

ABBREVIATED PUBLIC NOTICE

Kentucky Medicaid Section 1115 Demonstration: Community Engagement

In accordance with 42 CFR 431.408, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS), Department for Medicaid Services (DMS) announces its intention to file a Section 1115(a) Demonstration proposal with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), to request implementation of a Community Engagement Waiver Program.

The goals of the proposed Demonstration are to:

- Expand current efforts to support individuals in gaining economic stability through linkages with educational and job assistance programs.
- To identify individuals who meet an exemption criterion and may have higher level of care needs and connect those individuals to necessary supports.

Under the proposed Demonstration, DMS will refer eligible Medicaid expansion eligibility group members to the Kentucky Education and Labor Cabinet's Department of Workforce Development (DWD). DWD will reach out to these members to provide information about available job placement assistance programs. For individuals who agree to receive support, DWD will connect them to supports such as apprenticeships, career development, education, employment and training, and will provide support in preparing them to enter the workforce, advance their careers, improve job performance, and fill skills gaps.

Eligible members are in the Medicaid expansion eligibility group and must be able-bodied adults without dependents who have been enrolled in the Commonwealth's medical assistance program for more than twelve (12) months. DMS will review eligible members for possible exemptions from referral and will not refer those who meet an exemption criterion, unless the individual has requested to be referred.

Public Forums

DMS will hold two public forums on the following dates:

Public Forum #1: Thursday, May 22, 2025, at 10:00AM -11:00AM EST Join on your computer or mobile app via Zoom: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87343193242?pwd=s3uEpNTJvZMbZO9NcacK3hqGhwflSg.1 Passcode: 217974 Or call in (audio only): (713) 353-0212 or (888) 822-7517, Conference ID: 729573

Public Forum #2: Friday, May 23, 2025, at 10:00AM – 11:00AM EST Join in-person at: The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, 200 Mero Street, Frankfort, KY 40622, Auditorium C105

Public Comments

A draft of the proposed Demonstration application and copies of this notice are available on the



DMS website at: <u>https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/Pages/Medicaid-SUD-1115-</u> Waiver.aspx.

Comments or inquiries should be submitted via email and received on or before June 12, 2025, to: <u>KY1115CommEngagement@mslc.com.</u>

Written comments must be postmarked by June 12, 2025, and mailed to:

Kentucky Medicaid Section 1115 Comment C/o DMS Commissioner's Office 275 E. Main St. 6W-A Frankfort, KY 40621