



4 Key Principles Essential for Compliance with the HCBS Final Rule:

Choices

Choice is the right, power, or opportunity to choose; option.

Rights

A person's right is that which is morally, legally, or ethically proper.

Opportunities

An opportunity is a good position, chance, or prospect, as for advancement or success; "a set of circumstances that makes it possible to do something".

Community Integration

Integration means to give or cause to give equal opportunity and consideration to.

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Common Terms

You can find below the list of important common terms that have been shared by DDS and PCG (Public Consulting Group):

HCBS- Home and Community-Based Services include residential and day/employment support but does not include room and board costs.

Waiver- A term used to refer to the federal program that funds the home and community-based services and supports. Terms such as 1915(c) or 1915(i) identify which section of the Social Security Act (another federal regulation) that created the HCBS program

CMS- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services is the federal agency responsible for the final rule.

Medicaid- Health insurance program which pays for medical services such as doctors, hospitalizations, medication, therapies, home and community-based services, nursing facility care, etc.

Medi-Cal- California's Medicaid program

Medicaid Authority- The term CMS uses to describe the type of HCBS program and its requirements

HCBS Settings Final Rule ("Final Rule")- Federal regulation from CMS which defines what an HCBS Setting should look like and how individuals should be supported in those settings

Remediation- Process of working with providers to make changes to come into compliance with the HCBS Settings Final Rule.

Heightened Scrutiny- A term used in the Final Rule to describe a process for identifying and correcting issues or problems found during the assessment process.

Person-Centered- A practice that makes sure the person receiving supports is integral to the planning, developing, and monitoring of his/her services and supports.

DDS- California's Department of Developmental Services is the state department that oversees the local regional centers.

Setting- Location where individuals receive services, such as residential or day/employment program.

Provider Owned and Controlled Settings- Settings where supports and services are provided (residential or day/employment) in a building that the provider agency owns or leases in the company name.

Regional Center- A nonprofit private organization that contracts with DDS to provide or coordinate services and supports for individuals with developmental disabilities. They have offices throughout California to provide a local resource to help find and access the many services available to individuals and their families.

Please discuss this item with your team, and assign a note taker to compile questions, concerns or thoughts about the information above. Please provide to Maribel Garcia at margarcia@elarc.org by 10/31/2019. Thank you.