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Attention:
Providers of CAP I/DD and Innovations Waiver

**Services and Local Management Entity-Managed Care
Organizations (LME-MCOs)**

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The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has approved the N.C. Innovations Waiver effective December 1, 2012. For more information on N.C. Innovations follow www.ncdhhs.gov/dma/lme/NCInnovations.html.

NC Innovations Clinical Policy 8P is being updated, based on both public comment and waiver changes. When it is finalized, it will be posted here on the DMA website: www.ncdhhs.gov/dma/mp/index.htm.

| This waiver approval authorizes North Carolina to:

- expand the service area to include 34 of the remaining 35 counties and transition individuals from the Comprehensive HCBS Waiver and the Supports waivers into expanded service areas
- increase waiver capacity
- clarify that parents and certain other individuals may not provide Residential Supports
- update the Community Guide and Home Modification definitions
- correct waiver Personal Care Service (PCS) requirements to reflect relatives and legal guardians can serve as providers
- change the qualifications in Behavior Analyst provider type per new State legislative change
- remove the language that required prepaid inpatient health plans use the same reimbursement rate for all providers of the same service
- update Appendix I to reflect counties no longer contribute to the non-federal share

| Important Points:

- slots associated with the increased waiver capacity are being distributed to the MCOs on a per capita basis
- MCOs will be receiving information on their additional N.C. Innovations slots shortly
- **As a reminder, beneficiaries currently receiving CAP-I/DD services will transition to N.C. Innovation services without losing their Medicaid Waiver slot**

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