

**Subject** Community First Services and Supports Remote Worker Training

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## Overview

This bill allows for community first services and supports (CFSS) remote worker training and development services.

The CFSS program was created by the 2013 Legislature (see Minn. Stat. § 256B.85) and will replace the Personal Care Assistant (PCA) program and consumer support grants. CFSS will be available statewide to eligible individuals to provide assistance and support to persons with disabilities, the elderly, and others with special health care needs living independently in the community.

CFSS will be a federal-state funded service, with about 50 percent paid with federal medical assistance (MA) funds and 50 percent paid with state general funds.

## Summary

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| <b>1</b> | <b>Worker training and development services; remote visits.</b> |
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Amends § 256B.85, by adding subd. 18b. Allows certain CFSS worker training and development services to be provided remotely to recipients with chronic health conditions or severely compromised immune systems if certain conditions are met. Prohibits certain services provided at the start of services or the start of employment of a new support worker from being provided remotely. Allows a CFSS service delivery plan developed or amended via remote worker training and development services to be executed by electronic signature. Allows a recipient to request to return to in-person support worker training and development services at any time.

Makes this section effective upon CFSS implementation. Requires the commissioner of human services to notify the revisor of statutes when CFSS is implemented.



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