

# Montana Section 1115 Waiver for Additional Services and Populations (WASP) Demonstration Waiver

## June 2022 Extension/Renewal Submission

Effective Date: January 1, 2023

### COMPLIANCE WITH THE PUBLIC NOTICE PROCESS

#### 04/18/2022:

Sent CMS Public Notice Schedule. Posted the Public Notice Schedule and the Explanation of Public Notice Process on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#).

#### 04/18/2022:

Posted notice of public meetings on the state's e-calendar.

#### 04/18/2022:

Posted on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#).

- Abbreviated Public Notice document with announcement of the scheduled virtual public hearings;
- Full Public Notice document with announcement of the scheduled virtual public hearings and registration information for the public hearings. Also contains:
  - Specific waiver and expenditure authorities necessary to authorize the demonstration; and
  - Research hypotheses related to the demonstration's goals and objectives, and a plan for testing the hypotheses in the context of the evaluation.
- Brief Summary of the demonstration, that contains:
  - Eligibility requirements; and
  - Benefit coverage.
- Early Comprehensive Description of the Demonstration (with Section V. information to be completed after the public notice period). Contained within is:
  - Narrative History of the Demonstration;
    - Including a report of the 2019 public forum;
  - Report of the annual enrollment history and estimate of increase or decrease based on extension;
  - Report of the annual aggregate expenditure history and estimate of increase or decrease based on extension and ways the program differs from Montana's other program features; and
  - Ways the program differs from Montana's other program features.
- Preliminary June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal Application that contains:
  - Description of the health care delivery system.
- Goals and Objectives of the Demonstration;
- Budget Neutrality table reflecting the annual aggregate expenditures and expected changes based on extension; and
- Interim Evaluation Report inclusive of evaluation activities and findings to date and plans for evaluation during the extension period.

**04/18/2022:**

Posted on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#), the Agenda and Handout for the Montana Public Hearings held virtually on May 19, 2022 and May 20, 2022.

**04/18/2022:**

Posted the link to the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#).  
on the [DPHHS Public Notices webpage](#) and the [Medicaid State Plan and Waiver Amendment Public Notices webpage](#).

**04/19/2022:**

Sent Tribal Consultation letters to Tribes informing them of 60-day public comment period, inviting their input at either or both the Montana Public Hearings held virtually on May 19 and May 20, 2022 and informing them of where to find information online and the opportunity to submit comments. Posted generic Tribal Consultation letter on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#).

**04/19/2022:**

Sent Montana Health Coalition electronic memo informing them of 60-day public comment period, inviting their input at either or both the Montana Public Hearings held virtually on May 19 and May 20, 2022, and informing them of where to find information online and the opportunity to submit comments. Posted the Health Coalition memo to the [Coalition webpage](#). Posted generic Health Coalition memo on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#).

**04/19/2022:**

Sent WASP Mental Health Services Plan (MHSP) Stakeholders electronic memo informing them of 60-day public comment period, inviting their input at either or both the Montana Public Hearings held virtually on May 19 and May 20, 2022 and informing them of where to find information online and the opportunity to submit comments. Posted MHSP Stakeholders memo on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#).

**04/19/2022:**

Legislative staff sent Children, Families, Health and Human Services (CFHHS) Interim Committee electronic memo informing them of 60-day public comment period, inviting their input at either or both the Montana Public Hearings held virtually on May 19 and May 20, 2022 and informing them of where to find information online and the opportunity to submit comments.

**04/19/2022:**

Published Newspaper Public Notice that is the Abbreviated Public Notice in 3 largest Montana newspapers: Missoulian, (Missoula, MT); Billings Gazette, (Billings, MT); and the Independent Record, (Helena, MT). Posted text of the Newspaper Public Notice on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#).

**04/20/2022:**

**Began the state 60-day Public Comment Period and CMS-required 30-day State comment period. Begins on April 20, 2022 and ends on June 18, 2022.**

**05/06/2022:**

Posted Children, Families, Health and Human Services Interim Committee memo on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#).

**05/11/2022:**

Posted the link to the [Children, Families, Health and Human Services Interim Committee May 12 and 13, 2022 meeting webpage](#) on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#).

**05/12 and 05/13/2022:**

Presented the June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal Application to the Children, Families, Health and Human Services Interim Committee meeting.

**05/16/2022:**

Posted on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#), Slides for the Montana Public Hearings held virtually on May 19, 2022 and May 20, 2022.

**05/19/2022:**

Held first Montana Public Hearing with Zoom capabilities on May 19, 2022, Noon to 2:00 p.m.

**05/20/2022:**

Held second Montana Public Hearing with Zoom capabilities on May 20, 2022, Noon to 2:00 p.m.

**05/20/2022:**

Posted on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#). The number of attendees for both the May 19 and May 20, 2022 Public Hearings.

**06/18/2022:**

**Ended 60-day Public Comment Period**

**06/30/2022:**

Posted on the [June 2022 WASP Extension/Renewal webpage](#).

- Final Comprehensive Description of the Demonstration;
- Compliance with the Public Notice Process document;
- Red-line Version of Preliminary Application Showing Changes made based on Public Comment;
- Clean Version of Final Application including comments received and responses given; and
- CMS Website for Section 1115 Waivers and Public Notice.