

Subject Brain injury waiver
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Overview

This bill expands eligibility for the state traumatic brain injury program and requires the commissioner to seek to amend the brain injury waiver to include individuals with a fetal alcohol spectrum disorder diagnosis.

Home and community-based waiver services offer service options that allow people to live in the community instead of going into or staying in an institutional setting. HCBS covers two types of services: (1) services necessary to avoid institutionalization that are not offered in Minnesota's MA state plan; and (2) services that are extensions of Minnesota's MA state plan services.

The brain injury waiver provides services for individuals with brain injury who need the level of care provided in a nursing home or neurobehavioral hospital. The developmental disabilities waiver provides services for individuals with developmental disabilities or related conditions who need the same level of care as provided in an ICF/DD.

Summary

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| 1 | Eligibility.
Amends § 256B.093, subd. 2. Expands eligibility for the state traumatic brain injury program by including MA recipients who have a brain injury acquired by fetal alcohol exposure. |
| 2 | Direction to commissioner.
Requires the commissioner of human services to seek to amend the brain injury waiver to include, as eligible persons, individuals with a fetal alcohol spectrum disorder diagnosis who are not being served under the developmental disability waiver. |



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