WAIVER PARTICIPANT'S RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES MEDICAID WAIVER Nursing Home Transition and Diversion Waiver (NHTD)

All individuals participating in a Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Medicaid waiver are ensured specific rights regarding the delivery of waiver services.

Waiver Participant's Rights

As a Waiver Participant You Have the Right to:

- 1. Be informed of your rights prior to receiving waiver services;
- 2. Receive services without regard to race, religion, color, creed, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, marital status, or disability;
- 3. Be treated as an individual with consideration, dignity and respect including but not limited to person, residence and possessions;
- 4. Have services provided that support your health and welfare;
- 5. Assume reasonable risks and have the opportunity to learn from these experiences;
- 6. Be provided with an explanation of all services available in the Nursing Home Transition and Diversion Waiver (NHTD) waiver and other health and community resources that may benefit you;
- 7. Have the opportunity to participate in the development, review and approval of all Service Plans, including any changes to the Service Plan;
- 8. Select service providers and choose to receive additional waiver services from different agencies or different providers within the same agency without jeopardizing participation in the waiver;
- 9. Request a change in services (add, increase, decrease or discontinue) at any time;
- 10. Be fully informed of the process for requesting an Informal Conference and Fair Hearing upon receipt of a Notice of Decision or at any time while a participant of the NHTD waiver;
- 11. Be informed of the name and duties of any person providing services to you under the Service Plan;
- 12. Have input into when and how waiver services will be provided;
- 13. Receive services from approved, qualified individuals;
- 14. Receive from the Service Coordinator, in writing, a list of names, telephone numbers, and supervisors for all waiver service providers, the RRDS, QMS, and the NHTD Complaint Line;

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- 15. Refuse care, treatment and services after being fully informed of and understanding the potential risks and consequences of such actions;
- 16. Have your privacy respected, including the confidentiality of personal records, and have the right to refuse the release of the information to anyone not authorized to have such records, except in the case of your transfer to a health care facility or as required by law or Medicaid requirements;
- 17. Submit complaints about any violation of rights and any concerns regarding services provided, without jeopardizing your participation in the waiver and not being subject to restraint, interference, coercion, discrimination or reprisal as a result of submitting a complaint;
- 18. Receive support and direction from the Service Coordinator to resolve your concerns and complaints about services and service providers;
- 19. Receive additional support and direction from the RRDS, QMS and DOH Waiver Management Staff as desired or in the event that your Service Coordinator is not successful in resolving concerns and complaints about services and service providers;
- 20. Have your complaints responded to and be informed of the final resolution of the investigation;
- 21. Have your service providers protect and promote your ability to exercise all rights identified in this document:
- 22. Have all rights and responsibilities outlined in this document forwarded to your court appointed legal guardian or others authorized to act on your behalf; and
- 23. Participate in surveys inquiring about your experiences as an NHTD waiver participant. This includes the right to refuse to participate in experience surveys without jeopardizing your continued participation in the NHTD waiver program.

Waiver Participant's Responsibilities

As a Waiver Participant You Are Responsible to:

- 1. Work with your Service Coordinator to develop/revise your Service Plan to assure timely reauthorization of the Service Plan;
- 2. Work with your waiver providers as described in your current Service Plan;
- 3. Follow your Service Plan and notifying your Service Coordinator if problems occur;
- 4. Talk to your Service Coordinator and other waiver providers if you want to change your goals or services;

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- 5. Provide to the best of your knowledge, complete and accurate medical history including all prescribed and over-the-counter medications you are taking and understand the risk(s) associated with your decisions about care;
- 6. Inform the Service Coordinator about all treatments and interventions you are involved in;
- 7. Maintain your home in a manner which enables you to safely live in the community;
- 8. Ask questions when you do not understand your services;
- Not participate in any criminal behavior. You understand that, if you do, your service provider(s) may leave, the police may be called and your continuation in the waiver program may be jeopardized;
- 10. Report any significant changes in your medical condition, circumstances, informal supports and formal supports to your Service Coordinator;
- Provide accurate information related to your coverage under Medicaid (including recertification and spend-down), Medicare or other medically-related insurance programs to your Service Coordinator;
- 12. Notify all providers as soon as possible if the scheduled service visit needs to be rescheduled or changed;
- 13. Notify appropriate person(s) should any problems occur or if you are dissatisfied with services provided; and
- 14. Show respect and consideration for staff and their property.

I have read this Waiver Participant's Rights and Responsibilities form, or it has been read to me and I understand its contents and purpose as written. I understand that failure to adhere to the responsibilities described in this Waiver Participant Agreement and/or my signed current Service Plan may result in termination from the waiver.

Applicant/Participant Name	Signature	Date
Legal Guardian/Committee Name (if applicable)	Signature	Date
Authorized Representative Name (if applicable)	Signature	Date
Service Coordinator Name	Signature	Date

cc: All current waiver service providers