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Profile of Florida's Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services Waivers

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Introduction

OPPAGA produced this profile of Florida's Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waivers as a descriptive resource for policy makers and stakeholders. The profile provides uniform information about each waiver including eligibility criteria, services provided, persons served, expenditures, and the state agency responsible for operating the waiver program.¹

Medicaid HCBS waivers are authorized by Section 2176 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 and incorporated into Title XIX of the Social Security Act as Section 1915(c). States can use this authority to offer a broad array of services not otherwise available through Medicaid that are intended to prevent or delay institutional placement. Florida's HCBS waivers vary on a number of dimensions. Some waivers are limited to persons with specific disease states or physical conditions (such as persons with cystic fibrosis); others serve broader groups (such as persons who are elderly and/or have disabilities). Waivers also differ with respect to the number and types of services provided, payment method, and whether waiver services are available statewide or limited to a few counties.² In Fiscal Year 2011-12, the Legislature appropriated \$1.42 billion to state agencies to serve beneficiaries in these 15 waivers.³ Of this amount, the Legislature appropriated \$16.7 million for transitioning individuals from nursing home care to the community.

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¹ Agencies with waiver responsibilities include the Agency for Health Care Administration, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the Department of Children and Families, the Department of Elder Affairs, and the Department of Health.

² For example, 11 waivers can serve individuals in all 67 counties while the other 4 waivers serve beneficiaries in as few as 1 county.

³ The HCBS Developmental Disabilities waiver program is made up of five individual waivers.

		Aged and Disabl	ed Adult S	Services	
Counties Served	Statewide				
Year Implemented	1982				
Waiver Eligibility	be age 6be Medimeet nu	Individual must • be age 65 or older or age 18 to 64 and determined disabled by the Social Security Administration • be Medicaid eligible • meet nursing home level of care ¹ • reside in home			
Services Provided	 adult da attendar caregive case aid case ma chore se consum counsel escort se financia home-d 	 adult companion adult day health care attendant care homemaker nutritional assessment and risk reduction personal care 			
Operational Entity	Department Department	Department of Elder Affairs (DOEA), ages 60 or older Department of Children and Families (DCF), ages 18 to 59 Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA), Aging Out Program ²			
Enrollment and Waitlist ³	Enrollment Waitlist	Total 10,228 20,708	DOEA 9,158 16,831	DCF 1,02 3,87	AHCA 9 41
Nursing Home Transition Enrollment ⁴	Enrollment	Total	DOEA 423	DCF	
Total Waiver Approved Enrollment	12,087				
2011-12 Funding	DOEA	<u>Total Appropriation</u> <u>Federal Funds</u> <u>State Funds</u> \$ 102,626,134.00 \$ 57,470,635.04 \$ 45,155,498.96			
	DCF	Total Appropriation Federal Funds State Funds \$ 49,274,133.00 \$ 27,563,950.00 \$ 21,710,183.00			
	AHCA	A <u>Total Appropriation</u> <u>Federal Funds</u> <u>State Funds</u> \$ 13,799,141.00 \$ 7,719,239.00 \$ 6,079,902.00			
Nursing Home Transition 2011-12 Funding	DOEA	Total Appropriation \$ 1,197,560.00	<u>Federal F</u> \$ 670,63		<u>State Funds</u> \$ 526,926.40
	DCF	Total Appropriation \$ 468,003.00	<u>Federal F</u> \$ 259,50		<u>State Funds</u> \$ 208,495.34

¹ The Department of Elder Affairs determines that a beneficiary meets the medical and functional eligibility for Medicaid nursing home care.

² The Aging Out Program is for beneficiaries age 21 or older who no longer qualify to receive home-based medical services through the Department of Health's Children's Medical Services Program and thus "age out" of Children's Medical Services.

³ All enrollment and waitlist information is provided for the Department of Children and Families, the Department of Elder Affairs, and the Agency for Healthcare Administration as of December 2011. Delays in moving beneficiaries from the waitlist to enrolled status are due to attrition, the availability and amount of services a beneficiary may need, and funding limits.

⁴ Enrollment information for Nursing Home Transition is provided for the Department of Elder Affairs as of November 2011, and the Department of Children and Families as of December 2011.

Aged and Disabled Adult Services (continued)					
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost per Beneficiary ⁵	DOEA	Average Monthly Cost \$ 794.07	FY 2010-11 Expenditures \$ 95,272,788.90	FY 2010-11 Enrollee Months 119,981	
	DCF	Average Monthly Cost \$ 1,290.49	FY 2010-11 Expenditures \$ 13,599,165.52	<u>FY 2010-11 Enrollee Months</u> 10,538	
	AHCA	Average Monthly Cost \$ 19,782.35	FY 2010-11 Expenditures \$ 9,535,095.07	FY 2010-11 Enrollee Months 482	
Type of Reimbursement	Fee-for-Service: Florida Medicaid-approved rate or the provider's customary fee, whichever is lower.				

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⁵ Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through December 2011. Nursing Home Transition claims are included in these expenditures.

	Adult I	Day Health Care ¹		
Counties Served	Lee County			
Year Implemented	2004			
Waiver Eligibility	Individual must • be age 60 or older and live with a caregiver • be Medicaid eligible • meet nursing home level of care ² • not reside in an institutional setting			
Services Provided	All services are provided within an Adult Day Health Care facility and include assistance with daily living activities case management counseling health care monitoring intake and assessment medical direction medication management nutritionally balanced meals/snacks personal care assistance therapeutic social and recreational activities therapies: occupational, physical, speech transportation			
Operational Entity	Department of Elder Affairs	3		
Enrollment and Waitlist ³	Enrollment: 26 Waitlist: None			
Total Waiver-Approved Enrollment	150			
2011-12 Funding	Total Appropriation Federal Funds State Funds \$ 1,946,858 \$ 1,089,072 \$ 857,786			
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost per Beneficiary ⁴	Average Monthly Cost \$ 1,354.23	FY 2010-11 Expenditures \$ 380,539	FY 2010-11 Enrollee Months 281	
Type of Reimbursement	Contracted negotiated rate based on either a half-day or full-day stay.			

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¹ The Adult Day Health Care waiver will expire March 31, 2012, and all recipients will transition to a comparable waiver.

² The Department of Elder Affairs determines that a beneficiary meets the medical and functional eligibility for Medicaid nursing home care.

³ All enrollment and waitlist information is provided as of December 2011.

⁴ Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through November 2011.

	Assisted Living for the Elderly		
Counties Served	Statewide		
Year Implemented	1995		
Waiver Eligibility	Individual must • be age 65 or older or age 60 to 64 and be determined disabled by the Social Security Administration • be Medicaid eligible • meet nursing home level of care¹ • reside in an assisted living facility • meet one or more of the following: • require assistance with four or more activities of daily living (ADLs), three ADLs plus supervision or administration of medication, or total help with one or more ADLs² • have a diagnosis of Alzheimer's or other dementia and need assistance with two or more ADLs • have a diagnosed degenerative or chronic medical condition requiring nursing services that cannot be provided in a standard assisted living facility but are available in an assisted living facility that is licensed for limited nursing or extended congregate care • be a Medicaid-eligible beneficiary who meets assisted living facility criteria • be awaiting discharge from a nursing facility and unable to return to a private residence because of a need for supervision, personal care, and/or periodic nursing services		
Services Provided ³	Case management incontinence supplies expanded assisted living services which may include the following: attendant call system attendant care behavior management chore services homemaker intermittent nursing personal care expanded assisted living services which may include the following: attendant call system attendant care behavior management chore services intermittent nursing personal care expanded assisted living medication administration (within the assisted living facility license) specialized medical equipment and supplies therapeutic social and recreational activities therapies: occupational, physical, and speech transition case management		
Operational Entity	Department of Elder Affairs		
Enrollment and Waitlist⁴	Enrollment: 3,841 Waitlist: 1,896		
Nursing Home Transition Enrollment ⁵	Enrollment: 376		
Total Waiver-Approved Enrollment	5,630		
2011-12 Funding	Total Appropriation Federal Funds State Funds \$ 34,010,499 \$ 19,045,879.44 \$ 14,964,619.56		
Nursing Home Transition 2011-12 Funding	Total Appropriation Federal Funds State Funds \$ 1,073,304 \$ 601,050.24 \$ 472,253.76		
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost per Beneficiary ⁶	Average Monthly Cost FY 2010-11 Expenditures FY 2010-11 Enrollee Months \$ 852.72 \$ 33,680,671.17 \$ 39,498		
Type of Reimbursement	Mixed: Medicaid reimburses for assisted living services at a daily rate and case management services at a monthly rate. Medicaid reimburses incontinence supplies separately, on a monthly basis, based on use.		

¹ The Department of Elder Affairs determines that a beneficiary meets the medical and functional eligibility for Medicaid nursing home care.

² Examples of activities of daily living are cooking, cleaning, grooming, and bathing.

³ This waiver is designed to provide extra support to frail elders residing in assisted living facilities in an effort to delay or prevent nursing facility admission.

⁴ All enrollment and waitlist information is provided as December 2011. Delays in moving beneficiaries from the waitlist to enrolled status are due to attrition, availability and amount of services a beneficiary may need, and funding limits.

⁵ Enrollment information for Nursing Home Transition is provided as of November 2011.

⁶ Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through November 2011. Nursing Home Transition claims are included in these expenditures.

	Channeling for the Frail Elder
Counties Served	Miami-Dade and Broward counties
Year Implemented	1985
Waiver Eligibility	Individual must • be age 65 or older • be Medicaid eligible • meet nursing home level of care¹ • have two or more unmet long-term care services needs • reside in home or with a caregiver in Miami-Dade or Broward counties • have a cost of care that does not exceed 85% of the Medicaid nursing home payment in Broward or Miami-Dade counties
Services Provided	 adult day health care adult companion case management chore services counseling (in-home) environmental accessibility adaptations family training financial assessment and risk reduction home health aide personal care personal care spersonal care special emergency response system respite care skilled nursing special drug and nutritional assessment services special home delivered meals special medical equipment and supplies therapies: occupational, physical, speech
Operational Entity	Department of Elder Affairs
Enrollment and Waitlist ²	Enrollment: 1,311 Waitlist: None
Total Waiver-Approved Enrollment	1,825
2011-12 Funding	Total Appropriation Federal Funds State Funds \$ 14,700,762 \$ 8,223,605 \$ 6,477,157
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost per Beneficiary ³	Average Monthly Cost FY 2010-11 Expenditures FY 2010-11 Enrollee Months \$ 959.12 \$ 14,116,360.97 14,718
Type of Reimbursement	Contracted, negotiated per person daily rate with the Miami Jewish Home and Hospital in Miami-Dade and Broward counties.

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² All enrollment and waitlist information is provided as of December 2011. Delays in moving beneficiaries from the waitlist to enrolled status are due to attrition, the availability and amount of services a beneficiary may need, and funding limits.

³ Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through November 2011.

	Nursing Home Dive	ersion
Counties Served ¹	Flagler, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Hernar Manatee, Marion, Martin, Miami-Dade,	ward, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, DeSoto, Duval, Escambia ndo, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lake, Lee, Leon Monroe, Nassau, Okaloosa, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola nam, Santa Rosa, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Johns, St. Lucie
Year Implemented	1998	
Waiver Eligibility	administration of medication; • require total help with two or more A • have a diagnosis of Alzheimer's disea	activities of daily living (ADLs); ADLs plus require supervision or assistance with ADLs; se or dementia and require some help with three or more ADLs; or
Services Provided	 have a diagnosis of a degenerative of Acute Medical Services 	chronic condition requiring daily nursing services Long-Term Care Community Services
	community mental health dental hearing and visual (optional) independent laboratory and x ray inpatient hospital outpatient hospital/emergency physicians prescribed drugs	 adult companion adult day health care assisted living case management chore services consumable medical supplies environmental accessibility adaptations escort services family training financial assessment and risk reduction home-delivered meals home health care homemaker nutritional assessment and risk reduction personal care personal emergency response system respite care therapies: occupational, physical, respiratory, and speech nursing facility services/long-term care transportation (optional) Some plans offer additional optional services. The Department of Elder Affairs' website (http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/english/nhd.php) includes a list of providers, their contacts, and links to their websites.
Operational Entity	Department of Elder Affairs	
Enrollment and Waitlist ³	Enrollment: 17,645 Waitlist: 8,015	

¹ The 2010 Legislature authorized the Agency for Health Care Administration and the Department of Elder Affairs to expand Nursing Home Diversion to all 67 counties. The program is currently operational in 46 counties and expansion applications are under review by the department for the remaining 21 counties. Once the department approves the applications the program will be operational statewide.

² The Department of Elder Affairs determines that a beneficiary meets the medical and functional eligibility for Medicaid nursing home care.

³ All enrollment and waitlist information is provided as of December 2011. In the absence of legislative authority to seek federal approval to increase waiver enrollment, the Department of Elder Affairs will reduce program enrollment to the approved level through natural attrition.

Nursing Home Diversion (continued)				
Nursing Home Transition Enrollment ⁴	Enrollment: 1,847			
Total Waiver-Approved Enrollment ⁵	17,065			
2011-12 Funding	Total Appropriation \$ 342,994,430	<u>Federal Funds</u> \$ 192,076,880.80	<u>State Funds</u> \$ 150,917,549.20	
Nursing Home Transition 2011-12 Funding	Total Appropriation \$ 12,772,268	<u>Federal Funds</u> \$ 7,152,470.08	<u>State Funds</u> \$ 5,619,797.92	
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost per Beneficiary ⁶	Average Monthly Cost \$ 1,427.48	FY 2010-11 Expenditures \$ 352,289,499.01	<u>FY 2010-11 Enrollee Months</u> 239,249	
Type of Reimbursement	Capitated risk-adjusted monthly rate that varies by plan and county. ⁷			

⁴ Enrollment information for Nursing Home Transition is provided as of November 2011.

⁵ The 2011 Legislature approved an additional 1,000 slots for the program. Currently, the waiver renewal application is under review with the federal Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

⁶ Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through November 2011. Nursing Home Transition claims are included in these expenditures.

⁷ The Department of Elder Affairs risk adjusts base rates using several factors including level of assistance needed with activities of daily living, instrumental activities of daily living, the presence of specific chronic conditions, and level of cognitive impairment.

Adult Cystic Fibrosis					
Counties Served	Statewide				
Year Implemented	2005				
Waiver Eligibility	Individual must				
	 be age 18 or older 	be age 18 or older			
	 be Medicaid eligible 				
	have a diagnosis of cytomatic control in the cytomatic control in				
Comisso Drevided	meet Inpatient hospital	level of care ²			
Services Provided	acupuncture accompandement				
	case managementchore services				
	 counseling (individual a 	and family)			
	• dental				
	 homemaker 				
	 nutritional assessment 	and risk reduction			
	 personal care 				
	personal emergency re	sponse service			
	prescribed drugs respite each				
	respite careskilled nursing				
	· ·	specialized medical equipment and supplies			
	therapies: exercise, massage, physical, and respiratory				
	• transportation				
	vitamins and nutritional supplements				
Operational Entity	Department of Health				
Enrollment and Waitlist ³	Enrollment: 95				
	Waitlist: None				
Total Waiver-Approved	150				
Enrollment 2011 10 Fire dia 2					
2011-12 Funding	<u>Total Appropriation</u> <u>Federal Funds</u> <u>State Funds</u>				
	\$ 1,906,408 \$ 1,156,398 \$ 750,010				
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost	Average Monthly Cost	FY 2010-11 Expenditures	FY 2010-11 Enrollee Months		
per Beneficiary4	\$ 499.82	\$ 924,659.40	1,850		
Type of Deimburgement					
Type of Reimbursement	Fee-for-Service: Florida Medicaid-approved rate or the provider's customary fee, whichever is lower.				

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¹ Cystic fibrosis is a genetic disease that primarily affects a person's lungs and digestive system and is chronic, progressive, and terminal.

² The Department of Elder Affairs determines that a beneficiary meets the medical and functional eligibility for inpatient hospitalization.

³ All enrollment and waitlist information is provided as of November 2011.

⁴ Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through November 2011.

	Familial Dysautonomia			
Counties Served	Statewide			
Year Implemented	2007			
Waiver Eligibility	Individual must • be age three or older • be Medicaid eligible • have a diagnosis of familial dysautonomia ¹			
Services Provided	 meet inpatient hospital level of care² behavioral services consumable medical supplies dental durable medical equipment non-residential support respite care 			
Operational Entity	• support coordination Agency for Health Care Administration			
Enrollment and Waitlist ³	Enrollment: 9 Waitlist: None			
Total Waiver-Approved Enrollment	20			
2011-12 Funding	Total AppropriationFederal FundsState Funds\$ 418,000\$ 234,080\$ 183,920			
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost per Beneficiary ⁴	Average Monthly Cost \$263.46 FY 2010-11 Expenditures \$99			
Type of Reimbursement	Fee-for-Service: Florida Medicaid-approved rate or the provider's customary fee, whichever is lower.			

¹ Also known as Riley-Day syndrome, this is a genetic disease that results in incomplete development of the nervous system.

² The Department of Elder Affairs determines that a beneficiary meets the medical and functional eligibility for inpatient hospitalization.

³ All enrollment and waitlist information is provided as of December 2011.

⁴ Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through November 2011.

	Pro	ject Aids Care		
Counties Served	Statewide			
Year Implemented	1991			
Waiver Eligibility	Individual must • be Medicaid eligible • have a diagnosis of acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) documented by a physician • have an AIDS related opportunistic infection • be at-risk of hospitalization or institutionalization in a skilled nursing facility • be determined disabled according to the Social Security Administration • not be enrolled in a Medicaid health maintenance organization unless residing in the Medicaid Reform areas			
Services Provided	 case management chore services day health care education and support environmental accessibility adaptations home-delivered meals homemaker personal care restorative massage skilled nursing specialized medical equipment and supplies specialized personal care services for children in foster care therapeutic management of substance abuse 			
	The Project AIDS Care case manager, in consultation with the beneficiary and a registered nurse care manager, develops a plan of care and authorize services.			
Operational Entity	Agency for Health Care Ad			
Enrollment and Waitlist ¹	Enrollment: 5,133 Waitlist: None			
Total Waiver-Approved Enrollment	5,900			
2011-12 Funding	Total Appropriation \$ 8,722,140.00	<u>Federal Funds</u> \$ 4,884,398.40	<u>State Funds</u> \$ 3,837,741.60	
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost per Beneficiary ²	Average Monthly Cost \$ 153.55	FY 2010-11 Expenditures \$ 10,028,030.79	FY 2010-11 Enrollee Months 65,306	
Type of Reimbursement			nt at a monthly fixed rate per beneficiary and all rate or the provider's customary fee, whichever	

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ All enrollment and waitlist information is provided as of December 2011.

² Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through November 2011.

	Traumatic Brain and Spinal Cord Injury					
Counties Served	Statewide					
Year Implemented	1999					
Waiver Eligibility	Individual must • be age 18 or older • be Medicaid eligible • have one of the injuries described below					
	 traumatic brain injury, defined as an insult to the skull, brain, or its cowhich produces an altered state of consciousness or anatomic, moto cognitive/behavioral deficits spinal cord injury, defined as a lesion to the spinal cord or cauda equitrauma with evidence of significant involvement of two of the following deficit, or bowel and bladder dysfunction. 	or, sensory, or nina resulting from external				
	 meet nursing home level of care¹ be referred to the state's Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Program's central registry in access. 381.75, <i>Florida Statutes</i>. 					
Services Provided	 adaptive health and wellness assistive technologies attendant care behavioral programming adult companion consumable medical supplies counseling (personal adjustment) environmental accessibility adaptations life skills training personal care rehabilitation engineering evaluation support coordination 					
Operational Entity	Department of Health					
Enrollment and Waitlist ²	Enrollment: 291 Waitlist: 458					
Nursing Home Transition Enrollment ²	Enrollment: 57					
Total Waiver-Approved Enrollment	375					
2011-12 Funding	Total Appropriation Federal Funds State Funds \$ 18,506,240 \$ 17,137,651 \$ 1,368,589					
Nursing Home Transition 2011-12 Funding	Total Appropriation Federal Funds State Funds \$ 1,182,871 \$ 661,698 \$ 521,173					
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost per Beneficiary ³	Average Monthly Cost FY 2010-11 Expenditures FY 2010-11 Enro \$ 2,752.44 \$ 10,891,411.92 FY 2010-11 Enro	llee Months				
Type of Reimbursement	Fee-for-Service: Florida Medicaid-approved rate or the provider's customar	ry fee, whichever is lower.				

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¹ The Department of Elder Affairs determines that a beneficiary meets the medical and functional eligibility for Medicaid nursing home care.

² All enrollment information is provided as of November 2011 and waitlist information as of December 2011. Delays in moving beneficiaries from the waitlist to enrolled status are due to attrition, the availability and amount of services a beneficiary may need, and funding limits.

³ Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through November 2011. Nursing Home Transition claims are included in these expenditures.

Model Waiver Program					
Counties Served	Statewide				
Year Implemented	1991				
Waiver Eligibility	Individual must • be age 20 or younger • be Medicaid eligible • be determined disabled according to the Social Security Administration • diagnosed with a degenerative spinocerebellar disease ¹ • meet inpatient hospital level of care ²				
Services Provided	 assistive technology environmental accessibility adaptations respite care service evaluation 				
Operational Entity	Agency for Health Care Administration				
Enrollment and Waitlist ³	Enrollment: 5 Waitlist: 3				
Total Waiver-Approved Enrollment	5				
2011-12 Funding	Total Appropriation \$ 25,078	Federal Funds \$ 14,029	State Funds \$ 11,049		
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost per Beneficiary ⁴	Average Monthly Cost \$ 659.95	FY 2010-11 Expenditures \$ 25,078	FY 2010-11 Enrollee Months 38		
Type of Reimbursement	Fee-for-Service: Florida M	ledicaid-approved rate or the p	provider's customary fee, whichever is lower.		

¹ This is a group of rare genetic disorders which affect the brain and nervous system.

² The Department of Elder Affairs determines that a beneficiary meets the medical and functional eligibility for inpatient hospitalization.

³ All enrollment and waitlist information is provided as of December 2011.

⁴ Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through November 2011.

Florida's Developmental Disabilities Medicaid HCBS Waivers

Developmental Disabilities Tier 1, 2, 3, 4, and iBudget ¹					
Counties Served	Statewide (Tiers 1 through 4 are statewide and iBudget is currently enrolling individuals in a limited area.)				
Year Implemented	Tier 1 Tier 2 Tier 3 Tier 4 iBudget 1985 2008 2008 1998 2011				
	To implement <u>Ch. 2007-64</u> , <u>Laws of Florida</u> , the Agency for Persons with Disabilities created a four-tier waiver system in 2008. This system comprises four waivers: two new waivers that define Tiers 2 and 3 with the existing Developmental Disabilities (Tier 1) and Family and Supported Living (Tier 4) waivers, implemented in 1985 and 1998, respectively. Each tier has specific need criteria that determine the tier under which beneficiaries will be served. In addition, each tier has an annual per-client spending limit.				
	<u>Chapter 2010-157, Laws of Florida</u> , established the iBudget Florida Program, which is a new waiver th will replace the current tier system. This program will provide individual consumer budgets for service and greater choice and flexibility in service selection. It will also refocus the waiver support coordinator' role on supporting self-direction and obtaining additional community supports to augment supports pai for by the waiver and provide tools and resources to help consumers and families control their budgets. The agency is currently enrolling individuals in Pensacola and Tallahassee into the iBudget Florid waiver. ²				
Waiver Eligibility ³	All Individuals must				
	 meet level of care criteria for intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled. Individuals must meet specific criteria under the tier system 				
	 Tier 1 must have intensive medical, behavioral, or adaptive needs. Tier 2 must live in a licensed residential facility and require greater than five hours a day of residential habilitation or reside in supported living arrangements and receive more than six hours of in-home support. Tier 3 must not meet criteria for Tiers 1 or 2. Tier 4 must live in their family home, foster home, or own home. 				

¹ The Agency for Persons with Disabilities assigns a beneficiary to a tier based on a needs assessment which determines the beneficiary's service needs, risk level, and the spending needed per year to address the beneficiary's needs.

² The agency has not implemented the iBudget algorithm for determining client costs and instead is planning to implement a hybrid model which will incorporate the algorithm and the individual's current cost plan amount.

³ For information on additional requirements based on age, living arrangements, exceptional behavioral problems, and authorization for certain services see Rule 65G-4.0026-00291, *Florida Administrative Code*.

Florida's Developmental Disabilities Medicaid HCBS Waivers

Developmental Disabilities Tier 1, 2, 3, 4, and iBudget (continued) Services Provided -Tiers Tier 1, 2, and 3 Tier 4 · adult day training · adult day training · adult dental behavior analysis behavior analysis behavior assistant · behavior assistant · environmental accessibility adaptations companion · in-home support · personal emergency response system dietician services environmental accessibility adaptations · respite care · specialized medical equipment and supplies • in-home support · medication review support coordination · personal care · supported living coaching personal emergency response system supported employment private duty nursing transportation · residential habilitation residential nursing respite care · skilled nursing • special medical home care · specialized medical equipment and supplies · specialized mental health services support coordination · supported employment · supported living coaching • therapies: occupational, physical, respiratory, speech transportation Services Provided - iBudget4 Group 1- Life Skills Development **Group 6- Therapeutic Supports and Wellness** • Level 1 (formerly companion) · private duty nursing • Level 2 (formerly supported employment) residential nursing • Level 3 (formerly adult day training) skilled nursing • family and legal representative training dietician • therapies: occupational, physical, respiratory, **Group 2- Supplies and Equipment** speech · consumable medical supplies specialized mental health counseling durable medical equipment and supplies · behavior analysis · environmental accessibility adaptations · behavior assistant · personal emergency response systems **Group 7- Transportation Group 3- Personal Supports** personal supports **Group 8- Dental Services** respite care · adult dental **Group 4- Residential Services** The Agency for Persons with Disabilities website (http://apd.myflorida.com/ibudget/docs/ residential habilitation services.pdf) offers more information on these specialized home care services. supported living coaching **Group 5- Support Coordination** limited full

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⁴ Beneficiaries can select from an array of services that are similar to those provided under their current tier. These services have been combined into new categories. Once the iBudget waiver is fully implemented, beneficiaries previously assigned to Tier 4 will have a wider array of services from which to select, including adult dental. All selected services must be reviewed and approved by the support coordinator.

Florida's Developmental Disabilities Medicaid HCBS Waivers

Developmental Disabilities Tier 1, 2, 3, 4, and iBudget (continued)							
Operational Entity	Agency for Persons with Disabilities						
Enrollment and Waitlist ⁵		Tier 1 Tie 5,344 4,0		er 3 116	Tier 4 10,071	Beneficiaries Pending Tier Assignment ⁶ 1,023	iBudget 3,018
Annual Maximum Allowable Spending per Beneficiary ⁷ 2011-12 Tier 1, 2, 3, 4, and iBudget Funding	Tier 1 Tier None \$53,62					iBudget Individually Based	
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost Per Beneficiary for TIER 1, 2, and 3 ⁸	Average Monthly Cost F \$ 3,845.34	Per Beneficiary	<u>FY 2010-1</u> \$ 814,874			FY 2010-11 Enrollee N 211,912	Months
2010-11 Average Monthly Cost Per Beneficiary for TIER 4 ⁹	Average Monthly Cost Per Beneficiary \$ 662.87		FY 2010-11 Expenditures \$ 88,167,014.37		<u>FY 2010-11 Enrollee Months</u> 133,007		
Type of Reimbursement	Fee-for-Service: Based on rates approved by the Agency for Persons with Disabilities and the Agency for Health Care Administration and incorporated into rule.						

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⁵ All enrollment and waitlist information provided as of November 2011. All tiers share one waitlist and beneficiaries are placed in the appropriate tier based on a needs assessment that determines the individual's needs, risk level, and the spending needed per year to address the beneficiary's needs.

⁶ These beneficiaries are receiving services and are awaiting a tier placement based on a needs assessment that determines the individual's needs, risk level, and the spending needed per year to address the beneficiary's needs.

⁷ Legislation, as directed by <u>Ch. 2010-157, Laws of Florida</u>, to implement a new annual maximum allowable spending per beneficiary of \$150,000 for Tier 1 was not implemented because the maximum spending cap did not meet federal requirements for home and community-based services waivers. Specifically, the average cost of \$150,000 exceeded the average annual institutional cost of \$114,500 for an individual in an intermediate care facility for the developmentally disabled.

⁸ Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures of Tiers 1, 2, and 3 by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through November 2011. iBudget waiver claims are included in these expenditures.

⁹ Average monthly cost per beneficiary was calculated by dividing total Fiscal Year 2010-11 expenditures of Tier 4 by total number of enrollee months. Total expenditures reflect claims paid through November 2011. iBudget waiver claims are included in these expenditures.

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