

NC MEDICAID 1915(c) APPENDIX K: DISASTER WAIVER FLEXIBILITIES

	INNOVATIONS	NC TBI Waiver	CAP/DA	CAP/C
1	Modify the person-centered service plan development process and individual(s) responsible for person-centered service plan development for 1915(c) enrollees specifically around extending timeframes for the person-centered plan	Modify the person-centered service plan development process and individual(s) responsible for person-centered service plan development for 1915(c) enrollees specifically around extending timeframes for the person-centered plan	Modify the person-centered service plan development process and individual(s) responsible for person-centered service plan development for 1915(c) enrollees specifically around extending timeframes for the person-centered plan and completing annual person-centered plans telephonically	Modify the person-centered service plan development process and individual(s) responsible for person-centered service plan development for 1915(c) enrollees specifically around extending timeframes for the person-centered plan and completing annual person-centered plans telephonically
2	Expand 1915(c) waiver service settings, including to out-of-state settings	Expand 1915(c) waiver service settings, including to out-of-state settings	Expand 1915(c) waiver service settings, including to out-of-state settings	Expand 1915(c) waiver service settings, including to out-of-state settings
3	Allow payment for services for purposes of supporting 1915(c) enrollees in acute care hospital or short-term institutional stay, and waiving time limits on institutional respite	Allow payment for services for purposes of supporting 1915(c) enrollees in acute care hospital or short-term institutional stay, and waiving time limits on institutional respite	Allow payment for services for purposes of supporting 1915(c) enrollees in acute care hospital, adult day health or short-term institutional stay, and waiving time limits on institutional respite in increments of 30 consecutive days	Allow payment for services for purposes of supporting 1915(c) enrollees in acute care hospital or short-term institutional stay, and waiving time limits on institutional respite in increments of 30 consecutive days
4	Include retainer payments to direct care workers when a 1915(c) enrollee is hospitalized or absent from their home for a period of no more than 90 days	Include retainer payments to direct care workers when a 1915(c) enrollee is hospitalized or absent from their home for a period of no more than 90 days	Include retainer payments to direct care workers when a 1915(c) enrollee or their direct care provider is hospitalized or absent from their home as a direct result of COVID-19	Include retainer payments to direct care workers when a 1915(c) enrollee or their direct care provider is hospitalized or absent from their home as a direct result of COVID-19

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5	Allow providers to provide services in alternative settings, such as a temporary shelter, when a provider's facility is inaccessible	Allow providers to provide services in alternative settings, such as a temporary shelter, when a provider's facility is inaccessible	Allow providers to provide services in alternative settings, such as a temporary shelter, when a provider's facility is inaccessible. Waive HCBS requirements in alternative settings on a case-by-case basis	Allow providers to provide services in alternative settings, such as a temporary shelter, when a provider's facility is inaccessible. Waive HCBS requirements in alternative settings on a case-by-case basis
6			Waive limits on home modifications, equipment, supplies, good and services and assistive technology to manage spread of COVID-19 on case-by-case basis	Waive limits on home modifications, equipment, supplies, goods and services and assistive technology to manage spread of COVID-19 on case-by-case basis
7	Allow beneficiaries to receive fewer than one service per month for a period of ninety days without being subject to discharge	Allow beneficiaries to receive fewer than one service per month for a period of ninety days without being subject to discharge	Allow beneficiaries to use fewer than two CAP/DA waiver services during the pandemic without being subject to discharge	Allow beneficiaries to use fewer than two CAP/C waivers services during the pandemic without being subject to discharge
8	Allow extensions of level of care (LOC) redeterminations during emergency period	Allow extensions of level of care (LOC) redeterminations during emergency period	Allow extensions of level of care (LOC) redeterminations during pandemic period	Allow extensions of level of care (LOC) redeterminations during pandemic period
9	Allow increase in service from what is in the person-centered plan without prior authorization	Allow increase in service from what is in the person-centered plan without prior authorization	Allow increase in service from what is in the person-centered plan with post-authorization when a CAP/DA service is urgently needed	Allow increase in service from what is in the person-centered plan with post-authorization when a CAP/C service is urgently needed
10	Waive \$135k individual limit on a case-by-case basis	Waive \$135k individual limit on a case-by-case basis	Waive budget neutrality for decisions for waiver entry and continued participation during the pandemic	Waive budget neutrality for decisions for waiver entry and continued participation during the pandemic

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11	Waive monthly face-to-face care coordinator/beneficiary meeting for individuals receiving residential supports, new to waiver, or relative as provider. Waive quarterly face-to-face care coordinator/beneficiary meeting on case-by-case basis	Waive monthly face-to-face care coordinator/beneficiary meeting for individuals receiving residential supports, new to waiver, or relative as provider. Waive quarterly face-to-face care coordinator/beneficiary meeting on case-by-case basis	Permit payment for services rendered by family caregivers or legally responsible and guardians if not already permitted under the waiver	Permit payment for services rendered by family caregivers or legally responsible individuals, excluding parents and legal guardians if not already permitted under the waiver
12	Waive Support Intensity Scale Assessments/reassessment during this amendment		Allow for specific medical supplies such as sanitation wipes, hand sanitizer and disinfectant spray, tissue, thermometer and specific colored trash liners to be covered to manage spread of COVID-19	Allow for specific medical supplies such as sanitation wipes, hand sanitizer and disinfectant spray, tissue, thermometer and specific colored trash liners to be covered to manage spread of COVID-19
13	Waive requirement for a beneficiary to attend the Day Supports provider once per week	Waive requirement for a beneficiary to attend the Day Supports provider once per week	Allow PPE specific training of paid staff to manage the needs of waiver participants to prevent spread of COVID-19	Allow PPE specific training of paid staff to manage the needs of waiver participants to prevent spread of COVID-19

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14	Allow for additional services to be provided by relatives who live in the home of the adult waiver beneficiary (current waiver only allows for Community Living and Supports) to include Community Networking and Supported Employment for 90 days		Waive the timeline to utilize community transition services to a less than 90-day consecutive institutional stay when the transition to a home setting is safe to reduce the spread of COVID-19	Waive the timeline to utilize community transition services to a less than 90-day consecutive institutional stay when the transition to a home setting is safe to reduce the spread of COVID-19
15	Allow for existing staff to continue to provide service, for 90 days, when CPR and NCI re-certification has lapsed	Allow for existing staff to continue to provide service, for 90 days, when CPR and NCI re-certification has lapsed	Cover germicidal air filters	Cover germicidal air filters
16	Allow for relatives of adult waiver beneficiaries to provide services to beneficiaries in Supported Living arrangements prior to background checks and training for 90 days		Waive the minimal hours of adult day health services to less than four	

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17	Allow Day Supports and Community Networking to be provided in the home of the participant, the home of the direct care worker, or the residential setting	Allow Day Supports and Community Networking to be provided in the home of the participant, the home of the direct care worker, or the residential setting	Waive the licensure requirements to permit an overnight stay at an Adult Day Health facility	
18	Waive HCBS Settings requirements in alternative settings on a case-by-case basis (quarantine/social distancing/etc.)	Waive HCBS Settings requirements in alternative settings on a case-by-case basis (quarantine/social distancing/etc.)	Waive HCBS Settings requirements in alternative settings on a case-by-case basis (quarantine/social distancing/etc.)	Waive HCBS Settings requirements in alternative settings on a case-by-case basis (quarantine/social distancing/etc.)
			Waive the criminal background check and CPR requirement for a live-in relative. Require only a county-based criminal check registry check, competency evaluation and consumer-direction enrollment	Waive the criminal background check and CPR requirement for a live-in relative. Require only a county-based criminal check, registry check and competency evaluation and consumer-direction enrollment