

Input sought by Oct. 1 on Medicaid waivers for Oregonians receiving long-term services and supports

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) will be submitting two Medicaid waiver application renewal requests to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and seeks input on these applications from the public by Oct. 1, 2021. The waivers, which will be submitted by the ODHS Office of Aging and People with Disabilities (APD) through the Oregon Health Authority, serve individuals who meet Oregon's [nursing facility level of care](#) and [Medicaid eligibility criteria](#).

- The first waiver, [APD 1915\(c\) #0185 Aging and Physically Disabled Waiver](#), enables case management services to help individuals gain access to needed medical, social, educational, and other services. APD is adding a service and submitting two changes.
- The second waiver, [APD 1915\(b\)\(4\) Case Management Freedom of Choice Waiver](#), makes it possible for Oregon to choose to contract with Area Agencies on Aging, willing Tribes, and APD offices to perform waived case management services. This waiver ensures that ongoing case management is coordinated with all the other services provided to eligible individuals. APD is adding a service.

More information on these waiver applications and changes is available:

- On this webpage: <https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/seniors-disabilities/KPLAN/Pages/index.aspx>
- In this press release: <https://www.oregon.gov/dhs/DHSNEWS/NewsReleases/Input-sought-by-Oct-1-Medicaid-waivers.pdf>

Members of the public are invited to send comments by Oct. 1, 2021, on these applications to Beth Jackson by email to Beth.Jackson3@dhsosha.state.or.us; by fax to 503-947-4245; or by U.S. postal mail to Beth Jackson, Office of Aging and People with Disabilities, Oregon Department of Human Services, 500 Summer St. NE; Salem, OR 97301-1079. Printed copies of the waivers may also be requested including in other languages, large print, braille or other preferred format.