



Do you or a family member use disability waiver services?

The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) wants to hear from you about a project called Waiver Reimagine. It will simplify the waiver system and create more options for you and your family.

We value your input to shape how we carry out and communicate about Waiver Reimagine. Now, we want to tell you more about Waiver Reimagine and how you can share your thoughts about it.

What is the disability waiver system?

Waivers are a way to pay for home and community-based services that support you to live in the community, rather than an institution. They help you take part in community activities and support you at work. Currently, the four disability waivers are: Brain Injury (BI), Community Alternative Care (CAC), Community Access for Disability Inclusion (CADI) and Developmental Disabilities (DD).

Advocacy is an important part of the process. For decades, people, families and advocates have worked with the state to create this system of home and community-based services and supports. That advocacy has played a big role in making the system more person-centered. It also informs the improvements we are making now.

What is Waiver Reimagine?

As the need for waiver programs grows, we must respond to challenges that people and families have told us about. The waiver system should support you to lead a meaningful life based on your goals and what is important to you.

Waiver Reimagine is intended to address the challenges people and families have raised. We recently heard common concerns about waiver programs, including how:

- Waiver programs are too complex and difficult to understand.
- People feel like there is a lack of information.
- There is limited flexibility, control and choice over services.

Waiver Reimagine is meant to respond to these concerns by:

- Making the waiver system easier for you to understand and use.
- Empowering you with more control over your services.
- Providing equity across waiver programs and people.



What does Waiver Reimagine mean for me?

Waiver Reimagine will simplify the waiver service menu. The improvements will give you more options, control and flexibility to choose your services and supports. This will:

- Make waiver programs easier to understand, while ensuring you still get the supports you need.
- Help you more easily say what is important to you and for you.
- Make it simpler to match the right services to your needs.

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What happens next?

During the next several years, we will work with you, your family members, advocates, providers, tribal nations and counties to make more improvements to waiver programs. Your feedback is crucial.

How do I share my thoughts or learn more about Waiver Reimagine?

There are many ways you can share your feedback. You can:

- ➔ Email DHS at Waiver.Reimagine@state.mn.us with questions or input.
- ➔ Follow the [Waiver Reimagine page](#), as we will update it often.
- ➔ Join us for a series of online events designed to gather your input.

The Waiver Reimagine events page has details about the events and information about how to join. The table below outlines the schedule.

Month	Event topic
August	Simplifying the waiver service menu
September	Simplifying the four current waivers into two waivers
October (two events)	Individual budgeting
November	Reviewing the Waiver Reimagine 2021 Legislative Report

Learn more:

- ➔ Watch this [short video introduction to Waiver Reimagine](#).
- ➔ Visit the [Disability Hub MN website](#).
- ➔ Subscribe to get [DHS Disability Services Division eList announcements](#).

Click on the feedback tab to enter your email.



Input about how people experience the waiver system has shaped Waiver Reimagine’s goals and the project’s course. As we move forward, your feedback will continue to guide our work. **Thank you for getting involved!**

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