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## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

### COMP WAIVER RENEWAL

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Georgia  
Department of  
Behavioral Health  
& Developmental  
Disabilities**GEORGIA DEPARTMENT  
OF COMMUNITY HEALTH**

### A Memorandum from Commissioners Caylee Noggle and Judy Fitzgerald

We are pleased to announce the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) recently approved the state's renewal application for the 1915(c) Comprehensive Supports (COMP) Waiver for individuals with Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities.

The renewal of the COMP waiver paves the way for an array of service enrichments including the addition of a telehealth option for several services, a new service—Assistive Technology—and other service enhancements designed to benefit the thousands of Georgians receiving COMP services and their families.

This necessary federal approval also serves as a prerequisite for other changes that will be submitted to CMS via waiver amendment; most notably, we will seek to adopt the rate increases currently being operationalized via the Appendix K. An upcoming COMP amendment will incorporate the 5 percent rate increases from the Fiscal Year 2022 appropriations bill and a 2 percent rate increase from Fiscal Year 2023 appropriations bill.

DBHDD and DCH will continue to provide updates. We know these are crucial services for individuals and families, and we deeply value our partnerships at the individual, family, community, state, and federal levels. For more information on the COMP waiver renewal, [click here](#).

**MEMORANDUM**

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