Notice of Public Forum

HIV Waiver Program Description and Objectives

In April 2019, the Maine Medicaid Section 1115 Demonstration for Individuals with HIV/AIDS was granted a 10-year approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). This waiver has been operational since July 1, 2002, and it provides a defined set of MaineCare services to individuals living with HIV/AIDS who have an individual income equal to or less than 250% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) and are not otherwise eligible for MaineCare. This waiver is designed to provide more effective, early treatment of HIV by making available a limited but comprehensive package of services, including antiretroviral therapies. The State believes that early treatment and care management services provided to individuals with HIV/AIDS create efficiencies that allow MaineCare to help individuals maintain access to critical treatments, keeping the disease from progressing.

This waiver aims to improve the health status of individuals living with HIV/AIDS in Maine by:

- Improving access to continuous healthcare services;
- Arresting progression of HIV/AIDS status by providing early and optimal care coupled with high quality and cost efficiency; and
- Using the savings generated from disease prevention and the delayed onset of AIDS to expand coverage to additional low-income individuals living with HIV.

In accordance with 42 CFR Part 431.420(c), notice is hereby given that DHHS will host a post-award public forum on Wednesday, September 11, 2019. Details on the forum can be found below. Comments will be accepted through 11:59 p.m. on September 20, 2019. Please send written comments by email to Policy.DHHS@maine.gov or by mail to Division of Policy/MaineCare Services, 109 Capitol Street, 11 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0011.

Post-Award Forum Information
Date: September 11, 2019
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: Maine A & B Conference Room
State Office Building
109 Capitol Street
Augusta, ME 04330
Conference Line: (877) 455-0244
Passcode: 7155869880