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The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) published regulations for Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) which became effective on March 17, 2014. All states must meet new requirements for individuals who receive services under a home and community based waiver.

CMS requires all states to develop a Transition Plan for each waiver program that is affected by this rule. The plan sets out how the state will assess current settings, and must include strategies, and timelines for meeting the requirements of the new rules. This plan will be developed with valued stakeholder input.

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) would like your comments on this draft Transition Plan before it is finalized and submitted to CMS. Links to the plan are available below.

[North Carolina DHHS HCBS Final Rule Transition Plan](#)

*To request hard copies of Transition Plan document, please email HCBSTransPlan@dhhs.nc.gov