

# Department of Social Services

# Public Comment Notice

The South Dakota Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Statewide Transition Plan is available for public comment for 30 days from December 10, 2018 to January 8, 2019.

## **WHAT IS THE HCBS STATEWIDE TRANSITION PLAN?**

In 2014, the federal government published a new rule requiring Medicaid waiver settings to meet certain requirements. The intent of the rule is to ensure individuals served by a Medicaid waiver have full access to the benefits of living in the community. The transition plan describes how South Dakota will meet the requirements and intent of the final rule. CMS granted initial approval of South Dakota's plan on June 2, 2017. The Department intends to submit the plan to CMS for final approval. The plan being submitted for final approval includes updated terminology, target completion dates, and settings assessment results.

## **WHO IS AFFECTED BY THE TRANSITION PLAN?**

Individuals on Medicaid who live in an Assisted Living, Supervised Apartment, or Group Home are directly affected by the transition plan.

## **WHERE CAN I LOOK AT THE TRANSITION PLAN?**

View the plan online at <http://dss.sd.gov/medicaid/hcbs.aspx> or contact South Dakota Medicaid to get a copy of the Transition Plan.

## **HOW DO I MAKE A COMMENT?**

### **1) E-MAIL:**

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### **3) PHONE:**

605-773-6604

### **2) MAIL:**

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ATTN: HCBS Transition Plan  
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Pierre, SD 57501

### **4) TOWN HALL CONFERENCE CALL WITH SOUTH DAKOTA MEDICAID:**

December 19, 2018: 1:00 - 2:00 PM CST  
December 20, 2018: 1:00 - 2:00 PM CST

- Dial In: 1-866-410-8397
- Conference Code: 6256779181