

Customized Living Tool for CADI and BI Waivers

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Background

To meet the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) requirements, the Department of Human Services (DHS) must adopt uniform rate methods/standards that apply to each waiver service to ensure:

- Equitable payments across all areas of the state
- Rate differences based on concrete indicators
- Rate variations capture the individualized nature of services

Disability Waivers Rates System

- Counties use uniform rate-setting process and standards so providers are paid consistent rates across the state
- Consistent rates help lead agencies accommodate individuals who move to other counties to obtain services
- Meets CMS requirements for the administration of disability waiver services
- Simplifies accounting and cross-county administrative processes

Why Use the Customized Living Tool?

Using the Customized Living Tool for settings larger than 5, providing Customized Living(CL), 24 hour CL or Residential Care

- “Shared staffing” is a fundamental component of the Residential Frameworks
- That structure works better in smaller settings; e.g. 5 or less
- Using the CL tool captures individualized service delivery within a larger setting
- Understanding the individual services in these settings provides data to inform us about designing a rate structure for those environments

In 2012...

Begin using the CL tool for CADI and BI recipients living in setting larger than 5,

Enter information in conjunction with recipient six month and annual reviews,

Collaborate with your local colleagues in Aging, as needed to better understand how the tool works,

Participate in ongoing dialogue regarding implementation

Finding the CL Tool Web Page

- Go to www.dhs.state.mn.us
- Pick **A-Z Topics** in the panel to the left
- Select **Elderly Waiver** from the topics list
- Select **Proposed EW Customized Living Tools** link at the bottom of the page

OR

- Open any CL Tool and go to the **Error Report Page**
- Go to the bottom of the sheet. Click the link '**Latest Tool Version and documents may be found here**'

Thank you for attending the Webinar

For questions related to the Disability Waivers
Rates System or the Rate Setting Methodology
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