1915(i) and 1915(k) Options for the State of Alaska
House Finance Committee
Medicaid Reform

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State Plan Options Overview

1915(k) Background
(Community First Choice)

1915(k) State Plan Option
Key Features

- In 2012, 1915(k) became a new option to provide consumer-directed, home and community-based attendant services and supports
- Eligibility
  - Must meet functional eligibility equal to an institutional level of care
  - Medicaid eligible
- As long as eligibility criteria are met, benefits are available to all Alaskans statewide regardless of age or diagnosis
- Federal government contributes more money (56% instead of typical 50% Medicaid match to state dollars in Alaska)
- Agency model and consumer-directed model at state's discretion

PCA State Plan

- PCA total spend is $85,200,043.36
  - 49% ($41,786,777.39) of expenditures by individuals currently on a waiver
  - 1,603 individuals currently on a waiver receiving PCA services
  - 3,308 individuals receiving PCA services not on a waiver

State Plan Options Overview

1915(i) Background

1915(i) State Plan HCBS Key Features

- State plan option to provide consumer-directed, home- and community-based attendant services and supports
- Individuals do NOT need to be eligible for an institutional level of care currently required under 1915(c) HCBS waivers or 1915(k) (Community First Choice)
  - Medicaid eligible
  - Targeted populations
- Federal government contributes (50% match to state dollars in Alaska)

1915 (i) SDS General Fund Refinancing

- GR Program: Estimated 349 of 545 recipients eligible for 1915i program.
- Adult Day Grants: Estimated 114 of 423 recipients eligible for 1915i program.
- Senior In-home Grants: Estimated 123 of 1,371 recipients eligible for 1915i program.
- Community Developmental Disability Grants: Estimated all recipients eligible for 1915i program.
- Estimated savings of shift to 1915i is $8,530,000.

Target Dates

- Implementation Plan Due- 7/31/2016
- Submit to CMS
- CMS Approval
- Begin Implementation