

## Older Adults Technical and Policy

This bill makes technical updates to increase clarity for nursing homes of state requirements by aligning terminology with current state and federal laws, as well as by removing obsolete language.

In addition, Adult Day Services were modified during COVID-19 pandemic to allow remote delivery of adult day services. This bill provides a permanent option of remote delivery of adult day services as a supplement to center-based services.

- **Improved clarity for nursing homes via technical updates**  
Clarity for nursing facilities on cost reporting requirements. Clean-up also includes the repeal of several obsolete provisions that currently confuse for providers, including:
  - (1) removing a scholarship program language that expired in 2017
  - (2) replacing from microfilm” with “electronic storage”
- **Repeals a duplicative Adult Foster Care rights rule**
  - Includes a technical fix to repeal 9555.6255 when it was moved to 245A; the same adult foster care resident rights currently exists in two places.

## Amendment

- **Permanent Option for Remote Adult Day Services**  
Permanently extends a current COVID wavier for remote adult day services as an option and supplement to center-based services.

This has several benefits as it allows **more flexibility** for people to **choose how they want to receive services**.

- Provides an option for the participant to connect with the provider and peers remotely via two-way communication technology.
- Adult Day Providers have demonstrated **provider capacity and desire** to implement this mode of delivery as a permanent option.
- Recognizes that **preferences have shifted** and participants **expect to have choices** in how they receive services. This flexibility helps to combat isolation and optimizes schedules for older adults and people with disabilities when they're unable to attend center-based services.