

# MEMORANDUM

То:	DDA Stakeholders
From:	Bernard Simons, Deputy Secretary
Re:	DDA Stakeholders Bernard Simons, Deputy Secretary DDA Amendment #3 2020 - Guidance # 8 - Coordination of Community Services - Certification
Release Date:	February 16, 2021
Effective:	January 19, 2021

NOTE: Please inform appropriate staff members of the contents of this memorandum.

### BACKGROUND

On January 19, 2021, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) approved the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) Waiver Amendments #3 2020 with an effective date of January 19, 2021.

The purpose of this guidance is to inform stakeholders of changes to the DDA's Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver programs (*i.e.*, Community Pathways Waiver, Community Supports Waiver, and Family Supports Waiver) (each a "DDA Waiver program") and operations based on the approved amendments.

This guidance applies to DDA Coordination of Community Services Providers ("CCS Providers"), Office of Health Care Quality (Office of Health Care Quality), and the DDA Regional Office Staff.

## OVERVIEW

Amendment#3 2020 of the DDA Waiver program applications changes Coordination of Community Services from being a DDA-licensed service by the OHCQ to a DDA-certification service.

Please note that this guidance memorandum is intended to highlight the changes in the DDA Waiver programs created by Amendment #3. This guidance memorandum does not address all applicable DDA Waiver program requirements. To review all applicable DDA Waiver program requirements, please refer directly to Amendment #3 of the DDA Waiver program application, effective January 19, 2021.

### **Standards and Requirements**

- A. Historically, providers interested in providing Coordination of Community Services were licensed by the Department, with both DDA and OHCQ reviewing applications.
- B. CCS Providers will now be certified to provide case management services to participants as per revisions to the Medicaid State Plan Targeted Case Management (TCM) federal authority as per <u>42 CFR § 440.169</u> for people eligible for funding from the DDA.
- C. During the next annual reapplication process, the current CCS Providers will complete the process for DDA- recertification. It will not go through the licensure process with OHCQ.

## Applicable Resources:

Community Pathways Waiver

Community Supports Waiver

Family Supports Waiver

42 CFR § 440.169 - Case management services

Targeted Case Management Service for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities On DDA Waiting List

Targeted Case Management Service for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Transitioning to the Community

Targeted Case Management Service for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Community Coordination Services