

**MARYLAND MEDICAID ADVISORY COMMITTEE MONTHLY WAIVER REPORTS**  
**February 2016**

<b>WAIVER AMENDMENTS &amp; RENEWALS</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>	<b>SUBMITTED TO CMS</b>	<b>APPROVED</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
Community Options Waiver	Needs to be renewed in 2016, submission planned for April 1.			Received response about rate methodology from CMS in Nov 2015. Submit to CMS by April 1, 2016 – a study documenting the development and basis for the waiver rates demonstrating that the rates are economic and efficient.
Autism Waiver	Submitted renewal application.	March 14, 2014	9/24/14	Received response about rate methodology from CMS in Nov 2015. Submit to CMS by April 1, 2016 – a study documenting the development and basis for the waiver rates demonstrating that the rates are economic and efficient.
HCBS Community Setting Draft Transition Plan	To come into compliance with CMS Final Rule by 2019	March 12, 2015		Submitted to CMS March 12, 2015. CMS provided feedback in November 2015. Will revise State Transition Plan and submit to CMS in April 2016.
Community Pathways Waiver	The department proposes to: (1) enhance self-directed service model (2) update program capacity (3) new reserve waiver capacity (4) update projected service utilization and cost based (5) remove requirement for active treatment in order to be eligible (6) unit of service from an hour to 15 minute and (7) update terminology and language			Public comments closed January 31, 2016. DDA plans to submit the amendment in March with a requested effective date of 7/1/16
1915(b) amendment	The department proposes to: Limit providers of transition services to Supports Planning Agencies	Jan 14 2016		On 01/20/16, CMS requested the effective date be changed to 04/01/16. Amendment was resubmitted with an effective date of 04/01/16 on 01/27/16.

Brain Injury Waiver	Renewal Due 06/30/2016			Stefani O'Dea is the contact
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- Working with Hilltop on Rate Studies, received CMS comments on June 4<sup>th</sup> on 2<sup>nd</sup> proposal sent to CMS May 5<sup>th</sup>