

## South Carolina Home and Community-based Services (HCBS) Waiver Programs

#### **Introduction to HCBS Waivers**



#### **HCBS Waivers**

Provide community-based care options for individuals with various needs, enabling them to receive care in their homes and communities rather than in institutional settings



#### **Populations Served**

HCBS waivers in South Carolina serve individuals with medical and physical needs, and individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities



#### **Purpose of HCBS Waivers**

Offers a wide range of services tailored to the specific needs of target population while promoting independence and well-being



#### **Customized Services**

HCBS waivers provide a comprehensive array of services, including case management, personal care and specialized equipment and supplies

HCBS waivers play a crucial role in supporting the well-being and independence of individuals in South Carolina by offering community-based care options tailored to their specific needs.



## **Importance of Person-centered Approach**



Understand the unique needs and challenges of the target population

Recognize the diverse cultural, socioeconomic and healthcare barriers faced by the population to develop tailored interventions



Collaborate with community stakeholders

Engage with local organizations, community leaders and the target population to ensure the approach aligns with their needs and preferences



Adopt a holistic, personcentered approach

Incorporate physical, mental, emotional and social well-being components to address the needs of the whole individual

Prioritizing the specific needs of the target population and involving them in the development of a comprehensive person-centered service plan, can significantly impact the members overall health and well-being.



## **South Carolina HCBS Waiver Programs**

Waiver Program	Target Population	Services Provided	
Community Choices (CC) waiver	<ul> <li>Frail elderly (age 65 or older)</li> <li>Individuals with physical disabilities (ages 18 to 64)</li> <li>Meet nursing facility level of care criteria</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Adult day health care</li> <li>Attendant care</li> <li>Case management</li> <li>Companion care</li> <li>Home delivered meals</li> <li>Personal care services</li> <li>Respite</li> <li>Specialized medical</li> <li>equipment and supplies</li> </ul>	
HIV/AIDS waiver	<ul> <li>Individuals with a diagnosis of HIV or AIDS</li> <li>Located in South Carolina or intend to locate in the state</li> <li>Individuals who meet at-risk of hospitalization level of care criteria</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Attendant care</li> <li>Case management</li> <li>Companion care</li> <li>Home accessibility adaptations</li> <li>Home delivered meals</li> <li>Nursing services</li> <li>Personal care services</li> <li>Specialized medical equipment and supplies</li> </ul>	
Mechanical Ventilator (Vent) waiver	<ul> <li>Frail elderly (age 65 or older)</li> <li>Individuals with physical disabilities (age 21 or older)</li> <li>Individuals who require mechanical ventilation and meet nursing facility level of care criteria</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Attendant care</li> <li>Case management</li> <li>Home accessibility adaptations</li> <li>Home delivered meals</li> <li>Nursing services</li> <li>Personal care services</li> <li>Respite</li> <li>Specialized medical equipment and supplies</li> </ul>	
Medically Complex Children (MCC) waiver	<ul> <li>Children from birth to age 21 with chronic physical or health conditions expected to last at least 12 months.</li> <li>Hospital level of care</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Environmental modifications</li> <li>Pediatric medical day care</li> <li>Respite</li> </ul>	



## South Carolina HCBS Waiver Programs (cont.)

Waiver Program	Target Population	Services Provided	
Intellectual Disability/Related Disabilities (ID/RD) waiver	Serves individuals with a diagnosis of intellectual or related disability, all ages, who meet the Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with ICF-IID level of care criteria.	<ul> <li>Adult attendant care services</li> <li>Adult companion services</li> <li>Adult day health care nursing</li> <li>Adult day health care services</li> <li>Adult dental services</li> <li>Adult vision</li> <li>Audiology services</li> <li>Behavior support services</li> <li>Career preparation services</li> <li>Community services</li> <li>Day activity</li> <li>Employment services</li> <li>Environmental modifications</li> <li>Incontinence supplies</li> <li>Independent living skills</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Nursing services</li> <li>Personal care services</li> <li>Personal emergency response system (PERS)</li> <li>Pest control for bed bugs</li> <li>Pest control treatment</li> <li>Private vehicle assessment/consultation</li> <li>Private vehicle modifications</li> <li>Residential habilitation</li> <li>Respite care</li> <li>Specialized medical equipment, supplies and assistive technology</li> <li>Specialized medical equipment, supplies and assistive technology assessment/consultation</li> <li>Support center services</li> <li>Waiver case management (WCM)</li> </ul>
Community Supports (CS) waiver	Serves individuals with a diagnosis of intellectual or related disability, all ages, who meet the Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with ICF-IID level of care criteria.	<ul> <li>Adult day health care nursing</li> <li>Adult day health care services</li> <li>Assistive technology and appliances</li> <li>Assistive technology and appliances assessment/consultation</li> <li>Behavior support services</li> <li>Career preparation services</li> <li>Community services</li> <li>Day activity</li> <li>Employment services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Environmental modifications</li> <li>Incontinence supplies</li> <li>In-home support services</li> <li>PERS</li> <li>Personal care services</li> <li>Private vehicle assessment/consultation</li> <li>Private vehicle modifications</li> <li>Respite care services</li> <li>Support center services</li> <li>WCM</li> </ul>



## South Carolina HCBS Waiver Programs (cont.)

Waiver Program Target Population		Services Provided	
Head and Spinal Cord Injury (HASCI) waiver	Serves individuals with a diagnosis of traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury, or similar disability, all ages, who meet the nursing facility or ICF-IID level of care criteria.	<ul> <li>Attendant care/personal assistance services</li> <li>Behavior support services</li> <li>Career preparation services</li> <li>Day activity</li> <li>Employment services</li> <li>Environmental modifications</li> <li>Health education for participant - directed care</li> <li>Incontinence supplies</li> <li>Nursing services</li> <li>Occupational therapy</li> <li>Peer guidance for participant - directed care</li> <li>PERS</li> <li>Pest control for bed bugs</li> <li>Pest control treatment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Physical therapy</li> <li>Private vehicle         assessment/consultation</li> <li>Private vehicle modifications</li> <li>Psychological services</li> <li>Residential habilitation</li> <li>Respite care services</li> <li>Specialized medical equipment, supplies and assistive technology</li> <li>Specialized medical equipment, supplies and assistive technology assessment/consultation</li> <li>Speech and hearing services</li> <li>WCM</li> </ul>



### **HCBS Waiver Administration and Oversight**



## Administrative Authority SCDHHS is the administrative

authority for all South Carolina HCBS waiver programs.



#### **Partnerships and Contracts**

SCDHHS collaborates with other state agencies, such as the South Carolina Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Office of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (BHDD-OIDD) and utilizes contracted service providers to ensure the effective implementation of the HCBS waiver programs.



#### **Operating Authority**

SCDHHS is the operating authority responsible for the day-to-day operations of four HCBS waiver programs. Three programs are operated by BHDD-OIDD.



#### **Oversight and Monitoring**

SCDHHS has established processes and procedures to provide comprehensive oversight and monitoring of the HCBS waiver programs to ensure compliance and quality of services.



#### **HCBS Waiver Assessment and Level of Care Reviews**

## State-Approved Assessments

## Initial Assessments

## Annual Assessments

#### Level of Care Reviews

South Carolina's HCBS waiver programs use state-approved assessments to determine a participant's initial and ongoing waiver eligibility. Waiver case managers and other staff conduct these assessments to establish the required level of care and appropriate services.

For initial eligibility, waiver case managers or other staff conduct comprehensive assessments of a participant's medical, functional and cognitive status to determine if they meet the level of care criteria for the specific HCBS waiver program.

Annually, waiver case managers re-evaluate a participant's eligibility by conducting updated assessments to confirm they continue to meet level of care requirements and to identify any changes in service needs or circumstances.

The level of care review process for South Carolina's HCBS waiver programs includes initial and annual reviews by designated authorities.



## Importance of South Carolina HCBS Waivers



## Provide community-based care options

HCBS waivers enable individuals to receive care in their homes and communities rather than in institutional settings.



# Support the well-being and independence of individuals

HCBS waivers offer a wide range of services tailored to the specific needs of the target populations, promoting independence and quality of life.



# Comprehensive overview of HCBS waiver programs in South Carolina

This presentation highlights the various HCBS waiver programs available, including their target populations, services and key details.



#### **Waiver Referral and Enrollment**

- Referrals for CC, HIV/AIDS, Vent and MCC waivers
  - (888) 971-1637
  - Electronic referrals: <a href="https://phoenix.scdhhs.gov/cltc\_referrals/new">https://phoenix.scdhhs.gov/cltc\_referrals/new</a>
- Referrals for HASCI, ID/RD, CS waivers
  - Contact assigned case manager/early interventionist if member is already receiving BHDD-OIDD early intervention services
  - Contact BHDD-OIDD at (800) 289-7012 if member needs to apply for OIDD services



#### **Additional Resources**

- Waiver Summary Chart
- SCDHHS Waiver Management/Field Management
- Available on www.scdhhs.gov
  - Go to "Resources" at the bottom of the website (in the dark blue footer) and click on "Waivers."





