



Mississippi Department of Mental Health
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Subject: 1915 (i) State Plan Benefits for Individuals with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities

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Scope

All DMH Certified Providers

Purpose

To provide an update on the status of the 1915(i) State Plan Benefits for individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities.

Subject

The Department of Mental Health (DMH) and the Mississippi Division of Medicaid (DOM) are excited to inform you all at the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved the 1915 (i) State Plan Benefits for individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities. Habilitation Services to be provided through the 1915 (i) will include Prevocational Services, Supported Employment, and Day Habilitation Services. Additionally, Targeted Case Management Services will also be provided as a state plan benefit outside of the 1915 (i) State Plan Benefits.

To further the goals of the Balancing Incentives Program to implement conflict free case management services, DMH and DOM expect that Targeted Case Management Services will be provided by DMH's regional IDD programs. The Habilitation Services included as part of the 1915(i) State Plan Benefits will be provided by DMH certified providers other than DMH's regional IDD programs.

Individuals eligible for the 1915(i) State Plan Benefits have intellectual/developmental disabilities who do not meet the level of care required for services in an Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID).

As this is a new home and community based service option for individuals in Mississippi, DMH and DOM want to ensure the program model meets the needs of the individuals to be served and support requirements of service providers, such as revised administrative code and billing systems in place prior to service provision. At this time, DMH and DOM are working together to develop timelines for implementation. Both agencies understand that providers are eager to begin service delivery. However, the delivery of 1915(i) services is not possible until further information is made available. As implementation plans and timelines are developed, DMH and DOM will communicate those to service providers.

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