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Individuals with Developmental Disabilities Receiving OAAS Waiver Services Transitioning to the OCDD Residential Options Waiver

Starting in January 2016, people with developmental disabilities who have been determined eligible for services from the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD) will no longer receive services through the Office of Aging and Adult Services' (OAAS) Community Choices or Adult Day Health Care Waivers, nor will they remain on the waiting list for these waivers. Instead, they will receive all their services through the developmental disability service system.

OCDD and OAAS have been working together to identify all affected persons and ensure they receive appropriate communication notifying them of these changes. Those affected individuals currently receiving services through an OAAS waiver will transition to the Residential Options Waiver (ROW) over the course of calendar year 2016 when their current plan of care expires. These waiver recipients will be able to keep their current providers.

Some individuals were identified who are on an OAAS waiver waiting list even though they are currently receiving comprehensive services through a developmental disabilities waiver. These individuals are being removed from the OAAS waiver waiting lists.

Additional individuals determined eligible for OCDD services who are on an OAAS waiver waiting list will move to the ROW waiting list.

Letters explaining all of these changes were mailed on November 3, 2015. Additional questions should be directed to the OAAS Help Line at 1-866-758-5035 or the OCDD ROW Program Manager, Jeannathan Anderson at 225-342-5647.

