

Appendix K Second Submission and Approval: Emergency Preparedness and Response for ODP Waivers

ODP Announcement 20-097

AUDIENCE:

All stakeholders

PURPOSE:

To announce the approval of the second submission of Appendix K for the Consolidated, Community Living, Person/Family Directed Support (P/FDS), and Adult Autism Waivers.

DISCUSSION:

In March of 2020 and in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) received approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to make temporary changes to the approved Consolidated, Community Living, P/FDS, and Adult Autism Waivers through an Appendix K amendment. On March 23, 2020, ODP released Announcement 20-027 that included the changes that were made to the Waivers as well as operational guidance.

On July 23, 2020, ODP received approval from CMS for a second Appendix K to further amend the Waivers during the emergency. The changes outlined in the second Appendix K are in addition to the changes that were made in the first Appendix K. All changes, unless otherwise noted, are effective beginning March 11, 2020. While many of the changes made in the second Appendix K have already been communicated to stakeholders and implemented, ODP is working on updated guidance that reflects current policy.

Appendix K for the Consolidated, Community Living, and P/FDS Waivers is available at https://www.medicaid.gov/state-resource-center/downloads/pa-0147-1486-0354-Combined-appendix-k-appvl.pdf.

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Appendix K for the Adult Autism Waiver is available at https://www.medicaid.gov/state-resource-center/downloads/pa-0593-2-appendix-k-appvl.pdf

A webinar for Administrative Entities and Supports Coordination Organizations was held on Thursday, August 6, 2020, and can be found on the MyODP.org COVID-19 Webinars page.

A webinar for all stakeholders was held on Friday, August 7, 2020, and can be found on the MyODP.org COVID-19 Webinars page.

CONTACT: Questions about Appendix K should be directed to the appropriate regional office of ODP.