

Archive of AASD eList announcements

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Overview	<p>This page is an archive of announcements the DHS Aging and Adult Services Division (AASD) has sent during the past two years.</p> <p>Note: DHS moved this content to the CBSM on Feb. 12, 2024.</p>	
Terminology	<p>The terminology used to describe people with developmental disabilities has changed over time. While DHS supports the use of "people-first" language within its documents, you might still find outdated terms within historical and official documents such as statutes, reports and third-party material.</p>	
December 2025	<p>12/23/25: New resources about direct care professional compensation</p> <p>12/23/25: Minnesota direct care staffing shortage impact annual survey</p> <p>12/16/25: Successful completion of the HCBS settings rules CAP for 1915c wa and AC program</p> <p>12/16/25: CFSS implementation updates</p> <p>12/16/25: New MnCAT modules on conversational interviewing</p> <p>12/16/25: Some online forms will be offline during software upgrade Dec. 17, 2025</p> <p>12/11/25: All clear to enter and change service agreements in MMIS</p> <p>12/10/25: Updated: Some online forms will be offline during software upgrade Dec. 17, 2025</p> <p>12/9/25: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>12/9/25: New program integrity website</p> <p>12/9/25: Resources for COLA and enhanced budget increases to CDCS and CDDCS budgets</p> <p>12/9/25: Some online forms will be offline during software upgrade Dec. 11, 2025</p> <p>12/4/25: Reminder: Do not add or make changes to MMIS service agreements Dec. 5-10, 2025</p> <p>12/2/25: Care professional resources</p> <p>12/2/25: Do not add or make changes to MMIS service agreements Dec. 5-10, 2025</p>	
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October 2025	<p>10/28/25: HIV care and prevention webinar</p> <p>10/28/25: 2025 HCBS employee-owned cooperative grants pilot program summary</p> <p>10/28/25: 2025-2026 NCI initiative</p> <p>10/21/25: Final year of Minnesota Age & Disabilities Odyssey</p> <p>10/14/25: CFSS information sessions</p> <p>10/14/25: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>10/14/25: Rate and budget changes on Jan. 1, 2026</p>	
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	<p>5/27/25: AC and ECS eligibility worksheet updates</p> <p>5/27/25: CFSS implementation updates</p> <p>5/27/25: More information about MnCHOICES initial assessments validity extension</p> <p>5/23/25: DHS requests public comments on an HCBS evidentiary package</p> <p>5/20/25: Odyssey webinar recording for "The Art of Access"</p> <p>5/20/25: Reminder: Help shape the future of training for aging services professionals</p> <p>5/20/25: Additional guidance on 2025 rate adjustments for transitional services MMIS</p> <p>5/13/25: Webinar announcement: PCA and CFSS Cost Reporting Demonstration and Q&A</p> <p>5/13/25: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>5/6/25: Help shape the future of training for aging services</p> <p>5/6/25: MMIS exception code 635 for transitional services update</p>
April 2025	<p>4/29/25: Webinar about the sensory equipment category of assistive technology</p> <p>4/22/25: Supporting new Americans in the LTC workforce grant program listening session</p> <p>4/22/25: CFSS implementation updates</p> <p>4/15/25: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>4/15/25: Instructions for MMIS errors</p> <p>4/8/25: CFSS implementation updates</p> <p>4/1/25: Waiver-funded assistance for community emergencies or disasters</p> <p>4/1/25: MnCHOICES initial assessments validity extension</p>
March 2025	<p>3/25/25: Reminder: Register for Odyssey webinar "The Art of Access"</p> <p>3/25/25: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>3/25/25: Feedback about provider reimbursement for worker overtime</p> <p>3/25/25: Lead agency instructions to avoid gaps in services</p> <p>3/18/25: CFSS implementation updates</p> <p>3/18/25: Reminder: Extension to complete provider costs and wages survey</p> <p>3/11/25: Register for Odyssey webinar "The Art of Access"</p> <p>3/11/25: Culture of Safety, Systemic Critical Incident Review: Annual public report posted</p> <p>3/11/25: Survey about reimbursement for overtime</p> <p>3/4/25: Training on Minnesota Rules, chapter 9544</p> <p>3/4/25: 2021 HCBS Workforce Development Grant report</p> <p>3/4/25: CFSS implementation updates</p> <p>3/4/25: Extension to complete provider costs and wages survey</p>
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January 2025	<p>1/28/25: Webinar about technology for elopement and wandering</p> <p>1/28/25: Webinar announcement: Comprehensive Training on the Assisted Living License and CL Services</p> <p>1/28/25: EAA service limit increase for AC and EW</p> <p>1/28/25: Recent CBSM updates</p>

	1/21/25: DHS to continue DWRS cost reporting and begin CFSS cost reporting 1/21/25: MnCHOICES user access recertification 1/21/25: CFSS implementation updates 1/21/25: Upcoming survey about provider costs and wages for rate methodology evaluation 1/21/25: CDCS policy updates 1/14/25: EW amendment approved by CMS 1/14/25: Rate increases and changes to select MHM services 1/7/25: How the Senior LinkAge Line can and cannot help 1/7/25: MnCHOICES benchmarks annual report published 1/7/25: CFSS implementation updates 1/7/25: LTSS Improvement Tools discontinued
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	<p>10/29/24: How to use MnCHOICES for people enrolled in managed care and disability waiver</p> <p>10/29/24: DHS to begin CFSS cost reporting</p> <p>10/29/24: EVV requirements for Safe at Home program</p> <p>10/29/24: Complex transitions referral form to open to all lead agencies</p> <p>10/29/24: Reminder: DHS requests public comments on acute care transitions</p> <p>10/22/24: CFSS implementation updates</p> <p>10/22/24: COVID-19 wind-down policy clarifications</p> <p>10/16/24: DHS requests public comments on HCBS evidentiary packages</p> <p>10/15/24: DHS requests public comments on acute care transitions</p> <p>10/15/24: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>10/15/24: CFSS implementation updates</p> <p>10/15/24: CLQI grant RFP</p> <p>10/15/24: PolicyQuest search function ends for adult protection, aging and disability services</p> <p>10/8/24: Webinar on how to talk about technology during the MnCHOICES assessment</p> <p>10/8/24: Register to attend Minnesota's Self-Direction Connection Conference</p> <p>10/8/24: Asset assessment policy change for married people who apply for AC</p> <p>10/1/24: Reminder: Register for the annual Minnesota Gathering in November</p> <p>10/1/24: MMIS updates for CFSS implementation</p> <p>10/1/24: CFSS implementation begins Oct. 1, 2024</p>
September 2024	<p>9/24/24: Webinar announcement: EVV Lunch and Learn</p> <p>9/24/24: Reminder: EW customized living services rate floor adjustments for disproportionate share facilities</p> <p>9/24/24: CFSS resource for workers now available</p> <p>9/24/24: What to expect when MnCHOICES legacy applications retire on Oct. 2024</p> <p>9/17/24: Watch The Principles of Disability Justice webinar recording</p> <p>9/17/24: Self-paced online course: CFSS MMIS Updates Training</p> <p>9/17/24: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>9/17/24: Workplace rights and minimum wage requirements</p> <p>9/17/24: DHS publishes CFSS individual service delivery plan template</p> <p>9/10/24: Advancing Your Skills: Enhancing Support Plans webinar series update</p> <p>9/10/24: DHS begins EVV compliance enforcement</p> <p>9/3/24: Register for the annual Minnesota Gathering in November 2024</p> <p>9/3/24: MnCHOICES legacy systems retirement</p>
August 2024	<p>8/27/24: EW customized living services rate floor adjustment for disproportionate share facilities</p> <p>8/27/24: Final version of the CFSS Policy Manual now available</p> <p>8/26/24: DHS requests public comments on EW plan amendments</p> <p>8/20/24: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>8/13/24: Feedback about barriers to transition from emergency rooms and hospitals</p> <p>8/13/24: RFP to analyze funding models for direct support workers</p> <p>8/13/24: HCBS labor market survey instructions</p> <p>8/6/24: EVV provider training session</p> <p>8/6/24: Reminder: Register for the Odyssey webinar "The Principles of Disability Justice"</p> <p>8/6/24: Long-term services and supports workforce incentive payments for DSH</p>
July 2024	<p>7/30/24: CFSS online trainings available</p> <p>7/30/24: Reminder: Save the date for the annual Minnesota Gathering in November</p>

	<p>2024</p> <p>7/30/24: EVV provider onboarding session</p> <p>7/30/24: Spouses and parents of minors can be paid to provide PCA services</p> <p>7/30/24: EVV compliance reminder</p> <p>7/30/24: EVV survey</p> <p>7/30/24: Assisted living verification code requirement ends Aug. 1</p> <p>7/30/24: Policy change to allow access to MHM TC with AMH-TCM, CMH-TCM, BHH and ACT</p> <p>7/30/24: Legislative changes to PTO for CDCS and CSG workers</p> <p>7/23/24: Registration for Odyssey webinar now open</p> <p>7/23/24: Brochures and videos about how to get help with MnCHOICES assessments</p> <p>7/16/24: HCBS Workforce Development Grant update</p> <p>7/16/24: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>7/16/24: Reminder: Opportunities to give feedback on crisis, positive support, respite and specialist services</p> <p>7/9/24: Webinar announcement: CDCS unbundling project</p> <p>7/2/24: DHS requests public comments on HCBS evidentiary packages</p> <p>7/2/24: EVV compliance update</p> <p>7/2/24: RFP to analyze funding models for direct support worker retirement benefits</p>
June 2024	<p>6/25/24: Save the date for the annual Minnesota Gathering in November 2024</p> <p>6/25/24: Spanish and Russian translations of the PCA/CFSS worker training and test</p> <p>6/25/24: Opportunities to give feedback on crisis, positive support, respite and specialist services</p> <p>6/25/24: Housing Stabilization Services survey</p> <p>6/25/24: Save information from in-progress online forms before July 12</p> <p>6/25/24: Federal mileage rate increase</p> <p>6/21/24: Emergency and disaster assistance for people receiving waiver services</p> <p>6/18/24: Reminder: Webinar announcement: Advancing Your Skills: Enhancing Support Plans</p> <p>6/18/24: Updates to the AC and ECS eligibility worksheets</p> <p>6/18/24: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>6/18/24: Olmstead disability inclusion and choice survey</p> <p>6/11/24: Update to webinar announcement: EVV Quarterly Updates</p> <p>6/11/24: MnCHOICES revision project update about assessment results and C budgets</p> <p>6/11/24: Policy change to allow waivers/AC to stay open for 30 days during incarceration</p> <p>6/7/24: Phase 4 of the MnCHOICES revision launch will begin on July 1, 2024</p>
May 2024	<p>5/28/24: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>5/28/24: Survey about service suspension and termination form development</p> <p>5/21/24: Reminder: Register for the Odyssey webinar "From Either/Or to Both/And: When Disability and Aging Intersect"</p> <p>5/21/24: DHS will no longer allow lead agencies to bypass MMIS exception code 951</p> <p>5/21/24: DHS plans to review, update and archive PartnerLink MnCHOICES webpages</p> <p>5/21/24: EVV contact information update</p> <p>5/16/24: DHS requests public comments on CFSS Policy Manual</p> <p>5/14/24: Webinar announcement: Advancing Your Skills: Enhancing Support Plans</p> <p>5/14/24: Changes to the Direct Support Connect website</p>

	5/8/24: DHS announces CFSS implementation timeline 5/7/24: Policy change to remove MHM Y indicator eligibility requirement in the LTC screening document 5/7/24: Grants available to HCBS providers that support rural and underserved communities
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<p>August 2023</p>	<p>8/29/23: 2023 Odyssey webinar series – Registration for GEAR Grantee Show webinar now open</p> <p>8/29/23: Webinar announcement: Building Your Skills: Developing a Support Plan Episode 13: Backup Planning</p> <p>8/22/23: EW customized living services rate floor adjustments for disproportionate share facilities</p> <p>8/22/23: Case manager and care coordinator toolkit reminder</p> <p>8/15/23: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>8/15/23: Conversational Agent tool now available for MnCHOICES assessors</p> <p>8/8/23: Reminder: Register for Major Change Initiatives webinar</p> <p>8/1/23: Electronic visit verification welcome letter available in MN-ITS boxes</p>
<p>July 2023</p>	<p>7/25/23: Reminder: AASD and DSD communications feedback survey</p> <p>7/18/23: 2023 Odyssey webinar series – Registration for Major Change Initiatives webinar now open</p> <p>7/18/23: Webinar announcement: Building Your Skills: Developing a Support Plan Episode 12: Rights and Informed Decision Making</p> <p>7/18/23: How to identify assisted-living facilities that are MHM-qualified community residences</p> <p>7/18/23: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>7/18/23: Remote assessments: End of COVID-19 protocols and start of new remote assessment policy</p> <p>7/18/23: EVV start date for home health providers</p> <p>7/18/23: New EVV policy pages</p> <p>7/18/23: Reminder: AASD and DSD communications feedback survey</p> <p>7/11/23: Remote adult day training information</p> <p>7/11/23: AC and ECS asset policy during the unwinding period</p> <p>7/11/23: AASD and DSD communications feedback survey</p> <p>7/5/23: Reminder: Register for 2023 Legislative Updates webinar</p> <p>7/5/23: DHS launches third year of HCBS labor market survey</p>
<p>June 2023</p>	<p>6/30/23: Update on launch of MnCHOICES revision project</p> <p>6/30/23: Increase to background study rates for CDCS</p> <p>6/27/23: EW renewal approved by CMS</p> <p>6/27/23: Changes to family caregiver services through AC, ECS, EW and MHM</p> <p>6/20/23: Webinar announcement: Office Hours: Overnight Supports</p> <p>6/20/23: Webinar announcement: Understanding DME</p> <p>6/20/23: Webinar announcement: EVV Quarterly Updates</p> <p>6/20/23: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>6/20/23: Update on launch of MnCHOICES revision project</p>

	<p>6/13/23: 2023 Odyssey webinar series – Registration for 2023 Legislative Update webinar now open</p> <p>6/13/23: "Building Your Skills" webinar series returns with new session about informed choice</p> <p>6/13/23: 2023 Odyssey webinar series – A second session with Donte Curtis</p> <p>6/13/23: Updates to the AC and ECS eligibility worksheets</p> <p>6/13/23: Case manager and care coordinator toolkit reminder</p> <p>6/13/23: DEED launches direct care professional recruitment campaign</p> <p>6/13/23: Using revised MnCHOICES application for people enrolled in managed care and on a disability waiver</p> <p>6/13/23: Federal mileage rate increase</p> <p>6/13/23: Changes to customized living moratorium exception</p> <p>6/13/23: EVV PCA supervision update</p> <p>6/6/23: Quality of life assessment and communication tools now available in multiple languages</p> <p>6/6/23: State makes more direct care professionals eligible for grant funds</p> <p>6/6/23: EVV Phase 3: Soft launch for MCO providers</p>
May 2023	<p>5/16/23: CFSS trainings available</p> <p>5/16/23: Apply for grant initiatives, including retention bonuses and training stipends</p> <p>5/16/23: Updates on the HCBS Settings Rule transition</p> <p>5/16/23: Updates to MnCHOICES Help Desk Contact Form</p> <p>5/12/23: Temporary extension of COVID-19 modification allowing parents of minors and spouses to provide PCA services</p> <p>5/9/23: More self-study recommendations for "Building your skills" webinar series</p> <p>5/9/23: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>5/9/23: EVV updates</p> <p>5/9/23: Permanent remote adult day services available July 1, 2023</p> <p>5/2/23: Information session: Upcoming campaign to recruit direct care professionals</p> <p>5/2/23: Past preadmission screenings (PAS) will be no longer available</p>
April 2023	<p>4/26/23: Update on launch of MnCHOICES revision project</p> <p>4/25/23: Webinar announcement: 245D virtual roundtable series</p> <p>4/25/23: 2023 Odyssey webinar series – Workforce shortage</p> <p>4/25/23: Virtual training sessions about using positive support practices</p> <p>4/25/23: Information about the end of continuous coverage for AC</p> <p>4/25/23: Updated: Waiver eligibility and MA financial eligibility renewals and the end of the continuous coverage period</p> <p>4/25/23: Emergency and disaster assistance for people receiving waiver services</p> <p>4/18/23: Recent CBSM updates</p> <p>4/13/23: Update on launch of MnCHOICES revision project</p> <p>4/11/23: More self-study recommendations for "Building your skills" webinar series</p> <p>4/11/23: 2023 Odyssey webinar series – Topics, dates and times</p> <p>4/11/23: SASD Support Team discontinuing fax forms</p> <p>4/11/23: Updated: Use LTC screening document Mini-Cog field starting April 1, 2023</p> <p>4/11/23: Waiver eligibility and MA financial eligibility renewals and the ends of continuous coverage period</p> <p>4/6/23: Pause on launch of MnCHOICES revision project</p> <p>4/4/23: Information session: Consider becoming an HCBS cooperative</p> <p>4/4/23: Study about funding LTSS</p> <p>4/4/23: Case management face-to-face requirements resume Nov. 1, 2023</p>

	4/4/23: New and updated MnCHOICES communication forms/documents 4/4/23: State Plan on Aging open for public comment 4/4/23: Use LTC screening document Mini-Cog field starting April 10, 2023
March 2023	3/28/23: Update on launch of MnCHOICES revision project 3/28/23: Waiver amendments approved by CMS 3/28/23: Update to MnCHOICES lead agency transfer form 3/28/23: Do not use LTSS Improvement Tool after revised MnCHOICES launch 3/21/23: 2023 Odyssey webinar series 3/21/23: Webinar about assistive technology for people you support 3/21/23: Recent CBSM updates 3/14/23: More self-study recommendations for "Building your skills" webinar series 3/14/23: Updated Service Agreement and Screening Document (SASD) Support Team forms now available 3/14/23: Requirements for electronic visit verification compliance 3/10/23: Changes to AASD and DSD eList format 3/7/23: Updates to policy about reassessments for changes in condition
February 2023	2/17/23: Update on CFSS implementation timeline 2/17/23: End of the federal public health emergency and wind down of current COVID-19 waivers 2/17/23: Recent CBSM updates 2/16/23: Status of the MnCHOICES revision project 2/16/23: More self-study recommendations for "Building your skills" webinar series 2/15/23: End to COVID-19 emergency staffing program 2/9/23: Status of the MnCHOICES revision project 2/1/23: Self-study recommendations for "Building your skills" webinar series
January 2023	1/25/23: DHS requests public comments on EW application 1/24/23: Electronic visit verification updates 1/20/23: Update on MMIS authorizations for chore services 1/13/23: Annual EAA training set for Jan. 30 1/12/23: Support plan training in 2023 1/11/23: Recent CBSM updates 1/10/23: Positive supports training for organizations 1/9/23: Updates to the AC and ECS eligibility worksheets 1/9/23: Webinar about identifying and overcoming obstacles to AT and remote support
Additional resources	CBSM – AASD eLists