

Services

Deaf Blind with Multiple Disabilities (DBMD) Renewal

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- ➤ The 1915(c) DBMD waiver is renewed every 5 years. The current waiver cycle is 3/1/2023 2/28/2028.
- Upcoming Critical Dates:
 - ☐ Web Posting: August 2022
 - ☐ Public Comment Period: August to September 2022
 - ☐ Submission to CMS: November 2022
 - ☐ Renewal Effective Date: March 1, 2023



DBMD Service Array (1 of 2)

- Adaptive Aids and Medical Supplies
- Assisted Living
- Audiology Services
- Behavioral Support Services
- Case Management
- Day Habilitation

- Dental Treatment
- Dietary Services
- Employment Assistance
- Financial Management Services
- Intervener
- Minor Home
 Modifications



DBMD Service Array (2 of 2)

- Nursing
- Occupational Therapy Services
- Orientation and Mobility
- Physical Therapy Services
- Prescribed Drugs
- Respite

- Speech, Hearing, and Language Therapy Services
- Support Consultation
- Supported Employment
- Transition Assistance Services
- Residential Habilitation
- Chore Service



DBMD Proposed Changes (1 of 2)

- 1. Replacing day habilitation with a new service, individualized skills and socialization
- 2. Adding and revising performance measures
- Updates to the unduplicated count of participants and waiver cost projections for the five-year renewal period
- 4. Clarifications to the role of the Department of Family and Protective Services Statewide Intake and HHSC Provider Investigations in investigating those reports



DBMD Proposed Changes (2 of 2)

- 5. Updates to the financial management agency section
- 6. Updates to support consultation definition
- 7. Updates to the Quality Improvement Strategy section
- 8. Updates to Texas Administrative Code references where appropriate
- 9. Removed outdated Electronic Visit Verification information



Public Comments



Thank You!

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