

DEPARTMENT of SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice of Intent to Amend the Acquired Brain Injury Waivers

In accordance with the provisions of section 17b-8 of the Connecticut General Statutes, notice is hereby given that the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services (DSS) intends to amend the Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) and Acquired Brain Injury II (ABI II) waivers to transition the case management services currently provided by department social workers to contracted entities that will be selected based on a competitive procurement. The selected contractors will address all participants' case management needs. This amendment will assist the Department in complying with the requirements contained in 42 CFR 441.301(c)(3) with respect to review of the waiver participants' person-centered service plans. This amendment will also assure compliance with 42 CFR 441.301(c)(1)(vi) by designating an independent agent to be responsible for the evaluation, assessment and plan of care functions. Case management will be an administrative service and will not be included in the calculation of the waiver participants' service plan costs.

A complete text of the waiver amendment is available, at no cost, upon request to the Home and Community Based Services Unit, Department of Social Services, 55 Farmington Ave., Hartford, Connecticut 06105; email shirlee.stoute@ct.gov. It is also available on the Department's website, www.ct.gov/dss, under "Latest News."

Any written comments regarding this waiver amendment must be submitted by **March 10, 2016** to the Department of Social Services, Home and Community Based Services Unit, 55 Farmington Ave, Hartford, CT 06105; Attention: Kathy Bruni, Director; email kathy.a.bruni@ct.gov.