

**Performance Measure:** 

Number and percentage of spending plans administered by the FMS that followed Medicaid approved requirements. Numerator: Spending plans administered that followed Medicaid requirements. Denominator: Total number of spending plans.

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: FMS monthly report

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> ( <i>check</i> <i>each that applies</i> ):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	X Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ <sub>Quarterly</sub>	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other       Specify:   FMS	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

<b>Responsible Party for data aggregation</b> <b>and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
X State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
□ Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	Annually

<b>Responsible Party for data aggregation</b> <b>and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

**ii.** If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

An additional element of the State's quality improvement strategy is to make on site visits to the home of member's participating in self-direction when over utilization of approved services units is identified on the member's monthly spending plan. The visit is to re-educate and to better understand staffing patterns and to remediate any unmet need. Review of caregiver timesheets may also be conducted as needed when unexplained overages are detected.

#### **b.** Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems

**i.** Describe the States method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the state to document these items.

Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) dedicated staff are reponsible for program monitoring and oversight and will address individual problems as they are discovered with regard to operation and administrative functions that are performed by all contracted entites. Waiver staff will maintain administrative authority through the use of an electronic database designed for storing information received related to problems identified and resolutions of these matters. The LTSS Contract Monitor will be directly responsible for remediating any problems pertaining to the OHCA's administrative authority. The LTSS Contract Monitor will work with the designated Contractor point of contact to resolve any problems in a timely manner. The LTSS Contract Monitor will have the use of penalties and sanctions in accordance with the terms of the contract. Problems requiring additional OHCA staff will be addressed in workgroups involving appropriate personnel to resolve issues timely and effectively. These problems and resolutions will also be reported in the LTCQIC meetings.

## ii. Remediation Data Aggregation

#### Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

<b>Responsible Party</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	X Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	Annually
	<b>Continuously and Ongoing</b>
	□ Other

	<b>Responsible Party</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
ſ		Specify:

## c. Timelines

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Administrative Authority that are currently non-operational.

• <sub>N0</sub>

O<sub>Yes</sub>

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Administrative Authority, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

## **Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility**

**B-1:** Specification of the Waiver Target Group(s)

**a.** Target Group(s). Under the waiver of Section 1902(a)(10)(B) of the Act, the state limits waiver services to one or more groups or subgroups of individuals. Please see the instruction manual for specifics regarding age limits. *In accordance with 42 CFR §441.301(b)(6), select one or more waiver target groups, check each of the subgroups in the selected target group(s) that may receive services under the waiver, and specify the minimum and maximum (if any) age of individuals served in each subgroup:* 

					Maximum Age		
Target Group	Included	Target SubGroup	Mir	nimum Age	imum Age	No Maximum Age	
					Limit	Limit	
Aged or Disat	oled, or Both - Gene	eral	_				
		Aged					
		Disabled (Physical)					
		Disabled (Other)					
X Aged or Disal	oled, or Both - Spec	ific Recognized Subgroups					
		Brain Injury					
		HIV/AIDS					
	X	Medically Fragile		19		X	
	X	Technology Dependent		19		X	
Intellectual D	isability or Develop	mental Disability, or Both	·				
		Autism					
		Developmental Disability					
		Intellectual Disability					
Mental Illness	5						
		Mental Illness					
		Serious Emotional Disturbance					

**b.** Additional Criteria. The state further specifies its target group(s) as follows:

**c. Transition of Individuals Affected by Maximum Age Limitation.** When there is a maximum age limit that applies to individuals who may be served in the waiver, describe the transition planning procedures that are undertaken on behalf of participants affected by the age limit (*select one*):

## • Not applicable. There is no maximum age limit

• The following transition planning procedures are employed for participants who will reach the waiver's maximum age limit.

Specify:

**Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility** 

**B-2: Individual Cost Limit** (1 of 2)

- **a. Individual Cost Limit.** The following individual cost limit applies when determining whether to deny home and community-based services or entrance to the waiver to an otherwise eligible individual (*select one*). Please note that a state may have only ONE individual cost limit for the purposes of determining eligibility for the waiver:
  - No Cost Limit. The state does not apply an individual cost limit. Do not complete Item B-2-b or item B-2-c.
  - **Cost Limit in Excess of Institutional Costs.** The state refuses entrance to the waiver to any otherwise eligible individual when the state reasonably expects that the cost of the home and community-based services furnished to that individual would exceed the cost of a level of care specified for the waiver up to an amount specified by the state. *Complete Items B-2-b and B-2-c*.

The limit specified by the state is (select one)

<sup>O</sup> A level higher than 100% of the institutional average.

Specify the percentage:

O Other

Specify:

- **Institutional Cost Limit.** Pursuant to 42 CFR 441.301(a)(3), the state refuses entrance to the waiver to any otherwise eligible individual when the state reasonably expects that the cost of the home and community-based services furnished to that individual would exceed 100% of the cost of the level of care specified for the waiver. *Complete Items B-2-b and B-2-c.*
- O Cost Limit Lower Than Institutional Costs. The state refuses entrance to the waiver to any otherwise qualified individual when the state reasonably expects that the cost of home and community-based services furnished to that individual would exceed the following amount specified by the state that is less than the cost of a level of care specified for the waiver.

Specify the basis of the limit, including evidence that the limit is sufficient to assure the health and welfare of waiver participants. Complete Items B-2-b and B-2-c.

The cost	limit specified by the state is (select one):
O <sub>The</sub>	following dollar amount:
Spee	tify dollar amount:
	The dollar amount (select one)
	$^{oxed{O}}$ Is adjusted each year that the waiver is in effect by applying the following formula:
	Specify the formula:
	rticipant Access and Eligibility

- b. Method of Implementation of the Individual Cost Limit. When an individual cost limit is specified in Item B-2-a, specify the procedures that are followed to determine in advance of waiver entrance that the individual's health and welfare can be assured within the cost limit:
- c. Participant Safeguards. When the state specifies an individual cost limit in Item B-2-a and there is a change in the participant's condition or circumstances post-entrance to the waiver that requires the provision of services in an amount that exceeds the cost limit in order to assure the participant's health and welfare, the state has established the following safeguards to avoid an adverse impact on the participant (check each that applies):

□ The participant is referred to another waiver that can accommodate the individual's needs.

 $\square$  Additional services in excess of the individual cost limit may be authorized.

Specify the procedures for authorizing additional services, including the amount that may be authorized:

□ Other safeguard(s)

Specify:

## **Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility**

**B-3: Number of Individuals Served** (1 of 4)

**a. Unduplicated Number of Participants.** The following table specifies the maximum number of unduplicated participants who are served in each year that the waiver is in effect. The state will submit a waiver amendment to CMS to modify the number of participants specified for any year(s), including when a modification is necessary due to legislative appropriation or another reason. The number of unduplicated participants specified in this table is basis for the cost-neutrality calculations in Appendix J:

Table: B-3-a       Waiver Year     Unduplicated Number of Particip			
Year 1	155		
Year 2	155		
Year 3	155		
Year 4	155		
Year 5	155		

**b.** Limitation on the Number of Participants Served at Any Point in Time. Consistent with the unduplicated number of participants specified in Item B-3-a, the state may limit to a lesser number the number of participants who will be served at any point in time during a waiver year. Indicate whether the state limits the number of participants in this way: (*select one*) :

• The state does not limit the number of participants that it serves at any point in time during a waiver year.

<sup>O</sup> The state limits the number of participants that it serves at any point in time during a waiver year.

The limit that applies to each year of the waiver period is specified in the following table:

Table: B-3-b			
Waiver Year	Maximum Number of Participants Served At Any Point During the Year		
Year 1			
Year 2			
Year 3			
Year 4			

Waiver Year	Maximum Number of Participants Served At Any Point During the Year		
Year 5			

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**B-3: Number of Individuals Served** (2 of 4)

**c. Reserved Waiver Capacity.** The state may reserve a portion of the participant capacity of the waiver for specified purposes (e.g., provide for the community transition of institutionalized persons or furnish waiver services to individuals experiencing a crisis) subject to CMS review and approval. The State (*select one*):

## **O** Not applicable. The state does not reserve capacity.

## • The state reserves capacity for the following purpose(s).

Purpose(s) the state reserves capacity for:

Purposes	
Other HCBS Waiver	
Program Age Out	
Emergency	

## **Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility**

**B-3: Number of Individuals Served** (2 of 4)

**Purpose** (provide a title or short description to use for lookup):

Other HCBS Waiver

**Purpose** (describe):

If a member who is served in another HCBS Waiver has a change in their medical condition and meets criteria for the Medically Fragile waiver, that individual may be transitioned to this waiver program.

#### Describe how the amount of reserved capacity was determined:

The amount has been determined based on estimates furnished by program administrators involved in the operation of other waivers and programs.

#### The capacity that the State reserves in each waiver year is specified in the following table:

Waiver Year		Capacity Reserved		
Year 1		5		
Year 2		5		
Year 3		5		
Year 4		5		
Year 5		5		

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B-3: Number of Individuals Served (2 of 4)

**Purpose** (provide a title or short description to use for lookup):

Program Age Out

Purpose (describe):

If a member who is served in another SoonerCare program ages out of that program and meets the criteria for the Medically Fragile waiver, that individual may be transitioned to this waiver program.

#### Describe how the amount of reserved capacity was determined:

The amount has been determined based on estimates furnished by program administrators involved in the operation of other waivers and programs.

The capacity that the State reserves in each waiver year is specified in the following table:

Waiver Year	0	Capacity Reserved		
Year 1		5		
Year 2		5		
Year 3		5		
Year 4		5		
Year 5		5		

## **Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility**

**B-3: Number of Individuals Served** (2 of 4)

**Purpose** (provide a title or short description to use for lookup):

Emergency

**Purpose** (*describe*):

If an individual is eligible for SoonerCare and meets the criteria for the Medically Fragile waiver and is experiencing a crisis or emergency, that individual may be transitioned to this waiver program. This enrollment will provide for home and community-based services to avert immediate risks to the member's health and welfare.

#### Describe how the amount of reserved capacity was determined:

The amount has been determined based on estimates furnished by program administrators involved in the operation of other waivers and programs.

The capacity that the State reserves in each waiver year is specified in the following table:

Waiver Year	Capacity Reserved		
Year 1		2	
Year 2		2	
Year 3		2	
Year 4		2	
Year 5		2	

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**B-3: Number of Individuals Served** (3 of 4)

- **d. Scheduled Phase-In or Phase-Out.** Within a waiver year, the state may make the number of participants who are served subject to a phase-in or phase-out schedule (*select one*):
  - The waiver is not subject to a phase-in or a phase-out schedule.
  - O The waiver is subject to a phase-in or phase-out schedule that is included in Attachment #1 to Appendix B-3. This schedule constitutes an intra-year limitation on the number of participants who are served in the waiver.
- e. Allocation of Waiver Capacity.

Select one:

## • Waiver capacity is allocated/managed on a statewide basis.

<sup>O</sup> Waiver capacity is allocated to local/regional non-state entities.

Specify: (a) the entities to which waiver capacity is allocated; (b) the methodology that is used to allocate capacity and how often the methodology is reevaluated; and, (c) policies for the reallocation of unused capacity among local/regional non-state entities:

**f. Selection of Entrants to the Waiver.** Specify the policies that apply to the selection of individuals for entrance to the waiver:

The Medically Fragile Waiver provides for the entrance of all eligible persons on a first come first served basis.

**Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility** 

B-3: Number of Individuals Served - Attachment #1 (4 of 4)

#### Answers provided in Appendix B-3-d indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

**Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility** 

**B-4: Eligibility Groups Served in the Waiver** 

- a. **1. State Classification.** The state is a (*select one*):
  - O §1634 State
  - SSI Criteria State

O 209(b) State

#### 2. Miller Trust State.

Indicate whether the state is a Miller Trust State (select one):

O<sub>No</sub>

• Yes

**b. Medicaid Eligibility Groups Served in the Waiver.** Individuals who receive services under this waiver are eligible under the following eligibility groups contained in the state plan. The state applies all applicable federal financial participation limits under the plan. *Check all that apply*:

Eligibility Groups Served in the	Waiver (excluding the special	home and community-based	waiver group under 42 CFR
§435.217)			

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	Low income families with children as provided in §1931 of the Act SSI recipients
	Aged, blind or disabled in 209(b) states who are eligible under 42 CFR §435.121
X	Optional state supplement recipients
	Optional categorically needy aged and/or disabled individuals who have income at:
	Select one:
	O 100% of the Federal poverty level (FPL)
	$^{igodoldsymbol{ imes}}$ % of FPL, which is lower than 100% of FPL.
	Specify percentage:
	Working individuals with disabilities who buy into Medicaid (BBA working disabled group as provided in \$1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII)) of the Act)
	Working individuals with disabilities who buy into Medicaid (TWWIIA Basic Coverage Group as provided in §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XV) of the Act)
	Working individuals with disabilities who buy into Medicaid (TWWIIA Medical Improvement Coverage Group as provided in §1902(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVI) of the Act)
	Disabled individuals age 18 or younger who would require an institutional level of care (TEFRA 134 eligibility group as provided in §1902(e)(3) of the Act)
	Medically needy in 209(b) States (42 CFR §435.330)
	Medically needy in 1634 States and SSI Criteria States (42 CFR §435.320, §435.322 and §435.324)
	Other specified groups (include only statutory/regulatory reference to reflect the additional groups in the state plan that may receive services under this waiver)
	Specify:

*Special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217)* Note: When the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217 is included, Appendix B-5 must be completed

- No. The state does not furnish waiver services to individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217. *Appendix B-5 is not submitted.*
- Yes. The state furnishes waiver services to individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217.

Select one and complete Appendix B-5.

- <sup>O</sup> All individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217
- Only the following groups of individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217

*Check each that applies:* 

	A special income level equal to:
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	• 300% of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate (FBR)
	O A percentage of FBR, which is lower than 300% (42 CFR §435.236)
	Specify percentage:
	O A dollar amount which is lower than 300%.
	Specify dollar amount:
	Aged, blind and disabled individuals who meet requirements that are more restrictive than the SSI program (42 CFR §435.121)
	Medically needy without spend down in states which also provide Medicaid to recipients of SSI (42 CFR §435.320, §435.322 and §435.324)
	Medically needy without spend down in 209(b) States (42 CFR §435.330)
	Aged and disabled individuals who have income at:
2	Select one:
	O 100% of FPL
	O % of FPL, which is lower than 100%.
	Specify percentage amount:
	Other specified groups (include only statutory/regulatory reference to reflect the additional groups in he state plan that may receive services under this waiver)
2	Specify:
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## **Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility**

**B-5:** Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (1 of 7)

In accordance with 42 CFR §441.303(e), Appendix B-5 must be completed when the state furnishes waiver services to individuals in the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217, as indicated in Appendix B-4. Post-eligibility applies only to the 42 CFR §435.217 group.

**a. Use of Spousal Impoverishment Rules.** Indicate whether spousal impoverishment rules are used to determine eligibility for the special home and community-based waiver group under 42 CFR §435.217:

Note: For the period beginning January 1, 2014 and extending through September 30, 2019 (or other date as required by law), the following instructions are mandatory. The following box should be checked for all waivers that furnish waiver services to the 42 CFR §435.217 group effective at any point during this time period.

Spousal impoverishment rules under §1924 of the Act are used to determine the eligibility of individuals with a community spouse for the special home and community-based waiver group. In the case of a participant with a

community spouse, the state uses *spousal* post-eligibility rules under §1924 of the Act.

Complete Items B-5-e (if the selection for B-4-a-i is SSI State or §1634) or B-5-f (if the selection for B-4-a-i is 209b State) and Item B-5-g unless the state indicates that it also uses spousal post-eligibility rules for the time periods before January 1, 2014 or after September 30, 2019 (or other date as required by law).

Note: The following selections apply for the time periods before January 1, 2014 or after September 30, 2019 (or other date as required by law) (select one).

## • Spousal impoverishment rules under \$1924 of the Act are used to determine the eligibility of individuals with a community spouse for the special home and community-based waiver group.

In the case of a participant with a community spouse, the state elects to (*select one*):

- Use spousal post-eligibility rules under \$1924 of the Act. (Complete Item B-5-b (SSI State) and Item B-5-d)
- O Use regular post-eligibility rules under 42 CFR §435.726 (SSI State) or under §435.735 (209b State) (Complete Item B-5-b (SSI State). Do not complete Item B-5-d)
- Spousal impoverishment rules under §1924 of the Act are not used to determine eligibility of individuals with a community spouse for the special home and community-based waiver group. The state uses regular post-eligibility rules for individuals with a community spouse.
   (Complete Item B-5-b (SSI State). Do not complete Item B-5-d)

**Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility** 

**B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (2 of 7)** 

Note: The following selections apply for the time periods before January 1, 2014 or after December 31, 2018.

#### b. Regular Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income: SSI State.

The state uses the post-eligibility rules at 42 CFR 435.726 for individuals who do not have a spouse or have a spouse who is not a community spouse as specified in §1924 of the Act. Payment for home and community-based waiver services is reduced by the amount remaining after deducting the following allowances and expenses from the waiver participant's income:

#### i. Allowance for the needs of the waiver participant (select one):

## • The following standard included under the state plan

Select one:

- O SSI standard
- O Optional state supplement standard
- O Medically needy income standard
- The special income level for institutionalized persons

(select one):

- 300% of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate (FBR)
- <sup>O</sup> A percentage of the FBR, which is less than 300%

Specify the percentage:

• A dollar amount which is less than 300%.

Specify dollar amount:

<sup>O</sup> A percentage of the Federal poverty level

Specify percentage:

O Other standard included under the state Plan	1
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Specify:

**O** The following dollar amount

Specify dollar amount: If this amount changes, this item will be revised.

# <sup>O</sup> The following formula is used to determine the needs allowance:

Specify:

O Other

Specify:

#### ii. Allowance for the spouse only (select one):

Not Applicable

O The state provides an allowance for a spouse who does not meet the definition of a community spouse in \$1924 of the Act. Describe the circumstances under which this allowance is provided:

Specify:

**Specify the amount of the allowance** (*select one*):

- O SSI standard
- O Optional state supplement standard
- **O** Medically needy income standard
- The following dollar amount:

Specify dollar amount: If this amount changes, this item will be revised.

<sup>O</sup> The amount is determined using the following formula:

Specify:

# iii. Allowance for the family (select one):

**O** Not Applicable (see instructions)

- AFDC need standard
- O Medically needy income standard
- The following dollar amount:

Specify dollar amount: \_\_\_\_\_\_ The amount specified cannot exceed the higher of the need standard for a family of the same size used to determine eligibility under the state's approved AFDC plan or the medically needy income standard established under 42 CFR §435.811 for a family of the same size. If this amount changes, this item will be revised.

# <sup>O</sup> The amount is determined using the following formula:

Specify:

O Other

Specify:

iv. Amounts for incurred medical or remedial care expenses not subject to payment by a third party, specified in 42 §CFR 435.726:

- a. Health insurance premiums, deductibles and co-insurance charges
- b. Necessary medical or remedial care expenses recognized under state law but not covered under the state's Medicaid plan, subject to reasonable limits that the state may establish on the amounts of these expenses.

Select one:

- Not Applicable (see instructions)Note: If the state protects the maximum amount for the waiver participant, not applicable must be selected.
- The state does not establish reasonable limits.
- <sup>O</sup> The state establishes the following reasonable limits

Specify:

# **Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility**

**B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income (3 of 7)** 

Note: The following selections apply for the time periods before January 1, 2014 or after December 31, 2018.

#### c. Regular Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income: 209(B) State.

Answers provided in Appendix B-4 indicate that you do not need to complete this section and therefore this section is not visible.

**Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility** 

**B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income** (4 of 7)

Note: The following selections apply for the time periods before January 1, 2014 or after December 31, 2018.

#### d. Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income Using Spousal Impoverishment Rules

The state uses the post-eligibility rules of §1924(d) of the Act (spousal impoverishment protection) to determine the contribution of a participant with a community spouse toward the cost of home and community-based care if it determines the individual's eligibility under §1924 of the Act. There is deducted from the participant's monthly income a personal needs allowance (as specified below), a community spouse's allowance and a family allowance as specified in the state Medicaid Plan. The state must also protect amounts for incurred expenses for medical or remedial care (as specified below).

#### i. Allowance for the personal needs of the waiver participant

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- O SSI standard
- O Optional state supplement standard
- O Medically needy income standard
- The special income level for institutionalized persons
- **O** A percentage of the Federal poverty level

Specify percentage:

• The following dollar amount:

Specify dollar amount: If this amount changes, this item will be revised

<sup>O</sup> The following formula is used to determine the needs allowance:

Specify formula:

O Other

Specify:

ii. If the allowance for the personal needs of a waiver participant with a community spouse is different from the amount used for the individual's maintenance allowance under 42 CFR §435.726 or 42 CFR §435.735, explain why this amount is reasonable to meet the individual's maintenance needs in the community.

Select one:

- Allowance is the same
- O Allowance is different.

Explanation of difference:

iii. Amounts for incurred medical or remedial care expenses not subject to payment by a third party, specified in 42 CFR §435.726:

- a. Health insurance premiums, deductibles and co-insurance charges
- b. Necessary medical or remedial care expenses recognized under state law but not covered under the state's Medicaid plan, subject to reasonable limits that the state may establish on the amounts of these expenses.

Select one:

- Not Applicable (see instructions)Note: If the state protects the maximum amount for the waiver participant, not applicable must be selected.
- The state does not establish reasonable limits.
- $\circ$  The state uses the same reasonable limits as are used for regular (non-spousal) post-eligibility.

## **Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility**

**B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income** (5 of 7)

Note: The following selections apply for the five-year period beginning January 1, 2014.

#### e. Regular Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income: SSI State - 2014 through 2018.

# Answers provided in Appendix B-5-a indicate the selections in B-5-b also apply to B-5-e.

**Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility** 

**B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income** (6 of 7)

Note: The following selections apply for the five-year period beginning January 1, 2014.

#### f. Regular Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income: 209(B) State - 2014 through 2018.

Answers provided in Appendix B-4 indicate that you do not need to complete this section and therefore this section is not visible.

## **Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility**

**B-5: Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income** (7 of 7)

Note: The following selections apply for the five-year period beginning January 1, 2014.

#### g. Post-Eligibility Treatment of Income Using Spousal Impoverishment Rules - 2014 through 2018.

The state uses the post-eligibility rules of §1924(d) of the Act (spousal impoverishment protection) to determine the contribution of a participant with a community spouse toward the cost of home and community-based care. There is deducted from the participant's monthly income a personal needs allowance (as specified below), a community spouse's allowance and a family allowance as specified in the state Medicaid Plan. The state must also protect amounts for incurred expenses for medical or remedial care (as specified below).

# Answers provided in Appendix B-5-a indicate the selections in B-5-d also apply to B-5-g.

# **Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility**

**B-6: Evaluation/Reevaluation of Level of Care** 

As specified in 42 CFR §441.302(c), the state provides for an evaluation (and periodic reevaluations) of the need for the level(s) of care specified for this waiver, when there is a reasonable indication that an individual may need such services in the near future (one month or less), but for the availability of home and community-based waiver services.

**a. Reasonable Indication of Need for Services.** In order for an individual to be determined to need waiver services, an individual must require: (a) the provision of at least one waiver service, as documented in the service plan, <u>and</u> (b) the provision of waiver services at least monthly or, if the need for services is less than monthly, the participant requires regular monthly monitoring which must be documented in the service plan. Specify the state's policies concerning the

reasonable indication of the need for services:

#### i. Minimum number of services.

The minimum number of waiver services (one or more) that an individual must require in order to be determined to need waiver services is:

- **ii. Frequency of services.** The state requires (select one):
  - The provision of waiver services at least monthly
  - <sup>O</sup> Monthly monitoring of the individual when services are furnished on a less than monthly basis

If the state also requires a minimum frequency for the provision of waiver services other than monthly (e.g., quarterly), specify the frequency:

- **b.** Responsibility for Performing Evaluations and Reevaluations. Level of care evaluations and reevaluations are performed (*select one*):
  - O Directly by the Medicaid agency
  - **O** By the operating agency specified in Appendix A
  - <sup>O</sup> By a government agency under contract with the Medicaid agency.

Specify the entity:

• Other

Specify:

An OHCA Population Care Management nurse or a Case Management agency nurse contracted by the State administers the Uniform Comprehensive Assessment Tool (UCAT) depending on whether or not the individual has had no previous waiver services or if they are transitioning from another HCBS waiver program; however an OHCA registered nurse reviews the UCAT and verifies the scores on the assessment to make the final determination of medical necessity and whether the individual meets hospital or skilled nursing level of care.

**c. Qualifications of Individuals Performing Initial Evaluation:** Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(1), specify the educational/professional qualifications of individuals who perform the initial evaluation of level of care for waiver applicants:

A registered nurse or licensed practical nurse licensed in the State of Oklahoma with one year paid professional experience with aging and/or disabled populations or programs as a case manager, a rehabilitation specialist or health specialist and/or social services coordinator who has successfully completed the Uniform Comprehensive Assessment Tool (UCAT) training offered or approved by OHCA.

**d. Level of Care Criteria.** Fully specify the level of care criteria that are used to evaluate and reevaluate whether an individual needs services through the waiver and that serve as the basis of the state's level of care instrument/tool. Specify the level of care instrument/tool that is employed. State laws, regulations, and policies concerning level of care criteria and the level of care instrument/tool are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable), including the instrument/tool utilized.

(1) Level of care medical eligibility determination

The OHCA registered nurse or nurse designee determines medical eligibility for Medically Fragile program services based on the Uniform Comprehensive Assessment Tool and the determination of hospital/skilled nursing level of care as well as one or more of the following:

(A) There is a life-threatening condition characterized by reasonably frequent periods of acute

exacerbation which requires frequent medical supervision, and/or physician consultation and which in the absence of such supervision or consultation would require hospitalization.

(B) The individual requires frequent time-consuming administration of specialized treatments which are medically necessary.

(C) The individual is dependent on medical technology such that without the technology reasonable

level of health could not be maintained. Examples include but are not limited to dependence on ventilators, dialysis machines, enteral or parenteral nutrition support and continuous oxygen.

(2) Minimum UCAT criteria. The minimum UCAT criteria for hospital or skilled nursing facility level of care criteria are delineated in the assessment tool.

(A) The UCAT documents that:

(i) the member has a clinically documented progressive degenerative disease process that will produce health deterioration to an extent that the person will meet eligibility criteria if untreated; and

(ii) the member previously has required hospital or skilled nursing facility level of care services for treatment related to the condition; and

(iii) a medically prescribed treatment regimen exists that will significantly arrest or delay the disease process; and (iv) only by means of Medically Fragile program will the individual have access to the required treatment regimen to arrest or delay the disease process: otherwise, the individual could seek services in a hospital and/or nursing facility.

(B) The UCAT documents absence of support to meet the needs to sustain health and safety; and

(C) The UCAT documents need for assistance to sustain health and safety as demonstrated by ADLs in the high risk range.

(1) Level of care medical eligibility determination

The OHCA registered nurse or nurse designee determines medical eligibility for Medically Fragile program services based on the Uniform Comprehensive Assessment Tool and the determination of hospital/skilled nursing facility level of care as well as one or more of the following:

(A) There is a life threatening condition characterized by reasonably frequent periods of acute

exacerbation which requires frequent medical supervision, and/or physician consultation and which in the absence of such supervision or consultation would require hospitalization.

(B) The individual requires frequent time consuming administration of specialized treatments which are medically necessary.

(C) The individual is dependent on medical technology such that without the technology a reasonable

level of health could not be maintained. Examples include but are not limited to dependence on ventilators, dialysis machines, enteral or parenteral nutrition support and continuous oxygen.

(2) Minimum UCAT criteria. The minimum UCAT criteria for hospital or skilled nursing facility level of care criteria are delineated in the assessment tool.

(A) The UCAT documents that:

(i) the member has a clinically documented progressive degenerative disease process that will produce health deterioration to an extent that the person will meet eligibility criteria if untreated; and

(ii) the member previously has required hospital or skilled nursing facility level of care services for treatment related to the condition; and

(iii) a medically prescribed treatment regimen exists that will significantly arrest or delay the disease process; and(iv) only by means of Medically Fragile program will the individual have access to the required treatment regimen to arrest or delay the disease process: otherwise, the individual could seek services in a hospital and/or nursing facility.(B) The UCAT documents absence of support to meet the needs to sustain health and safety; and

(C) The UCAT documents need for assistance to sustain health and safety as demonstrated by ADLs in the high-risk range.

For initial level of care (LOC), the OHCA nurse assesses the applicant through an electronic format (phone, video conference, etc.) using the Uniform Comprehensive Assessment Tool (UCAT) unless there are limiting factors which necessitate a face-to-face assessment. The OHCA nurse determines nursing facility level of care eligibility based upon the outcome of the assessment unless the applicant is determined to not meet nursing facility level of care. In this case, a face-to-face visit is scheduled to either validate the initial electronic assessment or provide additional documentation to support the applicant meeting nursing facility level of care. Applicants shall not be denied access to the waiver solely

based on an assessment completed through an electronic format. For LOC reassessment, the member's Case Manager (CM), as part of the annual service plan review and development process, assesses the member in their home or other appropriate setting using the UCAT through an electronic format (phone, video conference, etc.) unless there are limiting factors which necessitate a face-to-face assessment. The OHCA nurse determines level of care based upon the outcome of the assessment unless the applicant is determined to not meet Skilled or Hospital level of care. In this case, a face-to-face visit is scheduled to either validate the electronic assessment or provide additional documentation to support the applicant meeting level of care. Applicants shall not be denied access to the waiver solely based on an assessment completed through an electronic format.

Signature requirements for applicants' agreement of choice of institutional care versus home and community-based services and choice of case management and home care service providers may be obtained via secure electronic methods, postal mail, or wet signature during a home visit.

In the event the individual does not meet eligibility criteria for the Medically Fragile waiver as determined by the Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) review committee; The Population Care Management Nurse Supervisor will forward the case and supporting documentation to an OHCA medical doctor for review and final determination.

If the individual's LOC determination or waiver criteria affiliation is denied, the member will be notified in writing as to their right to a fair hearing by the Long-Term Services and Supports unit.

The level of care criteria for initial evaluations is the same criteria utilized for reevaluations.

- e. Level of Care Instrument(s). Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(2), indicate whether the instrument/tool used to evaluate level of care for the waiver differs from the instrument/tool used to evaluate institutional level of care (*select one*):
  - The same instrument is used in determining the level of care for the waiver and for institutional care under the state Plan.
  - A different instrument is used to determine the level of care for the waiver than for institutional care under the state plan.

Describe how and why this instrument differs from the form used to evaluate institutional level of care and explain how the outcome of the determination is reliable, valid, and fully comparable.

**f. Process for Level of Care Evaluation/Reevaluation:** Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(1), describe the process for evaluating waiver applicants for their need for the level of care under the waiver. If the reevaluation process differs from the evaluation process, describe the differences:

An OHCA nurse or provider agency case manager will administer an assessment using the UCAT instrument, establishing the level of care. The document is forwarded to OHCA for monitoring and tracking. OHCA Population Care Management Team will review and approve the member to be enrolled into the waiver if all medical criteria is met. This process is followed annually during member re-evaluation. If the member's level of care determination is denied, the member will be notified in writing as to their right to appeal and the right to a fair hearing by the Long Term Services and Supports Unit. All level of care determinations are established by the OHCA nursing staff.

- **g. Reevaluation Schedule.** Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(4), reevaluations of the level of care required by a participant are conducted no less frequently than annually according to the following schedule (*select one*):
  - O Every three months
  - O Every six months
  - Every twelve months
  - O Other schedule

Specify the other schedule:

- **h.** Qualifications of Individuals Who Perform Reevaluations. Specify the qualifications of individuals who perform reevaluations (*select one*):
  - The qualifications of individuals who perform reevaluations are the same as individuals who perform initial evaluations.
  - The qualifications are different.

Specify the qualifications:

**i. Procedures to Ensure Timely Reevaluations.** Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(4), specify the procedures that the state employs to ensure timely reevaluations of level of care (*specify*):

A clinician-designed system which alerts providers of re-evaluations due and provides a single view of member information for care coordination. This system is also used to edit and create reports for OHCA's LTSS and The Population Care Management team. One report that is generated by the system is the "re-evaluation due in 60 days report," which serves as an alert to assist the State in ensuring that re-evaluations are performed timely. This function is an essential part of case management and is required as part of the annual service plan reevaluation process. The provider agency is required to track each level of care expiration date in order to meet the required sixty day renewal process.

**j. Maintenance of Evaluation/Reevaluation Records.** Per 42 CFR §441.303(c)(3), the state assures that written and/or electronically retrievable documentation of all evaluations and reevaluations are maintained for a minimum period of 3 years as required in 45 CFR §92.42. Specify the location(s) where records of evaluations and reevaluations of level of care are maintained:

The OHCA Population Care Management Team and Provider Agency must maintain this information in accordance with record retention requirements as required by state law. The OHCA records are maintained within the MMIS and the clinician designed system. The provider agency is responsible for maintaining the documentation at the provider agency site for three years.

**Appendix B: Evaluation/Reevaluation of Level of Care** 

# **Quality Improvement: Level of Care**

As a distinct component of the States quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the States methods for discovery and remediation.

#### a. Methods for Discovery: Level of Care Assurance/Sub-assurances

The state demonstrates that it implements the processes and instrument(s) specified in its approved waiver for evaluating/reevaluating an applicant's/waiver participant's level of care consistent with level of care provided in a hospital, NF or ICF/IID.

#### i. Sub-Assurances:

**a.** Sub-assurance: An evaluation for LOC is provided to all applicants for whom there is reasonable indication that services may be needed in the future.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

**Performance Measure:** 

Number and percent of new enrollees who met level of care prior to receiving Medically Fragile Waiver Services. Numerator: Total number of new enrollees who met level of care. Denominator: Total number of new enrollees.

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: The clinician designed system and LTSS report

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
□ Operating Agency	X Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other Specify:	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	⊠ Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	
Operating Agency	<b>Monthly</b>
Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

# **b.** Sub-assurance: The levels of care of enrolled participants are reevaluated at least annually or as specified in the approved waiver.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

c. Sub-assurance: The processes and instruments described in the approved waiver are applied appropriately and according to the approved description to determine participant level of care.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Measure:**

Number and Percentage of members annual reassessment LOC determinations that

were completed as required by the State. Numerator: Total number of LOC determination completed as required by the State. Denominator: Total number of annual LOC determinations.

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: LTSS reports and the clinician designed system.

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
□ Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other Specify: CM Agency	□ Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

## Data Aggregation and Analysis:

	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
Operating Agency	🗵 Monthly
Sub-State Entity	⊠ <sub>Quarterly</sub>
Other Specify:	🗵 Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

**Performance Measure:** 

Number and percent of member level of care determinations made where the approved instruments were applied appropriately and according to State requirements. Numerator:Total number of LOC determinations made where the approved instruments were applied appropriately and according to State requirements. Denominator: Total number of LOC determinations.

Data Source (Select one): Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

LTSS Operational Report and the clinician designed system.

<b>Responsible Party for</b> data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative     Sample     Confidence     Interval =
⊠ Other	Annually	□ Stratified

Specify: CM Agency		Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

#### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	
Operating Agency	X Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ <sub>Quarterly</sub>
Other Specify:	Annually
	$\Box$ Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

**ii.** If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

#### b. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems

i. Describe the States method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information

regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the state to document these items.

When the OHCA Population Care Management team detects non-compliance in administering the LOC instrument, the Care Management team will provide corrective training intervention to the nurse/case manager. The CM supervisor will review all level of care evaluations by the nurse/case manager until the supervisor has determined the nurse/case manager has demonstrated proper compliance in administering the level of care instrument. These performance issues are noted by the CM supervisor in the personnel file as appropriate.

# ii. Remediation Data Aggregation

#### Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

<b>Responsible Party</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
□ Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly
Other Specify:	□ Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

### c. Timelines

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Level of Care that are currently non-operational.

# • No

# O<sub>Yes</sub>

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Level of Care, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

# **Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility**

# **B-7: Freedom of Choice**

*Freedom of Choice.* As provided in 42 CFR §441.302(d), when an individual is determined to be likely to require a level of care for this waiver, the individual or his or her legal representative is:

- *i. informed of any feasible alternatives under the waiver; and*
- ii. given the choice of either institutional or home and community-based services.
- **a. Procedures.** Specify the state's procedures for informing eligible individuals (or their legal representatives) of the feasible alternatives available under the waiver and allowing these individuals to choose either institutional or waiver services.

Identify the form(s) that are employed to document freedom of choice. The form or forms are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Each member is provided the Medically Fragile, Freedom of Choice form by the Case Manager, during service plan development, describing the member's right to review alternatives and choose either institutional or waiver services. The service plan is based on the findings detailed in the UCAT assessment and will help the individual understand the options available for participation in the waiver. The service plan is developed with the full participation of the individual and his/her legal guardian or other representatives and is completed before the member enters the program.

Specifically, the individual service plan provides the following information:

- \* all services, including objectives and expected duration of each service element, the individual's desired outcomes
- \* the options and services available in the community
- \* the benefits and services available through the waiver

\* informs the individual, his or her family members, legal guardian, advocate or other representative about the benefits, risks and alternatives to planned services

\* freedom of choice to reside in a qualified community residence (A qualified community residence is defined as a home leased or owned by the individual; an apartment leased by the individual; the home of a relative/family member or a residence in which no more than four individuals reside).

- \* a source of income
- \* accessible health care
- \* transportation
- \* access to peer support
- \* access to natural support (if available)
- **b. Maintenance of Forms.** Per 45 CFR §92.42, written copies or electronically retrievable facsimiles of Freedom of Choice forms are maintained for a minimum of three years. Specify the locations where copies of these forms are maintained.

The Medically Fragile, Freedom of Choice form must be completed and signed upon initial entrance into the waiver, as the member request changes in service providers and at the member's annual re-assessment. These documents will be maintained in the member's file with the case management agency and a copy will be sent to waiver staff for tracking and will be maintained for a minimum of three years as specified in the OHCA records retention policy and 45 C.F.R. 92.42.

# **Appendix B: Participant Access and Eligibility**

**B-8:** Access to Services by Limited English Proficiency Persons

Access to Services by Limited English Proficient Persons. Specify the methods that the state uses to provide meaningful access to the waiver by Limited English Proficient persons in accordance with the Department of Health and Human Services "Guidance to Federal Financial Assistance Recipients Regarding Title VI Prohibition Against National Origin Discrimination Affecting Limited English Proficient Persons" (68 FR 47311 - August 8, 2003):

OHCA has contracted access to a language line through its enrollment broker contract. Additionally, OHCA employs bilingual staff, who speak English and Spanish or English and Vietnamese to assist the members and/or provider agency staff with any language needs.

OHCA performs a quarterly analysis of race and ethnicity of all 1915(c) waiver members to determine if prevalence of a specific population is established. OHCA considers ten percent a threshold for preparing materials in other languages. In July 2017 the Hispanic population in 1915(c) waivers comprised 2.50% of the total in these waivers. No other race or ethnicity has been identified that would require translation to a language other than English. However, OHCA remains committed to ensuring that meaningful access to the waiver is afforded to persons with limited English proficiency. OHCA will continually survey/assess the needs of eligible service populations in order to determine whether certain critical outreach materials should be translated into other languages. Further, OHCA will provide assistance as needed to assist persons with Limited English Proficiency with access to services.

**Appendix C: Participant Services** 

C-1: Summary of Services Covered (1 of 2)

**a. Waiver Services Summary.** *List the services that are furnished under the waiver in the following table. If case management is not a service under the waiver, complete items C-1-b and C-1-c:* 

Service Type	Service	
Statutory Service	Case Management	
Statutory Service	Personal Care	
Statutory Service	Respite	
Extended State Plan Service	Prescribed Drugs	
Other Service	Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	
Other Service	Environmental Modifications	
Other Service	Home Delivered Meals	
Other Service	Hospice Care	
Other Service	Institutional Transition Case Management	
Other Service	Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)	
Other Service	Private Duty Nursing	
Other Service	Self-Directed Goods and Services (SD-GS)	
Other Service	Skilled Nursing	
Other Service	Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies	
Other Service	Therapy Services: Respiratory	
Other Service	Therapy Services: Occupational	
Other Service	Therapy Services: Physical	
Other Service	Therapy Services: Speech	
Other Service	Transitional Case Management	

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service	Type:
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Statutory Service

Service:

Case Management

Alternate Service Title (if any):

**HCBS Taxonomy:** 

Category 1:

Sub-Category 1:

01 Case Management

01010 case management

Category 2:

Sub-Category 2:

- Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.
- <sup>O</sup> Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.
- Service is not included in the approved waiver.

#### Service Definition (Scope):

Case Management services are services that assist a member in gaining access to medical, social, educational or other services, regardless of payment source, that may benefit the member in maintaining health and safety. Case managers ensure that the individual's needs are met in self-direction through linkage, assessment, brokerage, advocacy and monitoring activities. Specifically, the case manager performs the following duties:

1. completes or arranges for necessary assessments to identify a member's needs;

2. has overall responsibility for the development and updating of the Individual Plan of Care;

3. describes service options in sufficient detail to assure that the service member, or parent or guardian if applicable, is able to make an informed choice regarding self-directed and agency services; Case Management for self-direction and regular case management are encompassed in this service.

4. coordinates and monitors services to determine effectiveness in meeting the needs of the member;

5. has the authority to implement approved services prescribed in the Plan and to access emergency or crisis services as defined by policy; and

6. documents findings in the clinical record.

With prior approval by the Team, this service may be provided remotely. The percentage of time this service is provided via telehealth depends on the needs of the participant as identified and addressed in the Uniform Comprehensive Assessment Tool (UCAT). This service can be provided via telehealth up to 100% of the time the service is delivered. In person visits will be required when the member is deemed high risk per the agency's high risk scoring tool and are provided upon request by the participant and as determined by the Team. The telehealth delivery of this service must meet HIPAA requirements and the methodology must be accepted by the state's HIPAA compliance officer. The delivery of this service via telehealth does not allow video cameras or video monitors in bedrooms or bathrooms. The telehealth delivery of services will only be considered for tasks that do not require inperson physical intervention. The State supports participants who need assistance with using the technology required for the telehealth delivery of the service by providing consultation, training, and retraining when needed by the participant, the provider, family, and others to ensure they know how to use the equipment. The State requires the completion of a UCAT regarding home and community safety issues, medical support needs and behavioral health support needs to identify the appropriate supports to ensure health and safety. The telehealth delivery of these services is only approved upon Team recommendation and approval by the LTSS Supervisor or designee.

Case Management providers shall also provide information and assistance in support of member-directed services. Case managers are responsible for informing members of the opportunity to self-direct services. In addition, the Case Managers make an initial determination of member's ability to meet criteria for participation of self-directed services.

Providers of HCBS for members, or those who have an interest in or are employed by a provider of HCBS for members must not provide case management or develop the person-centered service plan, except when the State demonstrates that the only willing and qualified entity to provide case management and/or develop person-centered service plans in a geographic area also provides HCBS.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and prior authorized in accordance with the service plan.

With prior approval by the Team, this service may be provided remotely. The percentage of time this service is provided via telehealth depends on the needs of the participant as identified and addressed in the Uniform Comprehensive Assessment Tool (UCAT). This service can be provided via telehealth up to 100% of the time the service is delivered. In person visits will be required when the member is deemed high risk per the agency's high risk scoring tool and are provided upon request by the participant and as determined by the Team. The telehealth delivery of this service must meet HIPAA requirements and the methodology must be accepted by the state's HIPAA compliance officer

**Service Delivery Method** (check each that applies):

□ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

☑ Provider managed

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

**Ex** Legally Responsible Person

**Relative** 

🔀 Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

Provider Category	Provider Type Title
Agency	Case Management Agency

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service Service Name: Case Management

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

Case Management Agency

# **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

**Other Standard** (specify):

**Qualified Provider Certification** 

Completion of curriculum requirements for a baccalaureate degree and one year paid professional experience with aging and/or disabled populations or programs as a Case Manager, a Rehabilitation Specialist or Health Specialist and/or Social Services Coordinator; or completion of degree program as a Registered Nurse or Licensed Practical Nurse and one year paid professional experience.

Training Requirements:

All Case Managers must successfully complete Case Manager Training offered or approved by OHCA. This training also incorporates identification of members who meet criteria for self-directed services, supports and education to be furnished to assist members who may choose to self-direct, assisting the member with modification of the service plan to incorporate self-directed services, supporting the member in a transition to self-direction or from self-direction to the use of agency services. The training informs the case manager about how to assist the member with establishing a budget and reviewing reports of services authorized and used. In addition, the case managers are trained on how to assess the member's satisfaction with self-directed services on an ongoing basis. Amount, frequency and duration of service are prior authorized in accordance with service plan.

## Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

#### Service Type:

Statutory Service

Service:

Personal Care

Alternate Service Title (if any):

**HCBS Taxonomy:** 

Category 1:

Sub-Category 1:

08 Home-Based Services

08030 personal care

**Category 2:** 

Sub-Category 2:

Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:
omplete this part for a renewal applicat	ion or a new waiver that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

- Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.
- ${\rm O}\,$  Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.
- Service is not included in the approved waiver.

#### Service Definition (Scope):

Assistance with eating, bathing, dressing, personal hygiene activities of daily living. These services may include assistance with preparation of meals, but does not include the cost of the meals themselves. When specified in the plan of care, this service may also include such housekeeping chores as bed-making, dusting and vacuuming, or other tasks or errands which are incidental to the care furnished, or which are essential to the health and welfare of the individual, rather than the individual's family. Personal care providers must meet State standards for this service.

Personal care services under the State plan differ in service definition from the services offered under the waiver including provider training requirements and qualifications. Members served under the waiver have a higher level of care need than those individuals served under State plan personal care. Waiver members must meet skilled nursing facility or hospital level of care. The scope, nature and provider type including waiver certification require more quality planning and action by agencies delivering waiver personal care. This is not required for State Plan Personal Care service agencies. State Plan Personal Care is afforded to individuals with lower level of care needs than in this waiver.

Supervision of personal care providers will be furnished by a registered nurse, licensed to practice nursing in the State or by a licensed practical or vocational nurse, under the supervision of a registered nurse, as provided under State law or by the participant-employer of the personal care provider. This level of care is necessary because of the many direct, hands on care services to be furnished by Personal Care Assistants. This nursing supervision is billed as a skilled nursing waiver service. Frequency or intensity of supervision is determined by the service plan, and will be no less often than every 6 months. Duties of the Supervisor will include the following:

Utilize the plan of care to determine the training needs of the personal care assistant for each Member assigned and implement the plan of care that meets the needs of each Member.

Monitor the provision of personal care services and authorized RN visits to ensure that services are delivered in accordance with the services authorized in the Members service plan.

Complete a written evaluation of each Personal Care Assistants performance at least annually.

Communicate with the Case Manager regarding changes in Members condition and recommended changes in scope or frequency of service delivery.

Report any PCA suspected of abuse, neglect or exploitation to the Adult Protective Services staff of the Oklahoma Department of Human Services, the Attorney General Medicaid Unit and the Oklahoma State Department of Health.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and prior authorized in accordance with service plan. This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary personal care services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit.

**Service Delivery Method** (check each that applies):

- **|X|** Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- **|**×| Provider managed

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

- Legally Responsible Person
- × Relative

🔀 Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

Provider Category	Provider Type Title
Individual	Personal Care Assistant
Agency	Home Care Agency

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service
Service Name: Personal Care

# Provider Category:

**Provider Type:** 

# Personal Care Assistant

## **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

**Other Standard** (specify):

Qualified Provider Certification

The PCA is at least 18 years of age, has not been convicted of a crime as defined in 63 O.S., Sec. 1-1950 et seq., has no pending notation of abuse or neglect as reported by the Oklahoma State Department of Health Nurse Aide Registry, name does not appear on the DHS Community Services Workers Registry.

Demonstrates the ability to understand and carry out assigned tasks, has verifiable work history and/or personal references, has verifiable identification.

Training Requirements: Demonstrates competency to a qualified evaluator to meet the personal care assistance needs of the individual member.

# Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

# **Frequency of Verification:**

Prior to enrollment and annually

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

# Service Type: Statutory Service Service Name: Personal Care

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

Home Care Agency

#### **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

Home Care Agency 63 O.S., Sec. 1 1961,et seq.

Certificate (specify):

#### Other Standard (specify):

**Qualified Provider Certification** 

The PCA is at least 18 years of age, has not been convicted of a crime as defined in 63 O.S., Sec. 1-1950 et seq., has no pending notation of abuse or neglect as reported by the Oklahoma State Department of Health Nurse Aide Registry, name does not appear on the DHS Community Services Workers Registry.

Demonstrates the ability to understand and carry out assigned tasks, has verifiable work history and/or personal references, has verifiable identification.

Training Requirements: Demonstrates competency to a qualified evaluator to meet the personal care assistance needs of the individual member.

Nurse Supervision Requirements:

Registered nurse (RN) supervision of personal care services is a state requirement of the Medicaid Program. Each Medicaid provider agency must have an RN available to perform specific supervisory functions unless the plan of care includes only homemaker chore. If the plan contains homemaker chores only, the agency may designate the qualifications of the supervisor. While some of the nursing supervision functions may be delegated to a licensed practical nurse (LPN), as described below, the provider agency is still responsible for having registered nurse staff available to perform specified supervisory tasks.

At a minimum the provider agency must meet services quality monitoring and oversight requirements in accordance with OAC 310: 662-5-4. As part of the certification as a qualified provider of Home Care services, agencies are required to develop and implement a Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) plan that details the quality safeguards the provider has designed to meet the State's requirements. The provider will be held accountable for following the Quality Self-Audit process for supervisory oversight of personal care services described in the individual providers OHCA approved CQI plan. For Quality Self-Audit supervisory monitoring visits, the RN shall visit the member at home or determine that an LPN make the visit based upon the types of Personal Care services authorized in the member's plan of care.

The RN has the responsibility of determining the status of the present plan of care in meeting the member's needs. The LPN is under the direct supervision of the RN. This supervision includes a review and co-signature by the RN for all reports prepared by the LPN and consultation between RN and LPN as needed.

## **Entity Responsible for Verification:**

OHCA	Provider	Enroll	lment	Unit
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# **Frequency of Verification:**

Prior to enrollment and annually

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:	
Statutory Service	
Service:	1
Respite	
Alternate Service Title (if any):	

**HCBS Taxonomy:** 

Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
09 Caregiver Support	09012 respite, in-home
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
09 Caregiver Support	09011 respite, out-of-home
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:

Complete this part for a renewal application or a new waiver that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

• Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

- O Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.
- O Service is not included in the approved waiver.

Service Definition (Scope):

Services provided to individuals unable to care for themselves; furnished on a short-term basis because of the absence or need for relief of those persons normally providing the care. The cost of room and board will not be covered except when provided as part of respite care in a facility approved by the State that is not a private residence. Respite care is provided in the following:

Individual's home or place of residence Nursing Facility

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and prior authorized in accordance with service plan.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

# Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

<sup>|×|</sup> Provider managed

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

**Example 2** Legally Responsible Person

**⊠** Relative

⊠ Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

<b>Provider Category</b>	Provider Type Title	
Agency	Nursing Facility	
Agency	Home Care Agency	
Individual	Personal Care Assistant - Respite	

**Appendix C: Participant Services** 

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Typ Service Nar	e: Statutory Service ne: Respite		
Provider Catego	ory:		
Agency			
Provider Type:			

Nursing Facility

**Provider Qualifications** 

License (specify):

Nursing Facility 63 O.S., Sec. 1-1901, et seq.

Certificate (specify):

# **Other Standard** (specify):

Qualified Provider Certification Medicaid Provider Agreement

#### Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

# OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

# Frequency of Verification:

Prior to enrollment and annually

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service Service Name: Respite	
Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:	
Home Care Agency	
Provider Qualifications License (specify):	

Home Care Agency 63 O.S., Sec. 1 1961,et seq. **Certificate** (*specify*):

# **Other Standard** (*specify*):

# Qualified Provider Certification

Respite provider is at least 18 years of age, has not been convicted of a crime as defined in 63 O.S., Sec. 1-1950 et seq., has no pending notation of abuse or neglect as reported by the Oklahoma State Department of Health Nurse Aide Registry, name does not appear on the DHS Community Services Workers Registry.

Demonstrates the ability to understand and carry out assigned tasks, has verifiable work history and/or personal references, has verifiable identification.

#### Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

# Frequency of Verification:

Prior to enrollment and annually

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Statutory Service Service Name: Respite Provider Category: Individual Provider Type:

Personal Care Assistant - Respite

# **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

**Certificate** (*specify*):

**Other Standard** (specify):

Qualified Provider Certification

The PCA is at least 18 years of age, has not been convicted of a crime as defined in 63 O.S., Sec. 1-1950 et seq., has no pending notation of abuse or neglect as reported by the Oklahoma State Department of Health Nurse Aide Registry, name does not appear on the DHS Community Services Workers Registry.

Demonstrates the ability to understand and carry out assigned tasks, has verifiable work history and/or personal references, has verifiable identification.

Supervision of the individual is conducted by the participant-employer of the personal care provider. The participant-employer supervises the provider each time the personal care provider renders services. Training Requirements: Demonstrates competency to a qualified evaluator to meet the personal care assistance needs of the individual member.

# Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Extended State Plan Service

Service Title:

Prescribed Drugs

**HCBS Taxonomy:** 

Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
11 Other Health and Therapeutic Services	11060 prescription drugs
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:

Complete this part for a renewal application or a new waiver that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

 $^{\hbox{O}}$  Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.

• Service is not included in the approved waiver.

#### Service Definition (Scope):

Prescribed drugs available through the approved State plan will be provided, except limitations on amount, duration and scope specified in the plan will not apply. The State Plan prescribed drug benefits for waiver members include both brand and generic medications. Brand name drugs where no generic equivalent is available must be prior authorized. Prior authorization is also required on generic drugs in excess of State Plan and Extended State Plan benefits.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary prescribed drug services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit. Exceptions to State Plan prescribed drug benefits with respect to amount, frequency and duration of service require a prior authorization. Prescribed drugs available under Medicare Part D will not be provided under the provisions of this waiver to members who are dual (Medicare/Medicaid) eligible. Extended State Plan prescribed drugs provided under the provisions of this waiver are in addition to the State Plan prescribed drugs benefit. The member's pharmacy may submit a written request on behalf of the member to have additional prescription needs reviewed. In addition to making a determination of a medical necessity for the additional prescription product(s) being requested, this review to be performed by the OU College of Pharmacy could result in a recommendation that certain medication regimens be altered or discontinued. Recipient co-payments will be required for each monthly prescribed drug. There is no co-payment for preferred generic medications. Co-payment amounts are as described in the State Plan.

The service is authorized in the member's service plan and is necessary to prevent institutionalization.

**Service Delivery Method** (check each that applies):

- □ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- **Provider managed**

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person
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**Relative** 

🗌 Legal Guardian

#### **Provider Specifications:**

<b>Provider Category</b>	Provider Type Title
Agency	Pharmacy

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

## Service Type: Extended State Plan Service Service Name: Prescribed Drugs

**Provider Category:** 

Agency

**Provider Type:** 

Pharmacy

#### **Provider Qualifications**

**License** (*specify*):

Pharmacy 59 O.S., Sec., 353.9 et seq.

**Certificate** (*specify*):

**Other Standard** (specify):

#### Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

# **Frequency of Verification:**

Prior to enrollment and annually

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

# Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

S Taxonomy:	
Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
08 Home-Based Services	08030 personal care
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:

Complete this part for a renewal application or a new waiver that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

• Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

 $^{m O}$  Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.

• Service is not included in the approved waiver.

#### Service Definition (Scope):

Advanced Supportive/Restorative Care are maintenance services provided to assist a member with a stable, chronic condition with activities of daily living when such assistance requires devices and procedures related to altered body function. The Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance does not perform any nurse functions.

Advanced Supportive/Restorative Care is a maintenance service and should never be used as a therapeutic treatment. Recipients who develop medical complications requiring skilled nursing services while receiving Advanced Supportive/Restorative Care should be referred to their attending physician, who may, if appropriate, order home health services.

Advanced Supportive/Restorative Care which may be performed are:

Routine personal care for persons with ostomies (including tracheotomies, gastrostomies and colostomies with wellhealed stoma) and external, indwelling, and suprapubic catheters which includes changing bags and soap and water hygiene around ostomy or catheter site;

Remove external catheters, inspect skin and reapplication of same;

Use lift for transfers; Manually assist with oral medications which are set up by a registered or licensed practical nurse or family member;

Provide passive range of motion (non-resistive flexion of joint) delivered in accordance with the plan of care, unless contraindicated by underlying joint pathology;

Apply non-sterile dressings to superficial skin breaks or abrasions as directed by a registered or licensed practical nurse;

administer prescribed bowel program including use of suppositories and sphincter stimulation and Use Universal Precautions as defined by the Center for Disease Control.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and prior authorized in accordance with service plan. This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary Advanced Supportive/Restorative services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit.

**Service Delivery Method** (check each that applies):

- **Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E**
- **Provider managed**

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

- **└** Legally Responsible Person
- × Relative
- 🔀 Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

Provider Category	Provider Type Title
Agency	Home Care Agency
Individual	Advanced Supportive/Restorative Aide

**Appendix C: Participant Services** 

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

Home Care Agency

#### **Provider Qualifications**

**License** (*specify*):

Home Care License 63 O.S., Sec. 1-1961, et seq.

Certificate (specify):

**Other Standard** (specify):

Qualified Provider Certification

The ASR Aide is at least 18 years of age, has not been convicted of a crime as defined in 63 O.S., Sec. 1-1950 et seq., has no pending notation of abuse or neglect as reported by the Oklahoma State Department of Health Nurse Aide Registry, name does not appear on the OKDHS Community Services Workers Registry.

Demonstrates the ability to understand and carry out assigned tasks, has verifiable work history and/or personal references, has verifiable identification.

Training Requirements: All Advanced Supportive/Restorative aides are required to receive the same basic personal care training as a Personal Care aide, and also must be given the following training prior to delivery of Advanced Supportive/ Restorative services:

The agency must provide Advanced Supportive/Restorative training specific to the care needs of the members receiving Advanced Supportive/Restorative services. The provider shall have written plans of the training; such training must include at a minimum the following topics:

Observing the member and reporting observations; Application of ointments/lotions to unbroken skin; Supervise/assist with oral medications: Prevention of decubiti; Bowel program; Basic Personal Care for persons with ostomies and catheters; Range of motion exercises; Use of lift for transfers; Applying non-sterile dressings to superficial skin breaks; and Universal Precaution procedures as defined by the Center for Disease Control.

The agency must document the dates and hours of Advanced Supportive/Restorative training received by the Personal Care aide in the aide's personnel file.

Prior to performing any Advanced Supportive/Restorative task for any member for the first time, the aide must demonstrate competency in the tasks on the member's plan of care in a member-specific training session conducted by the registered nurse, or an LPN working under the direction of a registered nurse. The nurse must document the aide's competency in performing each task in the aide's personnel file. The RN/LPN visit required to conduct such training and testing is a billable visit as a skilled nursing service.

The required demonstration of each advanced personal care task during a member-specific training session with an RN or LPN may not be waived. Advanced Supportive/Restorative aides must also receive annual in-service training.

The Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance agency shall have written documentation of all basic and in-service training provided which includes, at a minimum, a report of each employee's training in that employee's personnel record. The report shall document the dates of all classroom or individualized training, trainer's name, topics, number of hours, and location; the date of first unsupervised service delivery; and shall contain the worker's signature. If an agency waives the in-service training, the employee's training record shall contain supportive data for the waiver of training.

Nurse Supervision Requirements:

Registered nurse supervision is essential to the safe provision of Advanced Supportive/Restorative care. Certain nurse functions for Advanced Supportive/Restorative members may be performed by a licensed practical nurse; others must be performed by a registered nurse. The following outlines the nursing requirements for members receiving Advanced Supportive/Restorative care:

The registered nurse must: Conduct an initial assessment visit and develop the plan of care for members with Advanced Supportive/Restorative care needs, in collaboration with the case manager.

Conduct on-site visits to all Advanced Supportive/Restorative care members at six-month intervals. During the visit, the RN shall conduct an evaluation of the adequacy of the authorized services to meet the needs and conditions of the member, and shall assess the Advanced Supportive/Restorative aide's ability to carry out the authorized services. Additional hours may be authorized for on-site nurse visits as necessary.

Make periodic member evaluations, on a schedule as prescribed in the service plan and covered under the waiver. Evaluation reports shall be made available to the case manager within 48 hours of each evaluation. Frequency of nurse supervision visits at a minimum is every six months with additional visits specified in the service plan. Nurse supervision visits will generally not exceed one per month.

Conduct annual assessment/reassessment visits and develop the plan of care for all subsequent years for members with Advanced Supportive/Restorative care needs, in collaboration with the case manager.

Attend IDT meetings to develop or amend the service plan.

Be available, at least by telephone, during any period of time Advanced Supportive/Restorative care is being provided.

Observe the successful execution by the aide of each Advanced Supportive/ Restorative task during a member-specific training session, and certify the successful completion of the task in the aide's personnel record. This visit may be authorized and reimbursed as a skilled nursing service.

The licensed practical nurse may:

Conduct the periodic authorized nurse visits to evaluate the condition of the Advanced Supportive/Restorative care member. The visit reports must be forwarded to the RN supervisor for co-signatures.

#### Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance

Provider Category: Individual Provider Type:

Advanced Supportive/Restorative Aide

#### **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

**Other Standard** (specify):

Qualified Provider Certification

The ASR Assistant is at least 18 years of age, has not been convicted of a crime as defined in 63 O.S., Sec. 1-1950 et seq., has no pending notation of abuse or neglect as reported by the Oklahoma State Department of Health Nurse Aide Registry, name does not appear on the OKDHS Community Services Workers Registry.

Demonstrates the ability to understand and carry out assigned tasks, has verifiable work history and/or personal references, has verifiable identification.

Training Requirements: It should be noted that Advanced Supportive/Restorative aides do not perform any functions that typically would be performed by a nurse. All Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance aides are required to receive the same basic Personal Care training as a Personal Care aide, and also must be given the following training prior to delivery of Advanced Supportive/Restorative services:

Prior to performing any Advanced Supportive/Restorative task for any member for the first time, the AS/RA must demonstrate competency in the tasks in a member-specific training session conducted by the member. The member will provide guidance on the tasks to be performed and will also state any preference for service delivery. The member must document the attendant's competency in performing each task in the AS/RA's personnel file. In addition, Waiver skilled nursing services are authorized to provide assistance with training of the AS/RA and/or to provide skilled nursing oversight for the delivery of AS/RA services. A nurse is required to observe the successful execution by the AS/RA of each Advanced Supportive/Restorative task during a member-specific training session, and certify the successful completion of the task in the AS/RA's personnel record.

Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

> OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit Frequency of Verification:

Prior to enrollment and annually

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

# Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

#### Service Title:

Environmental Modifications

**HCBS Taxonomy:** 

Sub-Category 1:
14020 home and/or vehicle accessibility adaptations
Sub-Category 2:
Sub-Category 3:
Sub-Category 4:

- Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.
- <sup>O</sup> Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.
- <sup>O</sup> Service is not included in the approved waiver.

#### Service Definition (Scope):

Those architectural and environmental modifications and adaptations to the home, required by the individual's plan of care, which are necessary to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the individual, or which enable the individual to function with greater independence in the home. Such modifications and adaptations may include the installation of ramps, lifts, grab-bars, widening of doorways, modification of bathroom or kitchen facilities, or installation of specialized electric and plumbing systems which are necessary to accommodate the medical equipment and supplies which are necessary for the welfare of the individual. Specialized safety adaptations include scald protection devices, stove guards, installation of specialized equipment used by people who have vision or hearing impairments or behavioral challenges. Excluded are those adaptations or improvements to the home which are of general utility, and are not of direct medical or remedial benefit to the individual, such as carpeting, roof repair, central air conditioning, etc. Adaptations which add to the total square footage of the home are excluded from this benefit. Modifications will not be made to homes owned or leased by waiver service providers.

All services shall be provided in accordance with applicable state or local building codes and conform to ADA Accessibility Guidelines 28 CFR Part 36 Appendix A.

The service is authorized by the members service plan and is necessary to prevent institutionalization.

# Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and prior authorized in accordance with service plan.

**Service Delivery Method** (check each that applies):

□ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

➤ Provider managed

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

**Example 2** Legally Responsible Person

**⊠** Relative

Legal Guardian Provider Specifications:

Provider Category	Provider Type Title
Individual	Architect; Electricians; Engineers; Mechanical Contractors; Plumbers; Re-modelers and Builders

**Appendix C: Participant Services** 

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Environmental Modifications

Provider Category:

Provider Type:

Architect; Electricians; Engineers; Mechanical Contractors; Plumbers; Re-modelers and Builders

## **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

Architects Oklahoma Administrative Code Title 55, Chapter; Electricians Licensing Act, 59 O.S., et seq.; Mechanical Licensing Act, 59 O.S., Sec. 1850.1-1850.15; Plumbing Licensing Act, 59 O.S., Sed. 1001-1021; Appropriate licenses from the Oklahoma Department of Health Construction Industries Board.

**Certificate** (*specify*):

Other Standard (specify):

Qualified Provider Certification ADA Accessibility Guidelines- 28 CFR Part 36 Appendix A.

#### Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

**C-1/C-3: Service Specification** 

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

#### Service Title:

ome Delivered Meals	
BS Taxonomy:	
Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
06 Home Delivered Meals	06010 home delivered meals
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:

- Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.
- Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.
- <sup>O</sup> Service is not included in the approved waiver.

# Service Definition (Scope):

Home-Delivered Meal service provide meals, each with a nutritional content equal to one-third of the Recommended Daily Allowance delivered to the home for members who are unable to prepare meals and who lack an informal provider to do meal preparation. Provision of home-delivered meals reduces the need for reliance on paid staff during mealtimes by providing one meal per day in a cost-effective manner.

Home-Delivered Meals shall be included in the individual service plan only when it is necessary to prevent the institutionalization of an individual.

The goals of Home-Delivered Meals

(1) To facilitate member independence by allowing members the choice to remain in their own homes rather than enter a nursing facility.

- (2) To provide one daily nutritious meal to persons at risk of being institutionalized.
- (3) To provide a daily social contact to ensure the member's safety and well being.

In order to receive Home-Delivered Meals under the waiver, a member must:

(1) Be unable to prepare some or all of his/her own meals, or require a special diet and be unable to prepare meals; or

have no other individual available to prepare member's meals, or the provision of a home-delivered meal is the most cost-effective method of ensuring a nutritionally adequate meal.

# Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and prior authorized in accordance with service plan; however, one (1) meal is the maximum number allowed per day.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

└ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

**⊠** Provider managed

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

**Relative** 

🗌 Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

<b>Provider Category</b>	Provider Type Title
Agency	Home Delivered Meals

**Appendix C: Participant Services** 

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Home Delivered Meals

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

Home Delivered Meals

**Provider Qualifications** 

**License** (*specify*):

Oklahoma Health Code, Food Preparers/Handlers License Sec., 1110 & 1119 59 O.S. Sec., 21

Certificate (specify):

County Health Department Kitchen and Food Handler Certification

**Other Standard** (*specify*):

Qualified Provider Certification Title III Program Home-Delivered Meal Provider Standards

## Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

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## Service Type:

#### Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

## Service Title:

Hospice Care	

## **HCBS Taxonomy:**

Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
08 Home-Based Services	08030 personal care
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:

• Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

<sup>O</sup> Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.

• Service is not included in the approved waiver.

## Service Definition (Scope):

Hospice care is palliative and/or comfort care provided to the member and his/her family when a physician certifies that the member has a terminal illness and has six (6) months or less to live and orders Hospice Care. A hospice program offers palliative and supportive care to meet the special needs arising out of the physical, emotional and spiritual stresses which are experienced during the final stages of illness and during dying and bereavement. The member signs a statement choosing hospice care instead of routine medical care that has the objective to treat and cure the members illness. Once the member has elected hospice care, the hospice medical team assumes responsibility for the member's medical care for the terminal illness in the home environment. The team may include physicians, nurses, counselors, social workers, aides, volunteers, chaplains and others.

A hospice plan of care must be developed by the hospice team in conjunction with the members case manager before hospice services are provided. The hospice plan of care is a separate document from the Medically Fragile service plan. However, the hospice plan of care and Medically Fragile service plan are coordinated to compliment each other like a hand and a glove. The hospice services must be related to the palliation or management of the members terminal illness, symptom control, or to enable the individual to maintain activities of daily living and basic functional skills. Without duplicating waiver services, hospice services may include nursing and personal care, social worker services, grief and loss counseling for the member and the family as individually determined for each member who receives hospice care.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and prior authorized in accordance with service plan. This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary hospice services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit.

**Service Delivery Method** (*check each that applies*):

□ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

**⊠** Provider managed

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

- **└** Legally Responsible Person
- **Relative**
- 🔀 Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

Provider Category	Provider Type Title
Agency	Hospice Agency
Agency	Nursing Facility

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Hospice Care

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

## Hospice Agency

**Provider Qualifications** 

License (specify):

63 O.S., 1991, Sec., 1-860 et seq. **Certificate** (*specify*):

Medicare Hospice Certification Other Standard (*specify*):

Qualified Provider Certification

# Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

## **Frequency of Verification:**

Prior to enrollment and annually

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Hospice Care
Provider Category:
Agency
Provider Type:
Nursing Facility
Provider Qualifications
License (specify):
63 O.S. 1991 seq, Section 1-860 et seq
Certificate (specify):
Other Standard (specify):
Verification of Provider Qualifications
Entity Responsible for Verification:
OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit
Frequency of Verification:
Prior to enrollment and annually

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

Institutional Transition Case Management

**HCBS Taxonomy:** 

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01 Case Management	01010 case management
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:

Complete this part for a renewal application or a new waiver that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

- Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.
- <sup>O</sup> Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.
- O Service is not included in the approved waiver.

### Service Definition (Scope):

Institutional Transition Case Management services are necessary to enable an individual to leave the institution and receive waiver services in their home or in a community setting.

Institutional Transition Case Management are services indicated on the member's plan of care, which are necessary to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the member, or to enable the member to function with greater independence in the home, and without which, the member would continue to require institutionalization. Institutional Transition Case Management may be authorized for periodic monitoring of a waiver member's progress during an institutional stay and for assisting the member's transition from institution to home by updating the service plan, including preparing for necessary services and supports to be in place or to start on the date the member is discharged from the institution.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and is prior authorized in accordance with the service plan, not to exceed a maximum of 45 units for the transition period without OHCA Population Care Management review of documentation. This service is billed using a distinct modifier.

**Service Delivery Method** (check each that applies):

Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

- Legally Responsible Person
- **Relative**
- I Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

Provider Category	Provider Type Title
Agency	Case Management

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

## Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Institutional Transition Case Management

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

Case Management

**Provider Qualifications** 

**License** (*specify*):

Certificate (specify):

**Other Standard** (*specify*):

**Qualified Provider Certification** 

Completion of curriculum requirements for a baccalaureate degree and one year paid professional experience with aging and/or disabled populations or programs as a Case Manager, a Rehabilitation Specialist or Health Specialist and/or Social Services Coordinator; or completion of degree program as a Registered Nurse or Licensed Practical Nurse and one year paid professional experience.

Training Requirements:

All Case Managers must successfully complete Case Manager Training offered or approved by OHCA. This training also incorporates identification of members who meet criteria for self-directed services, supports and education to be furnished to assist members who may choose to self-direct, assisting the member with modification of the service plan to incorporate self-directed services, supporting the member in a transition to self-direction or from self-direction to the use of agency services. The training informs the case manager about how to assist the member with establishing a budget and reviewing reports of services authorized and used. In addition, the case managers are trained on how to assess the member's satisfaction with self-directed services on an ongoing basis.

## Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment

## **Frequency of Verification:**

Prior to enrollment and annually

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## Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

## Service Title:

Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)

#### **HCBS Taxonomy:**

Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
14 Equipment, Technology, and Modifications	14010 personal emergency response system (PERS)
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:
nplete this part for a renewal application or a new waiv	er that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

• Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

<sup>O</sup> Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.

• Service is not included in the approved waiver.

Service Definition (Scope):

PERS is an electronic device which enables certain individuals at high risk of institutionalization to secure help in an emergency. The individual may also wear a portable "help" button to allow for mobility. The system is connected to the person's phone and programmed to signal a response center once a "help" button is activated. The response center is staffed by trained professionals. PERS services are limited to those individuals who live alone, or who are alone for significant parts of the day, and have no regular caregiver for extended periods of time, and who would otherwise require extensive routine supervision.

The service is authorized by the members service plan and is necessary to prevent institutionalization. This service includes both the unit and the monitoring.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and is prior authorized in accordance with service plan.

**Service Delivery Method** (check each that applies):

└ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

**Provider managed** 

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

**Legally Responsible Person** 

⊠ Relative

🔀 Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

Provider Category	Provider Type Title
Agency	Durable Medical Equipment Supplier

**Appendix C: Participant Services** 

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

Durable Medical Equipment Supplier

#### **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

**Other Standard** (specify):

Qualified Provider Certification for Suppliers of Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies found at OAC 317:30-5-210., Eligible providers

#### Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

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Sei	rvice Type:	
Ot	her Service	
As	provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the St	ate requests the authority to provide the following additional service not
-	cified in statute.	
Sei	rvice Title:	
Pr	ivate Duty Nursing	
HO	CBS Taxonomy:	
	Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
	05 Nursing	05010 private duty nursing
	Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
	Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
	Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:
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CO	mpiete this part for a renewal application o	or a new waiver that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

• Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

<sup>O</sup> Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.

<sup>O</sup> Service is not included in the approved waiver.

## Service Definition (Scope):

Private Duty Nursing is individual medically necessary skilled nursing care provided on a regular basis and (in contrast to part time or intermittent care) provided by licensed nurses within the scope of State law. These services are provided in the member's primary residence or to assist outside the home during transport to medical appointments and emergency room visits. The provision of this service will prevent institutionalization of the member.

Services listed in the plan of care which are within the scope of the State's Nurse Practice Act and are ordered by a licensed medical physician, osteopathic physician, physician assistant or advanced practice nurse and are provided by a registered professional nurse, or licensed practical or vocational nurse under the supervision of a registered nurse, licensed to practice in the State. Skilled Nursing services provided in the member's home or other community setting are services requiring the specialized skills of a licensed nurse.

The need for private duty nursing must be documented in the member's medical assessment before OHCA Population Care Management will authorize this as a necessary service in the member's service plan.

## Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and prior authorized in accordance with service plan. This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary private duty nursing services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

└└ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

**Provider managed** 

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

**⊠** Relative

🔀 Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

<b>Provider Category</b>	Provider Type Title
Agency	Home Care Agency

**Appendix C: Participant Services** 

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Private Duty Nursing

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

## Home Care Agency

**Provider Qualifications** 

**License** (*specify*):

Registered Nurse; Licensed Practical Nurse; Licensed under the Nurse Practice Act 59 O.S., Sec., 567.1-567.16 Employed by a Home Care Agency 63 O.S., Sec., 1-1961, et seq.

Certificate (specify):

**Other Standard** (*specify*):

Qualified Provider Certification Home Health Certification (Form 485)

## Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

#### **Frequency of Verification:**

Prior to enrollment and annually

**Appendix C: Participant Services** 

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

# Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

## Service Title:

Self-Directed Goods and Services (SD-GS)

## **HCBS Taxonomy:**

Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
17 Other Services	17010 goods and services
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:

Complete this part for a renewal application or a new waiver that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

• Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

O Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.

O Service is not included in the approved waiver.

**Service Definition** (Scope):

Self-Directed Goods and Services (SD-GS) are incidental, non-routine goods and services that promote the member's self-directed care, daily living, adaptive functioning, general household activity, meal preparation and leisure skills needed to reside successfully in the community and do not duplicate other services authorized in the member's plan of care. These goods and services are purchased from the member's authorized self-directed budget. Goods and services requested must meet the following requirements:

- The item or service is designed to meet the member's functional, social or medical needs, advance the desired outcomes of the self-directed services support plan and is included in the member's plan of care.

- The item or service is justified by a recommendation from a licensed professional and is approved on the plan of care.

- The item or service is not prohibited by Federal and State statutes and regulations.

- One or more of the following additional criteria are met:

\* the item or service would increase the member's functioning related to the disability;

\* the item or service would increase the member's safety in the home environment; or

\* the item or service would decrease dependence on other Medicaid-funded services.

- The item or service is not available through Medicaid State Plan services or another source.

- The service does not include experimental goods and services.

-Goods and services purchased under this coverage may not circumvent other restrictions on the claiming of Federal Financial Participation (FFP) for waiver services.

#### Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency, or duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and is authorized in the service plan.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

**Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E** 

□ Provider managed

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

□ Legally Responsible Person

□ Relative

Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

Provider Category	Provider Type Title
Individual	Typical vendor within the community, according to goods and services needed. For example, a vendor could be the local newspaper for advertising for possible employees to provide member-directed care

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Self-Directed Goods and Services (SD-GS)

## **Provider Type:**

Typical vendor within the community, according to goods and services needed. For example, a vendor could be the local newspaper for advertising for possible employees to provide member-directed care

#### **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

Not Required

Certificate (specify):

Not Required

Other Standard (specify):

Services, supports and goods can be purchased from typical vendors in the community.

## Verification of Provider Qualifications

## **Entity Responsible for Verification:**

Member/Comfirmed by Fiscal Management Services (FMS).

Frequency of Verification:

Upon purchase and annually at planning meeting.

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

# Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

#### Service Title:

Skilled Nursing		

#### **HCBS Taxonomy:**

Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
05 Nursing	05020 skilled nursing
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:

**Category 4:** 

**Sub-Category 4:** 

Complete this part for a renewal application or a new waiver that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

- Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.
- <sup>O</sup> Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.
- <sup>O</sup> Service is not included in the approved waiver.

#### Service Definition (Scope):

Services listed in the plan of care which are within the scope of the State's Nurse Practice Act and are ordered by a licensed medical physician, osteopathic physician, physician assistant or advanced practice nurse and are provided by a registered professional nurse, or licensed practical or vocational nurse under the supervision of a registered nurse, licensed to practice in the State. Skilled Nursing services provided in the member's home or other community setting are services requiring the specialized skills of a licensed nurse. The provision of this service will prevent institutionalization of the member.

The nursing services which may be authorized are services of a maintenance or preventive nature provided to members with stable, chronic conditions. These services are not intended as treatment for an acute health condition and may not include services, which would be reimbursable as skilled nursing care under either the Medicare or Medicaid Home Health Programs. Should the personal care aide detect a need for services that would meet the definition of reimbursable skilled nursing care under the Home Health Program, he/she must alert the members primary care provider or Case Manager and the waiver program staff.

Skilled nursing services may include one or more of the following, where appropriate to meet the needs of the member as authorized by the waiver program:

Filling a one-week supply of insulin syringes for a blind diabetic who can self-inject the medication but cannot fill his own syringe. This service would include monitoring the patient's continued ability to self-administer the insulin; Setting up oral medications in divided daily compartments for a member who self-administers prescribed medications but needs assistance and monitoring due to a minimal level or disorientation or confusion; Monitoring a member's skin condition when a member is at risk of skin breakdown due to immobility or incontinence or the member has a chronic stage II decubitis requiring maintenance care and monitoring; Conducting general health evaluations;

Providing nail care for the diabetic member or member with circulatory or neurological deficiency; Making an on-site visit to each member for whom Personal Care or Advanced Supportive/Restorative Care is authorized to evaluate the condition of the member. A visit report will be made to the case manager, to report the member's condition or other significant information concerning each member; frequency of these nurse supervisory visits is determined by the individual service plan and will occur no less often than every 6 months; and Provide member specific training and competency testing for Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistants. Provide to the case manager a copy of each Nursing Evaluation (within 24 hours) or monitoring visit (within 48 hours) paid for by the waiver.

The case manager may recommend authorization of RN visits in other similar situations.

It is the responsibility of the RN to contact the member's physician to obtain any necessary information or orders pertaining to the care of the member. If the member has an ongoing need for service activities, which require more or less units than authorized, the RN shall recommend, in writing, that the plan of care be revised.

A member who is approved for skilled nursing may not in addition receive private duty nursing. Prior to authorizing the member's service plan, the OHCA Population Care Management Team will review member claims data to ensure all State Plan health benefits have been exhausted and that no duplication of services occur.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and is prior authorized in accordance with service plan.

This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary skilled nursing services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit.

This service can be provided via telehealth up to 100% of the time the service is delivered. In person visits will be required when the member is deemed high risk per the agency's high risk scoring tool and are provided upon request by the participant and as determined by the Team. The telehealth delivery of this service must meet HIPAA requirements and the methodology must be accepted by the state's HIPAA compliance officer.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

└└ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

**Provider managed** 

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

**∠** Legally Responsible Person

**Relative** 

🔀 Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

Provider CategoryProvider Type TitleAgencyHome Care Agency

# **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Skilled Nursing

Provider Category: Agency

**Provider Type:** 

Home Care Agency

#### **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

Registered Nurse; Licensed Practical Nurse; Licensed under the Nurse Practice Act 59 O.S., Sec., 567.1-567.16 Employed by a Home Care Agency

63 O.S., Sec., 1-1961, et seq.

**Certificate** (*specify*):

**Other Standard** (specify):

**Qualified Provider Certification** 

#### Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

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OHCA Provider enrollment unit

#### **Frequency of Verification:**

Prior to enrollment and annually

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

## Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

## Service Title:

Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies

#### **HCBS Taxonomy:**

Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
14 Equipment, Technology, and Modifications	14032 supplies
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
14 Equipment, Technology, and Modifications	14031 equipment and technology
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:

Complete this part for a renewal application or a new waiver that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

• Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

<sup>O</sup> Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.

<sup>O</sup> Service is not included in the approved waiver.

**Service Definition** (*Scope*):

Specialized medical equipment and supplies to include devices, controls, or appliances, specified in the plan of care, which enable members to increase their abilities to perform activities of daily living, or to perceive, control, or communicate with the environment in which they live. Specialized medical equipment also includes items necessary for life support, ancillary supplies and equipment necessary to the proper functioning of such items, and durable and non durable medical equipment not available under the Medicaid State Plan.

Items reimbursed with waiver funds shall be in addition to any medical equipment and supplies furnished under the Medicaid State Plan and shall exclude those items which are not of direct medical or remedial benefit to the member. This service is to secure medical equipment and supplies necessary for the welfare of the member, but shall exclude any equipment and/or supply items which are not of direct medical or remedial benefit to the waiver member. The service is authorized by the member's service plan for equipment and supply items not available to the member under Medicare or the Medicaid State Plan and is necessary to prevent institutionalization; all items shall meet applicable standards of manufacturer, design and installation.

Personalized emergency response systems may not be billed as specialized medical equipment and supplies.

#### Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and is prior authorized in accordance with service plan. This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary specialized medical equipment and supplies services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit.

**Service Delivery Method** (check each that applies):

□ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

☑ Provider managed

#### Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

**Relative** 

🗵 Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

<b>Provider Category</b>	Provider Type Title
Agency	Medical and Rehabilitative Equipment Manufacturers and Suppliers

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

## Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies

#### **Provider Category:**

Agency

**Provider Type:** 

Medical and Rehabilitative Equipment Manufacturers and Suppliers

#### **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

Oklahoma Medicaal Practice Act 59 O.S. Sec., 481-536

**Certificate** (*specify*):

**Other Standard** (*specify*):

Qualified Provider Certification

Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

### Service Title:

Therapy Services: Respiratory

## **HCBS Taxonomy:**

Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
11 Other Health and Therapeutic Services	11110 respitory therapy
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:
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Complete this part for a renewal application or a new waiver that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

- Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.
- <sup>O</sup> Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.
- Service is not included in the approved waiver.

**Service Definition** (Scope):

**Respiratory Therapy Services** 

Respiratory therapy services are provided for an individual who, but for the availability of in-home respiratory care services, would require respiratory care as an inpatient in a hospital or nursing facility and would be eligible to have payment made for inpatient care under the State Plan.

An individual who receives home respiratory care must receive these services under the care of a physician who is familiar with the technical and medical components of home ventilator support and the physician must determine medically that in-home respiratory care is safe and feasible for the member.

Respiratory Therapy Service Components:

1. Evaluation

A visit made to evaluate the member's level of function and to determine whether respiratory therapy is reasonable and necessary. A consultation with the member's physician is completed to establish goals, treatment plan, and estimated frequency and duration of treatment.

## 2. Respiratory Treatments

Providing respiratory therapy in accordance with the plan of treatment, including instruction of the member, family or other caregivers regarding use of respiratory equipment, supplies and techniques.

## 3. Chest Physiotherapy

Chest physiotherapy (postural drainage, chest percussion and vibration, pulmonary exercises) is a skilled service and would be considered covered if a cardio-pulmonary condition is present.

4. Maintenance Therapy Program

Repetitive services required to maintain function and prevent regression do not usually require the skills of a therapist.

A maintenance program may be established if, after an evaluation, the restorative potential of the member is judged to be insignificant. In such situations, the evaluation, the instruction of the member or caregivers, and reevaluations until the program can be safely and effectively carried out are all considered to be covered therapy services.

Respiratory Therapy may be provided per OHCA telehealth rules when appropriate. The telehealth delivery option must be of the same quality and otherwise on par with the same service delivered in person. Respiratory Therapy services utilizing the telehealth delivery option are not an expansion of Respiratory Therapy services. When telehealth is utilized to deliver Respiratory Therapy services, HIPAA requirements are followed, and methodology is approved by Oklahoma's HIPAA compliance officer. Only secure, non-public facing platforms are used for telehealth services. The telehealth service delivery method is only used when the member has provided consent, is comfortable, available, and both the provider and member are in locations that protects the member's privacy. Telehealth supports community integration by allowing members to receive services in their homes, responding to member needs quickly, eliminating transportation barriers as well as limiting exposure to others with health concerns. Telehealth providers will ensure member health and safety by contacting a member's caregiver in the event a health or safety issue becomes evident during a telehealth session.

## Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and is prior authorized in accordance with service plan. This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary respiratory therapy services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

└└ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

**Provider managed** 

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

× Relative

🔀 Legal Guardian

Provider Specifications:

Provider Category	Provider Type Title
Agency	Home Care Agency
Individual	<b>Respiratory</b> Therapist

**Appendix C: Participant Services** 

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Therapy Services: Respiratory

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

Home Care Agency

**Provider Qualifications** 

**License** (*specify*):

63 O.S., Sec. 1-1961, et seq.

**Certificate** (*specify*):

**Other Standard** (*specify*):

Qualified Provider Certification The agencies must employ state-licensed respiratory therapist

#### Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

**Appendix C: Participant Services** 

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Therapy Services: Respiratory

Provider Category: Individual Provider Type:

Respiratory Therapist

**Provider Qualifications** 

License (specify):

59 O.S. Sec. 2026, et seq.

Certificate (specify):

**Other Standard** (*specify*):

**Qualified Provider Certification** 

Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

## **Frequency of Verification:**

Prior to enrollment and annually

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

## Service Title:

Therapy Services: Occupational

HCBS	<b>Taxonomy:</b>
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Category 1:

Sub-Category 1:

11 Other Health and Therapeutic Services

11080 occupational therapy

**Category 2:** 

Sub-Category 2:

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Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:
Complete this part for a renewal application or a new waiver	that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

• Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

 ${\rm O}\,$  Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.

O Service is not included in the approved waiver.

**Service Definition** (Scope):

**Occupational Therapy Services** 

The services of an occupational therapist are necessary to assess the beneficiary's needs, to develop goals (to be approved by the physician), to manufacture or adapt the needed equipment to the beneficiary's use, to teach compensatory techniques, to strengthen the beneficiary as necessary to permit use of compensatory techniques, and to provide activities which are directed toward meeting the goals governing increased perceptual and cognitive function. Occupational therapy services are covered at a duration and intensity appropriate to the severity of the impairment and the beneficiary's response to treatment.

A member's recovery and safety can be affected by perceptual and cognitive deficits. Deficits which impact the functional ADL, mobility, and/or safety of the beneficiary and necessitate skilled intervention must be documented. The planning, implementing, and supervision of therapeutic programs, including but not limited to those listed below, are occupational therapy services if reasonable and necessary to the treatment of the beneficiary's illness or injury.

a.Selecting and teaching task-oriented therapeutic activities designed to restore physical function.

b.Planning, implementing, and supervising therapeutic tasks and activities designed to restore sensory-integrative function.

c.Teaching compensatory techniques to improve the level of independence in the activities of daily living. d.The designing, fabricating, and fitting of orthotic and self-help devices.

Vocational and prevocational assessment and training which are directed toward the restoration of function in the activities of daily living lost due to illness or injury. When vocational or prevocational assessment and training are related solely to specific employment opportunities, work skills or work settings such services would not be covered because they would not be directed toward the treatment of an illness or injury.

Occupational Therapy Service Components:

1.Evaluation

Visit made to determine occupational therapy needs of the member at the home. Includes physical and psychosocial testing, establishment of plan of treatment, rehabilitation goals, and evaluating the home environment for accessibility and safety and recommending modifications.

2.Independent Living/Daily Living Skills (ADL) Training

Refers to the skills and performance of physical cognitive and psychological/emotional self care, work, and

play/leisure activities to a level of independence appropriate to age, life-space, and disability and includes instruction of the member, family or other caregivers regarding training techniques.

3. Muscle Re-education

Includes therapy designed to restore function lost due to disease or surgical intervention.

4.Perceptual Motor Training

Refers to enhancing skills necessary to interpret sensory information so that the individual can interact normally with the environment. Training designed to enhance perceptual motor function usually involves activities which

stimulate visual and kinesthetic channels to increase awareness of the body and its movement.

5. Fine Motor Coordination

Refers to enhancing the skills and performance in fine motor and dexterity activities.

6.Neurodevelopment Treatment

Refers to enhancing the skills and the performance of movement through eliciting and/or inhibiting stereotyped, patterned, and/or involuntary responses which are coordinated at sub-cortical and cortical levels.

7.Sensory Treatment

Refers to enhancing the skills and performance in perceiving and differentiating external and internal stimuli such as tactile awareness, stereognosis, kinesthesia, proprioceptive awareness, ocular control, vestibular awareness, auditory awareness, gustatory awareness, and olfactory awareness necessary to increase function.

8.Orthotics/Splinting

Refers to the provision of dynamic and static splints, braces, and slings for relieving pain, maintaining joint alignment, protecting joint integrity, improving function, and/or decreasing deformity. These splints, braces and slings are provided by a manufacturer.

9. Adaptive Equipment (fabrication and training)

Refers to the provision of special devices that increase independent functions. The OT skills are needed for the designing, fabricating, and fitting of adaptive equipment. Adaptive equipment that is created as a result of occupational therapy consultation is paid for under the adaptive equipment benefit.

10. Maintenance Therapy Program

Repetitive services required to maintain function and prevent regression do not usually require the skills of an occupational therapist.

A maintenance program may be established if, after an evaluation, the restorative potential of the member is judged to be insignificant. In such situations, the evaluation, the instruction of the member or caregivers, and reevaluations until the program can be safely and effectively carried out are all considered to be covered therapy services.

Occupational Therapy may be provided per OHCA telehealth rules when appropriate. The telehealth delivery option must be of the same quality and otherwise on par with the same service delivered in person. Occupational Therapy services utilizing the telehealth delivery option are not an expansion of Occupational Therapy services. When telehealth is utilized to deliver Occupational Therapy services, HIPAA requirements are followed, and methodology is approved by Oklahoma's HIPAA compliance officer. Only secure, non-public facing platforms are used for telehealth services. The telehealth service delivery method is only used when the member has provided consent, is comfortable, available, and both the provider and member are in locations that protects the member's privacy. Telehealth supports community integration by allowing members to receive services in their homes, responding to member needs quickly, eliminating transportation barriers as well as limiting exposure to others with health concerns. Telehealth providers will ensure member health and safety by contacting a member's caregiver in the event a health or safety issue becomes evident during a telehealth session.

The OHCA Population Care Management Team will review service plans to ensure that no duplication of service occur.

#### Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and is prior authorized in accordance with service plan. This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary occupational therapy services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit.

**Service Delivery Method** (check each that applies):

- └ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E
- **Provider managed**

Specify whether the service may be provided by (check each that applies):

- **Legally Responsible Person**
- **⊠** Relative
- 🔀 Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

<b>Provider Category</b>	Provider Type Title	
Individual	<b>Occupational Therapist</b>	
Agency	Home Care Agency	

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Therapy Services: Occupational

Provider Category: Individual Provider Type:

Occupational Therapist

**Provider Qualifications** 

**License** (*specify*):

59 O.S., Sec., 888.1 et seq.

Certificate (specify):

**Other Standard** (*specify*):

**Qualified Provider Certification** 

Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Therapy Services: Occupational

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

Home Care Agency

**Provider Qualifications** License (*specify*):

63 O.S., Sec., 1-1961, et seq.

**Certificate** (*specify*):

**Other Standard** (specify):

Qualified Provider Certification Provider agencies are required to employ state licensed occupational therapists

## Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider enrollment unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

Appendix	C:	<b>Participant</b>	<b>Services</b>
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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

# Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

## Service Title:

Therapy Services: Physical	
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## **HCBS Taxonomy:**

Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
11 Other Health and Therapeutic Services	11090 physical therapy
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:

Complete this part for a renewal application or a new waiver that replaces an existing waiver. Select one :

• Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

O Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.

O Service is not included in the approved waiver.

**Service Definition** (Scope):

Physical Therapy Services

Physical Therapy services prevent physical disability through the evaluation and rehabilitation of individuals disabled by pain, disease or injury. Services are intended to help the Member achieve greater independence to reside and participate in the community. Treatment involves use of physical therapeutic means such as: massage, manipulation, therapeutic exercise, cold heat, hydrotherapy, electrical stimulation and light. Under a physician's order, a licensed physical therapist evaluates the recipient's rehabilitation potential and develops an appropriate, written therapeutic regimen. The regimen utilizes paraprofessional physical therapy assistant services within the limits of their practice, working under the supervision of the licensed physical therapist. The regimen includes education and training for caregivers to assist with and/or maintain services, where appropriate.

1.Assessment Visits by a physical therapist to assess a member's rehabilitation needs and potential or to develop and/or implement a physical therapy home program. Assessment should include objective tests and measurements such as, but not limited to, range of motion, strength, balance, coordination, endurance, or functional ability. Visits for management of the physical therapy service in the member's service plan should also be included as assessment visits as these determinations rely upon the skills and expertise of a licensed physical therapist.

2. Therapeutic Exercises Therapeutic exercise which, due either to the type of exercise or the condition of the member, must be performed by or under the supervision of a physical therapist to ensure the member's safety and the effectiveness of the treatment.

3.Gait Training. Gait evaluation and training are covered when reasonable and necessary for a member whose ability to walk has been impaired by neurological, muscular, or skeletal abnormalities if they can be expected to improve materially the member's ability to walk.

4.Range of Motion. Only a qualified therapist may perform range of motion tests and therefore such tests are skilled physical therapy. Range of motion exercises are covered only if they are part of the active treatment for a specific disease state, illness or injury which has resulted in a loss or restriction of mobility. Physical therapy notes should document the degree of motion lost and the degree to be restored.

Range of motion exercises that are not related to the restoration of a specific loss of function may usually be provided safely and effectively by a non-skilled individual.

5.Maintenance Therapy Program

Repetitive services required to maintain function and prevent regression do not usually require the skills of a physical therapist.

A maintenance program may be established if, after an evaluation, the restorative potential of the member is judged to be insignificant. In such situations, the evaluation, the instruction of the member or caregivers, and reevaluations until the program can be safely and effectively carried out are all considered to be covered therapy services.

Physical Therapy may be provided per OHCA telehealth rules when appropriate. The telehealth delivery option must be of the same quality and otherwise on par with the same service delivered in person. Physical Therapy services utilizing the telehealth delivery option are not an expansion of Physical Therapy services. When telehealth is utilized to deliver Physical Therapy services, HIPAA requirements are followed, and methodology is approved by Oklahoma's HIPAA compliance officer. Only secure, non-public facing platforms are used for telehealth services. The telehealth service delivery method is only used when the member has provided consent, is comfortable, available, and both the provider and member are in locations that protects the member's privacy. Telehealth supports community integration by allowing members to receive services in their homes, responding to member needs quickly, eliminating transportation barriers as well as limiting exposure to others with health concerns. Telehealth providers will ensure member health and safety by contacting a member's caregiver in the event a health or safety issue becomes evident during a telehealth session.

The OHCA Population Care Management Team will review service plans to ensure that no duplication of services occur.

#### Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and is prior authorized in accordance with service plan. This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary physical therapy services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit.

□ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

**⊢** Provider managed

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

× Relative

🔀 Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

Provider Category	Provider Type Title
Individual	Physical Therapist
Agency	Home Care Agency

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service		
Service Name: Therapy Services: Physical		

# Provider Category:

Individual Provider Type:

#### Physical Therapist

## **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

59 O.S., Sec., 887.1 et seq.

**Certificate** (*specify*):

**Other Standard** (specify):

Qualified Provider Certification

## Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Therapy Services: Physical

**Provider Category:** 

## Agency Provider Type:

# Home Care Agency

**Provider Qualifications** 

License (specify):

63 O.S., Sec., 1-1961, et seq.

**Certificate** (*specify*):

**Other Standard** (*specify*):

Qualified Provider Certification Provider agencies must employ state licensed physical therapists

# Verification of Provider Qualifications

**Entity Responsible for Verification:** 

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Service Specification

State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

#### Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

Service Title:

Therapy Services: Speech	
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**HCBS Taxonomy:** 

Category 1:

Sub-Category 1:

11 Other Health and Therapeutic Services

11100 speech, hearing, and language therapy

**Category 2:** 

Sub-Category 2:

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- Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.
- O Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.
- **O** Service is not included in the approved waiver.

**Service Definition** (Scope):

Speech and Language Therapy Services

The skills of a speech-language pathologist are required for the assessment of a beneficiary's rehabilitation needs (including the causal factors and the severity of the speech and language disorders) and rehabilitation potential. Reevaluation would be considered reasonable and necessary if the beneficiary exhibited a change in functional speech or motivation, clearing of confusion, or the remission of some other medical condition that previously contraindicated speech-language pathology services. When a beneficiary is undergoing restorative speech-language pathology services, routine re-evaluations are considered to be a part of the therapy and could not be billed as a separate visit.

The services of a speech-language pathologist would be covered if they are needed as a result of an illness or injury and are directed toward specific speech/voice production.

Speech-language pathology would be covered when the services can only be provided by a speech-language pathologist and when it is reasonable to expect that the service will materially improve the beneficiary's ability to carry out independently any one or combination of communication activities of daily living in a manner that is measurable at a higher level of attainment than prior to the initiation of the services.

The services of a speech-language pathologist to establish a hierarchy of speech-voice-language communication tasks and cueing that directs a beneficiary toward speech-language communication goals in the plan of treatment would be a covered speech-language pathology service. The services of a speech-language pathologist to train the beneficiary, family, or other caregivers to augment the speech-language communication, treatment, or to establish an effective maintenance program would be covered speech therapy. The services of a speech-language pathologist to assist beneficiaries with aphasia in rehabilitation of speech and language skills are covered when needed by a beneficiary. The services of a speech therapist to assist individuals with voice disorders to develop proper control of the vocal and respiratory systems for current voice production are covered when needed by a beneficiary.

Speech and Language Therapy Service Components:

1.Evaluation

Visit made to determine the type, severity and prognosis of communication disorder, whether speech therapy is reasonable and necessary and to establish the goals, treatment plan, and estimated frequency and duration of treatment.

2. Voice Disorders Treatments

Procedures and treatment for members with an absence or impairment of voice caused by neurologic impairment, structural abnormality, or surgical procedures affecting the muscles of voice production.

3. Speech Articulation Disorders Treatments

Procedures and treatment for members with impaired intelligibility (clarity) of speech - usually referred to as anarthria or dysarthria and/or impaired ability to initiate, inhibit, and/or sequence speech sound muscle movements - usually referred to as apraxia/dyspraxia.

4.Dysphagia Treatments

Includes procedures designed to facilitate and restore a functional swallow when associated with a communication disorder.

5.Language Disorders Treatments

Includes procedures and treatment for members with receptive and/or expressive aphasia/dysphasia, impaired reading comprehension, written language expression, and/or arithmetical processes.

6. Aural Rehabilitation

Procedures and treatment for members with communication problems related to impaired hearing acuity.

7.Maintenance Therapy Program

Repetitive services required to maintain function and prevent regression do not usually require the skills of a therapist.

A maintenance program may be established if, after an evaluation, the restorative potential of the member is judged to be insignificant. In such situations, the evaluation, the instruction of the member or caregivers, and reevaluations until the program can be safely and effectively carried out are all considered to be covered therapy services. Members who receive speech therapy services while in an Adult Day Health setting may not receive therapy services in the same day. The OHCA Population Care Management Team will review the service plan to ensure that no duplication of services occurs.

Speech Therapy may be provided per OHCA telehealth rules when appropriate. The telehealth delivery option must be of the same quality and otherwise on par with the same service delivered in person. Speech Therapy services utilizing the telehealth delivery option are not an expansion of Speech Therapy services. When telehealth is utilized to deliver Speech Therapy services, HIPAA requirements are followed, and methodology is approved by Oklahoma's HIPAA compliance officer. Only secure, non-public facing platforms are used for telehealth services. The telehealth service delivery method is only used when the member has provided consent, is comfortable, available, and both the provider and member are in locations that protects the member's privacy. Telehealth supports community integration by allowing members to receive services in their homes, responding to member needs quickly, eliminating transportation barriers as well as limiting exposure to others with health concerns. Telehealth providers will ensure member health and safety by contacting a member's caregiver in the event a health or safety issue becomes evident during a telehealth session.

The OHCA Population Care Management Team will review service plans to ensure that no duplication of services occur.

#### Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and is prior authorized in accordance with service plan. This waiver service is only provided to individuals age 21 and over. All medically necessary speech and language therapy services for children under age 21 are covered in the state plan pursuant to the EPSDT benefit.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

## □ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

**⊠** Provider managed

#### **Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

**Ex** Legally Responsible Person

**⊠** Relative

🗵 Legal Guardian

**Provider Specifications:** 

<b>Provider Category</b>	Provider Type Title
Agency	Home Care Agency
Individual	Speech Therapist

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service
Service Name: Therapy Services: Speech

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

Home Care Agency

**Provider Qualifications** 

License (specify):

63 O.S., Sec., 1-1961, et seq.

**Certificate** (*specify*):

**Other Standard** (*specify*):

Qualified Provider Certification

Provider agencies must employ state licensed speech and language therapists

# Verification of Provider Qualifications

**Entity Responsible for Verification:** 

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

**Frequency of Verification:** 

Prior to enrollment and annually

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Therapy Services: Speech

Provider Category: Individual Provider Type:

Speech Therapist

**Provider Qualifications** 

License (specify):

59 O.S., Sec., 1601, et seq.

Certificate (specify):

**Other Standard** (specify):

Qualified Provider Certification

Verification of Provider Qualifications

Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit Frequency of Verification:

Prior to enrollment and annually

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C-1/C-3: Service Specification

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State laws, regulations and policies referenced in the specification are readily available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

## Service Type:

Other Service

As provided in 42 CFR §440.180(b)(9), the State requests the authority to provide the following additional service not specified in statute.

## Service Title:

#### **HCBS Taxonomy:**

Category 1:	Sub-Category 1:
01 Case Management	01010 case management
Category 2:	Sub-Category 2:
Category 3:	Sub-Category 3:
Category 4:	Sub-Category 4:

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<sup>O</sup> Service is included in approved waiver. There is no change in service specifications.

<sup>O</sup> Service is included in approved waiver. The service specifications have been modified.

• Service is not included in the approved waiver.

Service Definition (Scope):

Transitional Case Management services are a one-time billable expense for members who transition to the Medically Fragile waiver. Transitional Case Management also assist members transitioning from another HCBS waiver or State Plan services to the Medically Fragile waiver. Transitional Case Management assist members that are eligible to receive waiver services in gaining access to needed waiver and other State plan services, as well as needed medical, social, educational, and other services to assist in the transition, regardless of the funding source. Transitional Case Management may be authorized for assisting the member to transition to the waiver by creating or updating the service plan, including preparing for necessary services and supports to be in place. Reimbursement for items or services, other than case management, required for transition are excluded from coverage under this definition of Transitional Case Management.

Specify applicable (if any) limits on the amount, frequency, or duration of this service:

Amount, frequency and duration of service is based on needs as identified on the UCAT assessment and is prior authorized in accordance with the service plan, not to exceed a maximum of 45 units for the transition period without OHCA Population Care Management review of documentation. This service is billed using a distinct modifier.

Service Delivery Method (check each that applies):

└ Participant-directed as specified in Appendix E

**Provider managed** 

**Specify whether the service may be provided by** (check each that applies):

Legally Responsible Person

□ Relative

ڶ Legal Guardian

## **Provider Specifications:**

<b>Provider Category</b>	Provider Type Title
Agency	Case Manangement Agency

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1/C-3: Provider Specifications for Service

Service Type: Other Service Service Name: Transitional Case Management

Provider Category: Agency Provider Type:

Case Manangement Agency

#### **Provider Qualifications**

License (specify):

Certificate (specify):

#### **Other Standard** (specify):

**Qualified Provider Certification** 

Completion of curriculum requirements for a baccalaureate degree and one year paid professional experience with aging and/or disabled populations or programs as a Case Manager, a Rehabilitation Specialist or Health Specialist and/or Social Services coordinator; or completion of degree program as a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse and one year paid professional experience.

Training Requirements: All case managers must successfully complete Case Manager Training offered or approved by OHCA. This training also incorporates identification of members who meet criteria for self-directed services, supports and education to be furnished to assist members who may choose to self-direct, assisting the member with modification of the service plan to incorporate self-directed services, supporting the member in a transition to self-direction or from self-direction to the use of agency services. The training informs the case manager about how to assist the member with establishing a budget and reviewing reports of services authorized and used. In addition, the Case Managers are trained on how to assess the member's satisfaction with self-directed services on an ongoing basis.

#### Verification of Provider Qualifications Entity Responsible for Verification:

OHCA Provider Enrollment Unit

### **Frequency of Verification:**

Prior to enrollment and annually

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-1: Summary of Services Covered (2 of 2)

- **b.** Provision of Case Management Services to Waiver Participants. Indicate how case management is furnished to waiver participants (*select one*):
  - Not applicable Case management is not furnished as a distinct activity to waiver participants.
  - Applicable Case management is furnished as a distinct activity to waiver participants. *Check each that applies:* 
    - **As a waiver service defined in Appendix C-3.** Do not complete item C-1-c.
    - As a Medicaid state plan service under §1915(i) of the Act (HCBS as a State Plan Option). Complete item C-1-c.
    - As a Medicaid state plan service under §1915(g)(1) of the Act (Targeted Case Management). Complete item C-1-c.
    - As an administrative activity. *Complete item C-1-c.*
    - As a primary care case management system service under a concurrent managed care authority. *Complete item C-1-c*.
- **c. Delivery of Case Management Services.** Specify the entity or entities that conduct case management functions on behalf of waiver participants:

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-2: General Service Specifications (1 of 3)

**a.** Criminal History and/or Background Investigations. Specify the state's policies concerning the conduct of criminal history and/or background investigations of individuals who provide waiver services (select one):

<sup>O</sup> No. Criminal history and/or background investigations are not required.

# • Yes. Criminal history and/or background investigations are required.

Specify: (a) the types of positions (e.g., personal assistants, attendants) for which such investigations must be conducted; (b) the scope of such investigations (e.g., state, national); and, (c) the process for ensuring that mandatory investigations have been conducted. State laws, regulations and policies referenced in this description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid or the operating agency (if applicable):

In accordance with Title 63 of Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 1-1950, an Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) criminal background check must be performed prior to hiring persons providing Personal Care services. This is a state investigation. Any person convicted of any crimes described in the statute may not be hired to provide Personal Care services.

Proof of OSBI background check must be documented in the provider personnel record. Evaluation of documentation of OSBI background check prior to hire is a standard component of license review inspections by the Oklahoma State Department of Health of Home Care Agencies.

Members choosing to self-direct personal care services coordinate the background checks through the FMS prior to hiring. Both the member and the FMS maintain proof of criminal background checks; notification of the results are also forwarded to OHCA waiver staff. In addition, OHCA conducts semi-annual provider performance reviews to monitor that these checks are performed.

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**b. Abuse Registry Screening.** Specify whether the state requires the screening of individuals who provide waiver services through a state-maintained abuse registry (select one):

## <sup>O</sup> No. The state does not conduct abuse registry screening.

# • Yes. The state maintains an abuse registry and requires the screening of individuals through this registry.

Specify: (a) the entity (entities) responsible for maintaining the abuse registry; (b) the types of positions for which abuse registry screenings must be conducted; and, (c) the process for ensuring that mandatory screenings have been conducted. State laws, regulations and policies referenced in this description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable):

In accordance with Title 63 of Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 1-1950, a provider of Personal Care services may have no pending notation related to abuse, neglect or exploitation as reported by the Nurse Aide Registry maintained by the Oklahoma State Department of Health.

In addition, in accordance with Title 56, of Oklahoma Statutes, Section 1025.2, a provider of direct care services may not be included on the Community Services Worker Registry maintained by the Oklahoma Department of Human Services.

Proof of both Nurse Aide Registry and Community Services Worker Registry checks must be documented in the provider personnel record. Evaluation of documentation of Nurse Aide Registry check prior to hire is a standard component of license review inspections by the Oklahoma Department of Health of Home Care Agencies. In addition, evaluation of process to assure Nurse Aide Registry and Community Services Worker Registry checks prior to hire is a standard component of the Medically Fragile Program Provider certification process. OHCA conducts semi-annual provider performance reviews to ensure these checks are performed.

The Financial Management Service conducts these screenings and maintains the documentation for members whose direct care providers were hired under self-direction. A quarterly performance review of the FMS is also performed to ensure that these registry screenings are conducted.

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-2: General Service Specifications (2 of 3)

## Note: Required information from this page (Appendix C-2-c) is contained in response to C-5.

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-2: General Service Specifications (3 of 3)

- **d. Provision of Personal Care or Similar Services by Legally Responsible Individuals.** A legally responsible individual is any person who has a duty under state law to care for another person and typically includes: (a) the parent (biological or adoptive) of a minor child or the guardian of a minor child who must provide care to the child or (b) a spouse of a waiver participant. Except at the option of the State and under extraordinary circumstances specified by the state, payment may not be made to a legally responsible individual for the provision of personal care or similar services that the legally responsible individual would ordinarily perform or be responsible to perform on behalf of a waiver participant. *Select one*:
  - O No. The state does not make payment to legally responsible individuals for furnishing personal care or similar services.
  - Yes. The state makes payment to legally responsible individuals for furnishing personal care or similar services when they are qualified to provide the services.

Specify: (a) the legally responsible individuals who may be paid to furnish such services and the services they may provide; (b) state policies that specify the circumstances when payment may be authorized for the provision of *extraordinary care* by a legally responsible individual and how the state ensures that the provision of services by a

legally responsible individual is in the best interest of the participant; and, (c) the controls that are employed to ensure that payments are made only for services rendered. *Also, specify in Appendix C-1/C-3 the personal care or similar services for which payment may be made to legally responsible individuals under the state policies specified here.* 

Services and Supports Provided by a Legally Responsible Individual

In accordance with OHCA rules, for a legally responsible individual (spouse or guardian) of a member to be paid for providing personal care or Advance Supportive/Restorative care under the 1915 (c) waiver, the need for service must meet all of the following authorization criteria. OHCA Population Care Management team will monitor the activities to assure all provisions have been met.

Authorization for a legally responsible individual (spouse or guardian) to be the care provider for a member's personal care or advance personal care needs may occur only under the following conditions:

o The member is offered a choice of providers and documentation demonstrates that:

o Either no other provider is available; or,

o Available providers are unable to provide necessary care to the member, or

o The needs of the member are so extensive that the legally responsible spouse or guardian who provides the care is prohibited from working outside the home due to the member's need for care.

The service must be necessary to avoid institutionalization;

be a service/support that is specified in the individual service plan;

be provided by a spouse or guardian who meets the provider qualifications and training standards specified in the waiver for that service;

be paid at a rate that does not exceed that which would otherwise be paid to a provider of a similar service and does not exceed what is allowed by the State Medicaid Agency for the payment of personal care or advance personal care services;

NOT duplicate or replace assistance and/or care that the spouse or guardian would ordinarily perform or is responsible to perform.

If any of the following criteria is met, personal care or advanced supportive/restorative services provided by the spouse or guardian will be determined to exceed the extent and/or nature of the assistance they would be expected to ordinarily provide in their role as spouse or guardian:

Spouse or guardian has resigned from full-time/part-time employment to provide care for the member, or Spouse or guardian has reduced employment from full-time to part-time to provide care for the member, or Spouse or guardian has taken a leave of absence without pay to provide care for the member, or Spouse or guardian provides assistance/care for the member thirty-five or more hours per week without pay and the member has remaining unmet needs because no other provider is available due to the nature of the assistance/care, special language or communication, or intermittent hours of care requirements of the member.

When under the aforementioned conditions, a legally responsible spouse or guardian provides personal care or advanced supportive/restorative services to a waiver participant, special forms and procedures are used by the case manager to document this occurrence including forwarding a copy of documentation forms to the OHCA waiver staff.

The spouse or guardian who is a service provider must comply with the following:

continue non-reimbursed family responsibilities of primary caregiver and emergency backup caregiver; not provide more than 40 hours of reimbursed services in a seven day period;

make planned work schedules available two weeks in advance, and variations to the schedule must be noted and supplied to the fiscal agent when billing;

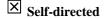
maintain and submit time sheets and other required documentation for hours paid;

The spouse or guardian as the member's care provider must be documented in the service plan. However, a legal representative or non-legal representative of the member can also be paid to provide personal care services in the absence of a regularly paid caregiver. If a member is married, his/her spouse may direct the spouse's services and be paid to provide personal care services in the absence of a regularly paid caregiver. The caregiver must apply to the homecare agency for hiring considerations.

Monitoring Requirements:

In addition to case management monitoring and reporting activities required for all waiver services, the LTSS

designated staff is responsible for performing the following monitoring requirements when a member elects to use a legally responsible spouse or guardian as a paid service provider: at least quarterly reviews of expenditures, and the health, safety, and welfare status of the individual recipient; Face-to-face visits with the member on at least a semi annual basis; Monthly reviews of hours billed for spouse or guardian who provided care.



- X Agency-operated
- e. Other State Policies Concerning Payment for Waiver Services Furnished by Relatives/Legal Guardians. Specify state policies concerning making payment to relatives/legal guardians for the provision of waiver services over and above the policies addressed in Item C-2-d. *Select one*:
  - <sup>O</sup> The state does not make payment to relatives/legal guardians for furnishing waiver services.
  - <sup>O</sup> The state makes payment to relatives/legal guardians under specific circumstances and only when the relative/guardian is qualified to furnish services.

Specify the specific circumstances under which payment is made, the types of relatives/legal guardians to whom payment may be made, and the services for which payment may be made. Specify the controls that are employed to ensure that payments are made only for services rendered. *Also, specify in Appendix C-1/C-3 each waiver service for which payment may be made to relatives/legal guardians.* 

• Relatives/legal guardians may be paid for providing waiver services whenever the relative/legal guardian is qualified to provide services as specified in Appendix C-1/C-3.

Specify the controls that are employed to ensure that payments are made only for services rendered.

See C-2-d regarding limitations on provision of services by legal guardians or other legally responsible persons and oversight of such provision of services.

Relatives/legal guardians eligible for payment for providing services under this waiver must meet the following: 1. be at least 18 years of age

2. have no pending notation related to abuse, neglect or exploitation as reported by the Oklahoma State Department of Health Nurse Aide Registry,

3. is not included on the Community Services Worker Registry in accordance with section 1025.2 of Title 56, of the Oklahoma Statutes,

4. have not been convicted of a crime as outlined in Title 63 of Oklahoma Statutes, sections 1-1950 as determined by an OSBI background check,

5. demonstrates the ability to undertand and carry out assigned tasks,

6. is a legally responsible family member (spouse or parent of a minor child)of the member being served who meets the criteria outlined in C-2d,

7. has a verifiable work history and/or personal references, verifiable identification,

8. have no more than 40 hours of reimbursed services in a seven day period and

9. meets any additional requirements as outlined in the agreement and certification requirements with the Oklahoma Health Care Authority.

Personal care services are intended to supplement and support existing informal care and the use of informal supports as personal care attendants may jeopardize the informal support system. In the Medically Fragile Waiver, the major concern is not whether the individual being hired to provide personal care or similar services is a relative, but whether the individual is already a part of the informal support system providing services informally and without compensation. As a result, a provider agency may only employ members' relatives or other person who are currently providing services as informal support without compensation to provide personal care or similar services with the written agreement of the interdisciplinary team.

Prior to agreeing to permit employment of relatives of other persons who are already providing informal supports, the interdisciplinary team takes the following into consideration:

o The member is offered a choice of providers and documentation demonstrates that:

- o Either no other provider is available; or,
- o Available providers are unable to provide necessary care to the client, or

o The needs of the client are so extensive that the relative or an informal support who provides the care is prohibited from working outside the home due to the client's need for care; and

o In the team's judgement, employment of the relative/informal provider as a paid provider will not overburden the individual employed and ultimately be destructive to maintaining member supports.

When under the aforementioned conditions, a relative or other person providing informal supports is hired to provide personal care/assistance services to a waiver participant, special forms and procedures are used by the provider agency care manager to document this occurrence including forwarding a copy of documentation forms to the OHCA/ Population Care Management Team.

Controls employed to ensure payments are made only for services rendered are the same that are applied to all providers:

- Units are authorized on the service plan consistent with tasks required to meet member needs;

- Timesheet documentation of service delivery is required of all direct care providers;

- Provider audits review documentation for compliance of delivery of services to authorization.

OHCA will only reimburse relatives/legal guardians for services, limited to no more than 40 hours in a seven day period, that meet the above criteria and that are authorized by the OHCA Population Care Management Team in approving the member service plan. OHCA is the state agency that performs these activities.

## O Other policy.

Specify:

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**f. Open Enrollment of Providers.** Specify the processes that are employed to assure that all willing and qualified providers have the opportunity to enroll as waiver service providers as provided in 42 CFR §431.51:

Throughout the year, any willing provider requesting to become a waiver provider is sent a packet of information about the waiver and the provider enrollment process. Upon request, potential providers are sent a provider enrollment application, copies of the provider agreements, and submission timeframes to become a waiver provider.

Based on the number of providers who express an interest, provider meetings will be held throughout the year to inform potential providers of the performance standards and guidelines required of those providing services to members in the waiver. At a minimum, a public meeting will be held annually to recruit new providers for the waiver. Potential providers will receive an application, copies of the provider agreement, and submission timeframes to become a waiver provider.

The certification process involves a review of administrative, financial, and programmatic components of the provider application to determine the provider's capacity and capability to provide waiver services that meet or exceed minimum standards. The certification process results in the determination of a potential provider's qualifications to become a waiver provider. These are the steps that result in "Qualified Provider Certification" referenced throughout appendix C as an "Other Standard" that must be met by waiver participating providers.

OHCA reviews completed provider applications in no less than 10 business days and forwards qualified provider documentation to Provider Enrollment to enter on the Provider File. Provider Enrollment Unit enrolls providers in 7 to 10 working days. However, if expedited processing is requested, a provider can be enrolled in the same business day.

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

## **Quality Improvement: Qualified Providers**

As a distinct component of the States quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the States methods for discovery and remediation.

#### a. Methods for Discovery: Qualified Providers

The state demonstrates that it has designed and implemented an adequate system for assuring that all waiver services are provided by qualified providers.

#### i. Sub-Assurances:

a. Sub-Assurance: The State verifies that providers initially and continually meet required licensure and/or certification standards and adhere to other standards prior to their furnishing waiver services.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance, complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Measure:**

Number and Percent of all new non-licensed/non-certified providers who met all waiver qualifications prior to providing waiver services. Numerator: Number of all new non-licensed/non-certified providers who met all waiver qualifications prior to providing waiver services. Denominator: Total number of all new non-licensed/noncertified providers. **Data Source** (Select one): **Other** If 'Other' is selected, specify: **DHS Provider Enrollment** 

<b>Responsible Party for</b> data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
□ Operating Agency	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative     Sample     Confidence     Interval =
Other Specify:	X Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

## Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ <sub>Weekly</sub>
Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
Other         Specify:         LTSS Provider Database	Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

**Performance Measure:** 

Number and Percentage of non-licensed/non-certified providers that continue to meet all standards and requirements after initial enrollment. Numerator: Number of nonlicensed/non-certified providers that continue to meet all standards and requirements after initial enrollment. Denominator: Total number of non-licensed/non-certified providers.

Data Source (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

**DHS Provider Enrollment** 

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
□ Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	□ Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
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Other Specify:	

#### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ <sub>Weekly</sub>
Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly
<ul> <li>☑ Other Specify:</li> <li>LTSS Provider Database</li> </ul>	X Annually
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	Other Specify:

# **b.** Sub-Assurance: The State monitors non-licensed/non-certified providers to assure adherence to waiver requirements.

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance, complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Measure:**

Number and percent of non-certified providers who met qualifications as verified

during performance reviews. Numerator: Number of non-certified providers who met qualifications during performance reviews. Denominator: Total number of noncertified providers.

Data Source (Select one): Provider performance monitoring If 'Other' is selected, specify: Semi-Annual Provider Performance Review of Employee Files

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
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#### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
⊠ State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
Operating Agency	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>
Sub-State Entity	□ <b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	🔀 Annually
	⊠ Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

# c. Sub-Assurance: The State implements its policies and procedures for verifying that provider training is conducted in accordance with state requirements and the approved waiver.

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance, complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

**Performance Measure:** 

Percentage of providers who demonstrated proficiency requirements prior to furnishing services in this waiver as documented according to the agreement with the State. Numerator: Number of providers who met proficiency requirements prior to providing waiver services according to the agreement with the State. Denominator: Number of providers who meet proficiency requirements.

**Data Source** (Select one): **Other** If 'Other' is selected, specify: **OHCA Provider agreement** 

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review

Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative     Sample     Confidence     Interval =
Conther Specify: Providers	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	🗵 Annually
	⊠ Continuously and Ongoing
	□ Other Specify:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):

**ii.** If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

On a quarterly basis the OHCA, LTSS team will conduct provider performance reviews to ensure waiver compliance. Provider training will be conducted to address any deficiencies identified through performance review. Suggestions may be made for quality improvement activities and if necessary a correction action plan may be requested for providers who score below the percentage requirement to ensure waiver compliance is being met.

#### b. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems

**i.** Describe the States method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the state to document these items.

When the state detects provider non-compliance with waiver requirements, the State requires the provider to implement a corrective action plan, subject to OHCA approval. OHCA can apply both financial and administrative sanctions. The state routinely provides technical assistance during on-site reviews of provider agencies to clarify requirements and offer suggestions for performance or process improvement. A corrective action plan database is kept and letters are mailed to providers. When the provider performance improves, an exit conference is conducted and the provider is notified of a return to full compliance status. A provider that does not meet the corrective action requirements will be referred to the OHCA QA/QI committee for contract action, including contract termination.

If the state finds during a provider performance review that any licensed or certified personnel have an expired license, OHCA will instruct the provider to immediately remove the personnel with the expired licenses until a renewal can be accomplished. The provider agency must also immediately address the members staffing needs to ensure that no gaps occur in servicing the member.

#### ii. Remediation Data Aggregation

### Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

<b>Responsible Party</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
⊠ State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
□ Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly
Other Specify: FMS	Annually
	□ Continuously and Ongoing
	⊠ Other

<b>Responsible Party</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
	Specify:
	Semi-Annually

### c. Timelines

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Qualified Providers that are currently non-operational.

## • <sub>No</sub>

## O<sub>Yes</sub>

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Qualified Providers, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

**Appendix C: Participant Services** 

## **C-3: Waiver Services Specifications**

Section C-3 'Service Specifications' is incorporated into Section C-1 'Waiver Services.'

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

C-4: Additional Limits on Amount of Waiver Services

- **a.** Additional Limits on Amount of Waiver Services. Indicate whether the waiver employs any of the following additional limits on the amount of waiver services (*select one*).
  - Not applicable- The state does not impose a limit on the amount of waiver services except as provided in Appendix C-3.
  - Applicable The state imposes additional limits on the amount of waiver services.

When a limit is employed, specify: (a) the waiver services to which the limit applies; (b) the basis of the limit, including its basis in historical expenditure/utilization patterns and, as applicable, the processes and methodologies that are used to determine the amount of the limit to which a participant's services are subject; (c) how the limit will be adjusted over the course of the waiver period; (d) provisions for adjusting or making exceptions to the limit based on participant health and welfare needs or other factors specified by the state; (e) the safeguards that are in effect when the amount of the limit is insufficient to meet a participant's needs; (f) how participants are notified of the amount of the limit. (*check each that applies*)

Limit(s) on Set(s) of Services. There is a limit on the maximum dollar amount of waiver services that is authorized for one or more sets of services offered under the waiver. *Furnish the information specified above*.

Prospective Individual Budget Amount. There is a limit on the maximum dollar amount of waiver services authorized for each specific participant.
Furnish the information specified above.

Budget Limits by Level of Support. Based on an assessment process and/or other factors, participants are assigned to funding levels that are limits on the maximum dollar amount of waiver services. Furnish the information specified above.

**Other Type of Limit.** The state employs another type of limit. *Describe the limit and furnish the information specified above.* 

## **Appendix C: Participant Services**

# C-5: Home and Community-Based Settings

Explain how residential and non-residential settings in this waiver comply with federal HCB Settings requirements at 42 CFR 441.301(c)(4)-(5) and associated CMS guidance. Include:

- **1.** Description of the settings and how they meet federal HCB Settings requirements, at the time of submission and in the future.
- **2.** Description of the means by which the state Medicaid agency ascertains that all waiver settings meet federal HCB Setting requirements, at the time of this submission and ongoing.

Note instructions at Module 1, Attachment #2, <u>HCB Settings Waiver Transition Plan</u> for description of settings that do not meet requirements at the time of submission. Do not duplicate that information here.

Refer to Main, Attachment#2

## **Appendix D: Participant-Centered Planning and Service Delivery**

D-1: Service Plan Development (1 of 8)

#### State Participant-Centered Service Plan Title:

Member Centered Service Plan

**a. Responsibility for Service Plan Development.** Per 42 CFR §441.301(b)(2), specify who is responsible for the development of the service plan and the qualifications of these individuals (*select each that applies*):

└ Registered nurse, licensed to practice in the state

 $\Box$  Licensed practical or vocational nurse, acting within the scope of practice under state law

- Licensed physician (M.D. or D.O)
- Case Manager (qualifications specified in Appendix C-1/C-3)

Case Manager (qualifications not specified in Appendix C-1/C-3). *Specify qualifications:* 

## **Social Worker**

Specify qualifications:

Other

Specify the individuals and their qualifications:

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## b. Service Plan Development Safeguards. Select one:

- O Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility for service plan development may not provide other direct waiver services to the participant.
- Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility for service plan development may provide other direct waiver services to the participant.

The state has established the following safeguards to ensure that service plan development is conducted in the best interests of the participant. *Specify:* 

Case Management providers may not provide other program services such as personal care, nursing, and/or specialized medical equipment and supplies, unless provider availability limits the member's access to a willing and qualified provider. In the event there are no more than two case management provider agencies on referral in a county having only the same two providers for home care services, the member may select either agency, regardless of whether or not the case management provider has an interest in the selected home care provider agency.

In accordance with 42 CFR 431.301(c)(1)(vi), the OHCA will not authorize services for agencies that develop the person-centered plan and provide services except in the following circumstance. OHCA has demonstrated to CMS that the only willing and qualified case manager is also, affiliated with a direct service provider. In demonstrating such, OHCA affirms that they will exhaust all avenues of securing providers that are not directly affiliated. Furthermore, entities are restricted from developing the person center service plan and providing services without the direct approval of OHCA.

The State has established the following safeguards to ensure that service plan development is conducted in the best interests of the participant:

All participants are informed that they have freedom of choice of providers and that they may change providers at any time.

Service plans are reviewed by the OHCA Population Care Management Team prior to approval with regard to both the service plan and corresponding service units are appropriate to meet the member's assessed needs.

In the event the member's county of residence does not afford an alternative provider agency to support the member's needs; the case manager documents the issue and submits the case to Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) staff for review to determine if a conflict in the delivery of service(s) will occur; if so LTSS staff will work with the case manager directly to ensure the service plan goals provide detail and clarity to address the conflict in the case manager document the service need as addressed in the conditions of provider participation, to alleviate the potential for the conflict to have an unsuccessful outcome, and assure appropriate safeguards for the member. OHCA restricts the entity that develops the person-centered service plan from providing services without the direct approval of the state.

In the event a participant disputes the states assertion that there is not another entity or individual to develop the person-centered plan the participant and the LTSS staff will engage in the dispute resolution process. During this process the State will share with the participant all efforts of finding another entity with the participant. At this time the State will welcome any feedback and address any concerns or issues of the participant until a consensus is met.

The LTSS team maintains a MIS to register member, family or provider complaints, problems and/or incidents. The MIS tracking system is accessed via a toll-free number. As part of orientation in to the waiver, each member is provided information about the toll-free number and how to provide the information by the case manager. The LTSS supervisor will review and assign the complaint, problem and/or incident received to, the appropriate waiver staff to investigate, track and record actions and resolution for each complaint or incident.

Quality of service delivery performance of all providers is monitored by by LTSS staff. Individualized reports for provider complaint/incident are produced for complaints/incidents tracking. These reports are utilized to identify patterns of incident or problem types requiring attention or patterns of complaints/incidents that may alert the LTSS of potential quality problems with individual providers.

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**c. Supporting the Participant in Service Plan Development.** Specify: (a) the supports and information that are made available to the participant (and/or family or legal representative, as appropriate) to direct and be actively engaged in the service plan development process and (b) the participant's authority to determine who is included in the process.

One of the foundational modules in the Case Management Training is Interdisciplinary Teams (IDT). This module is designed to educate case managers about the IDT approach to service planning and to emphasize the philosophy of seeing the "whole" person through a variety of perspectives. This module educates case managers that members, and or member representatives, are expected to be actively engaged in the initial and ongoing IDT process, service planning process and service plan monitoring process. In addition, this module presents the critical step of talking with the member before each IDT in order to identify who the member would like to invite to the team table.

Case Managers have specialized skills and competencies to perform, at a minimum, five core functions. The core functions form an on-going and dynamic process. Case Management core functions are:

1. Comprehensive Assessment: Transition Coordination/Case management requires a comprehensive, systematic, standardized, and multi-dimensional assessment of the member's functional and cognitive capacity and limitations, need for services, strengths, abilities, supports and resources.

2. Planning: Planning is a resource allocation process where a service prescription is developed for a member that

defines the types of services needed and the amount, frequency and duration of service delivery to meet assessed needs. 3. Implementation: Plan implementation is a process of contracting both formal and informal providers to arrange for services outlined in the plan.

4. Monitoring: "the continuing contact the Case Manager has with providers and members to ensure that services are provided in accordance with the service plan and to ascertain whether these services continue to meet the member's needs." (Schneider & Weiss, 1982)

5. Reassessment: "scheduled or event-precipitated examination of the member's situation and functioning to identify changes which occurred since the initial or most recent assessment and to measure progress toward the desired outcomes outlined in the service plan." (Schneider & Weiss, 1982)

Case Managers must perform the core functions previously described and also adhere to HCBS long-term case management principles. Performing the core functions and following the principles below assures continuity and quality of long-term care case management and services and supports to the member.

1) Principle #1 Case Management is Participant Centered:

Case Management is a Participant-centered service that respects Participants' rights, values and preferences.

2) Principle #2 Case Management Coordinates ALL Assistance:

Case Management coordinates all and any type of assistance to meet identified Participant needs including those related to the transition process and those related to community living.

3) Principle #3 Case Management requires knowledge, skills & competencies:

To perform well, case managers require specialized clinical skills, knowledge, and personal characteristics and competencies.

Principle #4 Case Management promotes quality:
 Case management promotes the quality of services provided.

5) Principle #5 Case Management is future oriented:

Case management looks into the future, predicts and makes plans based on today's indicators.

6) Principle #6 Case Management uses resources efficiently:

In the prescription of services to meet, but not to exceed, assessed need and to efficiently coordinate services, case management is a cost-effective service.

During this module, case managers are given a self-evaluation tool to evaluate their IDT facilitation performance. The tool emphasizes supporting the member to speak for him/herself and to support the member to be actively engaged in the process. Case managers are encouraged to implement the tool after their first few member IDT experiences.

A person-centered planning approach guides the service plan development process. The Case Manager (CM) explains the process to the member and others that the member desires to participate in service planning. The case manager is responsible for training the member and the persons they designate in the process.

The CM provides support to the member in this member-centered planning process, including providing information about qualified providers of the waiver program and information on community resources for informal and non-waiver formal services of interest to the member.

In the planning process, the CM helps the member define support needs, service goals and service preferences including access to and use of generic community resources. The CM assists the member in translating the assessment of member needs and preferences into an individually tailored, personalized service plan.

OHCA shall ensure that a written Service Plan will be developed for each eligible individual that wants to participate in this waiver. Once an individual's eligibility is determined, the individual, his or her family members, legal guardians or other representatives will convene a service planning team for the purpose of developing the service plan. Members of the service plan team are selected by the member and may include the individual, his or her family members, his or her legal guardians, advocates, friends and support personnel from other provider agencies.

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**d.** Service Plan Development Process. In four pages or less, describe the process that is used to develop the participantcentered service plan, including: (a) who develops the plan, who participates in the process, and the timing of the plan; (b) the types of assessments that are conducted to support the service plan development process, including securing information about participant needs, preferences and goals, and health status; (c) how the participant is informed of the services that are available under the waiver; (d) how the plan development process ensures that the service plan addresses participant goals, needs (including health care needs), and preferences; (e) how waiver and other services are coordinated; (f) how the plan development process provides for the assignment of responsibilities to implement and monitor the plan; and, (g) how and when the plan is updated, including when the participant's needs change. State laws, regulations, and policies cited that affect the service plan development process are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable): In accordance with OAC rules, case management services involve ongoing assessment, service planning and implementation, service monitoring and evaluation, member advocacy, and discharge planning. (a) Upon receipt of a referral from the Provider Agency, the case management supervisor assigns a case manager to the member. However, the member maintains freedom of choice in selecting a provider. The case manager makes a home visit to review the waiver program (its purpose, philosophy, and the roles and responsibilities of the member, service providers, case managers, provider agency and OHCA in the program), and review, update and complete the UCAT assessment, and to discuss service needs and service providers. The member may invite family members, personal representatives and informal support persons to be included in the service plan development. The case manager will assure that the planning meetings are scheduled at times and locations convenient to the member and his or her representative. Within ten (10) working days of the receipt of the referral, or at least ten (10) working days prior to the end-date of an existing service plan, the case management provider completes and submits to the OHCA an individualized service plan for the member.

(b) The service plan is based on the member's service needs identified by the Uniform Comprehensive Assessment Tool III and the Home Health Certification and Treatment Plan when the member's medical condition and level of care necessitates Private Duty and/or Skilled Nursing. The case manager uses an interdisciplinary team (IDT) planning approach for service plan development. The services needed by the member are part of the waiver benefits and are prior authorized by OHCA upon service plan approval. Any additional services needed are supplied through State Plan, other Title XIX programs and community resources. The member or the member's guardian and the case manager could comprise a minimum IDT. The case manager is responsible for securing information about participant's needs, preferences, goals and health status.

(c) The Case Manager provides information on all qualified providers for each service needed and assists the individual in making an informed choice of provider. In addition, the Case Manager educates the member and provides advocacy support to the member in development of service delivery to meet the member's individual preference for when services are delivered and the manner in which services are delivered.

(d) The Case Manager records the member's long-term goals, challenges to meeting goals, and service goals including plan objectives, actions steps and expected outcomes. The case manager is responsible for ensuring that the service plan addresses the member's goals, needs (including health care needs), and preferences. Through the member-centered planning process, the case manager identifies services, member's choice of service provider, and submits a service plan to the member for signature. The next step in the plan development process is that the case manager submits the signed service plan to the case management supervisor for review. The case management supervisor documents the review/approval of the plans or returns the plans to the case manager with notations of errors, problems, and/or concerns to be addressed. The case manager completes the corrections as indicated and reviews the corrected service plan to the member to confirm agreement of changes and then re-submits to the case management supervisor. The case management supervisor returns the approved service plan to the case manager who faxes the plan to the OHCA waiver staff for processing and files the plan in the member's file.

(e) Waiver and other services are authorized by the OHCA Population Care Management Team. The Care Management Team reviews and, if appropriate, approves the service plan and enters the member's plan into a clinician-based system. The program director exercises final decision-making authority over all service plans. Designated waiver staff transmits a copy of the computer-generated authorized service plan to the case manager who reviews and forwards a copy to each of the other providers authorized by the plan to provide services or supplies to the member. Upon receipt of service plan authorization, the case manager communicates with the service providers and with the member to facilitate service plan implementation. Within five (5) working days of notification of an initial or new service plan authorization, the case manager visits the member to deliver a copy of the service plan and evaluates the progress of the implementation of the plan.

(f) Both the case management agency and the OHCA Population Care Management Team have assigned responsibilities to implement and monitor the plan. As discussed above the agency providing case management is responsible for service plan development and communication with the member. Further, the OHCA Population Care Management Team has a role in evaluating the appropriateness of the service plan. Finally, the Long Term Services and Supports Unit (LTSS)will monitor periodic reports regarding services authorized and used, costs of waiver services and member complaints and inquiries.

(g) The Case Manager evaluates service plan implementation and considers any necessary updates on the following

minimum schedule:

(1) within 30 calendar days of the authorized effective date of the service plan or service plan addendum amendment; and(2) monthly after the initial 30 day follow-up evaluation date. A copy of the monthly report is submitted to OHCA waiver staff to assist in remediating any unmet need as necessary.

A member or family member may become aware of a change in member needs and may initiate a request for a change in the service plan by contacting the case manager.

Changes requested by a member, family member, service provider or case manager and a justification for the changes are documented as a service plan amendment by the member's case manager. The case manager submits the request to amend the service plan to the waiver staff for processing. OHCA Population Care Management Team approves or denies the request based on medical necessity and review of the documentation submitted within two working days of receipt of the amendment. Members whose service plan amendments are denied are notified by written letter within two working days of the denial and may appeal this decision by completing the LD-1 form and forwarding it to the OHCA Legal Division. During the appeals process, the member will continue to receive services until a final decision has been rendered. If the appealed decision is not in the member's favor, the case manager will assist with obtaining other community resources.

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e. Risk Assessment and Mitigation. Specify how potential risks to the participant are assessed during the service plan development process and how strategies to mitigate risk are incorporated into the service plan, subject to participant needs and preferences. In addition, describe how the service plan development process addresses backup plans and the arrangements that are used for backup.

OHCA conducts case management training for all case managers and provides basic knowledge and tools to enable case managers to assess appropriately and develop service plans which adequately address issues of risk and risk mitigation.

OHCA staff and case managers will work with the member and provider to ensure that an effective back-up plan is in place. Such back-up plans may utilize various combinations of formal supports from multiple providers to ensure continuity of services. Contact information for each case manager, emergency, non-emergency, utilities, transportation, landlord, etc..., will be provided to the member. OHCA staff will work with the member to ensure that he/she understands the process of using each.

During service plan development, the case manager assesses the member's risks and develops a service plan that addresses the risks as well as the back-up plan for management of those risks. In this process, the case manager educates the member regarding potential risks and options to address risk. The Case Manager provides advocacy support to the member in development of service delivery to honor member preference for level of risk acceptance and for risk mitigation measures that are built into the service plan including back-up services selected and the manner in which back-up services are delivered.

Service Plans are submitted to designated waiver staff for processing and then referred to OHCA Population Care Management Team for review and authorization. The Care Management team uses defined processes to further assess and address risk factors. Waiver analysts complete a detailed non-clinical review of each new service plan and reassessment using the following high risk indicators:

UCAT Mental Status Questionnaire (MSQ) score over 18.
Lives alone with MSQ over 12.
History of falls.
Evidence of wounds.
Medication management issues.
Ventilator dependent.
APS involvement.
Unable to transfer or evacuate the home independently.
Unable to ambulate without assistance and is left alone for periods of time.
Unable to use telephone or PERS device.
Need for 24 hour support is documented but is not provided per Service Plan.
Severe mental health conditions/risk of harm to self or others.

Environmental hazards are identified by assessor.

Request for personal care and/or ASR hours in excess of 30 units per week.

Service plans with any of the above indicators are forwarded to a Clinical Nurse Supervisor, an RN in the OHCA Population Care Management Department, for additional review. Plans are then reviewed in detail, addressing identified indicators, including back-up and service plan goals. Action to be taken as a result of the review are as follows:

Service Plan is determined to have addressed all identified risk factors, no further action is needed.

Service Plan has not addressed risk factors; the case management provider must submit revised documentation which addresses issues in order for the service plan to be approved.

Identified issues are significant enough to warrant escalation to the OHCA Clinical Review Team. An RN Exceptional Needs Coordinator investigates the issue by contacting the case manager to work with him/her to appropriately address the issue(s). The outcome is forwarded to the Clinical Nurse Supervisor for approval and attached to the member's file in a clinician-based system.

At a minumum, back-up plans should included contact information for the following service providers:

- 1. Direct service worker
- 2. Critical health or supportive services
- 3. Equipment repair or replacement
- 4. Transportation

For each back-up plan, the provider agency provides the first tier back-up support; second tier support is provided by the member's informal supports; the third tier back-up support is the toll-free number, 888-287-2443, which is answered by the LTSS staff. For extreme emergencies that arise the fourth tier level is 9-1-1 emergency statewide call system.

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**f. Informed Choice of Providers.** Describe how participants are assisted in obtaining information about and selecting from among qualified providers of the waiver services in the service plan.

During assessment for LOC medical eligibility and/or service plan development, the case manager informs the member and family of agencies licensed or certified to deliver case management and in-home services in the local area to obtain the member's primary and secondary informed choices. The case manager documents the names of the agencies chosen and the agreement (by dated signature) of the member to receive services provided by those agencies.

After completing the in-home assessment, as part of the planning process, the case manager should discuss service options for meeting member needs. A list of qualified service providers in the local area is reviewed with the member and the member's legal representative, in consultation with the Case Manager, the member then selects a provider to deliver each service. If the member or his/her legal representative declines to make a provider choice, the Case Manager notifies the OHCA LTSS unit to initiate the rotating system to select an agency for the member from a list of local certified case management and in-home care agencies. LTSS staff offers the name of the agency to the case manager identified through the rotating system. The case manager then documents the selection on the Medically Fragile Freedom of Choice form. The LTSS staff provides ongoing monitoring through 100 percent chart monthly review to ensure that the auto selected provider was chosen according to procedures.

On an ongoing basis, the case manager consults with the member to determine if he or she would like to make a change in service providers if any new providers have been contracted and are available. The case manager will furnish this information at any time the member requests information about available providers. Members may also look on our web page for information about Medically Fragile waiver providers, querying by provider type and by the counties served.

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**g.** Process for Making Service Plan Subject to the Approval of the Medicaid Agency. Describe the process by which the service plan is made subject to the approval of the Medicaid agency in accordance with 42 CFR §441.301(b)(1)(i):

Authorization of service plans and service plan amendments.

The OHCA Population Care Management Team authorizes the individual service plan and all service plan amendments for each member using protocol and criteria established by the Medicaid Agency. Once the team verifies eligibility, plan cost effectiveness, that service providers are authorized and have an executed Medicaid agreement, and that the delivery of services is consistent with the member's level of care need, the service plan or service plan amendment is authorized.

The OHCA Population Care Management Team uses a clinician-designed care management system for service plan review and authorization.

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- **h. Service Plan Review and Update.** The service plan is subject to at least annual periodic review and update to assess the appropriateness and adequacy of the services as participant needs change. Specify the minimum schedule for the review and update of the service plan:
  - **O** Every three months or more frequently when necessary
  - O Every six months or more frequently when necessary
  - Every twelve months or more frequently when necessary
  - O Other schedule

Specify the other schedule:

i. Maintenance of Service Plan Forms. Written copies or electronic facsimiles of service plans are maintained for a
minimum period of 3 years as required by 45 CFR §92.42. Service plans are maintained by the following (check each that
applies):
🗵 Medicaid agency
Operating agency
Case manager
□ Other
Specify:

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**D-2: Service Plan Implementation and Monitoring** 

**a. Service Plan Implementation and Monitoring.** Specify: (a) the entity (entities) responsible for monitoring the implementation of the service plan and participant health and welfare; (b) the monitoring and follow-up method(s) that are used; and, (c) the frequency with which monitoring is performed.

(a) A certified Case Manager employed by a qualified Case Management provider agency is responsible for monitoring the implementation of the service plan and participant health and welfare. The case manager will ensure that services are provided in accordance with the service plan, member access to waiver and non-waiver services as identified in the service plan, member's exercise freedom of choice, that services are adequate to meet the member's needs and the effectiveness of member's back-up plan. This continuous monitoring of service plan implementation ensures that waiver services meet the needs of the member and achieve their intended outcomes. This monitoring is also conducted to identify if any problems related to the member's health and welfare that may require action.

(b) The Case Manager, during all monthly monitoring activities, monitors health and safety, progress toward service plan goals, member satisfaction with services and service delivery, identifies any major life changes and continues to assess for level of care and program appropriateness.

The monthly monitoring may be conducted by phone only if the member demonstrates cognitive and communication ability to provide valid information.

At a minimum, quarterly in-home Face-to-Face visits with the member are required.

When a member is un-staffed, the case manager contacts the member and home care agency weekly to provide more frequent monitoring of health and safety, major life changes, possible need to change providers; and to monitor the recruiting activities of the provider to determine when and if a change of provider is indicated. Weekly phone call monitoring occurs until member is staffed.

The case management agency is required to have procedures in place to identify high risk members and situations that may threaten the health and safety of the member and implement a risk management mechanisms to manage all high risk situations. This standard is reflected through the agency's commitment of sufficient implementation resources, supervision activities, documentation practices and management reports.

Minimum Components of Agency Policies and Procedures:

- 1. The case management agency defines high risk and sets criteria for monitoring high risk members.
- 2. The case manager develops an individualized High Risk Plan in conjunction with the member's service plan.

3. The case management agency provides heightened supervisory and administrative scrutiny of high risk monitoring activities.

(c) Within five working days of notification of an initial or new service plan authorization, the case manager visits the member in his/her home and evaluates the progress of the service plan implementation.

Thereafter, the case manager evaluates service plan implementation on the following minimum schedule:

(1) within 30 calendar days of the authorized effective date of the service plan or service plan amendment; and

(2) monthly after the initial 30 day follow-up evaluation date.

The State ensures that the case management agencies provide for prompt follow-up and remediation of identified problems. The case manager addresses any problem identified with the service plan implementation. This may include amending the service plan to more appropriately address the member's needs and/or assisting the member with a change in providers as necessary.

Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) staff receives monthly reports from case management agencies that are used for systematic collection and compilation of information about service plan monitoring. This information includes data about all member's status that is compared with service plan data, as well as member reported information in the Member Inquiry System. Information is analyzed and trended monthly and quarterly to ensure that service plans are monitored accurately and member needs are appropriately and timely addressed.

LTSS staff will initiate immediate follow up and remediation of any identified problems related to service plan implementation and/or monitoring.

## b. Monitoring Safeguards. Select one:

• Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility to monitor service plan implementation and participant health and welfare may not provide other direct waiver services to the participant.

# • Entities and/or individuals that have responsibility to monitor service plan implementation and participant health and welfare may provide other direct waiver services to the participant.

The state has established the following safeguards to ensure that monitoring is conducted in the best interests of the participant. *Specify:* 

Providers of Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) for the member, or those who have an interest in or are employed by a provider of HCBS for the member must not provide case management or develop the person-centered service plan, except when the State demonstrates that the only willing and qualified entity to provide case management and/or develop person-centered service plans in a geographic area also provides HCBS.

The State has established the following safeguards to ensure that service plan development is conducted in the best interests of the member.

All members are informed that they have freedom of choice of providers and that they may change providers at any time.

Service plans are reviewed by the OHCA Population Care Management Team prior to approval both with regard to the planned services meeting assessed needs and service units appearing to be appropriate to meet assessed needs.

Waiver program certification Conditions of Provider Participation (COPP) requires each Case Management provider to have developed and implemented a Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) plan. The plan must provide an accessible means for members to register complaints and a process for provider follow-up action to resolve complaints and address identified problems. The system must track and report on provider performance and member satisfaction with services and provide a process that the provider uses to regularly assess and develop interventions to improve provider performance. Waiver program provider performance reviews assess provider compliance with COPP and with provider service standards.

At a systems level, the OHCA Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) maintains a Member Inquiry System (MIS) to register member, member family or provider complaints, problems or incidents. MIS is accessed via a toll-free 800 number. As part of orientation, each member is provided information about MIS and the 800 number by the case manager. MIS is supported by a database system to track complaints/incidents, assignment of LTSS staff to investigate, to track resolution process and record actions and resolution for each complaint or incident.

Quality of service delivery for all providers is monitored by OHCA (Provider Performance Reviews, Quality Assurance Team and Provider Re-certification). Individualized reports for provider complaint/incident are produced for tracking by Case Management providers. These reports are utilized to identify patterns of incident or problem types requiring attention or patterns of complaints/incidents that may alert OHCA LTSS of potential quality problems with individual providers. OHCA shares complaint/incident reports resulting from all sources including Provider Performance Review reports with the LTCQIC where reviews and trends and/or major issues are addressed.

Service authorization and utilization for members using home care providers who provide case management and those using other case management provider services are compared for comparability of service utilization.

## **Appendix D: Participant-Centered Planning and Service Delivery**

## **Quality Improvement: Service Plan**

As a distinct component of the States quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the States methods for discovery and remediation.

#### a. Methods for Discovery: Service Plan Assurance/Sub-assurances

The state demonstrates it has designed and implemented an effective system for reviewing the adequacy of service plans for waiver participants.

#### i. Sub-Assurances:

a. Sub-assurance: Service plans address all participants assessed needs (including health and safety risk factors) and personal goals, either by the provision of waiver services or through other means.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Measure:**

Percentage of Service Plans that reflect all the individual's assessed needs including personal goals either by provision of waiver services or other means. Numerator: Number of Service Plans that reflect all the individual's assessed needs including personal goals Denominator: Number of Service Plans

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: Service Plans

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
□ Operating Agency	X Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Case Management Agency	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:

Other Specify:	

### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	
Operating Agency	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>
□ Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	X Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

## **Performance Measure:**

Percentage of Service Plans that reflect all the individual's assessed needs including health and safety risk factors either by provision of waiver services or other means. Numerator: Number of Service Plans that reflect all the individual's assessed needs including health and safety risk factors. Denominator: Number of service plans.

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: Service Plan

Responsible Party for data		<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
<b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	(check each that applies):	

State Medicaid Agency	□ <sub>Weekly</sub>	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	X Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative     Sample     Confidence     Interval =
Other Specify: Case Management Agency	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
<b>Operating Agency</b>	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly
Other Specify:	Annually
	□ Continuously and Ongoing

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
	Other Specify:

# **b.** Sub-assurance: The State monitors service plan development in accordance with its policies and procedures.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

c. Sub-assurance: Service plans are updated/revised at least annually or when warranted by changes in the waiver participants needs.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Measure:**

Percentage of active Members whose Service Plans were updated/revised annually. Numerator: Service Plans updated/revised no less than annually Denominator: Service Plans reviewed for active Members

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: Service Plans, LTSS Report and IDT Checklist

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	Sampling Approach (check each that applies):
🔀 State Medicaid	□ Weekly	🔀 100% Review

Agency		
Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Case Management Agency	⊠ <sub>Annually</sub>	Stratified Describe Group:
	⊠ Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

## Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ <sub>Weekly</sub>
Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly
Other Specify:	Annually
	⊠ Continuously and Ongoing
	□ Other

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
	Specify:

**Performance Measure:** 

Percentage of Service Plans revised and updated prior to annual review based upon amendments received due to changes in members' needs. Numerator: Service Plans revised and updated prior to annual review based upon amendments received due to changes in members' needs. Denominator: Service Plans Reviewed.

**Data Source** (Select one):

Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

Service Plans, Amendments and LTSS Operations Report

<b>Responsible Party for</b> data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	<b>Monthly</b>	Less than 100% Review
Sub-State Entity         Other         Specify:	Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval = Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	<b>Other</b> Specify:	

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#### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	
Operating Agency	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>
Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	Annually
	$\square$ Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

**d.** Sub-assurance: Services are delivered in accordance with the service plan, including the type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the service plan.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Measure:**

Number and Percent of member services delivered in accordance with the service plan including the type, scope, amount, duration, and frequency specified in the service plan. Numerator: Number of member services delivered in accordance with the service plan including the type, scope, amount, duration, and frequency specified in the service plan. Denominator: All Member services reviewed

Data Source (Select one): Other

## If 'Other' is selected, specify: Service plans and claims data

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	<b>Monthly</b>	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other Specify: Provider agencies	⊠ <sub>Annually</sub>	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

## Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other	X Annually

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
Specify:	
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

#### e. Sub-assurance: Participants are afforded choice: Between/among waiver services and providers.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Measure:**

Percentage of members offered choice between/among waiver services and providers. Numerator: Number of consents and rights forms received documenting the member was offered choice between/among waiver services and providers. Denominator: Number of consents and rights forms received.

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: Consents and Rights form

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly	□ Representative Sample

		Confidence Interval =
Other Specify:	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

## Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
X State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>
Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	X Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

ii. If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the

State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

### b. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems

**i.** Describe the States method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the state to document these items.

Service plans are reviewed by the OHCA Population Care Management Team prior to approval both with regard to the planned services meeting the assessed needs and with regard to appropriate service units. When the team identifies a problem with the service plan, the team will in accordance with its policies and procedures review the UCAT score to ensure that the service plan addresses the member needs. Performance failures due to provider non-compliance with requirements such as repeated failure to submit reassessment service plans timely, not addressing all assessed health and safety issues or failure to document member has been afforded choice of services and providers may result in the Case Management provider being taken off referral until documentation of improved processes for meeting requirements is approved by OHCA. The team and/or LTSS staff will also review the plan to ensure the services are delivered in accordance with the service plan including the type, scope, amount, duration and frequency specified in the state plan.

Based on information reviewed from claims data, service plans, member surveys and individual audits, the State will provide a report of the findings in order to make adjustments to the member's service plan if necessary.

## ii. Remediation Data Aggregation Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

<b>Responsible Party</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>
Sub-State Entity	Quarterly
Other Specify:	Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

#### c. Timelines

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Service Plans that are currently non-operational.

• No

O<sub>Yes</sub>

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Service Plans, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

**Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services** 

Applicability (from Application Section 3, Components of the Waiver Request):

- Yes. This waiver provides participant direction opportunities. Complete the remainder of the Appendix.
- No. This waiver does not provide participant direction opportunities. Do not complete the remainder of the Appendix.

CMS urges states to afford all waiver participants the opportunity to direct their services. Participant direction of services includes the participant exercising decision-making authority over workers who provide services, a participant-managed budget or both. CMS will confer the Independence Plus designation when the waiver evidences a strong commitment to participant direction.

Indicate whether Independence Plus designation is requested (select one):

<sup>O</sup> Yes. The state requests that this waiver be considered for Independence Plus designation.

• No. Independence Plus designation is not requested.

**Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services** 

**E-1: Overview** (1 of 13)

**a. Description of Participant Direction.** In no more than two pages, provide an overview of the opportunities for participant direction in the waiver, including: (a) the nature of the opportunities afforded to participants; (b) how participants may take advantage of these opportunities; (c) the entities that support individuals who direct their services and the supports that they provide; and, (d) other relevant information about the waiver's approach to participant direction.

a) Members of the Medically Fragile waiver will have greater flexibility to self-direct their services through three approaches to self-direction: self-direction, self-direction with supports and the common law model of self-direction.

With the self-direction service model, members of the Medically Fragile waiver will be able to recruit, hire and train their personal care attendants. With this option, members of the waiver will also develop their own 24 hour back up plans with assistance from their planning team. The member is also the employer of record and has budget authority in terms of the salary of the personal care attendant.

In the self-direction with supports model, the individual is the employer of record, but he or she shares the other responsibilities of recruiting, hiring and training staff with an agency or an advocate. Individuals who choose either of these self-direction options will receive assistance from the fiscal agency contracted with the OHCA to provide these services.

Individuals may also choose the common law employer model of self-direction. The individual supervises, hires and discharges directly. The member or the member's representative is accountable for the performance of necessary employment-related tasks and uses the Medically Fragile fiscal agent.

b) The case manager for members of the Medically Fragile waiver will inform the member of the option to self-direct their care upon enrollment in the waiver. During the service planning process, the case manager (with assistance from the service planning team) will assess whether or not the member requires assistance and or training in order to self-direct their services. If self-direction training is needed, the case manager will inform the member of the resources available to provide training and education related to the responsibilities of choosing this service option.

The case manager will also give information to the member about the option to terminate self-direction or change to the agency directed model of service delivery. If the member terminates self-direction, the case manager will ensure that the same quality of self-directed services is available to the individual through an agency model.

c) The OHCA along with provider agencies will coordinate self-directed services for waiver members. The fiscal agent contracted with the OHCA will perform financial management and payroll services to members who choose one of the self-directed service options for their care.

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- **b. Participant Direction Opportunities.** Specify the participant direction opportunities that are available in the waiver. *Select one:* 
  - **Participant: Employer Authority.** As specified in *Appendix E-2, Item a*, the participant (or the participant's representative) has decision-making authority over workers who provide waiver services. The participant may function as the common law employer or the co-employer of workers. Supports and protections are available for participants who exercise this authority.
  - O Participant: Budget Authority. As specified in *Appendix E-2, Item b*, the participant (or the participant's representative) has decision-making authority over a budget for waiver services. Supports and protections are available for participants who have authority over a budget.

• **Both Authorities.** The waiver provides for both participant direction opportunities as specified in *Appendix E-2*. Supports and protections are available for participants who exercise these authorities.

- c. Availability of Participant Direction by Type of Living Arrangement. Check each that applies:
  - IX Participant direction opportunities are available to participants who live in their own private residence or the home of a family member.
  - □ Participant direction opportunities are available to individuals who reside in other living arrangements where services (regardless of funding source) are furnished to fewer than four persons unrelated to the proprietor.

L The participant direction opportunities are available to persons in the following other living arrangements

Specify these living arrangements:

**Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services** 

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d. Election of Participant Direction. Election of participant direction is subject to the following policy (select one):

- **O** Waiver is designed to support only individuals who want to direct their services.
- O The waiver is designed to afford every participant (or the participant's representative) the opportunity to elect to direct waiver services. Alternate service delivery methods are available for participants who decide not to direct their services.
- The waiver is designed to offer participants (or their representatives) the opportunity to direct some or all of their services, subject to the following criteria specified by the state. Alternate service delivery methods are available for participants who decide not to direct their services or do not meet the criteria.

Specify the criteria

Members may self-direct services if they meet the following criteria:

\* Have an existing need for self-directed services to prevent institutionalization

\* Assurance of member health and safety with self-directed services can reasonably be made based on a review of service history records and a review of consumer readiness (a self-assessment of capacity to assume responsibilities as employer of their provider)

For self-direction, the member's health and safety is dependent on the member's capacity and willingness to assume an active role in service planning, provider recruitment, training, management and supervision, self-directed service budgeting and fiscal management, monitoring and managing health and preparation for emergency back up. LTSS and OHCA Population Care Management team reviews service history and member readiness assessment to evaluate member capacity and willingness to assume responsibility. The waiver program provides support to the self-directing member in each area in which the review indicates member requires assistance. The case manager assists with service and emergency back up planning. An FMS assists, as needed, to prepare the member in the employer role to recruit, train, manage and supervise the provider, and to assist with self-directed services budgeting and fiscal management. A skilled nurse may assist, as needed, in training the provider on tasks requiring clinical expertise and in monitoring and addressing member-specific health conditions.

A review of service history records and consumer readiness assessment that identifies any of the following forms the basis for denying a request to self-direct due to inability to ensure member health and safety:

\* The member is not willing to assume responsibility, or to enlist an "authorized representative" to assume responsibility in one or more areas of self-direction; or,

\* The member has a recent history of self-neglect or self-abuse within the past twelve months that is confirmed by Adult Protective Services and does not have an "authorized representative" with capacity to assist with self-direction responsibilities.

If review of service history records and consumer readiness assessment indicate that a member, or member along with an "authorized representative" to assist them, demonstrates minimal capacity to assume self-direction responsibilities but the member chooses to participate, the case manager and FMS provide supports to the member to fully implement self-direction. Only upon documentation by the case manager and FMS of failure, in spite of support efforts, to develop and implement a self-directed plan that would protect consumer health and safety, will the self-direction option for a member be discontinued. Agency personal care services to a member continue until self-direction is fully implemented.

If the member decides not to direct their services or does not meet participation criteria, agency personal care and/or other waiver services of consumer choice are arranged to meet the needs of the member.

## **Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services**

**E-1: Overview** (4 of 13)

e. Information Furnished to Participant. Specify: (a) the information about participant direction opportunities (e.g., the benefits of participant direction, participant responsibilities, and potential liabilities) that is provided to the participant (or the participant's representative) to inform decision-making concerning the election of participant direction; (b) the entity or entities responsible for furnishing this information; and, (c) how and when this information is provided on a timely basis.

The following process is used to provide member direction options to the waiver participants. Upon enrollment in the waiver, members will be informed by their Case Manager of the opportunity for self-direction. Participants will receive information that specifies the following:

The self-direction options offered The services that may be self-directed A list of the responsibilities of the individual with each self-directed option Resources and training available to individuals who choose self-direction Criteria for determining eligibility for self-direction; referenced in E-1-d

The Case Manager will be responsible for providing information about self-direction to each member upon their enrollment in the waiver. The member may request self-directed services from the Case Manager or call the Member Inquiry System toll-free number, 888-287-2443, to request self-directed services.

The member must make a voluntary informed choice to participate in self-direction. To support the decision-making process, the Case Manager will provide the member and, as applicable, their designated "authorized representative" or "legal representative" an overview orientation to self-direction, including the member's role as Employer and the role of each of the other participants in this unique service delivery system.

As part of the informed choice decision-making process for self-direction, the Case Manager will provide consultation and assistance as the member completes a self-assessment of preparedness to assume the role of Employer of their Personal Services Assistant. The orientation and enrollment process will provide the Member with a basic understanding of what will be expected of them under self-direction, the supports available to assist them to successfully perform Employer responsibilities and an overview of the potential risks involved. The self-assessment is meant to provide the member with a realistic picture of what participation in self-direction will mean - to better understand the investment of time, effort and commitment that may be required on their part. The self-assessment to assume self-direction employer role and responsibilities is on file with the State Medicaid Agency. A legal representative or non-legal representative of the member who may direct self-directed waiver services can also be paid to provide self-directed services in the absence of a regularly paid caregiver. Members may also appoint a family member, another relative or a friend to direct waiver services on their behalf. If a member is married, his/her spouse may direct the spouse's services and be paid to provide self-directed services in the absence of a regularly paid caregiver. A legal guardian of an adult member may self-direct services on the member's behalf and be a self-directed services provider for the adult member when the regular paid caregiver is not available. The proposed provider is the choice of the member or representative appointed to direct waiver services on behalf of the participant, which is supported by the team.

For each member who meets the criteria for participating self-direction, the case manager provides a Medically Fragile program refresher orientation in which basic explanation and information regarding freedom of choice of providers, appeal rights and processes, complaint registration/resolution process along with the toll free number access, risk management initiation and process, roles and responsibilities of member, CM, FMS and other service providers, member reassessment and service plan review schedule for the particular member and requirement for emergency back-up plan are presented.

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**f. Participant Direction by a Representative.** Specify the state's policy concerning the direction of waiver services by a representative (*select one*):

<sup>O</sup> The state does not provide for the direction of waiver services by a representative.

• The state provides for the direction of waiver services by representatives.

Specify the representatives who may direct waiver services: (check each that applies):

- ⊠ Waiver services may be directed by a legal representative of the participant.
- ⊠ Waiver services may be directed by a non-legal representative freely chosen by an adult participant.

Specify the policies that apply regarding the direction of waiver services by participant-appointed representatives, including safeguards to ensure that the representative functions in the best interest of the participant:

The member designates an "authorized representative" to assist with his or her employer responsibilities. The designated authorized representative advise and assist the individual regarding any and all self-direction activities and decision for which the member is responsible and take actions on behalf of the member when directed by the member. If the member chooses to designate an authorized representative, the designation identifying the "willing adult" to assume this role and responsibilities is documented with dated signatures of the member, the designee and the member's Case Manager.

A person will not make decisions for or on behalf of a member unless he or she has the legal authority to do so. In order to be an authorized legal representative, the person must be the legal guardian for the member or have a court ordered power of attorney for the member. An individual who is hired by the member to provide a service will not serve as an authorized representative and legal guardian for the member.

The case managers monitors service delivery and the performance of the member's authorized representative or legal representative to determine if he or she is functioning in the best interest of the member.

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**g. Participant-Directed Services.** Specify the participant direction opportunity (or opportunities) available for each waiver service that is specified as participant-directed in Appendix C-1/C-3.

Waiver Service	Employer Authority	Budget Authority
Self-Directed Goods and Services (SD-GS)	X	X
Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	X	X
Personal Care	X	X
Respite	X	X

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**h. Financial Management Services.** Except in certain circumstances, financial management services are mandatory and integral to participant direction. A governmental entity and/or another third-party entity must perform necessary financial transactions on behalf of the waiver participant. *Select one*:

• Yes. Financial Management Services are furnished through a third party entity. (Complete item E-1-i).

Specify whether governmental and/or private entities furnish these services. Check each that applies:

**Governmental entities** 

**Private entities** 

• No. Financial Management Services are not furnished. Standard Medicaid payment mechanisms are used. *Do* not complete Item E-1-i.

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i. Provision of Financial Management Services. Financial management services (FMS) may be furnished as a waiver

service or as an administrative activity. Select one:

# <sup>O</sup> FMS are covered as the waiver service specified in Appendix C-1/C-3

The waiver service entitled:

# • FMS are provided as an administrative activity.

## Provide the following information

i. Types of Entities: Specify the types of entities that furnish FMS and the method of procuring these services:

The FMS provides administrative financial management of the program for members who self-direct their services in this waiver. The fiscal agent in Oklahoma is selected as a result of a competitive bid process following procedures outlined in the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act.

ii. Payment for FMS. Specify how FMS entities are compensated for the administrative activities that they perform:

The FMS is compensated for administrative services as part of bundled administrative funds for administrative responsibilities of the waiver. The fiscal agent is paid a flat monthly rate for each member. A flat monthly rate is charged each member's budget per month that the member participates in self-direction.

iii. Scope of FMS. Specify the scope of the supports that FMS entities provide (check each that applies):

Supports furnished when the participant is the employer of direct support workers:

- Assist participant in verifying support worker citizenship status
- Collect and process timesheets of support workers
- ☑ Process payroll, withholding, filing and payment of applicable federal, state and local employmentrelated taxes and insurance
- ⊠ Other

Specify:

Administrative financial management services include assistance with helping the member to understand the tasks associated with self-directed services, completing all required documents and applications, decision-making and specialized skills including assistance with individual budgeting. Additionally, financial management services provides an orientation and training regarding employer responsibilities to support and assist the member to successfully perform the employer related functions.

Supports furnished when the participant exercises budget authority:

|X| Maintain a separate account for each participant's participant-directed budget

- ITrack and report participant funds, disbursements and the balance of participant funds
- <sup>⊥</sup> Process and pay invoices for goods and services approved in the service plan
- IXI Provide participant with periodic reports of expenditures and the status of the participant-directed budget
- **X** Other services and supports

Specify:

The financial management services provided by the FMS assists waiver members with developing the budget. The FMS verifies that all self-directed service providers hired by the member meet service provider qualifications, prior to hire.

Additional functions/activities:

- Execute and hold Medicaid provider agreements as authorized under a written agreement with the Medicaid agency
- Keceive and disburse funds for the payment of participant-directed services under an agreement with the Medicaid agency or operating agency
- IX Provide other entities specified by the state with periodic reports of expenditures and the status of the participant-directed budget

□ Other

Specify:

**iv. Oversight of FMS Entities.** Specify the methods that are employed to: (a) monitor and assess the performance of FMS entities, including ensuring the integrity of the financial transactions that they perform; (b) the entity (or entities) responsible for this monitoring; and, (c) how frequently performance is assessed.

a) OHCA Long Term Services and Supports staff review monthly expenditure reports and claims paid by the fiscal agent. OHCA monitors the fiscal agent by reviewing monthly statements, comparing payroll data and reviewing invoices submitted on behalf of each member.

b) LTSS staff has oversight and responsibility for the claims paid by the fiscal agent.

c) LTSS staff generates monthly reports to monitor the fiscal agent. These reports summarize information about the contractual compliance of the FMS with terms of the contract scope. This includes payroll reports, information and assistance furnished to self-directing members and budget allocation reports.

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- **j. Information and Assistance in Support of Participant Direction.** In addition to financial management services, participant direction is facilitated when information and assistance are available to support participants in managing their services. These supports may be furnished by one or more entities, provided that there is no duplication. Specify the payment authority (or authorities) under which these supports are furnished and, where required, provide the additional information requested (*check each that applies*):
  - Case Management Activity. Information and assistance in support of participant direction are furnished as an element of Medicaid case management services.

Specify in detail the information and assistance that are furnished through case management for each participant direction opportunity under the waiver:

Self-Directed Services Information and Assistance

The member freely chooses a Case Management provider. The Case Management provider agency assigns the member a Case Manager that has successfully completed training on Self-Directed Services, including training on Independent Living Philosophy and Person-Centered planning. Case Managers that have completed this training may provide service planning and support to self-directing members, as noted in C-3.

Person-Centered planning is a process directed by the member, with assistance as needed from an authorized representative or support team. The process supports the member in exercising choice and control. The member assumes a responsible role in developing, implementing and managing his/her services and supports. The process is intended to identify the strengths, capacities, preferences, needs and desired outcomes of the member. It may also enlist assistance from individuals freely chosen by the member to serve as important contributors. The person-centered planning process enables the member to identify and access a personalized mix of paid and non-paid services and supports to help him/her achieve personally-defined outcomes in the most inclusive community setting. The focus of person-centered planning is on the member's development of personal relationships, positive roles in community activities, and self-empowerment skills. Decisions are made and outcomes controlled by the member. Strengths, preferences and an individualized system of support are identified to assist the member to achieve functional and meaningful goals and objectives.

Principles of Person-Centered Planning are as follows:

1. The person is the center of all planning activities

2. The Member and their representative, or support team, are given the information to assume a controlling role in the development, implementation and management of the Member's services

3. The individual and those that know and care about him/her are the fundamental sources of information and decision-making.

4. Person-centered planning results in personally-defined outcomes.

5. The individual directs and manages a planning process that identifies his or her strengths, capacities, preferences, desires, goals and support needs.

The Member, or as applicable their designated "authorized representative", is given the option to direct the Medically Fragile service planning process. The Member determines who, in addition to the Case Manager, to include in the planning process. The process is to enable and assist the Member to identify and access formal (paid) and informal (non-paid) supports and services to achieve personally-defined outcomes. For Medically Fragile Members, the Person-centered planning process is to be used for development and revisions of the Member's service plan, including all services, not just for informal support services. Through the planning process, the Member's strengths, capacities, preferences, and needs are identified and planning goals and desired outcomes are defined. The Service Plan specifies services, both formal and informal, service providers, units of service authorized and begin and end dates for services authorized.

The case manager will provide support to the Member in this Person-centered planning process, including providing information about qualified providers of services and information on community resources for informal and non-waiver formal services of interest to the Member. The case manager is responsible for submitting the developed plan to the OHCA Population Care Management Team for approval.

In the planning process, the case manager helps the Member define support needs, service goals and service preferences including access to and use of generic community resources. Consistent with member-direction and preferences, the Case Manager provides information and helps the Member locate and access community resources. Operating within the constraints of the individual budget allocation and using the person-centered planning approach, the Case Manager assists the Member in translating the assessment of member needs and preferences into an individually tailored, personalized service plan that includes a plan for back-up assistance. The Case Manager prepares a service plan or plan amendment to authorize units consistent with this individual plan. The Case Manager monitors the Member's well being and the quality of supports and services and assists the Member in revising the service units authorization as needed.

Whenever a Member and a Provider of services cannot agree about a service, or about appropriate frequency, duration or other aspect of the service, or disagree about a behavior/action of the member, or of the provider, and either the Case Manager, the provider or the Member, or the member's family or authorized representative, believe

that the disagreement poses a significant risk to consumer health or safety, the Case Manager uses the Dispute Resolution process to resolve the disagreement. If the behavior/action of the Case Manager is in dispute the LTSS Dispute Resolution process will be used to resolve the disagreement. The LTSS Dispute Resolution process includes guidelines and criteria for determining circumstances under which to invoke the process, parties to include in the process and the timeline for process resolution.

# □ Waiver Service Coverage.

Information and assistance in support of

participant direction are provided through the following waiver service coverage(s) specified in Appendix C-1/C-3 (check each that applies):

Participant-Directed Waiver Service	Information and Assistance Provided through this Waiver Service Coverage
Prescribed Drugs	
Self-Directed Goods and Services (SD-GS)	
Transitional Case Management	
Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	
Skilled Nursing	
Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)	
Institutional Transition Case Management	
Environmental Modifications	
Hospice Care	
Personal Care	
Therapy Services: Physical	
Therapy Services: Occupational	
Respite	
Therapy Services: Speech	
Home Delivered Meals	
Therapy Services: Respiratory	
Case Management	
Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies	
Private Duty Nursing	

Administrative Activity. Information and assistance in support of participant direction are furnished as an administrative activity.

Specify (a) the types of entities that furnish these supports; (b) how the supports are procured and compensated; (c) describe in detail the supports that are furnished for each participant direction opportunity under the waiver; (d) the methods and frequency of assessing the performance of the entities that furnish these supports; and, (e) the entity or entities responsible for assessing performance:

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k. Independent Advocacy (select one).

• No. Arrangements have not been made for independent advocacy.

<sup>O</sup> Yes. Independent advocacy is available to participants who direct their services.

Describe the nature of this independent advocacy and how participants may access this advocacy:

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**I. Voluntary Termination of Participant Direction.** Describe how the state accommodates a participant who voluntarily terminates participant direction in order to receive services through an alternate service delivery method, including how the state assures continuity of services and participant health and welfare during the transition from participant direction:

Waiver members may voluntarily terminate any services at any time including self-directed personal care services and self-directed supports and services. For waiver members, the case manager will assist individuals with termination of self-directed personal care and replacement with selected provider. Existing services continue as authorized, or the Member's backup plan of choice is implemented, until agency replacement services begin. The member's case manager will respond to the member's request for termination of self-directed services within two working days.

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**m. Involuntary Termination of Participant Direction.** Specify the circumstances when the state will involuntarily terminate the use of participant direction and require the participant to receive provider-managed services instead, including how continuity of services and participant health and welfare is assured during the transition.

Involuntary termination of member directed services may occur if it is determined through documentation that the individual can no longer effectively self-direct their services due to:

Participant abuse or exploitation of their employee;

Participant falsification of a time-sheet or other work record;

Participant, even with FMS assistance, is unable to operate within their individualized budget amount; or,

inferior quality of services provided by member's employee jeopardizes member's health and/or safety;

Participant does not have an authorized representative who can assume these responsibilities on the individuals behalf.

The case manager will assist individuals with termination and replacement with the provider agency model of service to ensure continuity of service and member's health and welfare during the transition period if involuntary termination of self-direction occurs.

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**n.** Goals for Participant Direction. In the following table, provide the state's goals for each year that the waiver is in effect for the unduplicated number of waiver participants who are expected to elect each applicable participant direction opportunity. Annually, the state will report to CMS the number of participants who elect to direct their waiver services.

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	Employer Authority Only	Budget Authority Only or Budget Authority in Combination with Employer Authority	
Waiver Year	Number of Participants	Number of Participants	
Year 1		4	
Year 2		4	
Year 3		4	
Year 4		4	
Year 5		4	

## **Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services**

**E-2: Opportunities for Participant Direction** (1 of 6)

- **a. Participant Employer Authority** *Complete when the waiver offers the employer authority opportunity as indicated in Item E-1-b:* 
  - i. Participant Employer Status. Specify the participant's employer status under the waiver. Select one or both:
    - Participant/Co-Employer. The participant (or the participant's representative) functions as the co-employer (managing employer) of workers who provide waiver services. An agency is the common law employer of participant-selected/recruited staff and performs necessary payroll and human resources functions. Supports are available to assist the participant in conducting employer-related functions.

Specify the types of agencies (a.k.a., agencies with choice) that serve as co-employers of participant-selected staff:

- Participant/Common Law Employer. The participant (or the participant's representative) is the common law employer of workers who provide waiver services. An IRS-approved Fiscal/Employer Agent functions as the participant's agent in performing payroll and other employer responsibilities that are required by federal and state law. Supports are available to assist the participant in conducting employer-related functions.
- **ii. Participant Decision Making Authority.** The participant (or the participant's representative) has decision making authority over workers who provide waiver services. *Select one or more decision making authorities that participants exercise*:

Х	Recruit	staff
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- **Refer staff to agency for hiring (co-employer)**
- □ Select staff from worker registry
- **Hire staff common law employer**
- **⊠** Verify staff qualifications
- └ Obtain criminal history and/or background investigation of staff

Specify how the costs of such investigations are compensated:

□ Specify additional staff qualifications based on participant needs and preferences so long as such qualifications are consistent with the qualifications specified in Appendix C-1/C-3.

Specify the state's method to conduct background checks if it varies from Appendix C-2-a:

X	<b>Determine staff</b>	duties consister	nt with the	service sp	ecifications in	Appendix	C-1/C	Ľ-3
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- ☑ Determine staff wages and benefits subject to state limits
- ⊠ Schedule staff
- $\overline{X}$  Orient and instruct staff in duties
- Supervise staff
- **Evaluate staff performance**
- $\left| \boldsymbol{X} \right|$  Verify time worked by staff and approve time sheets
- ☑ Discharge staff (common law employer)
- **⊠** Discharge staff from providing services (co-employer)
- └ Other

Specify:

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E-2: Opportunities for Participant-Direction (2 of 6)

- **b.** Participant Budget Authority Complete when the waiver offers the budget authority opportunity as indicated in Item *E*-*1*-*b*:
  - **i. Participant Decision Making Authority.** When the participant has budget authority, indicate the decision-making authority that the participant may exercise over the budget. *Select one or more*:
    - □ Reallocate funds among services included in the budget
    - **X** Determine the amount paid for services within the state's established limits
    - └ Substitute service providers
    - **Schedule the provision of services**
    - Specify additional service provider qualifications consistent with the qualifications specified in Appendix C-1/C-3
    - Specify how services are provided, consistent with the service specifications contained in Appendix C-1/C-3
    - **Identify service providers and refer for provider enrollment**
    - □ Authorize payment for waiver goods and services
    - **K**eview and approve provider invoices for services rendered
    - └ Other

Specify:

# **Appendix E: Participant Direction of Services**

# E-2: Opportunities for Participant-Direction (3 of 6)

## b. Participant - Budget Authority

**ii. Participant-Directed Budget** Describe in detail the method(s) that are used to establish the amount of the participant-directed budget for waiver goods and services over which the participant has authority, including how the method makes use of reliable cost estimating information and is applied consistently to each participant. Information about these method(s) must be made publicly available.

The individual/representative, along with his or her case manager develops the service plan that includes a budget for the services that are self-directed. The individuals service plan determines the intensity, frequency and duration of needed services.

The amount budgeted for services includes reasonable costs based on the approved rate structure and funding available for each service. The case manager completes the service plan and the budget as determined by the member's level of need determined by the UCAT assessment. OHCA Population Care Management, clinical review team reviews the budget and service plan to assure compliance with cost methodology within the waiver program.

The interdisciplinary team meets monthly with the member to review the previous month's utilization and to verify no overages have occurred without prior approval. Changes to the budget must be reviewed and approved by OHCA Population Care Management Team and is determined by changes in the member's medical condition that may warrant an increase or decrease in approved service units; this amended plan is then submitted to the fiscal agent for action.

The calculation tool and description of the Individualized Budget Allocation (IBA) Expenditures Accounts Determination process are on file with OHCA. In addition, the description of the IBA process is maintained by the Office of Administrative Rules within the Office of Secretary of State and posted on the Secretary of State website.

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**E-2:** Opportunities for Participant-Direction (4 of 6)

#### b. Participant - Budget Authority

**iii. Informing Participant of Budget Amount.** Describe how the state informs each participant of the amount of the participant-directed budget and the procedures by which the participant may request an adjustment in the budget amount.

The individual and his or her team decide how the budget for the service plan is allocated. The team establishes the budget for the individual service plan and the individual is the leader of his or her team. The Case Manager educates the individual on the established rates for each service and the range that can be paid for each service eligible for self-direction. The Case Manager informs the member of the established budget amounts and obtains the member's signature on the proposed budget and service plan. The team submits the budget to Population Care Management Team for approval prior to finalizing the service plan. The fiscal agent advises the member of the confirmed budget allocation after the service plan has been approved. A copy of the approved budget is given to the member. Each month the FMS provides the member detailed information of expenditures for the previous month and overall budget status.

During monthly team meetings, the individual and his or her team reviews the monthly budget. Any requested changes to the budget must include a change to the individual service plan. If an individual desires to change the rate of pay for a personal care attendant and this increases the service plan cost, the service plan must be reviewed by the team and submitted to Population Care Management Team for approval. If the team requests a budget modification and the modification is denied by the OHCA, the individual may request a fair hearing through the OHCAs Legal Division. The OHCA hearing officer reviews the issue and makes a determination for the individual.

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# E-2: Opportunities for Participant-Direction (5 of 6)

## b. Participant - Budget Authority

## iv. Participant Exercise of Budget Flexibility. Select one:

# • Modifications to the participant directed budget must be preceded by a change in the service plan.

# • The participant has the authority to modify the services included in the participant directed budget without prior approval.

Specify how changes in the participant-directed budget are documented, including updating the service plan. When prior review of changes is required in certain circumstances, describe the circumstances and specify the entity that reviews the proposed change:

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# **E-2:** Opportunities for Participant-Direction (6 of 6)

#### b. Participant - Budget Authority

**v. Expenditure Safeguards.** Describe the safeguards that have been established for the timely prevention of the premature depletion of the participant-directed budget or to address potential service delivery problems that may be associated with budget underutilization and the entity (or entities) responsible for implementing these safeguards:

The individual budget is developed with the input from the individual, the Case Manager and members of the interdisciplinary team. The team meets monthly (or more often if needed) to review the status of the individuals budget allocation. The monthly status report includes the expected expenditures and the actual expenditures and monthly balance for each service. Staff of the fiscal agent reviews budget variances with the Case Manager and members of the interdisciplinary team. The Case Manager reviews the variance with the member and assist the member in making any needed adjustments to stay within the budget allocation.

Additionally, the case manager evaluates monthly the adequacy of service delivery and member satification with services. If the case manager determines that the allocation is inadequate, the case manager should request an amendment to the member's budget.

# **Appendix F: Participant Rights**

Appendix F-1: Opportunity to Request a Fair Hearing

The state provides an opportunity to request a Fair Hearing under 42 CFR Part 431, Subpart E to individuals: (a) who are not given the choice of home and community-based services as an alternative to the institutional care specified in Item 1-F of the request; (b) are denied the service(s) of their choice or the provider(s) of their choice; or, (c) whose services are denied, suspended, reduced or terminated. The state provides notice of action as required in 42 CFR §431.210.

**Procedures for Offering Opportunity to Request a Fair Hearing.** Describe how the individual (or his/her legal representative) is informed of the opportunity to request a fair hearing under 42 CFR Part 431, Subpart E. Specify the notice(s) that are used to offer individuals the opportunity to request a Fair Hearing. State laws, regulations, policies and notices referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the operating or Medicaid agency.

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Fair Hearings regarding eligibility are heard by OHCA. Applicants for the waiver are informed of this opportunity in written information presented in the first meetings with the member about the Medically Fragile Waiver.

Service appeals are heard by OHCA. If a participant or applicant believes he or she was not given a choice of home and community-based services as an alternative to institutional care, denied the services of their choice or the provider of their choice, or whose services are denied, suspended, reduced or terminated, the individual may request a hearing through the OHCA Legal Division. At the hearing, the individual will have the opportunity to express his or her concerns to the hearing officer. The individual may be represented by counsel if they desire. This is described in OAC 317:2-1-2.

In addition, all residential provider agencies are required to have a policy and procedure detailing their complaint and resolution process and provide this information to the individual. Individuals participating in the Medically Fragile waiver will also have access to the MIS toll-free number, 1-888-287-2443.

During the assessment visit to establish medical eligibility, the case manager explains to the Member (and/or his/her legal representative) his/her rights to a Fair Hearing (Part D of the Member Consents and Rights form) as well as how the Member may request a Fair Hearing.

In addition, as part of the application process, the applicant is notified by the OHCA worker of his/her rights and responsibilities including the right to a fair hearing. The applicant has the right to:

be treated equally regardless of race, color, age, sex, handicap, religion, political belief, or national origin have information kept confidential, unless directly related to the administration of OHCA programs request a fair hearing, either orally or in writing if the applicant disagrees with any action taken be represented at the hearing by a designee have the application processed promptly obtain assistance from OHCA in completing this application or in obtaining required verification reapply at any time benefits stop receive information about programs administered by OHCA.

The member is informed in writing by the OHCA staff and by the Case Manager of the members right to receive a fair hearing regarding any decision with potentially adverse impact on the member including choice of service setting (institution or waiver services), choice of provider or of service, or denial, reduction, suspension or termination of services. Appeals regarding services are directed to the OHCA.

When action is taken on a member's case, the member is advised in writing of the action, the reason for the action, and rights to appeal. Copies of the notices are kept in the Electronic Documentation System. The member is informed that a request for a fair hearing regarding eligibility must be submitted in writing to the Legal Division of OHCA, P.O. Drawer 18497, Oklahoma City, OK 73154-0497. The applicant is also advised of the right to legal counsel at the hearing by either a private attorney or free legal help. The written notice includes information about how to access free legal help, where and how to file an appeal, and the time frame in which an appeal must be filed. The Request for a Fair Hearing explains that the member will continue to receive services if a hearing is requested until after a decision is made.

The member also receives written information about the right to request a Fair Hearing and the steps in the process regarding appeals with respect to services. The member is to use the LD-1 form to file a request. The LD-1 form is to be mailed to: Oklahoma Health Care Authority Grievance Docket Clerk Legal Division P.O. Drawer 18497 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73154-0497

OHCA Fax Number is (405) 530-3444 OHCA Docket Clerk Telephone Number is (405) 522-7217

# **Appendix F: Participant-Rights**

**Appendix F-2: Additional Dispute Resolution Process** 

a. Availability of Additional Dispute Resolution Process. Indicate whether the state operates another dispute resolution

process that offers participants the opportunity to appeal decisions that adversely affect their services while preserving their right to a Fair Hearing. *Select one:* 

# **O** No. This Appendix does not apply

# • Yes. The state operates an additional dispute resolution process

**b.** Description of Additional Dispute Resolution Process. Describe the additional dispute resolution process, including: (a) the state agency that operates the process; (b) the nature of the process (i.e., procedures and timeframes), including the types of disputes addressed through the process; and, (c) how the right to a Medicaid Fair Hearing is preserved when a participant elects to make use of the process: State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the operating or Medicaid agency.

OHCA understands that the members eligible for this waiver have many needs that affect their medical services while being served in the community. Moreover, the agency recognizes that an additional dispute resolution process would be helpful for persons who desire additional medical service beyond those authorized by the agency.

Therefore, the agency will offer dispute resolution in addition to the fair hearing process; however, the member is informed that making use of the dispute resolution process is not a pre-requisite or substitute for the fair hearing process. Additional dispute resolution is available for both eligibility and medical services dispute issues. Dispute resolution must be concluded within 45 days of the request by the member. The process begins with a request for additional dispute resolution will be conducted between the member, legal services and OHCA Population Care Management unit. It may involve a meeting with the member in their home. No admission against interest made in the additional dispute resolution process may be utilized as evidence by parties at the fair hearing.

The additional dispute resolution process will attempt to include other state agencies as well as other social services to the extent they can help the member with their medical needs. Additionally, the additional dispute resolution process will be used to resolve disputes regarding medical care.

If dispute resolution does not resolve the members dispute, the fair hearing process will continue.

## **Appendix F: Participant-Rights**

# Appendix F-3: State Grievance/Complaint System

#### a. Operation of Grievance/Complaint System. Select one:

- **O** No. This Appendix does not apply
- Yes. The state operates a grievance/complaint system that affords participants the opportunity to register grievances or complaints concerning the provision of services under this waiver
- **b. Operational Responsibility.** Specify the state agency that is responsible for the operation of the grievance/complaint system:

The Oklahoma Health Care Authority operates the Grievance/Complaints system referred to as Member Inquiry System (MIS) at 1-888-287-2443.

**c. Description of System.** Describe the grievance/complaint system, including: (a) the types of grievances/complaints that participants may register; (b) the process and timelines for addressing grievances/complaints; and, (c) the mechanisms that are used to resolve grievances/complaints. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

OAC 317:2-1-2 describes OHCAs appeals process. A grievance allows a member to appeal a decision which adversely affects their rights. A decision regarding services, for example, can be appealed by the member.

In contrast, a complaint is a concern reported by a member that requires the assistance of program staff.

Members may express a complaint or file an appeal as needed.

(a) The member is informed by the OHCA staff and by the case manager of the members right to receive a fair hearing regarding any decision with potentially adverse impact on the member. Appeals regarding financial eligibility and services are heard by OHCA. However, when a member elects to file a grievance or make a complaint, the member is informed that doing so is not a pre-requisite or substitute for a Fair Hearing. Members are informed by their case manager of rights to fair hearing during the time of enrollment. Member signature on the Medically Fragile Consents and Rights form acknowledges their receipt of these rights.

(b) All waiver members are informed they should direct all complaints to the MIS toll free phone number at 1-888-287-2443. Summary of each complaint will be documented in the OHCA's complaint tracking system. The analyst who receives the call will determine the course of action based on procedures indicated in the procedures manual. Complaints related to the members health and safety will be immediately addressed. The policy/procedures also lists the timelines for initiating a response to member complaints. Resolution of all complaints will be documented in the complaint tracking system.

The member also receives written information outlining the appeals process for filing grievances, as described in appendix F-1 above. The LD-1 must be filed within 30 days of the triggering event. Member appeals are normally heard within 90 days. However, an expedited process can be utilized, with a final decision rendered in approximately 48 hours.

(c) Direct communications with the provider agencies serving the members are used to resolve member complaints. The complaint tracking system allows for trend reporting of member complaints against provider agencies. These provider reports are also considered during provider audits and in provider agreement monitoring. The State will take action based upon review of complaint data.

In addition, the State has Fair Hearing and formal appeal processes available to every member in the waiver. The formal grievance process may include a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. The member is also informed that if assistance in reading or completing the LD-1 form is needed that arrangements will be made.

# **Appendix G: Participant Safeguards**

**Appendix G-1: Response to Critical Events or Incidents** 

- **a.** Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process. Indicate whether the state operates Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process that enables the state to collect information on sentinel events occurring in the waiver program. *Select one:* 
  - Yes. The state operates a Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process (complete Items b through e)
  - No. This Appendix does not apply (*do not complete Items b through e*)
     If the state does not operate a Critical Event or Incident Reporting and Management Process, describe the process that the state uses to elicit information on the health and welfare of individuals served through the program.
- **b.** State Critical Event or Incident Reporting Requirements. Specify the types of critical events or incidents (including alleged abuse, neglect and exploitation) that the state requires to be reported for review and follow-up action by an appropriate authority, the individuals and/or entities that are required to report such events and incidents and the timelines for reporting. State laws, regulations, and policies that are referenced are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

It is the requirement of LTSS and OHCA that any serious incident that harms or may potentially harm a member is immediately identified, reported, reviewed, investigated and corrected. This requirement will not supersede any federal, state or regulatory body statutes, laws or regulations. The Critical Incident Reporting and Tracking System addresses all member incidents listed and defined by the policy. As required by state law, responsible parties must report abuse, neglect and/or exploitation. Adult Protective Services is the designated State Agency lead with investigative authority in the event of critical incidents involving abuse, neglect or exploitation. It is the expectation that the Provider Agency that first identifies a critical incident, report the incident to OHCA/Long Term Services and Supports department within the timeframe specified on the critical incident form for an incident of suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation. The member's case manager, with the support of OHCA, facilitates the evaluation and/or investigation process of the critical incident.

The state has adopted the definitions of abuse, neglect and exploitation outlined in the State of Oklahoma statute (O.S. 43 § 10-103. Definitions):

Abuse: "Intentional infliction of physical pain, injury, sexual abuse or mental anguish or the deprivation of food, clothing, shelter, or medical care to a vulnerable adult by a caretaker or other person responsible for providing these services" (O.S. 43 § 10-103. A.8).

Neglect: "Failure to provide protection to a vulnerable adult who is unable to protect the person's own interest; or the failure to provide adequate shelter or clothing; or the harming or threatening with harm through action or inaction by either another individual or through the persons own action or inaction because of a lack of awareness, incompetence, or incapacity, which has resulted or may result in physical or mental injury" (O.S. 43 § 10-103. A.10).

Exploitation: "An unjust or improper use of the resources of a vulnerable adult for the profit or advantage, pecuniary or otherwise, of a person other than the vulnerable adult through the use of undue influence, coercion, harassment, duress, deception, false representative or false pretense" (O.S. 43 § 10-103. A.9).

Other definitions listed in the statutes include: self-neglect, verbal abuse, sexual exploitation.

In accordance with the State of Oklahoma statute (O.S. 43 § 10-104.A), "any person who has reasonable cause to believe a vulnerable adult is suffering from abuse, neglect or exploitation shall report the situation to authorities as soon as the person is aware of the situation. Reports can be made to the Department of Human Services Adult Protective Services program, the local district attorneys office, or the local police or sheriff's department. Reporting is the individual responsibility of the person who believes the situation to be one which should be reported."

In addition, the State of Oklahoma statute (O.S. 43 § 10-104.B) states that, "although the reporting requirement applies to everyone, certain professionals are specifically required by law to report situations." These include, but are not limited to, social workers, mental health professionals, and other medical professionals.

The Provider is responsible for completing their own internal investigation of all Level I critical incidents, unless they have been directed not to do so from an authorized government entity. Level II and Level III incidents require further investigation if the provider determines this as necessary after an initial evaluation is completed. All investigative reports are submitted to the OHCA or designee within 10 working days after the initial critical incident report is completed. When a provider becomes aware of a critical incident, the provider must inform OHCA's Long Term Services and Supports Unit within the timeframe specified on the critical incident form for a Level I, Level II or Level III incident of suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation.

The Provider Agency reviews all critical incident reports and determines the appropriate response to each incidence (evaluation or investigation). The Provider Agency coordinates their investigative efforts with governmental investigative authorities as required by State or Federal law. The Provider Agency uses the following criteria in determining whether an evaluation response is adequate for resolution of the critical incident: An adequate description of the incident has been obtained

The critical incident is either a Level II or Level III

Documentation reflects the assessment of the illness or injury and its impact to the Participants health and welfare Documentation reflects that appropriate action has been taken to assure the Participants continued health and welfare There is no history of similar events in previous incidents in Participants community home in the past six months (unless there is a documented plan indicating an agreed upon procedure that has been followed, i.e. a Participant has a seizure disorder and a plan has already been developed of how to manage a resultant fall).

The OHCA or designee reviews all critical incident reports and determines the appropriate response to each occurance, (evaluation or investigation). The OHCA or designee coordinates their investigative efforts with governmental investigative authorities as required by State or Federal law. The OHCA or designee uses the following criteria in determining whether an evaluation response is adequate for resolution of the critical incident:

An adequate description of the incident has been obtained;

The critical incident is either a Level II or Level III;

Documentation reflects the assessment of the illness or injury and its impact to the Participant's health and welfare; Documentation reflects that appropriate action has been taken to assure the Participant's continued health and welfare; There is no history of similar events in previous incidents in Participants community home in the past six months; (except when there is a documented plan indicating an agreed upon procedure that is to be followed, as a result of a documented medical condition, i.e. a Participant has a seizure disorder and a plan has already been developed of how to manage a resultant fall).

In the Medically Fragile waiver Conditions of Provider Participation (COPP), Case Management, Home Care, and Hospice providers are required, as part of their Medicaid Agreement, to ensure that necessary safeguards have been taken to assure the health and safety of the Member. This includes removing an employee suspected of abuse, neglect or exploitation until an investigation occurs. Requirements specify that the provider will follow the APS process for reporting potential instances of suspected abuse, neglect and exploitation.

Furthermore, the waiver operates a toll free number, 888-287-2443, for inquiries or complaints from Members, providers, or others. OHCA staff reports any suspected incidence of abuse, neglect or exploitation to APS.

The Oklahoma Department of Human Services website for Adult Protective Services

(http:www.okdhs.org/APS/printer.html § 5.C) offers the following guidance on reporting potential abuse, neglect and exploitation, "The best way to make a report to the Department of Human Services is to contact the APS supervisor who has responsibility for the county where the vulnerable adult lives." Supervisor contacts for each county are available from a "Contact Us" link for reporting potential abuse, neglect and/or exploitation.

According to State of Oklahoma statute (O.S. 43 § 10-104 C.1.), "if the report is not made in writing in the first instance, as soon as possible after it is initially made by telephone or otherwise, the report shall be reduced to writing by the Department of Human Services, in accordance with rules promulgated by the Commission for Human Services, or the local municipal police, or sheriff's department whichever entity received the initial report.

According to State of Oklahoma statute (O.S. 43 § 10-104 A.2.a.), the person suspecting potential abuse, neglect or exploitation must make the report to the appropriate authorities "as soon as the person is aware of the situation."

**c. Participant Training and Education.** Describe how training and/or information is provided to participants (and/or families or legal representatives, as appropriate) concerning protections from abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including how participants (and/or families or legal representatives, as appropriate) can notify appropriate authorities or entities when the participant may have experienced abuse, neglect or exploitation.

As part of the Medically Fragile program Conditions of Provider Participation, each Case Management, Home Care and Hospice provider must comply with member assurances in the delivery of services. At each new member orientation to the waiver the Member's chosen case manager provides in-home orientation and education along with written materials to the Member and his/her selected support systems regarding Member rights and responsibilities, the grievance process and procedures, the case management service emergency phone numbers, the Member Inquiry Services toll-free telephone number, 888-287-2443, health and safety procedures, and how to recognize abuse, neglect and exploitation and the process for reporting any incidents of such. Training and education is documented by the member signing the Member Training and Education Acknowledgement Form; this form is kept in the member's file. The Medically Fragile waiver case managers are responsible for ongoing monitoring of the health and welfare of Members and providing the necessary education and intervention related to abuse, neglect and exploitation of Members. This new member orientation is conducted by the Case Manager within 10 business days of receipt of service plan approval.

**d.** Responsibility for Review of and Response to Critical Events or Incidents. Specify the entity (or entities) that receives reports of critical events or incidents specified in item G-1-a, the methods that are employed to evaluate such reports, and the processes and time-frames for responding to critical events or incidents, including conducting investigations.

The Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Division reviews reports of critical events or incidents involving suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation. When LTSS is notified of instances of potential abuse, neglect and exploitation, these instances are immediately reported to Adult Protective Services. The APS office, is maintained within the Department of Human Services (DHS) and is authorized in Title 43A of the State of Oklahoma statutes, sections 10-101 through 10-111 as the authority to investigate any report of potential abuse, neglect or exploitation. All matters referred to APS for investigation are documented in OHCA's electronic documentation system.

While APS does not provide information related to abuse, neglect and exploitation to the waiver program, OHCA has developed its own internal system for prevention and identification of instances of potential abuse, neglect and exploitation or concerns for the health and safety of the Member.

For APS investigations, O.S. 43A Section 10-105 C.5.1., states "As soon as possible after initiating an investigation of a referral regarding a vulnerable adult, the Department shall provide to the caretaker of the alleged victim, the legal guardian and the next of kin of the vulnerable adult notification including a brief oral summary and easily understood written description of the investigation process, whether or not the caretaker, guardian or next of kin is alleged to be the perpetrator of the abuse, neglect or exploitation of the vulnerable adult."

e. Responsibility for Oversight of Critical Incidents and Events. Identify the state agency (or agencies) responsible for overseeing the reporting of and response to critical incidents or events that affect waiver participants, how this oversight is conducted, and how frequently.

OHCA has developed internal policies, procedures and business rules to address potential instances of abuse, neglect and exploitation and concerns for health and safety. The LTSS division has mechanisms in place to provide oversight and safeguard the waiver members with respect to the investigation of critical incidents and events.

The Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) division provides oversight of the reporting of and response to any critical incidents; when staff receive provider agency reports of critical incidents they will complete an assessment located within the electronic documentation system and forward to OHCA clinical staff for review and recommendation for follow up. Where necessary waiver staff will conduct an investigation of the incident in accordance with policy. This monitoring is ongoing, critical incident reports are compiled and reviewed monthly for proper processing and timely resolution.

OHCA maintains an electronic documentation system for storage, retrieval and dissemination of information that supports the Medically Fragile waiver program. This system allows for performance monitoring of members and providers as well as tracking and reporting of complaints related to member health and safety, including abuse, neglect and exploitation. Data compiled in this system is analyzed and may be used to develop new strategies to prevent re-occurrence of an incident and lead to implementation of overall system changes.

# **Appendix G: Participant Safeguards**

**Appendix G-2: Safeguards Concerning Restraints and Restrictive Interventions** (1 of **3**)

**a.** Use of Restraints. (Select one): (For waiver actions submitted before March 2014, responses in Appendix G-2-a will display information for both restraints and seclusion. For most waiver actions submitted after March 2014, responses regarding seclusion appear in Appendix G-2-c.)

# • The state does not permit or prohibits the use of restraints

Specify the state agency (or agencies) responsible for detecting the unauthorized use of restraints and how this oversight is conducted and its frequency:

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Adult Protective Services (APS) is the designated state agency responsible for investigating any report of unauthorized use of restraints as a form of abuse in accordance with statutory timeframes for such investigations. As noted in Appendix G-1, the Adult Protective Services is authorized in Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 10-101 through 10-111. A report can be made to Adult Protective Services 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Division has a coordinated system of communication with APS regarding abuse, neglect, and exploitation of any member as part of a comprehensive system-wide critical incident reporting system.

LTSS has processes in place to detect the unauthorized use of restraints during the delivery of waiver services. These processes include LTSS regular monitoring of the member's health and welfare, the performance of periodic provider quality reviews

and the Medically Fragile waiver incidents management system in which unauthorized restraints is a reportable incident.

# O The use of restraints is permitted during the course of the delivery of waiver services. Complete Items G-2-a-i and G-2-a-ii.

- **i. Safeguards Concerning the Use of Restraints.** Specify the safeguards that the state has established concerning the use of each type of restraint (i.e., personal restraints, drugs used as restraints, mechanical restraints). State laws, regulations, and policies that are referenced are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).
- **ii. State Oversight Responsibility.** Specify the state agency (or agencies) responsible for overseeing the use of restraints and ensuring that state safeguards concerning their use are followed and how such oversight is conducted and its frequency:

# **Appendix G: Participant Safeguards**

**Appendix G-2: Safeguards Concerning Restraints and Restrictive Interventions** (2 of 3)

**b. Use of Restrictive Interventions.** (Select one):

# • The state does not permit or prohibits the use of restrictive interventions

Specify the state agency (or agencies) responsible for detecting the unauthorized use of restrictive interventions and how this oversight is conducted and its frequency:

Adult Protective Services (APS) is the designated state agency responsible for investigating any report of unauthorized use of restrictive intervention as a form of abuse in accordance with statutory timeframes for such investigations. As noted in Appendix G-1, the Adult Protective Services is authorized in Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 10-101 through 10-111. A report can be made to Adult Protective Services 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Division has a coordinated system of communication with APS regarding abuse, neglect, and exploitation of any member as part of a comprehensive system-wide critical incident reporting system.

LTSS has processes in place to detect the unauthorized use of restraints during the delivery of waiver services. These processes include LTSS regular monitoring of the member's health and welfare, the performance of periodic provider quality reviews

and the Medically Fragile waiver incidents management system in which unauthorized restraints is a reportable incident.

- The use of restrictive interventions is permitted during the course of the delivery of waiver services Complete Items G-2-b-i and G-2-b-ii.
  - **i. Safeguards Concerning the Use of Restrictive Interventions.** Specify the safeguards that the state has in effect concerning the use of interventions that restrict participant movement, participant access to other individuals, locations or activities, restrict participant rights or employ aversive methods (not including restraints or seclusion) to modify behavior. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the specification are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency.
  - **ii. State Oversight Responsibility.** Specify the state agency (or agencies) responsible for monitoring and overseeing the use of restrictive interventions and how this oversight is conducted and its frequency:

# **Appendix G: Participant Safeguards**

**Appendix G-2: Safeguards Concerning Restraints and Restrictive Interventions (3 of 3)** 

**c. Use of Seclusion.** (Select one): (This section will be blank for waivers submitted before Appendix G-2-c was added to WMS in March 2014, and responses for seclusion will display in Appendix G-2-a combined with information on restraints.)

## • The state does not permit or prohibits the use of seclusion

Specify the state agency (or agencies) responsible for detecting the unauthorized use of seclusion and how this oversight is conducted and its frequency:

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Adult Protective Services (APS) is the designated state agency responsible for investigating any report of unauthorized use of seclusion or as a form of abuse in accordance with statutory timeframes for such investigations. As noted in Appendix G-1, the Adult Protective Services is authorized in Title 43A of the Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 10-101 through 10-111. A report can be made to Adult Protective Services 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) Division has a coordinated system of communication with APS regarding abuse, neglect, and exploitation of any member as part of a comprehensive system-wide critical incident reporting system.

LTSS has processes in place to detect the unauthorized use of restraints during the delivery of waiver services. These processes include LTSS regular monitoring of the member's health and welfare, the performance of periodic provider quality reviews

and the Medically Fragile waiver incidents management system in which unauthorized restraints is a reportable incident.

- O The use of seclusion is permitted during the course of the delivery of waiver services. Complete Items G-2-c-i and G-2-c-ii.
  - **i.** Safeguards Concerning the Use of Seclusion. Specify the safeguards that the state has established concerning the use of each type of seclusion. State laws, regulations, and policies that are referenced are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).
  - **ii. State Oversight Responsibility.** Specify the state agency (or agencies) responsible for overseeing the use of seclusion and ensuring that state safeguards concerning their use are followed and how such oversight is conducted and its frequency:

# **Appendix G: Participant Safeguards**

**Appendix G-3: Medication Management and Administration** (1 of 2)

This Appendix must be completed when waiver services are furnished to participants who are served in licensed or unlicensed living arrangements where a provider has round-the-clock responsibility for the health and welfare of residents. The Appendix does not need to be completed when waiver participants are served exclusively in their own personal residences or in the home of a family member.

a. Applicability. Select one:

- No. This Appendix is not applicable (*do not complete the remaining items*)
- <sup>O</sup> Yes. This Appendix applies (complete the remaining items)

## b. Medication Management and Follow-Up

**i. Responsibility.** Specify the entity (or entities) that have ongoing responsibility for monitoring participant medication regimens, the methods for conducting monitoring, and the frequency of monitoring.

ii. Methods of State Oversight and Follow-Up. Describe: (a) the method(s) that the state uses to ensure that

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participant medications are managed appropriately, including: (a) the identification of potentially harmful practices (e.g., the concurrent use of contraindicated medications); (b) the method(s) for following up on potentially harmful practices; and, (c) the state agency (or agencies) that is responsible for follow-up and oversight.

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**Appendix G-3: Medication Management and Administration** (2 of 2)

#### c. Medication Administration by Waiver Providers

#### Answers provided in G-3-a indicate you do not need to complete this section

- i. Provider Administration of Medications. Select one:
  - O Not applicable. (do not complete the remaining items)
  - O Waiver providers are responsible for the administration of medications to waiver participants who cannot self-administer and/or have responsibility to oversee participant self-administration of medications. (complete the remaining items)
- **ii. State Policy.** Summarize the state policies that apply to the administration of medications by waiver providers or waiver provider responsibilities when participants self-administer medications, including (if applicable) policies concerning medication administration by non-medical waiver provider personnel. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the specification are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

#### iii. Medication Error Reporting. Select one of the following:

Providers that are responsible for medication administration are required to both record and report medication errors to a state agency (or agencies).
 Complete the following three items:

complete the jottowing three items.

(a) Specify state agency (or agencies) to which errors are reported:

(b) Specify the types of medication errors that providers are required to record:

(c) Specify the types of medication errors that providers must *report* to the state:

O Providers responsible for medication administration are required to record medication errors but make

#### information about medication errors available only when requested by the state.

Specify the types of medication errors that providers are required to record:

**iv. State Oversight Responsibility.** Specify the state agency (or agencies) responsible for monitoring the performance of waiver providers in the administration of medications to waiver participants and how monitoring is performed and its frequency.

# **Appendix G: Participant Safeguards**

# **Quality Improvement: Health and Welfare**

As a distinct component of the States quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the States methods for discovery and remediation.

#### a. Methods for Discovery: Health and Welfare

The state demonstrates it has designed and implemented an effective system for assuring waiver participant health and welfare. (For waiver actions submitted before June 1, 2014, this assurance read "The State, on an ongoing basis, identifies, addresses, and seeks to prevent the occurrence of abuse, neglect and exploitation.")

- i. Sub-Assurances:
  - a. Sub-assurance: The state demonstrates on an ongoing basis that it identifies, addresses and seeks to prevent instances of abuse, neglect, exploitation and unexplained death. (Performance measures in this sub-assurance include all Appendix G performance measures for waiver actions submitted before June 1, 2014.)

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Measure:**

Percentage of CM and HH providers who met Conditions of Provider Participation requirements related to training for the prevention of AN&E and Unexplained Death. Numerator: Case management and home health provider agencies that met COPP requirements related to training for the prevention of AN&E and Unexplained Death. Denominator: Case Management and Home Health providers reviewed.

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: Case Management and Home Health Provider Agency Employee File

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Case management and Home Health provider	⊠ Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	⊠ Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	<ul><li>☑ Other Specify:</li><li>Semi-Annually</li></ul>	

## Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	□ Monthly
Sub-State Entity	Quarterly
Other Specify:	Annually

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
	$\square$ Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:
	Semi-Annually

## **Performance Measure:**

Number and Percentage of member incidents where investigation was initiated within required time frame. Numerator: Number of investigations of member incidents that were initiated within required time frame. Denominator: Total number of member incidents.

**Data Source** (Select one): **Critical events and incident reports** If 'Other' is selected, specify:

<b>Responsible Party for</b> data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	□ Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
➤ Other Specify: Provider agencies	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:

Other Specify:	

## Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
X State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>
□ Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	X Annually
	$\Box$ Continuously and Ongoing
	<ul><li>☑ Other Specify:</li><li>Semi-annually</li></ul>

## **Performance Measure:**

Number and percent of critical incidents that were referred to the appropriate investigative entities. Numerator: Number of critical incidents that were referred to the appropriate investigative entities. Denominator: Number of Critical Incidents received

**Data Source** (Select one): **Critical events and incident reports** If 'Other' is selected, specify:

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies):	Sampling Approach (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review

Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative     Sample     Confidence     Interval =
Other Specify: Provider agencies	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

## Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	
Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	🗵 Annually
	$\Box$ Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
	Semi-annually

**Performance Measure:** 

Number and percentage of case management member records reviewed where the member (or family/legal guardian) received information & education on how to recognize & report abuse, neglect & exploitation. Numer: CM member records documenting member/family/legal guardian received information & education on how to recognize & report abuse, neglect & exploitation. Denom: CM member records records reviewed

**Data Source** (Select one): **Record reviews, off-site** If 'Other' is selected, specify:

<b>Responsible Party for</b> data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
□ Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other Specify: Case Management agency	X Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	<b>Other</b> Specify:	

#### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ <sub>Weekly</sub>
Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly
Other Specify:	Annually
	$\square$ Continuously and Ongoing
	<ul><li>☑ Other Specify:</li><li>Semi-annually</li></ul>

# **b.** Sub-assurance: The state demonstrates that an incident management system is in place that effectively resolves those incidents and prevents further similar incidents to the extent possible.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Measure:**

Number and Percentage of ANE/non-ANE Critical Incidents (CIs) reviewed with root cause identified in order to implement systemic interventions to reduce future similar incidents. Numerator: Number of ANE/non-ANE CIs reviewed with root cause identified in order to implement systemic interventions to reduce future similar incidents. Denominator: Number of ANE/non-ANE CIs reviewed.

**Data Source** (Select one): **Critical events and incident reports** If 'Other' is selected, specify:

<b>Responsible Party for</b> data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	□ Monthly	□ Less than 100% Review
Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other Specify:	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

## Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	
Operating Agency	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>
Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	X Annually

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:
	Semi-annually

#### **Performance Measure:**

Number/Percent of Critical Incidents with Unexplained Death reviewed where root cause was identified to implement systemic interventions to reduce future similar incidents. Numer: Number of CIs with Unexplained Death reviewed where root cause was identified to implement systemic interventions to reduce future similar incidents. Denom: Total number of CIs with Unexplained Death reviewed

**Data Source** (Select one):

Critical events and incident reports

If 'Other' is selected, specify:

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
⊠ State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other Specify:	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:

Other Specify:	

#### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	
Operating Agency	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>
□ Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	X Annually
	$\Box$ Continuously and Ongoing
	<ul><li>☑ Other Specify:</li><li>Semi-annually</li></ul>

# c. Sub-assurance: The state policies and procedures for the use or prohibition of restrictive interventions (including restraints and seclusion) are followed.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

## **Performance Measure:**

Number and percentage of participants with no substantiated incidents of restraints, seclusion or restrictive intervention. Numerator: Number of members with no substantiated incidents of restraints, seclusion or restrictive interventions.

## **Denominator: Number of participants.**

**Data Source** (Select one): **Critical events and incident reports** If 'Other' is selected, specify:

<b>Responsible Party for</b> data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly	⊠ 100% Review
□ Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly	Representative     Sample     Confidence     Interval =
Other Specify:	X Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

#### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	
Operating Agency	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
Sub-State Entity	Quarterly
Other Specify:	Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

# **d.** Sub-assurance: The state establishes overall health care standards and monitors those standards based on the responsibility of the service provider as stated in the approved waiver.

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### **Performance Measure:**

Number and percent of members monitored having overall positive account of the services, based on established overall health care standards including planning delivery, and quality of care. Numerator: Number of members monitored having overall positive account of the services, based on established overall health care standards. Denominator: Number of members monitored.

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: National Core Indicator (NCI-AD)

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Sampling Approach</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	⊠ 100% Review

Operating Agency	□ Monthly	Less than 100% Review
Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Contractor	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

#### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	U Weekly
Operating Agency	□ <sub>Monthly</sub>
□ Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
<ul><li>☑ Other Specify:</li><li>Contractor</li></ul>	X Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

<b>Responsible Party for data</b> <b>aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):

**ii.** If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

#### b. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems

**i.** Describe the States method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the state to document these items.

The Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) unit dedicated waiver staff are responsible for program monitoring and oversight and will address individual problems as they are discovered with regard to operations and administrative functions that are performed by all contracted entities. LTSS staff reviews reports of critical events or incidents including suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation. When LTSS and Office of Client Advocacy identifies instances of potential abuse, neglect and exploitation, these instances are immediately reported to Adult Protective Services. APS is statutorily responsible for investigating allegations of abuse, neglect, or exploitation of Oklahomans. In accordance with federal law, the State maintains a Nurse Aide Registry that lists certified nurse aides. The Nurse Aide Registry indicates if an aide has been confirmed to have abused, neglected, or exploited a resident of a licensed nursing facility. The Community Service Worker Registry must also be verified prior to employment. Waiver providers must consult these registries prior to offering employment to a nonlicensed service provider and refrain from employing that person if either registry indicated the person was confirmed to have abused, neglected, or exploited an individual.

In addition, the State will use findings to update the Waiver Quality Improvement Strategies (QIS) as necessary.

When LTSS detects provider non-compliance with the program requirements,to ensure that members have received education from Case Managers on how to report abuse, neglect and/or exploitation, that all member complaint investigations were initiated/resolved within the required time frame, and that all critical incidents were appropriately reported and resolved in accordance with policy the agency may require the provider to implement a corrective action plan.

The plan will detail the steps to be taken to prevent future performance failures along with the timeframe, not to exceed 30 days, for implementation of the corrective actions. LTSS staff conducts follow-up activities in accordance with the waiver and review procedures to ensure corrective action has been implemented to safeguard the health and safety of members who may be affected due to the performance failure.

When appropriate, referrals will be made to Adult Protective Services for investigation of the incident or event. Quarterly reports of remediation and corrective action plans (if any) are reported to the Long Term Care Quality Improvement Council (LTCQIC).

#### ii. Remediation Data Aggregation

#### Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)

<b>Responsible Party</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	

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<b>Responsible Party</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and</b> <b>analysis</b> (check each that applies):
Operating Agency	X Monthly
Sub-State Entity	<b>Quarterly</b>
Other Specify:	X Annually
	$\square$ Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

## c. Timelines

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Health and Welfare that are currently non-operational.

# • <sub>N0</sub>

# O<sub>Yes</sub>

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Health and Welfare, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

# Appendix H: Quality Improvement Strategy (1 of 3)

Under §1915(c) of the Social Security Act and 42 CFR §441.302, the approval of an HCBS waiver requires that CMS determine that the state has made satisfactory assurances concerning the protection of participant health and welfare, financial accountability and other elements of waiver operations. Renewal of an existing waiver is contingent upon review by CMS and a finding by CMS that the assurances have been met. By completing the HCBS waiver application, the state specifies how it has designed the waiver's critical processes, structures and operational features in order to meet these assurances.

• Quality Improvement is a critical operational feature that an organization employs to continually determine whether it operates in accordance with the approved design of its program, meets statutory and regulatory assurances and requirements, achieves desired outcomes, and identifies opportunities for improvement.

CMS recognizes that a state's waiver Quality Improvement Strategy may vary depending on the nature of the waiver target population, the services offered, and the waiver's relationship to other public programs, and will extend beyond regulatory requirements. However, for the purpose of this application, the state is expected to have, at the minimum, systems in place to measure and improve its own performance in meeting six specific waiver assurances and requirements.

It may be more efficient and effective for a Quality Improvement Strategy to span multiple waivers and other long-term care services. CMS recognizes the value of this approach and will ask the state to identify other waiver programs and long-term care services that are addressed in the Quality Improvement Strategy.

#### **Quality Improvement Strategy: Minimum Components**

The Quality Improvement Strategy that will be in effect during the period of the approved waiver is described throughout the waiver in the appendices corresponding to the statutory assurances and sub-assurances. Other documents cited must be available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if appropriate).

In the QIS discovery and remediation sections throughout the application (located in Appendices A, B, C, D, G, and I), a state spells out:

- The evidence based discovery activities that will be conducted for each of the six major waiver assurances; and
- The *remediation* activities followed to correct individual problems identified in the implementation of each of the assurances.

In Appendix H of the application, a state describes (1) the *system improvement* activities followed in response to aggregated, analyzed discovery and remediation information collected on each of the assurances; (2) the correspondent *roles/responsibilities* of those conducting assessing and prioritizing improving system corrections and improvements; and (3) the processes the state will follow to continuously *assess the effectiveness of the OIS* and revise it as necessary and appropriate.

If the state's Quality Improvement Strategy is not fully developed at the time the waiver application is submitted, the state may provide a work plan to fully develop its Quality Improvement Strategy, including the specific tasks the state plans to undertake during the period the waiver is in effect, the major milestones associated with these tasks, and the entity (or entities) responsible for the completion of these tasks.

When the Quality Improvement Strategy spans more than one waiver and/or other types of long-term care services under the Medicaid state plan, specify the control numbers for the other waiver programs and/or identify the other long-term services that are addressed in the Quality Improvement Strategy. In instances when the QIS spans more than one waiver, the state must be able to stratify information that is related to each approved waiver program. Unless the state has requested and received approval from CMS for the consolidation of multiple waivers for the purpose of reporting, then the state must stratify information that is related to each approved sample for each waiver.

# Appendix H: Quality Improvement Strategy (2 of 3)

**H-1: Systems Improvement** 

## a. System Improvements

**i.** Describe the process(es) for trending, prioritizing, and implementing system improvements (i.e., design changes) prompted as a result of an analysis of discovery and remediation information.

OHCA strives to operate the waiver systematically incorporating the principles of continuous quality improvement. The Long Term Care Quality Initiatives Council (LTCQIC)collaborates for the trending, prioritizing and implementation of system improvement in OHCA waivers. The Council consists of various divisions within OHCA as well as provider agencies, advocacy groups and other stakeholders. The council meets quarterly to discuss member and provider issues and to set priorities for system-wide quality improvement. The Council receives information from a variety of reports prepared by the LTSS, Provider Agencies and the FMS. As a result of an analysis of the discovery and remediation information presented to the council, system improvements are identified and design changes are recommended.

The LTCQIC annually reviews the Quality Oversight Plan and utilizes numerous quality indicators that are tracked and reported on an annual basis. The State aggregates, verifies, and analyzes the results of the discovery processes to evaluate the indicators for each sub-assurance. The State identifies trends, best practices, and areas for improvement. The council also reviews this data and develop recommendations for improvements.

Participants in the council represent a wide variety of stakeholders including but not limited to; LTSS staff; Populations Care Management staff, Quality Assurance staff, Legal, Systems, DHS, and representatives of Member advocacy groups, and provider agency representatives. The LTCQIC meetings are a public meeting attended by participants and families. In attempts to be more transparent amongst the members and families the State will post minutes/reports from LTCQIC meetings on the public website.

#### ii. System Improvement Activities

<b>Responsible Party</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of Monitoring and Analysis</b> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ <sub>Weekly</sub>
□ Operating Agency	□ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly
Quality Improvement Committee	Annually
Other Specify:	Other Specify:

#### b. System Design Changes

**i.** Describe the process for monitoring and analyzing the effectiveness of system design changes. Include a description of the various roles and responsibilities involved in the processes for monitoring & assessing system design changes. If applicable, include the state's targeted standards for systems improvement.

Process for Monitoring and Analyzing the Effectiveness of System Design Changes

As the Long Term Care Quality Improvement Council (LTCQIC) identifies necessary system design changes, it also establishes the process for monitoring and analyzing effectiveness. The Council sets an evaluation period and ensures that the necessary reports of design changes are brought to the Council for review and to establish any other necessary revisions needed.

Roles and Responsibilities for Monitoring and Assessing System Design Changes

OHCA, the State's single Medicaid Agency, has responsibility for and maintains associated quality monitoring and improvement activities associated with the following: Maintain Oklahoma administrative code establishing program policy; Execute waiver provider agreements; Provide MMIS to support operations including member eligibility, provider file, prior authorizations, services and service rates, claims payments, member and provider notification and reports generation; Ensure program integrity and accountability; Establish service rates and provider standards; Generate required and/or requested documents and reports for CMS; Pay Medicaid claims for waiver program providers through the CMS-approved MMIS; Maintain Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS); and Conduct monthly monitoring of member eligibility and waiver program plan of care approval processes. OHCA is the eligibility agent for the waiver program. OHCA has responsibility for and maintains associated quality monitoring and improvement activities associated with the following: Ensure that Medicaid eligibility and waiver program enrollment are conducted in accordance with OHCA policy; Track and validate eligibility data in MMIS; Conduct eligibility/service appeal hearings; LTSS/OHCA is responsible for and maintains associated quality monitoring and improvement activities associated with the following: Certify/monitor Providers as qualified to provide identified waiver services by meeting all standards and conditions of provider participation and to participate in the Medicaid Program; Train case managers and provide program orientation; Establish and maintain repository of member records; Authorize member service plans and enter prior authorizations in MMIS; Provide long term care information/application/referral services; Operate member complaint/resolution service system; Conduct research to identify member needs and service gaps, to design new or modify existing systems or services to meet needs and/or improve waiver program services or service delivery. To effectively monitor, evaluate and impact quality across a complex and multi-layered system of service delivery requires multiple ongoing activities by staff associated with independent system members. The LTCQIC follows a path of engaging people at all levels striving for the continual enhancement and improvement in the value of the waiver program for all stakeholders.

LTSS has designated staff that is responsible for Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) activities related to waiver program functions and responsibilities. At least annually, CQI leadership along with administrative leadership within the agency review priorities and strategies for remediation/improvement and summarize these priorities in the Quality Oversight Plan.

Targeted Standards for Systems Improvement As the LTCQIC over time implements systems improvements, targeted standards will be developed and monitored.

ii. Describe the process to periodically evaluate, as appropriate, the Quality Improvement Strategy.

The LTSS division annually evaluates the Quality Improvement Strategy of the waiver to assure the state's capacity to discover and document quality issues and program performance is maintained. LTSS staff reviews data from program performance reviews, monthly program reports, critical incidents and any other quality improvement activities conducted to look for trends. Areas needing improvement are identified and prioritized. Program staff responds to recommendations from the LTCQIC for designing and implementing improvements activities. Continued monitoring of performance measures identifies the effectiveness of the improvements efforts.

# Appendix H: Quality Improvement Strategy (3 of 3)

H-2: Use of a Patient Experience of Care/Quality of Life Survey

a. Specify whether the state has deployed a patient experience of care or quality of life survey for its HCBS population in the last 12 months (*Select one*):

• <sub>N0</sub>

O **Yes** (*Complete item H.2b*)

**b.** Specify the type of survey tool the state uses:

- O HCBS CAHPS Survey :
- O NCI Survey :
- O NCI AD Survey :
- O **Other** (*Please provide a description of the survey tool used*):

**Appendix I: Financial Accountability** 

**I-1:** Financial Integrity and Accountability

**Financial Integrity.** Describe the methods that are employed to ensure the integrity of payments that have been made for waiver services, including: (a) requirements concerning the independent audit of provider agencies; (b) the financial audit program that the state conducts to ensure the integrity of provider billings for Medicaid payment of waiver services, including the methods, scope and frequency of audits; and, (c) the agency (or agencies) responsible for conducting the financial audit program. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available to CMS upon request through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

(a) The entity that is responsible for the independent audit under the Single Audit Act in Oklahoma is the Office of the State Auditor and Inspector. This agency perfoms annual provider audits seperately and apart from the operating Medicaid agency (OHCA).

In the Medically Fragile waiver the State does not require the providers to conduct an independent audit of their financial statements as the providers for this waiver are also the same used in another waiver program (ADvantage) already contracted with OHCA.

(b) Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) division performs a semi-annual financial desk audit of 100% the waiver case management providers as part of a comprehensive provider audit process. The desk audit reviews claims in comparison with monthly monitoring reports and case management case notes detailing service delivery in comparison with service plan authorization. In addition, OHCA Program Integrity and Accountability unit conducts an on-site audit of waiver service providers when reviews of claims payments uncover abnormalities/errors in provider claims and/or documentation associated with a claim.

In this renewal, as part of the semi-annual post payment desk audit review process the LTSS division will incorporate the review of paid claims as part of the reviews for personal care providers, employed by a Home Health Agency. The quality assurance personnel will review paid claims history for a specific person, for a specific month for all personal care providers. They will review documentation supporting the delivery of waiver services as billed by the provider in comparison to services authorized. Problems noted by the quality assurance staff will be documented on the Case Management and Home Health Performance review tool to ensure a mutual understanding of the audit findings for remediation. The LTSS Coordinator then reviews the information and makes recommendations for remediation. Report of financial audit to providers includes findings and recommendations/requirements for plan of correction/improvement of provider business process, if any. Prevalence of provider claims errors from the initial review may lead to additional follow-up. If the audit detects a pattern of inappropriate billing, a referral is made to Program Integrity and Accountability for review and further investigation of the providers billing practices. Consequence for misuse of funds may include repayment, and or termination of the provider contract.

We will utilize Raosoft to obtain the statistically significant (95% confidence level with at most a 5% margin of error) sample size of claims to review documentation supporting the delivery of waiver services as billed by the provider in comparison to services authorized. Problems noted by the quality assurance staff will be documented on the Case Management and Home Health Performance review tool to ensure a mutual understanding of the audit findings for remediation. The LTSS unit will review 100% of providers during the semi-annual review process.

Currently the LTSS unit uses the MMIS system post payment review for all other providers. To ensure appropriate payment of claims, the OHCA MMIS has various checkpoints prior to rendering payment for claims. The Program Integrity and Accountability unit performs audits after payments are made and the agency reimburses the federal share for overpayments that are identified. All claims processed through the MMIS are subject to post-payment validation. When problems with service validation are identified on the post payment review, erroneous or invalidated claims are voided from the claims payment system and the previous payments are recouped from the provider. Moving forward, the LTSS department will utilize Raosoft to determine a statistically significant (95% confidence level with at most a 5% margin of error) sample of claims for all other waiver providers during the semi-annual post payment review process; according to the following schedule. The LTSS division performs the semi-annual desk audits according to the schedule below. First six months all members enrolled in the waiver and who received services from July to December. Second half, all additional members enrolled in the waiver from January to June who received services.

(c) Errors in provider claims include (1) claims payment without corresponding documentation of service delivery and (2) claims payment in excess of service plan authorization. Claims error incidence will be measured for each member and in summary of all members reviewed. Measures of claims error incidence are (1) percent of units paid without service delivery documentation in the period and (2) percent of units paid in excess of authorized units in the period. Discovery Method: For the provider financial audit, all members are reviewed. Claims for services delivered to them are reviewed semi-annually.

To ensure the integrity of providers billing, the State will make certain that providers bill utilizing the EVV system for Respite, Personal Care, and Advanced Supportive Restorative Services. Each provider will be contracted with the State Medicaid Agency and will receive a unique identification number in order to render Medicaid services.

(d) For individuals participating in self-direction the audit process is the responsibility of the FMS; however, OHCA monitors the contract to ensure compliance. The State requires the FMS to submit monthly reports as part of the

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administrative oversight of all contractors furnishing services in this waiver. As required by federal and state law, Provider shall keep such records as are necessary to disclose fully the extent of services provided to Members and shall furnish records and information regarding any claim for providing such service to OHCA, the Oklahoma Attorney General's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (hereinafter MFCU), and the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services (hereinafter Secretary). Provider agrees to keep records to disclose the services it provides for seven years from the date of service. Provider shall not destroy or dispose of records, which are under audit, review or investigation when the seven-year limitation is met. Provider shall maintain such records until informed in writing by the auditing, reviewing or investigating agency that the audit, review or investigation is complete. Pursuant to 74 Okla. Stat. 85.41, OHCA and the Oklahoma State Auditor and Inspector shall have the right to examine Provider's books, records, documents, accounting procedures, practices, or any other items relevant to this Agreement.

Still, on a semi-annual basis the LTSS unit will perform desk audits of the FMS to ensure contractual compliance. In this audit items reviewed include (1) the monthly payroll reports to ensure timely submission and adherence to all contractual requirements; (2) review of spending plans to verify that utilization is occurring according to the service authorization (3) and, that service providers hired for members choosing self-direction met all qualifications prior to delivering services.

Going forward providers of self-directed services will also be required to use an electronic verification system (EVV) system as will employees of provider agencies in an effort to monitor service delivery.

Onsite reviews of the FMS contractor are not conducted as the contractor is housed in the state of Minnesota; however, the FMS performs internal audits of activities performed for waiver members over the course of one week during the following months; January, April, July, and October and the results of the audit are made available to the State. Currently, the State contracts with one FMS for self-direction services for waiver members.

Annually, the FMS conducts member satisfaction surveys which are used to engage the people they serve or their authorized representatives in rating the FMS customer service and financial administration processes. Information from these surveys are used in the quality improvement processes of the FMS.

Frequency: Semi-Annually

Entity Responsible for Reviewing Findings: LTSS Provider Audit Team

Communication: Report of financial audit to provider includes findings and recommendations/requirements for plan of correction/improvement of provider business process, if any. Prevalence of provider claims errors from the initial review may lead to additional sampling. If the audit detects a pattern of inappropriate billing, a referral is made to Program Integrity and Accountability for review and further investigation of the providers billing practices.

# Appendix I: Financial Accountability

Quality Improvement: Financial Accountability

As a distinct component of the States quality improvement strategy, provide information in the following fields to detail the States methods for discovery and remediation.

## a. Methods for Discovery: Financial Accountability Assurance:

The State must demonstrate that it has designed and implemented an adequate system for ensuring financial accountability of the waiver program. (For waiver actions submitted before June 1, 2014, this assurance read "State financial oversight exists to assure that claims are coded and paid for in accordance with the reimbursement methodology specified in the approved waiver.")

i. Sub-Assurances:

a. Sub-assurance: The State provides evidence that claims are coded and paid for in accordance with the reimbursement methodology specified in the approved waiver and only for services rendered. (Performance measures in this sub-assurance include all Appendix I performance measures for waiver actions submitted before June 1, 2014.)

#### **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

#### Performance Measure:

Number and Percentage of waiver claims paid for waiver services to members with rates consistent with the approved rate methodology. Numerator: Paid claims for waiver services to members with rates consistent with the approved rate methodology. Denominator: Total paid claims for waiver services.

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: MMIS Claims Data

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<i>Sampling Approach</i> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	Weekly	🗵 100% Review
Operating Agency	□ <i>Monthly</i>	Less than 100% Review
Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other Specify:	Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Dther Specify:	

Data Aggregation and Analysis:	
Responsible Party for data aggregation and analysis (check each that applies):	Frequency of data aggregation and analysis(check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	Weekly
$\Box$ Operating Agency	$\square$ Monthly
□ Sub-State Entity	$\boxtimes$ Quarterly
Other Specify:	🔀 Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

Performance Measure:

Percentage of service claims paid that were submitted for members who were enrolled in the waiver on the date that the service was delivered. Denominator: Paid claims Numerator: Paid claims for members enrolled in the waiver

Data Source (Select one): Other

If 'Other' is selected, specify: Comparison of claims with enrollment file

<b>Responsible Party for</b> <b>data collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	Frequency of data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<i>Sampling Approach</i> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	🗵 100% Review
Operating Agency	Monthly	Less than 100% Review
Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
<b>Other</b> Specify:	Annually	<b>Stratified</b> Describe Group:

Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
Other Specify:	

#### Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data aggregation</b> <b>and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	Frequency of data aggregation and analysis(check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	$\Box$ Weekly
Operating Agency	□ <i>Monthly</i>
Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly
Other Specify:	X Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

# b. Sub-assurance: The state provides evidence that rates remain consistent with the approved rate methodology throughout the five year waiver cycle.

## **Performance Measures**

For each performance measure the State will use to assess compliance with the statutory assurance (or sub-assurance), complete the following. Where possible, include numerator/denominator.

For each performance measure, provide information on the aggregated data that will enable the State to analyze and assess progress toward the performance measure. In this section provide information on the method by which each source of data is analyzed statistically/deductively or inductively, how themes are identified or conclusions drawn, and how recommendations are formulated, where appropriate.

Performance Measure: Number of claims paid in accordance with waiver reimbursement methodology. Numerator: Paid claims adjudicated according to waiver reimbursement methodology. Denominator: Paid claims

Data Source (Select one): Other If 'Other' is selected, specify: MMIS/DSS Query, Provider Audits

<b>Responsible Party for</b> data collection/generation (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data</b> <b>collection/generation</b> (check each that applies):	<i>Sampling Approach</i> (check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly	🗵 100% Review
Operating Agency	□ <i>Monthly</i>	Less than 100% Review
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly	Representative Sample Confidence Interval =
Other Specify:	⊠ Annually	Stratified Describe Group:
	Continuously and Ongoing	Other Specify:
	Other Specify:	

Data Aggregation and Analysis:

<b>Responsible Party for data aggregation</b> <b>and analysis</b> (check each that applies):	Frequency of data aggregation and analysis(check each that applies):
State Medicaid Agency	Weekly
Operating Agency	<i>Monthly</i>
Sub-State Entity	$\Box$ Quarterly
□ Other Specify:	🗵 Annually
	Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

*ii.* If applicable, in the textbox below provide any necessary additional information on the strategies employed by the State to discover/identify problems/issues within the waiver program, including frequency and parties responsible.

#### b. Methods for Remediation/Fixing Individual Problems

*i.* Describe the States method for addressing individual problems as they are discovered. Include information regarding responsible parties and GENERAL methods for problem correction. In addition, provide information on the methods used by the state to document these items.

OHCA LTSS staff resolves individual problems discovered during provider performance reviews and when responding to member complaints filed through the Member Inquiry System. The problem/complaint is documented in the clinician designed system used to store all member information. Quality improvement strategies are developed to address specific issues; the development of these initiatives are informed by internal discovery and monitoring and by interaction and recommendations from the LTCQIC. Providers identified for remediation must meet performance standards of the Conditions of Provider Participation in order to remain contracted waiver providers. Providers who are under corrective action are given a time period in which improvements must be accomplished. These providers are monitored to ensure they achieve full compliance with standards. Ultimately, OHCA provider agreements can be terminated for failure to meet contractual standards.

#### *ii. Remediation Data Aggregation Remediation-related Data Aggregation and Analysis (including trend identification)*

<b>Responsible Party</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
⊠ State Medicaid Agency	□ Weekly
$\Box$ Operating Agency	□ <i>Monthly</i>
□ Sub-State Entity	⊠ Quarterly

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<b>Responsible Party</b> (check each that applies):	<b>Frequency of data aggregation and analysis</b> (check each that applies):
Other Specify:	X Annually
	$\Box$ Continuously and Ongoing
	Other Specify:

#### c. Timelines

When the State does not have all elements of the Quality Improvement Strategy in place, provide timelines to design methods for discovery and remediation related to the assurance of Financial Accountability that are currently non-operational.

• No

## O Yes

Please provide a detailed strategy for assuring Financial Accountability, the specific timeline for implementing identified strategies, and the parties responsible for its operation.

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*I-2: Rates, Billing and Claims* (1 of 3)

a. Rate Determination Methods. In two pages or less, describe the methods that are employed to establish provider payment rates for waiver services and the entity or entities that are responsible for rate determination. Indicate any opportunity for public comment in the process. If different methods are employed for various types of services, the description may group services for which the same method is employed. State laws, regulations, and policies referenced in the description are available upon request to CMS through the Medicaid agency or the operating agency (if applicable).

The rate setting methodology for personal care, respite and advanced supportive/restorative process was reviewed in September 2012. A rate proposal for State Plan Personal Care, ADv Waiver PC, ADvantage Waiver Respite and ADvantage Advanced Supportive Restorative Assistance services was presented following the public processes outlined above. The methodology was not changed; however, the rate brief indicated that the rate increase from \$3.63 to \$3.69 per 15-minute unit was necessary to ensure access to care. The rates were requested, based on data collected from providers, to assure that access to personal care and related services are available to members requiring services and so that providers would have the ability to recruit and retain staff. The rate increase was proposed for implementation November 1, 2012. The former rate of \$3.60 was effective September 1, 2006.

In 2013, rates were again increased, effective July 1, 2013 from \$3.69 to \$3.92. This was in an effort to continue to support necessary access to care and to support the inflation in the cost of living. In 2015, a rate reduction was proposed for ADvantage Waiver PC, ADvantage Respite and ADvantage Advanced Supportive Restorative Assistance services. The reduction was requested in response to the legislative mandate for State agencies to file and maintain a balanced budget. At this time, Med. Frag continued the July 1, 2013 effective rates and did not reduce any rates. In Dec 2015, OHCA in an effort to maintain a balanced budget and respond to the adverse budget conditions of the State, proposed a 3% across the board rate reduction that would include the Medically Fragile Waiver. Effective April 1, 2016, Med Frag Waiver rates were all reduced by 3%. Personal Care rates went from \$3.92 to \$3.80. Effective August 1, 2016, OHCA recommended and approved the reversal of 3% Med Frag provider rate reduction. Personal care rates went from \$3.80 to \$3.92. In Sept 2018, OHCA responded to the Senate Bill 1605 which was mandated to increase most provider rates by 2% after years of rate reductions; OHCA will increase by 3%. Effective October 1, 2018, Advanced Supportive Restorative rates will increase from \$4.22 to \$4.35 Effective October 1, 2018, Personal Care rates will increase from \$3.92 to \$4.04. The rate setting methodology for private duty nursing (PDN) was reviewed in July of 2017. A rate proposal to increase the PDN rate was presented and approved. The rate methodology was not changed; however, the rate brief indicated that the rate increase from \$6.30 to \$7.55 per 15 minute unit was necessary as PDN rates have not keep pace with wage inflation, business expenses inflation or home health market basket adjustments as published by CMS. Effective October 1, 2018, the increase for PDN rates were effective. The adjustment of the rate attempts to better align rates with the economic situation experienced by this industry in OK and increase PDN agencies ability to recruit and retain nurses. The rate setting methodology for case management was revised in 2002 based on a study of ADv case management service delivery. ADv conducted an experience-based time and resource study of direct case management of ADvantage consumers including administrative overhead such as supervision, utilities and telecommunications, facility rental, drivetime and other factors. Further, an analysis of time and dollar relationship to consumer ADLs, health and safety needs and other characteristics including county of residence to determine predictors of increased time and dollar case management resource utilization requirements was considered.

The rate setting methodology for home delivered meals (HDM) is based on the average statewide cost of a meal under the Older Americans Act, reviewed and monitored by DHS Aging Services Division. Effective 10/1/2018, HDM will be \$5.15.

The rate setting methodology for hospice was established in Oct 2000 and was based on the average hospice rate using Medicare rates for Oklahoma County, Tulsa County and the rest of the state. This amount was \$87.10. The Hospice rate was increased in 2012 along with other waiver service rates. The current hospice rate is \$119.10. Effective October 1, 2018, Hospice rates will increase from \$119.10 to \$122.67.

The OHCA State Plan Amendment Rate Committee (SPARC) is responsible for reviewing and setting all service rates for Medicaid services. Rates are given final consideration and approval by the OHCA Board.

Rates for waiver services are set by one of the methodologies below:

1) Method One -Utilizing the Medicaid Rate: When a waiver service is the same as a Medicaid service for which a fee schedule has been established, the current Medicaid rate is utilized. Examples of these services include: a) Nursing Facility based Respite Care: Reimbursement for this service is made at the current daily nursing facility rate.

b) Personal Care Services: Payment is made at the rate established for State Plan Personal Care services. c) Respite in the Home: Payment is made at the rate established for State Plan Personal Care services.

d) Prescription Drugs: Payment is made at the rate established for drugs paid for under the State Plan.

The State affirms that all waiver services are provided under the State Plan are provided under the same rate as the State Plan rate for all providers.

2) Method Two - Fixed and Uniform Rate: Title 74 § 85.7(A)(11) of the Oklahoma Statutes provides a methodology for setting fixed and uniform rates.
a) Determination of need for a fixed and uniform rate

i) New: A new service is developed, or

*ii) Existing Service: Feedback from providers, members, or the general public indicates that the existing rate is not sufficient to ensure access to an existing service.* 

b) Preparation of a Rates and Standards Brief:

*i) Preparation: Staff prepares a position paper that at a minimum includes a description of the service, the payment history including rates and utilization, the methodology utilized to arrive at the proposed rate, and a description of the funding source.* 

ii) Public Hearing: A public hearing notice is prepared and a hearing is scheduled.

iii) Oklahoma Office of Central Services: Copies of the public hearing notice, the Rates and Standards Brief and any other pertinent data is delivered to the Oklahoma Office of Central Services at least 30 days before the date of the public hearing. The Director of DCS shall communicate any observation, reservation, criticism or recommendation to the agency, either in person at the time of the hearing or in writing delivered to the State agency before or at the time of the hearing.

c) Public Hearing Notice: Notice of public hearing will be provided in the following:

i) Posted in the office of the Secretary of State

*ii)* Posted by the OHCA at its physical location and on the web site calendar.

iii) Published by the OHCA in various Newspaper publications across Oklahoma.

d) Public Hearing:

*i)* Committee: The public hearing is conducted by the Rates and Standards Committee of the OHCA. The committee is comprised of staff from the OHCA and the Department of Human Services (DHS).

*ii) Public comment: All attendees of the public hearing are offered an opportunity to voice their opposition or approval of the proposed rates. All comments become part of the permanent minutes of the hearing.* 

e) Final Approval: The rate is then scheduled for consideration and approval by the Board of Directors of the OHCA prior to implementation.

f) Med Frag services set by fixed, uniform rate setting are:

*i)* Case Management

ii) Nursing

iii)Therapy Services

iv) Home Delivered Meals

v) Advance Supportive/Restorative Assistance

vi) Medical Equipment and Supplies

vii)Institutional Transition Case Management

viii)Hospice.

ix) Skilled Nursing

x) Transitional Case Management may vary depending on the location, provider and member's need.

xi) Personal Care

xii) Respite

3) Method Three - Individual Rates: Certain services because of their variables do not lend themselves to a fixed and uniform rate. Payment for these services is made on an individual basis following a uniform process approved by the Medicaid Agency. Examples of these services include:

a) Architectural Modifications Methodology for these rates varies for different providers according to actual provider specialty. Providers may include Architects; Electricians; Engineers; Mechanical Contractors; Plumbers; Re-modelers and Builders. Further, each required environmental modification is different. For example, ramps costs (due to the initial conditions of the home and yard) differ according to such variables as the length of the ramp, types of rails, and strength of the ramp needed if, for instance the member has an electric wheelchair.

The State requires three bids based on specifications in the scope of work. There are no set rates for these services as the State utilizes a bidding process to determine the vendor based on the ability to meet the member needs taking into consideration costs, completion time and contract with the State.

b) Self-Directed Personal Care and Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance: Methodology for these rates will not exceed the set rates for payments made to agencies. A range of payments per hour is calculated for member consideration when hiring the member-directed personal services assistance or advanced personal services assistance. This provides the member the flexibility as employer to pay different salaries to different workers within programmed defined limits (see Method One, Medicaid rate). However, the member as the employer may not exceed the rate for these services as identified in Method One.

c) Self-Directed Respite in the home: Methodology for these rates will not exceed the set rates for payments made to agencies. A range of payments per hour is calculated for member consideration when hiring the member-directed respite in the home. This provides the member the flexibility as employer to pay different salaries to different workers within programmed defined limits(see Method One, Medicaid rate). However, the member as the employer may not exceed the rate for these services as identified in Method One.

d) Personal Emergency Response Systems vary depending on the location and the provider.

e) Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies are authorized by selecting the best bid from among a minimum of three, except for incontinence supplies. Incontinence supplies are reimbursed based on fixed rates that were established based on a study of Oklahoma and 24 other states' payments and providers' costs.

f) Member-Directed Goods and Services vary depending on the goods and services needed by the member to aid in the delivery of ADLs and IADLs. For members participating in self-direction, during service plan development the member along with the team makes a determination of services that will be needed and reimbursed under Goods and Services. Employer related expenses include costs incurred for services related to the provision of personal care. The dollar amount approved for those services are determined by reasonable and customary cost for that service or item purchased in local area to include, but not limited to: classified advertising, mileage, office supplies, faxing and coping. The amount allotted for the goods and services account is allocated annually.

**b.** Flow of Billings. Describe the flow of billings for waiver services, specifying whether provider billings flow directly from providers to the state's claims payment system or whether billings are routed through other intermediary entities. If billings flow through other intermediary entities, specify the entities:

Provider claims for waiver services are filed directly with the OHCA fiscal agent, Hewlett Packard (HP). Claims are adjudicated through Oklahoma's CMS-certified MMIS. All waiver services require prior authorization. Prior authorizations are generated from the waiver member's individual treatment plan. The prior authorization is in the MMIS. All transactions are HIPAA compliant and secure.

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c. Certifying Public Expenditures (select one):

• No. state or local government agencies do not certify expenditures for waiver services.

• Yes. state or local government agencies directly expend funds for part or all of the cost of waiver services and certify their state government expenditures (CPE) in lieu of billing that amount to Medicaid.

Select at least one:

Certified Public Expenditures (CPE) of State Public Agencies.

Specify: (a) the state government agency or agencies that certify public expenditures for waiver services; (b) how it is assured that the CPE is based on the total computable costs for waiver services; and, (c) how the state verifies that the certified public expenditures are eligible for Federal financial participation in accordance with 42 CFR §433.51(b).(Indicate source of revenue for CPEs in Item I-4-a.)

Certified Public Expenditures (CPE) of Local Government Agencies.

Specify: (a) the local government agencies that incur certified public expenditures for waiver services; (b) how it is assured that the CPE is based on total computable costs for waiver services; and, (c) how the state verifies that the certified public expenditures are eligible for Federal financial participation in accordance with 42 CFR

*§433.51(b). (Indicate source of revenue for CPEs in Item I-4-b.)* 

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*d. Billing Validation Process.* Describe the process for validating provider billings to produce the claim for federal financial participation, including the mechanism(s) to assure that all claims for payment are made only: (a) when the individual was eligible for Medicaid waiver payment on the date of service; (b) when the service was included in the participant's approved service plan; and, (c) the services were provided:

Claims for waiver services are processed by Oklahomas CMS-certified MMIS and are subject to all validation procedures included in the MMIS. This ensures that payments are made only when:

(a) All claims for waiver members are first validated for member eligibility according to data contained in the MMIS.

(b) All claims for waiver services must be matched to an active prior authorization. Prior authorizations are created from the waiver members individual plan of care with provider of service, dates of authorization and units as specified in the service plan. Claims processing edits built into the MMIS deny claims payment if any of the following conditions are encountered:

Date of service is outside member eligibility dates; Service provided is outside the benefit package for the waiver; Provider is not a qualified provider; Service is not prior authorized; Units are in excess of prior authorized; Date of service is outside prior authorization.

(c) All claims processed through the MMIS are subject to post-payment validation including, but not limited to Program Integrity and Accountability. When problems with service validation are identified on a post payment review, erroneous or invalidated claims are voided from the claims payment system and the previous payments are recouped from the provider. Provider audits (see Appendix I-1) review service delivery in comparison with claims and service plan authorization. If the provider audit detects a pattern of inappropriate billing, a referral is made to Program Integrity and Accountability for review and further investigation of the providers billing practices.

e. Billing and Claims Record Maintenance Requirement. Records documenting the audit trail of adjudicated claims (including supporting documentation) are maintained by the Medicaid agency, the operating agency (if applicable), and providers of waiver services for a minimum period of 3 years as required in 45 CFR §92.42.

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## a. Method of payments -- MMIS (select one):

- Payments for all waiver services are made through an approved Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS).
- <sup>O</sup> Payments for some, but not all, waiver services are made through an approved MMIS.

Specify: (a) the waiver services that are not paid through an approved MMIS; (b) the process for making such payments and the entity that processes payments; (c) and how an audit trail is maintained for all state and federal funds expended outside the MMIS; and, (d) the basis for the draw of federal funds and claiming of these expenditures on the CMS-64:

O Payments for waiver services are not made through an approved MMIS.

Specify: (a) the process by which payments are made and the entity that processes payments; (b) how and through which system(s) the payments are processed; (c) how an audit trail is maintained for all state and federal funds expended outside the MMIS; and, (d) the basis for the draw of federal funds and claiming of these expenditures on the CMS-64:

• Payments for waiver services are made by a managed care entity or entities. The managed care entity is paid a monthly capitated payment per eligible enrollee through an approved MMIS.

Describe how payments are made to the managed care entity or entities:

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**b.** Direct payment. In addition to providing that the Medicaid agency makes payments directly to providers of waiver services, payments for waiver services are made utilizing one or more of the following arrangements (select at least one):

L The Medicaid agency makes payments directly and does not use a fiscal agent (comprehensive or limited) or a managed care entity or entities.

X The Medicaid agency pays providers through the same fiscal agent used for the rest of the Medicaid program.

X The Medicaid agency pays providers of some or all waiver services through the use of a limited fiscal agent.

Specify the limited fiscal agent, the waiver services for which the limited fiscal agent makes payment, the functions that the limited fiscal agent performs in paying waiver claims, and the methods by which the Medicaid agency oversees the operations of the limited fiscal agent:

The FMS receives payment as the limited fiscal agent for self-directed services. Services that can be self-directed include: Personal Care, Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance and Respite. The limited Fiscal Agent performs the following functions:

1. Assists member in verifying support worker citizen status,

2. Collects and processes timesheets of support workers,

3. Processes payroll, withholding, filing and payment of applicable federal, state and local employment related taxes and insurance.

Limited Fiscal Agent services may include assistance with cognitive tasks, decision-making and specialized skills including assistance with Individual Budget Allocation Planning. In addition, according to the needs and desires of the member the FMS may provide orientation and training regarding employer responsibilities as well employer information and management guidelines, materials, tools and staff consultant expertise to support and assist the member in successfully performing employer-related functions. OHCA's LTSS contract monitor is responsible for overseeing the operations of the limited fiscal agent through provider performance reviews in collaboration with the Long Term Quality Initiative Council (LTCQIC).

Providers are paid by a managed care entity or entities for services that are included in the state's contract with the entity.

Specify how providers are paid for the services (if any) not included in the state's contract with managed care entities.

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*c. Supplemental or Enhanced Payments.* Section 1902(a)(30) requires that payments for services be consistent with efficiency, economy, and quality of care. Section 1903(a)(1) provides for Federal financial participation to states for expenditures for services under an approved state plan/waiver. Specify whether supplemental or enhanced payments are made. Select one:

• No. The state does not make supplemental or enhanced payments for waiver services.

<sup>O</sup> Yes. The state makes supplemental or enhanced payments for waiver services.

Describe: (a) the nature of the supplemental or enhanced payments that are made and the waiver services for which these payments are made; (b) the types of providers to which such payments are made; (c) the source of the non-Federal share of the supplemental or enhanced payment; and, (d) whether providers eligible to receive the supplemental or enhanced payment retain 100% of the total computable expenditure claimed by the state to CMS. Upon request, the state will furnish CMS with detailed information about the total amount of supplemental or enhanced payments to each provider type in the waiver.

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d. Payments to state or Local Government Providers. Specify whether state or local government providers receive payment

for the provision of waiver services.

• No. State or local government providers do not receive payment for waiver services. Do not complete Item I-3-e.

<sup>O</sup> Yes. State or local government providers receive payment for waiver services. Complete Item I-3-e.

Specify the types of state or local government providers that receive payment for waiver services and the services that the state or local government providers furnish:

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#### e. Amount of Payment to State or Local Government Providers.

Specify whether any state or local government provider receives payments (including regular and any supplemental payments) that in the aggregate exceed its reasonable costs of providing waiver services and, if so, whether and how the state recoups the excess and returns the Federal share of the excess to CMS on the quarterly expenditure report. Select one:

Answers provided in Appendix I-3-d indicate that you do not need to complete this section.

- The amount paid to state or local government providers is the same as the amount paid to private providers of the same service.
- The amount paid to state or local government providers differs from the amount paid to private providers of the same service. No public provider receives payments that in the aggregate exceed its reasonable costs of providing waiver services.
- The amount paid to state or local government providers differs from the amount paid to private providers of the same service. When a state or local government provider receives payments (including regular and any supplemental payments) that in the aggregate exceed the cost of waiver services, the state recoups the excess and returns the federal share of the excess to CMS on the quarterly expenditure report.

Describe the recoupment process:

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*I-3: Payment* (6 of 7)

- *f. Provider Retention of Payments.* Section 1903(a)(1) provides that Federal matching funds are only available for expenditures made by states for services under the approved waiver. Select one:
  - Providers receive and retain 100 percent of the amount claimed to CMS for waiver services.
  - <sup>O</sup> Providers are paid by a managed care entity (or entities) that is paid a monthly capitated payment.

Specify whether the monthly capitated payment to managed care entities is reduced or returned in part to the state.

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#### g. Additional Payment Arrangements

- *i. Voluntary Reassignment of Payments to a Governmental Agency.* Select one:
  - No. The state does not provide that providers may voluntarily reassign their right to direct payments to a governmental agency.
  - Yes. Providers may voluntarily reassign their right to direct payments to a governmental agency as provided in 42 CFR §447.10(e).

Specify the governmental agency (or agencies) to which reassignment may be made.

- ii. Organized Health Care Delivery System. Select one:
  - No. The state does not employ Organized Health Care Delivery System (OHCDS) arrangements under the provisions of 42 CFR §447.10.
  - Yes. The waiver provides for the use of Organized Health Care Delivery System arrangements under the provisions of 42 CFR §447.10.

Specify the following: (a) the entities that are designated as an OHCDS and how these entities qualify for designation as an OHCDS; (b) the procedures for direct provider enrollment when a provider does not voluntarily agree to contract with a designated OHCDS; (c) the method(s) for assuring that participants have free choice of qualified providers when an OHCDS arrangement is employed, including the selection of providers not affiliated with the OHCDS; (d) the method(s) for assuring that providers that furnish services under contract with an OHCDS meet applicable provider qualifications under the waiver; (e) how it is assured that OHCDS contracts with providers meet applicable requirements; and, (f) how financial accountability is assured when an OHCDS arrangement is used:

#### iii. Contracts with MCOs, PIHPs or PAHPs.

- The state does not contract with MCOs, PIHPs or PAHPs for the provision of waiver services.
- O The state contracts with a Managed Care Organization(s) (MCOs) and/or prepaid inpatient health plan(s) (PIHP) or prepaid ambulatory health plan(s) (PAHP) under the provisions of §1915(a)(1) of the Act for the delivery of waiver and other services. Participants may voluntarily elect to receive waiver and other services through such MCOs or prepaid health plans. Contracts with these health plans are on file at the state Medicaid agency.

Describe: (a) the MCOs and/or health plans that furnish services under the provisions of \$1915(a)(1); (b) the geographic areas served by these plans; (c) the waiver and other services furnished by these plans; and, (d) how payments are made to the health plans.

- This waiver is a part of a concurrent §1915(b)/§1915(c) waiver. Participants are required to obtain waiver and other services through a MCO and/or prepaid inpatient health plan (PIHP) or a prepaid ambulatory health plan (PAHP). The §1915(b) waiver specifies the types of health plans that are used and how payments to these plans are made.
- This waiver is a part of a concurrent ?1115/?1915(c) waiver. Participants are required to obtain waiver and other services through a MCO and/or prepaid inpatient health plan (PIHP) or a prepaid ambulatory health plan (PAHP). The ?1115 waiver specifies the types of health plans that are used and how payments to these plans are made.
- <sup>O</sup> If the state uses more than one of the above contract authorities for the delivery of waiver services, please select this option.

In the textbox below, indicate the contract authorities. In addition, if the state contracts with MCOs, PIHPs, or PAHPs under the provisions of \$1915(a)(1) of the Act to furnish waiver services: Participants may voluntarily elect to receive waiver and other services through such MCOs or prepaid health plans. Contracts with these health plans are on file at the state Medicaid agency. Describe: (a) the MCOs and/or health plans that furnish services under the provisions of \$1915(a)(1); (b) the geographic areas served by these plans; (c) the waiver and other services furnished by these plans; and, (d) how payments are made to the health plans.

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I-4: Non-Federal Matching Funds (1 of 3)

a. State Level Source(s) of the Non-Federal Share of Computable Waiver Costs. Specify the state source or sources of the non-federal share of computable waiver costs. Select at least one:

Appropriation of State Tax Revenues to the State Medicaid agency

Appropriation of State Tax Revenues to a State Agency other than the Medicaid Agency.

If the source of the non-federal share is appropriations to another state agency (or agencies), specify: (a) the state entity or agency receiving appropriated funds and (b) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the Medicaid Agency or Fiscal Agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement, and/or, indicate if the funds are directly expended by state agencies as CPEs, as indicated in Item I-2c:

# □ Other State Level Source(s) of Funds.

Specify: (a) the source and nature of funds; (b) the entity or agency that receives the funds; and, (c) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the Medicaid Agency or Fiscal Agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement, and/or, indicate if funds are directly expended by state agencies as CPEs, as indicated in Item I-2-c:

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I-4: Non-Federal Matching Funds (2 of 3)

- b. Local Government or Other Source(s) of the Non-Federal Share of Computable Waiver Costs. Specify the source or sources of the non-federal share of computable waiver costs that are not from state sources. Select One:
  - Not Applicable. There are no local government level sources of funds utilized as the non-federal share.
  - $\circ$  Applicable

Check each that applies:

Appropriation of Local Government Revenues.

Specify: (a) the local government entity or entities that have the authority to levy taxes or other revenues; (b) the source(s) of revenue; and, (c) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the Medicaid Agency or Fiscal Agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement (indicate any intervening entities in the transfer process), and/or, indicate if funds are directly expended by local government agencies as CPEs, as specified in Item I-2-c:

# U Other Local Government Level Source(s) of Funds.

Specify: (a) the source of funds; (b) the local government entity or agency receiving funds; and, (c) the mechanism that is used to transfer the funds to the state Medicaid agency or fiscal agent, such as an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), including any matching arrangement, and/or, indicate if funds are directly expended by local government agencies as CPEs, as specified in Item I-2-c:

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I-4: Non-Federal Matching Funds (3 of 3)

- *c. Information Concerning Certain Sources of Funds.* Indicate whether any of the funds listed in Items I-4-a or I-4-b that make up the non-federal share of computable waiver costs come from the following sources: (a) health care-related taxes or fees; (b) provider-related donations; and/or, (c) federal funds. Select one:
  - None of the specified sources of funds contribute to the non-federal share of computable waiver costs
  - O The following source(s) are used

Check each that applies:

- Health care-related taxes or fees
- Provider-related donations
- **Federal** funds

For each source of funds indicated above, describe the source of the funds in detail:

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I-5: Exclusion of Medicaid Payment for Room and Board

#### a. Services Furnished in Residential Settings. Select one:

- No services under this waiver are furnished in residential settings other than the private residence of the individual.
- As specified in Appendix C, the state furnishes waiver services in residential settings other than the personal home of the individual.
- b. Method for Excluding the Cost of Room and Board Furnished in Residential Settings. The following describes the methodology that the state uses to exclude Medicaid payment for room and board in residential settings:
   Do not complete this item.

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I-6: Payment for Rent and Food Expenses of an Unrelated Live-In Caregiver

Reimbursement for the Rent and Food Expenses of an Unrelated Live-In Personal Caregiver. Select one:

- No. The state does not reimburse for the rent and food expenses of an unrelated live-in personal caregiver who resides in the same household as the participant.
- Yes. Per 42 CFR §441.310(a)(2)(ii), the state will claim FFP for the additional costs of rent and food that can be reasonably attributed to an unrelated live-in personal caregiver who resides in the same household as the waiver participant. The state describes its coverage of live-in caregiver in Appendix C-3 and the costs attributable to rent and food for the live-in caregiver are reflected separately in the computation of factor D (cost of waiver services) in Appendix J. FFP for rent and food for a live-in caregiver will not be claimed when the participant lives in the caregiver's home or in a residence that is owned or leased by the provider of Medicaid services.

The following is an explanation of: (a) the method used to apportion the additional costs of rent and food attributable to the unrelated live-in personal caregiver that are incurred by the individual served on the waiver and (b) the method used to reimburse these costs:

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I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (1 of 5)

a. Co-Payment Requirements. Specify whether the state imposes a co-payment or similar charge upon waiver participants for waiver services. These charges are calculated per service and have the effect of reducing the total computable claim for federal financial participation. Select one:

O No. The state does not impose a co-payment or similar charge upon participants for waiver services.

• Yes. The state imposes a co-payment or similar charge upon participants for one or more waiver services.

i. Co-Pay Arrangement.

Specify the types of co-pay arrangements that are imposed on waiver participants (check each that applies):

*Charges Associated with the Provision of Waiver Services* (*if any are checked, complete Items I-7-a-ii through I-7-a-iv*):

□ Nominal deductible

Coinsurance

X	Co-Payment
	Other charge

Specify:

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I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (2 of 5)

## a. Co-Payment Requirements.

## ii. Participants Subject to Co-pay Charges for Waiver Services.

Specify the groups of waiver participants who are subject to charges for the waiver services specified in Item I-7-aiii and the groups for whom such charges are excluded.

All waiver members are subject to a co-payment on prescription drugs. Co-payments are not applied to other waiver services.

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## a. Co-Payment Requirements.

## iii. Amount of Co-Pay Charges for Waiver Services.

The following table lists the waiver services defined in C-1/C-3 for which a charge is made, the amount of the charge, and the basis for determining the charge.

Waiver Service	Charge
Prescribed Drugs	Amount:
	\$0.00 for preferred generics
	\$0.65 for cost of \$0.00-\$10.00
	\$1.20 for cost of \$10.01-\$25.00 \$2.40 for cost of \$25.01 \$50.00
	\$2.40 for cost of \$25.01-\$50.00
	\$3.50 for cost of \$50.01 or more
	Basis:
	\$0.00 for preferred generics
	\$0.65 for prescriptions having a Medicaid allowable payment of \$0.00-
	\$10.00. \$1.20 for prescriptions having a Medicaid allowable payment
	of \$10.01-\$25.00. \$2.40 for prescriptions having a Medicaid allowable
	payment of \$25.01-\$50.00 and \$3.50 for prescriptions having a Medicaid allowable of \$50.01 or more. There is no co-payment for
	preferred generic medications.

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I-7: Participant Co-Payments for Waiver Services and Other Cost Sharing (4 of 5)

#### a. Co-Payment Requirements.

#### iv. Cumulative Maximum Charges.

Indicate whether there is a cumulative maximum amount for all co-payment charges to a waiver participant (select one):

- There is no cumulative maximum for all deductible, coinsurance or co-payment charges to a waiver participant.
- There is a cumulative maximum for all deductible, coinsurance or co-payment charges to a waiver participant.

Specify the cumulative maximum and the time period to which the maximum applies:

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- **b.** Other State Requirement for Cost Sharing. Specify whether the state imposes a premium, enrollment fee or similar cost sharing on waiver participants. Select one:
  - No. The state does not impose a premium, enrollment fee, or similar cost-sharing arrangement on waiver participants.
  - <sup>O</sup> Yes. The state imposes a premium, enrollment fee or similar cost-sharing arrangement.

Describe in detail the cost sharing arrangement, including: (a) the type of cost sharing (e.g., premium, enrollment fee); (b) the amount of charge and how the amount of the charge is related to total gross family income; (c) the groups of participants subject to cost-sharing and the groups who are excluded; and, (d) the mechanisms for the collection of cost-sharing and reporting the amount collected on the CMS 64:

Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-1: Composite Overview and Demonstration of Cost-Neutrality Formula

*Composite Overview.* Complete the fields in Cols. 3, 5 and 6 in the following table for each waiver year. The fields in Cols. 4, 7 and 8 are auto-calculated based on entries in Cols 3, 5, and 6. The fields in Col. 2 are auto-calculated using the Factor D data from the J-2-d Estimate of Factor D tables. Col. 2 fields will be populated ONLY when the Estimate of Factor D tables in J-2-d have been completed.

Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4	Col. 5	<i>Col.</i> 6	Col. 7	Col. 8
Year	Factor D	Factor D'	Total: D+D'	Factor G	Factor G'	Total: G+G'	Difference (Col 7 less Column4)
1	95253.99	15662.29	110916.28	110947.29	26523.71	137471.00	26554.72
2	95253.99	16508.05	111762.04	113166.24	27956.00	141122.24	29360.20
3	95253.99	17399.48	112653.47	115429.56	29465.62	144895.18	32241.71
4	95253.99	18339.05	113593.04	117738.15	31056.76	148794.91	35201.87

#### Level(s) of Care: Hospital, Nursing Facility

Col.	1 Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4	Col. 5	Col. 6	Col. 7	Col. 8
Year	r Factor D	Factor D'	Total: D+D'	Factor G	Factor G'	Total: G+G'	Difference (Col 7 less Column4)
5	95253.99	19329.36	114583.35	120092.91	32733.83	152826.74	38243.39

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J-2: Derivation of Estimates (1 of 9)

a. Number Of Unduplicated Participants Served. Enter the total number of unduplicated participants from Item B-3-a who will be served each year that the waiver is in operation. When the waiver serves individuals under more than one level of care, specify the number of unduplicated participants for each level of care:

	Table: J-2-a: Undu	plicated Participants			
W · W	Total Unduplicated Number of	Distribution of Unduplicated Participants by Level of Care (if applicable)			
Waiver Year	Participants (from Item B-3-a)	Level of Care:	Level of Care:		
	l f	Hospital	Nursing Facility		
Year 1	155	42	113		
Year 2	155	42	113		
Year 3	155	42	113		
Year 4	155	42	113		
Year 5	155	42	113		

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**b.** Average Length of Stay. Describe the basis of the estimate of the average length of stay on the waiver by participants in item J-2-a.

Average length of stay (ALOS) is calculated by dividing the total number of "enrolled days" for all waiver members by the number of unduplicated members served during a waiver year. For the waiver renewal the ALOS estimate is from the preliminary 372 report from July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021, to determine the baseline and the unduplicated members served was trended forward from WY 5 of the previous cycle. The ALOS remained unchanged for WYs 1-5.

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- *c. Derivation of Estimates for Each Factor.* Provide a narrative description for the derivation of the estimates of the following factors.
  - *i. Factor D Derivation.* The estimates of Factor D for each waiver year are located in Item J-2-d. The basis and methodology for these estimates is as follows:

Factor D Derivation is the unduplicated count, number of users and units brought forward from WY 5 of the current cycle; the cost per unit reflects the current 25% reimbursement rate increase approved by the legislature effective Oct. 1, 2022, and the ALOS is taken from the FY 22 preliminary 372 report. Projections for the unduplicated count, number of users and number of units remained the same for WY 1 to 5.

The Medically Fragile direct care providers experienced a rate increase approved by the legislature effective Oct. 1, 2022, with the exemption of: Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies, Prescribed Drugs, Environmental Modifications, Personal Emergency Response System, Self-Directed Goods and Services and Nursing Facility Based Respite. All rate increases must comply with state and federal laws as well as state cost reimbursement methodologies. For WY 5 the 25% rate increase was adjusted to 18.75% to represent nine months of the waiver year.

The state will make any adjustments to the waiver projections as needed based on actual data received through the 372 expenditures report.

*ii. Factor D' Derivation.* The estimates of Factor D' for each waiver year are included in Item J-1. The basis of these estimates is as follows:

Factor D' Derivation is based on actual State Plan service cost taken from FY 22 preliminary 372 report, excluding the cost of prescribed drugs for dually eligible members.

This data was used to estimate waiver year one. Factor D' is then multiplied by 5.4% based on the average Consumer Price Index (CPI) from the Bureau of Labor Statistics for October 2021 to estimate the State Plan service cost for waiver years 2-5.

*Example:* (2,427,654.23/155) = 15,662.29 + 95,253.99 (D' + D) = 110,916.28) - Year 2 (15,662.29 x 5.4% = 16,508.05) + 95,253.99 = 111,762.04.

As part of the State's methodology to develop a more accurate projection of non-institutional TXIX waiver cost in this renewal, the State,

utilized data from the FY 22 372 report that shows actual TXIX expenditures for D' and G'. In analyzing the actual data, it was realized G' was more than D' due to the necessity to utilize two level of care categories comparable to the level of care categories for individuals served in the waiver.

*iii. Factor G Derivation.* The estimates of Factor G for each waiver year are included in Item J-1. The basis of these estimates is as follows:

Factor G Derivation is based upon the weighted average of actual institutional cost for skilled nursing facilities and hospitals serving persons who are medically fragile and/or technologically dependent. An analysis of state FY 22, data from the preliminary 372 report is used as a baseline for 2023 (Renewal Year 1). For each successive waiver year, the NF average cost (Factor G) is adjusted based on an estimated annual Medicaid inflation rate of 2%.

*iv. Factor G' Derivation.* The estimates of Factor G' for each waiver year are included in Item J-1. The basis of these estimates is as follows:

Factor G' Derivation is based upon the average of actual cost of other non-institutional Title XIX services for persons who are in a nursing facility or hospital. An analysis of state fiscal year July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021, data from the preliminary 372 report is used as a baseline for 2023 (Renewal Year 1). For each successive waiver year, the non-institutional Title XIX cost (Factor G') is adjusted based on an estimated annual inflation rate of 5.4% based on the average Consumer Price Index (CPI) from the Bureau of Labor Statistics for October 2021.

*Examples:* 2,519,752.29/95 = 26,523.71 *actual year*  $1 \times 5.4\% = 27,956.00$ -*year*  $2 \cos t \times 5.4\%$  *for* WY 3-57,010.47 + 26,523.71 G + G') = 99,534.18

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*Component management for waiver services.* If the service(s) below includes two or more discrete services that are reimbursed separately, or is a bundled service, each component of the service must be listed. Select "manage components" to add these components.

Waiver Services	
Case Management	
Personal Care	
Respite	
Prescribed Drugs	
Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	
Environmental Modifications	
Home Delivered Meals	
Hospice Care	
Institutional Transition Case Management	
Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)	
Private Duty Nursing	
Self-Directed Goods and Services (SD-GS)	
Skilled Nursing	
Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies	
Therapy Services: Respiratory	
Therapy Services: Occupational	
Therapy Services: Physical	
Therapy Services: Speech	
Transitional Case Management	

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#### d. Estimate of Factor D.

*i. Non-Concurrent Waiver.* Complete the following table for each waiver year. Enter data into the Unit, # Users, Avg. Units Per User, and Avg. Cost/Unit fields for all the Waiver Service/Component items. Select Save and Calculate to automatically calculate and populate the Component Costs and Total Costs fields. All fields in this table must be completed in order to populate the Factor D fields in the J-1 Composite Overview table.

Waiver Service/ Component	Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. Cost/ Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost
Case Management Total:						566833.02
Case Management	15 min	142	179.00	19.11	485737.98	
Case Management - Rural	15 min	13	228.00	27.36	81095.04	
Personal Care Total:						2892521.34
		14764367.98 155 95253.99 328				

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Waiver Service/ Component	Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. Cost/ Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost
Personal Care	15 min	57	4413.00	5.26	1323105.66	
Self-Directed Personal Care	15 min	32	9324.00	5.26	1569415.68	
Respite Total:						102733.40
In Home Extended Respite	1 day	0	0.00	219.44	0.00	
Self-Directed Respite	15 min	3	4721.00	5.26	74497.38	
Nursing Facility Based Respite	1 day	1	1.00	149.10	149.10	
Self-Directed In Home Extended Respite	1 day	1	1.00	219.44	219.44	
Respite	15 min	3	1766.00	5.26	27867.48	
Prescribed Drugs Total:						526930.80
Prescribed Drugs	per prescribed drug	57	121.00	76.40	526930.80	
Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance Total:						1133649.90
Self-Directed Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	15 min	28	4790.00	5.65	757778.00	
Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	15 min	31	2146.00	5.65	375871.90	
Environmental Modifications Total:						0.00
Environmental Modifications	per modification	0	0.00	1680.00	0.00	
Home Delivered Meals Total:						55847.68
Home Delivered Meals	1 meal	32	271.00	6.44	55847.68	
Hospice Care Total:						0.00
Hospice Care	1 day	0	0.00	154.75	0.00	
Institutional Transition Case Management Total:						1911.00
Institutional Transition Case Management Rural	15 min	0	0.00	27.36	0.00	
Institutional Transition Case Management	15 min	2	50.00	19.11	1911.00	
Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)						5821.20
	Factor D (Divide total	GRAND TOTAL: Unduplicated Participants: by number of participants): ngth of Stay on the Waiver:				14764367.98 155 95253.99 328

Waiver Service/ Component	Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. Cost/Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost
Total:						
Personal Emergency						
Response System (PERS) Installation	1 only	0	0.00	52.50	0.00	
Personal Emergency						
Response System (PERS)	1 mo	14	12.00	34.65	5821.20	
Private Duty Nursing Total:						8754720.00
Private Duty Nursing	15 min	69	12688.00	10.00	8754720.00	
Self-Directed Goods and Services (SD-GS) Total:						18900.00
Self-Directed Goods						
and Services (SD-GS)	N/A	10	9.00	210.00	18900.00	
Skilled Nursing Total:						89005.80
Skilled Visit by RN	15 min	25	66.00	19.50	32175.00	
RN Assessment					13260.00	
niv Assessment	15 min	85	8.00	19.50	15200.00	
Skilled Visit by LPN	15 min	19	126.00	18.20	43570.80	
RN Assessment Transitional	15 min	3	0.00	19.50	0.00	
Specialized Medical	15 mm		0.00			
Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies Total:						608192.00
Specialized Medical						
Equipment and Supplies	per item	136	2600.00	1.72	608192.00	
Therapy Services: Respiratory Total:						0.00
Therapy Services:			0.00	10.60	0.00	
Respiratory	15 min	0	0.00	18.60	0.00	
Therapy Services: Occupational Total:						0.00
Therapy Services: Occupational	15 min	0	0.00	26.00	0.00	
Therapy Services: Physical Total:						4550.00
Therapy Services: Physical	15 min	1	175.00	26.00	4550.00	
Therapy Services: Speech Total:			<b>_</b>			0.00
Therapy Services: Speech	15 min	0	0.00	24.43	0.00	
Transitional Case Management Total:			<b>_</b>			2751.84
Transitional Case	15 min	0	0.00	27.36	0.00	
Management Rural	1.5 min		0.00	27.30		
	Total Estimated	GRAND TOTAL: Unduplicated Participants:				14764367.98 155
		by number of participants):				95253.99

Waiver Service/ Component	Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. Cost/ Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost
Transitional Case Management	15 min	3	48.00	19.11	2751.84	
			14764367.98 155 95253.99			
Average Length of Stay on the Waiver:						328

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### d. Estimate of Factor D.

*i. Non-Concurrent Waiver.* Complete the following table for each waiver year. Enter data into the Unit, # Users, Avg. Units Per User, and Avg. Cost/Unit fields for all the Waiver Service/Component items. Select Save and Calculate to automatically calculate and populate the Component Costs and Total Costs fields. All fields in this table must be completed in order to populate the Factor D fields in the J-1 Composite Overview table.

#### Waiver Service/ Component Unit # Users Avg. Units Per User Avg. Cost/ Unit Total Cost Component Cost 566833.02 Case Management Total: 485737.98 Case Management 19.11 179.00 15 min 142 Case Management -81095.04 13 228.00 27.36 15 min Rural Personal Care Total: 2892521.34 Personal Care 1323105.66 4413.00 5.26 15 min 57 Self-Directed 1569415.68 15 min 32 9324.00 5.26 Personal Care 102733.40 Respite Total: In Home Extended 0.00 0.00 219.44 1 day 0 Respite 74497.38 Self-Directed Respite 4721.00 5.26 3 15 min Nursing Facility 149.10 149.10 1 day 1.00 Based Respite 1 Self-Directed In Home 219.44 219.44 1.00 1 day 1 Extended Respite 27867.48 Respite 1766.00 5.26 15 min 3 526930.80 Prescribed Drugs Total: 526930.80 Prescribed Drugs 121.00 76.40 57 per prescribed drug 14764367.98 GRAND TOTAL: Total Estimated Unduplicated Participants: 155 Factor D (Divide total by number of participants): 95253.99 Average Length of Stay on the Waiver: 328

Waiver Service/ Component	Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. Cost/ Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost	
Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance Total:						1133649.90	
Self-Directed Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	15 min	28	4790.00	5.65	757778.00		
Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	15 min	31	2146.00	5.65	375871.90		
Environmental Modifications Total:						0.00	
Environmental Modifications	per modification	0	0.00	1680.00	0.00		
Home Delivered Meals Total:						55847.68	
Home Delivered Meals	l meal	32	271.00	6.44	55847.68		
Hospice Care Total:						0.00	
Hospice Care	l day	0	0.00	154.75	0.00		
Institutional Transition Case Management Total:						1911.00	
Institutional Transition Case Management Rural	15 min	0	0.00	27.36	0.00		
Institutional Transition Case Management	15 min	2	50.00	19.11	1911.00		
Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) Total:						5821.20	
Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) Installation	I only	0	0.00	52.50	0.00		
Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)	l mo	14	12.00	34.65	5821.20		
Private Duty Nursing Total:						8754720.00	
Private Duty Nursing	15 min	69	12688.00	10.00	8754720.00		
Self-Directed Goods and Services (SD-GS) Total:						18900.00	
Self-Directed Goods and Services (SD-GS)	N/A	10	9.00	210.00	18900.00		
Skilled Nursing Total:						89005.80	
Skilled Visit by RN	15 min	25	66.00	19.50	32175.00		
RN Assessment	15 min	85	8.00	19.50	13260.00		
Skilled Visit by LPN	<u> </u>				43570.80		
GRAND TOTAL: Total Estimated Unduplicated Participants: Factor D (Divide total by number of participants): Average Length of Stay on the Waiver:							

Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. Cost/ Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost
15 min	19	126.00	18.20		
15 min	3	0.00	19.50	0.00	
					608192.00
per item	136	2600.00	1.72	608192.00	
					0.00
15 min	0	0.00	18.60	0.00	
					0.00
15 min	0	0.00	26.00	0.00	
					4550.00
15 min	1	175.00	26.00	4550.00	
					0.00
15 min	0	0.00	24.43	0.00	
					2751.84
15 min	0	0.00	27.36	0.00	
15 min	3	48.00	19.11	2751.84	
Factor D (Divide total	by number of participants):				14764367.98 155 95253.99 328
	[15 min         [15 min	15 min       19         15 min       3         per item       136         15 min       0         15 min       0	IS min       19       126.00         IS min       3       0.00         per item       136       2600.00         per item       136       2600.00         IS min       0       0.00         IS min       0       0.00         IS min       0       0.00         IS min       0       0.00         IS min       1       175.00         IS min       0       0.00         IS min       3       48.00	15 min       19       126.00       18.20         15 min       3       0.00       19.50         15 min       3       0.00       19.50         per item       136       2600.00       1.72         per item       136       2600.00       1.72         15 min       0       0.00       18.60         15 min       0       0.00       26.00         15 min       0       0.00       27.36         15 min       0       0.00       27.36         15 min       3       48.00       19.11         GRAND TOTAL:         Total Estimated Unduplicated Participants:	Online         # USBY         Avg. Online Fer USP         Avg. Const Conlin         Cost           [5 min         19         126.00         18.20



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## d. Estimate of Factor D.

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Waiver Service/ Component	Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. Cost/Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost
Case Management Total:						566833.02
Case Management	15 min	142	179.00	19.11	485737.98	
Case Management - Rural	15 min	13	228.00	27.36	81095.04	
Personal Care Total:						2892521.34
Personal Care	15 min	57	4413.00	5.26	1323105.66	
Self-Directed Personal Care	15 min	32	9324.00	5.26	1569415.68	
Respite Total:						102733.40
In Home Extended Respite	l day	0	0.00	219.44	0.00	
Self-Directed Respite	15 min	3	4721.00	5.26	74497.38	
Nursing Facility Based Respite	1 day	1	1.00	149.10	149.10	
Self-Directed In Home Extended Respite	1 day	1	1.00	219.44	219.44	
Respite	15 min	3	1766.00	5.26	27867.48	
Prescribed Drugs Total:						526930.80
Prescribed Drugs	per prescribed drug	57	121.00	76.40	526930.80	
Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance Total:						1133649.90
Self-Directed Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	15 min	28	4790.00	5.65	757778.00	
Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	15 min	31	2146.00	5.65	375871.90	
Environmental Modifications Total:						0.00
Environmental Modifications	per modification	0	0.00	1680.00	0.00	
Home Delivered Meals Total:						55847.68
Home Delivered Meals	l meal	32	271.00	6.44	55847.68	
Hospice Care Total:						0.00
Hospice Care	1 day	0	0.00	154.75	0.00	
Institutional Transition						1911.00
		GRAND TOTAL: Unduplicated Participants: by number of participants):				14764367.98 155 95253.99
		oy number of participants): ngth of Stay on the Waiver:				328

Waiver Service/ Component	Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. Cost/Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost
Case Management Total:						
Institutional						
Transition Case	15 min	0	0.00	27.36	0.00	
Management Rural					ļ	ļ
Institutional Transition Case	8				1011.00	
Transition Case Management	15 min	2	50.00	19.11	1911.00	
Personal Emergency						¦
Response System (PERS) Total:						5821.20
Personal Emergency						
Response System	1 only	0	0.00	52.50	0.00	
(PERS) Installation					ļ	
Personal Emergency					5927.20	
Response System (PERS)	1 mo	14	12.00	34.65	5821.20	
Private Duty Nursing Total:						8754720.00
Private Duty Nursing	15 min	69	12688.00	10.00	8754720.00	
Self-Directed Goods and					i	19000.00
Services (SD-GS) Total:						18900.00
Self-Directed Goods						
and Services (SD-GS)	N/A	10	9.00	210.00	18900.00	
				ļ <u></u> /		
Skilled Nursing Total:					ļ	89005.80
Skilled Visit by RN	175 ·	25	66.00	19.50	32175.00	
	15 min	23	00.00	19.30		
				[		
RN Assessment	15 min	85	8.00	19.50	0.50 <b>13260.00</b>	
			·		43570.80	
Skilled Visit by LPN	15 min	19	126.00	18.20		
	13 min		120.00	10.20		
RN Assessment	8				0.00	
Transitional	15 min	3	0.00	19.50	0.00	
Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies Total:						608192.00
Specialized Medical					1	1
Equipment and	per item	136	2600.00	1.72	608192.00	
Supplies	ļ					Ļ
Therapy Services: Respiratory Total:						0.00
Therapy Services:		l			0.00	
Respiratory	15 min	0	0.00	18.60	0.00	
Therapy Services: Occupational Total:						0.00
Therapy Services:					1	i
Occupational	15 min	0	0.00	26.00	0.00	
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Therapy Services: Physical Total:						4550.00
Therapy Services:						
	15 min	1	175.00	26.00	4550.00	
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		GRAND TOTAL:				14764367.98
	Total Estimated	Unduplicated Participants:				155
	Factor D (Divide total	by number of participants):				95253.99
	Average Le	ngth of Stay on the Waiver:				328

Waiver Service/ Component	Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. Cost/ Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost
Therapy Services: Speech Total:						0.00
Therapy Services: Speech	15 min	0	0.00	24.43	0.00	
Transitional Case Management Total:						2751.84
Transitional Case Management Rural	15 min	0	0.00	27.36	0.00	
Transitional Case Management	15 min	3	48.00	19.11	2751.84	
	Factor D (Divide total	GRAND TOTAL: Unduplicated Participants: by number of participants): ngth of Stay on the Waiver:				14764367.98 155 95253.99 328

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Nursing Facility Based Respite	I day		1.00	149.10	149.10	
	Factor D (Divide total	GRAND TOTAL: I Unduplicated Participants:   by number of participants): ength of Stay on the Waiver:				14764367.98 155 95253.99 328

Waiver Service/ Component	Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. C	ost/ Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost
Self-Directed In Home Extended Respite	l day	1	1.00		219.44	219.44	
Respite	15 min	3	1766.00		5.26	27867.48	
Prescribed Drugs Total:							526930.80
Prescribed Drugs	per prescribed drug	57	121.00		76.40	526930.80	
Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance Total:							1133649.90
Self-Directed Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	15 min	28	4790.00		5.65	757778.00	
Advanced Supportive/Restorative Assistance	15 min	31	2146.00		5.65	375871.90	
Environmental Modifications Total:							0.00
Environmental Modifications	per modification	0	0.00		1680.00	0.00	
Home Delivered Meals Total:							55847.68
Home Delivered Meals	1 meal	32	271.00		6.44	55847.68	
Hospice Care Total:							0.00
Hospice Care	1 day	0	0.00		154.75	0.00	
Institutional Transition Case Management Total:							1911.00
Institutional Transition Case Management Rural	15 min	0	0.00		27.36	0.00	
Institutional Transition Case Management	15 min	2	50.00		19.11	1911.00	
Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) Total:							5821.20
Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) Installation	I only	0	0.00		52.50	0.00	
Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)	1 mo	14	12.00		34.65	5821.20	
Private Duty Nursing Total:							8754720.00
Private Duty Nursing	15 min	69	12688.00		10.00	8754720.00	
Self-Directed Goods and Services (SD-GS) Total:							18900.00
Self-Directed Goods						18900.00	
	GRAND TOTAL: I. Total Estimated Unduplicated Participants: Factor D (Divide total by number of participants): Average Length of Stay on the Waiver:						

Waiver Service/ Component	Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. Cost/Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost
and Services (SD-GS)	N/A	10	9.00	210.00		
Skilled Nursing Total:						89005.80
Skilled Visit by RN	15 min	25	66.00	19.50	32175.00	
RN Assessment	15 min	85	8.00	19.50	13260.00	
Skilled Visit by LPN	15 min	19	126.00	18.20	43570.80	
RN Assessment Transitional	15 min	3	0.00	19.50	0.00	
Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies Total:						608192.00
Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies	per item	136	2600.00	1.72	608192.00	
Therapy Services: Respiratory Total:						0.00
Therapy Services: Respiratory	15 min	0	0.00	18.60	0.00	
Therapy Services: Occupational Total:						0.00
Therapy Services: Occupational	15 min	0	0.00	26.00	0.00	
Therapy Services: Physical Total:						4550.00
Therapy Services: Physical	15 min	1	175.00	26.00	4550.00	
Therapy Services: Speech Total:						0.00
Therapy Services: Speech	15 min	0	0.00	24.43	0.00	
Transitional Case Management Total:						2751.84
Transitional Case Management Rural	15 min	0	0.00	27.36	0.00	
Transitional Case Management	15 min	3	48.00	19.11	2751.84	
	Factor D (Divide total	GRAND TOTAL: Unduplicated Participants: by number of participants): ngth of Stay on the Waiver:				14764367.98 155 95253.99 328

Appendix J: Cost Neutrality Demonstration

J-2: Derivation of Estimates (9 of 9)

### d. Estimate of Factor D.

*i. Non-Concurrent Waiver.* Complete the following table for each waiver year. Enter data into the Unit, # Users, Avg. Units Per User, and Avg. Cost/Unit fields for all the Waiver Service/Component items. Select Save and Calculate to automatically calculate and populate the Component Costs and Total Costs fields. All fields in this table must be completed in order to populate the Factor D fields in the J-1 Composite Overview table.

Waiver Service/ Component	Unit	# Users	Avg. Units Per User	Avg. Cost/ Unit	Component Cost	Total Cost
Case Management Total:					ĺ	566833.02
Case Management	15 min	142	179.00	19.11	485737.98	
Case Management - Rural	15 min	13	228.00	27.36	81095.04	
Personal Care Total:						2892521.34
Personal Care	15 min	57	4413.00	5.26	1323105.66	
Self-Directed Personal Care	15 min	32	9324.00	5.26	1569415.68	
Respite Total:						102733.40
In Home Extended Respite	l day	0	0.00	219.44	0.00	
Self-Directed Respite	15 min	3	4721.00	5.26	74497.38	
Nursing Facility Based Respite	l day	1	1.00	149.10	149.10	
Self-Directed In Home Extended Respite	l day	1	1.00	219.44	219.44	
Respite	15 min	3	1766.00	5.26	27867.48	
Prescribed Drugs Total:						526930.80
Prescribed Drugs	per prescribed drug	57	121.00	76.40	526930.80	
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GRAND TOTAL: Total Estimated Unduplicated Participants: Factor D (Divide total by number of participants): Average Length of Stay on the Waiver:						14764367.98 155 95253.99 328