WHERE CAN YOU SUBMIT FEEDBACK?

Submit your feedback online, by fax or by mail. Visit Utah’s HCBS transition webpage for more information:

health.utah.gov/ltc/hcbstransition

If you need any assistance to submit your feedback, or have any further questions, feel free to contact us.

WHY IS YOUR VOICE IMPORTANT?

You can tell the state how you would like HCBS to look in the future to ensure that Utahns with disabilities and those who are aging have real opportunities to be active, productive and contributing members of their community.

As a provider, tell the state what supports you need in order to give the people you support more choice and full access to the benefits of community living.

WANT TO LEARN MORE?

For local resources and links to Utah’s transition plan and other documents, contact our office or visit our website.

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HCBS PLANNING PROCESS

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WHAT IS THE NEW FEDERAL HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES RULE?

People who receive Medicaid Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) will soon have the same opportunities to access the community as people who don’t receive services, thanks to the new federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) rule.

Under the new rule people in HCBS programs will have expanded opportunities to receive services in the most integrated setting and have full access to the benefits of community living. States will no longer be allowed to use federal money for services that isolate people from their communities.

MEDICAID HCBS RECIPIENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

- Receive services in the community
- Control their personal resources
- Engage in community life
- Seek employment
- Work in competitive/integrated settings

WHO WILL THE HCBS STATE TRANSITION PLAN AFFECT?

The new federal rule applies to everyone on waiver services. In Utah, the largest provider of waiver services is the Division of Services for People with Disabilities (DSPD). All services provided through DSPD are waiver services and must be compliant under the new rule. Utah’s 7 waivers include:

- Community Supports Waiver
- Acquired Brain Injury Waiver
- Aging Waiver
- Medicaid Autism Waiver
- New Choices Waiver
- Physical Disabilities Waiver
- Technology Dependent Waiver

WHAT IS THE HCBS TRANSITION PROCESS?

The Department of Health will have until 2019 to come into full compliance with the new settings rule which will require changes to the way services are delivered. The state must develop a plan describing how they will come into compliance with the settings requirements, and are also required to gather public input throughout the transition process.