

DSD eList announcement

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To: Lead agency staff

From: DHS Disability Services Division

Purpose: To inform lead agencies about a series of focus groups with people who receive disability waiver services

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DHS plans to hold Waiver Reimagine focus groups

DHS will conduct a series of focus groups with people who receive waiver services in late October. The focus groups are part of [Waiver Reimagine](#), DHS' ongoing work to improve Minnesota's four disability waiver programs.

People who receive disability waiver services will share input on ways for DHS to:

- Increase the cultural awareness and responsiveness of our systems.
- Simplify the waiver system.
- Communicate available options.
- Allow people who receive services to have more control of their services.
- Encourage independence for people who receive services.

DHS partnered with [DeYoung Consulting Services](#) to conduct the focus groups. At this time, lead agencies do not have to take any action. This eList is for informational purposes. If people you support share they are participating and have questions about the process, please encourage them to email christopher@deyoungconsultingservices.com.

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