

Department of Health and Human Services - Biennial Budget FY'14-15

# Medicaid Waiver for Other Related Conditions (ORC Waiver)

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1. **Request:** If these individuals are going to a lower cost setting (leaving facility level of care) why is there a cost for the program, not savings?

**Response:** The core of the Van Meter lawsuit claimed that State of Maine was in violation of Federal law by not allowing persons with CP to get ICF services. The settlement the Commissioner signed agreed to move this class of people to that level (\$198,000/year). The cost under the waiver is \$161,000. There is a cost since those individuals are currently in Nursing Home beds (\$68,000) and as each person on the Waiver moves out that Nursing Home bed will be filled.