

Florida Medicaid MEDS-AD 1115 Research and Demonstration Waiver

Renewal Request June 30, 2013



What is the MEDS-AD Program?

- As authorized in 409.904(1), Florida Statutes, the MEDS-AD Program provides Medicaid eligibility for individuals who:
 - Are disabled or age 65 or over
 - Are also receiving Medicaid-covered institutional care services, hospice services, or home and community-based services
 - Have incomes that do not exceed 88 percent of the federal poverty level and assets that do not exceed \$5,000 for individuals or \$6,000 for couples

What does the Agency intend to demonstrate with this waiver?

This demonstration project seeks to show that access to health care services and voluntary pharmacy case reviews result in measurably improved health outcomes for this population.

What is the impact of this renewal on other components of the Florida Medicaid program?

- The renewal does not impact any other eligibility or service provisions of the Agency's Medicaid or CHIP programs.
- Renewal of the waiver would simply allow the Agency to maintain eligibility for this population, and all services would continue as in the current program.

Why is the Agency Holding these Public Meetings?

- In order to continue to provide Medicaid eligibility for this group, the Agency must obtain federal approval to renew the MEDS-AD Program, which is currently set to expire December 31, 2013.
- The renewal application must be submitted 6 months prior to the expiration date.

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- Public Comment Period:

May 1 – May 30, 2013

- Public Meeting Locations:

**May 15: Medicaid Area Office 6, Tampa,
Florida – via webinar**

**May 28: Medical Care Advisory Committee,
Tallahassee, Florida**

Additional Methods for Public Input:

A link to the public notice document concerning this renewal request, instructions for how to submit comments, and a link to the Federal Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services may be found at <http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/index.shtml> . Click on the quick link for MEDS-AD Waiver Renewal. All interested stakeholders will be able to provide comments for 30 days, from May 1 through May 30, 2013. The Agency will post all comments received for public review at the above website address.

Email:

Members of the media should contact the Office of Communications at AHCACommunications@ahca.myflorida.com, or by calling 850-412-3623.

Members of the public can email comments about the MEDS-AD program to MEDS-ADRenewal@ahca.myflorida.com , or **mail** them to:

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