

NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

The Director of the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services hereby issues the following proposed DDS Policy pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 20-48-101 et seq.

The Arkansas Department of Human Services is updating the Community and Employment Support (CES) Waiver; the CES Provider Manual, and the Certification Standards for CES Providers.

These Amendments are being made to require that all CES Waiver participants join a PASSE. These amendments also change the existing case management service to care coordination, as defined in the PASSE program. Care coordination is a broader service that will be provided to Waiver beneficiaries who have not been attributed to a PASSE. Once the beneficiary is attributed to a PASSE, the PASSE will begin providing care coordination under a 1915(b) Waiver.

The proposed policy is available for review at the Division of Disability Services, Director's Office, 5th floor Donaghey Plaza North Building, 7th and Main Streets, P. O. Box 1437, Slot N501, Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-1437. You may also access it on the Medicaid website (www.medicaid.state.ar.us) or the DDS Website (<http://humanservices.arkansas.gov/ddds/Pages/default.aspx>). All comments must be submitted in writing, at the above address or to Shelby.maldonado@dhs.arkansas.gov, no later than midnight August 11, 2017.

On August 8, 2017 from 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., the Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Medical Services; Division of Developmental Disabilities Services and Division of Aging and Adult Services will hold a public hearing in the Jack D. Wilson Activity Room at the Arkansas Enterprises for the Developmentally Disabled Multipurpose Center, 105 East Roosevelt, Little Rock.

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