

The Arc of Washington



Changes we are concerned about for people with disabilities

- Olmstead/ Section 504- The right to the most integrated setting
- Medicaid work requirements
- Administrative burden
- Public Charge
- HR1s Impact to overall state budget

What's happening on the ground?

- People with disabilities/families afraid to access services
- Anxiety and concerns about who will be impacted
 - Work requirements
 - People with new diagnosis
 - Those waiting for disability determination (about 2 yrs)
 - People who want to work some- but fear of losing Medicaid
- DDA/HCLA changing eligibility requirements- loss of services

Our Concerns Services



Maintaining
Eligibility
for DD
Services

Preserving
Personal
Care Hours

Keeping
Waiver
Services
Intact

Sustaining
Provider
Rates

IMPACT OF CHANGES TO DDA ELIGIBILITY



Proposed Changes to eligibility for Home & Community Based Services or Personal Care Services would make 2655 individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities no longer eligible for services

**ELIGIBILITY
CHANGES
PROPOSED**



If enacted 2655 individuals on the Developmental Disability Caseload would lose all paid services

**Loss of Medicaid
Waiver**



- 874 living at home would lose the Individual & Family Services waiver, that provides things like respite, medical equipment
- 325 would lose non-waiver out of home respite services

**LOSS OF
SUPPORT**



- 195 individuals would lose Community Residential Services
- 471 would lose Personal Care Services
- 1170 would lose Supported Employment or Community Inclusion Services

LOSE MEDICAID



Without their waiver, many of these individuals would lose their access to all Medicaid services including crucial Medical care

**Worse and More
Costly Outcomes**



Without Critical Medicaid & Support services individuals could become homeless, sicker or unstable. This would lead to more costly services and poorer quality of life.

Taking people off the waiver, may lead to losing access to Medicaid Completely

What proposed cuts would mean in DDA

2655 would not longer be eligible for DDA paid services

195 lose residential services

471 lose Personal Care Services

874 losing the Individual & Family Services Waiver

325 losing out of home non-waiver respite

1170 would lose Supported Employment Services

What proposed cuts would mean in HCLA

4,693 distinct Long-Term Care clients will no longer qualify

1613 individuals living in Home & Community-based Services (HCBS) residential settings

560 individuals living in skilled nursing facilities

2520 individuals living in private homes

Our Message



Protect
Disability Services



Protect
Community Living



Protect
Disability Rights

Thank you!



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