

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment 4/20/2026 – 5/22/2026

Notice of Renewal of Section 1915(c) Acquired Brain Disorder (ABD) Waiver

Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. §441.301(c)(6)(iii) notice is hereby given that the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, as the single state Medicaid agency, intends to submit a renewal of its Section 1915(c) Acquired Brain Disorder Waiver to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

This renewal is primarily a continuation of the currently approved ABD Waiver and reflects:

- Clarification on currently approved services
- Updated service limits for selected services
- Updated Performance Measures

This notice contains links to material developed by the Department regarding its renewal of the 1915(c) Acquired Brain Disorder Waiver. ABD Waiver renewal documents as well as dates, times, and locations of opportunities for public input related to this renewal can be viewed at the following link: <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/nh-developmental-disabilities-waiver-and-acquired-brain-disorder-waiver-renewal-2026-2031>

To learn more about 1915(c) waivers, please visit https://wms-mmdl.cms.gov/WMS/help/35/Instructions_TechnicalGuide_V3.6.pdf

Opportunity for Public Input

The public is invited to review and comment on this draft waiver renewal. The link to the draft waiver is provided and the draft waiver will be available for review on April 20, 2026.

The complete version of the current draft waiver renewal document is available for public review at: <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/nh-developmental-disabilities-waiver-and-acquired-brain-disorder-waiver-renewal-2026-2031>

The draft waiver renewal document may also be viewed from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM Monday through Friday at the Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Developmental Services, 105 Pleasant Street, Main Building, Concord, NH 03301-3857.

Public comments may be submitted from April 20, 2026, until May 22, 2026. Comments may be submitted by email to abdwaiver@dhhs.nh.gov or by regular mail to NH Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Developmental Services, Attn: Lindsey Magee, 105 Pleasant Street, Main Building, Concord, NH 03301-3857. A response to public comments will be available for review prior to renewal submission.

Public Comment Sessions

The State will host three public hearings during the public comment period. The dates, times and locations of these public hearings are listed below:

Wednesday, May 6, 2026

In Person:

Time: 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Location: Granite State Independent Living, 21 Chenelle Drive Concord, NH 03301

Friday, May 8, 2026

Virtual:

Time: 9:00 – 11:00 am

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Meeting ID: 288 041 346 384 04

Passcode: Ng7Z7wm3

Dial in by phone: 603-931-4944

Phone conference ID: 729 749 521#

Thursday, May 14, 2026

Virtual:

Time: 3:00 – 5:00 pm

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Meeting ID: 288 041 346 384 04

Passcode: Ng7Z7wm3

Dial in by phone: 603-931-4944

Phone conference ID: 729 749 521#

For more information about the public hearings, or to request accommodations, please contact BDS@dhhs.nh.gov or 603-271-5034