



Group VIII 1115 Demonstration Waiver Application

Abbreviated Public Notice

In accordance with 42 CFR §431.408, the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) is providing public notice of its intent to submit to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) an application for the Ohio Section 1115 Group VIII Demonstration Waiver. This application requests authority for Ohio to operate the Demonstration once approved by CMS without changes for a five-year period.

Summary Description of the Demonstration

The Group VIII 1115 Demonstration Waiver application is submitted to comply with the legislative intent of HB 33 enacted by the Ohio General Assembly in 2023 to impose new eligibility criteria for the adult Medicaid expansion population under 1902(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) of the Social Security Act (Group VIII). These new criteria require that in order to qualify for enrollment in Group VIII, an individual must satisfy one of the following criteria:

- 1) Be at least fifty-five years of age.
- 2) Be employed.
- 3) Be enrolled in school or an occupational training program.
- 4) Be participating in an alcohol and drug addiction treatment program.
- 5) Have intensive physical health care needs or serious mental illness.

Public Hearing Information

ODM will host two hearings, one in Columbus and one in Dayton, on the proposed Group VIII 1115 Demonstration Waiver.

1/3/2025 at 11 AM – 3 PM

- In Person: Englewood Government Center
333 W. National Road
Englewood, OH 45322
- Virtual Virtual Access Information
Online:
<https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/6421576060236215901>
Phone: Dial IN 562-247-8422 PIN: 604-320-336

1/9/2025 at 11 AM – 3 PM

- In Person: Verne Riffe Center
77 S. High Street, B1 Hearing Room
Columbus, Ohio 43215
- Virtual Virtual Access Information
Online:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8635548275879471200>

Phone: Dial IN 562-247-8422 PIN: 884-158-423

Full Public Notice

As part of the 1115 Demonstration Waiver Application, ODM is required to provide a 30-day public comment period including full public notice. The full public notice includes information from the 1115 Demonstration waiver application, information regarding how to obtain a copy of the 1115 Demonstration waiver application, and other relevant information related to submitting comments. The full public notice can be found [here](#).

Public Comment

- By email: GroupVIII@medicaid.ohio.gov
- By mail: Group VIII 1115 Waiver, Bureau of Health Plan Policy, Ohio Department of Medicaid, 50 W. Town St, 5th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215
- By courier or in person submission to: Group VIII 1115 Waiver, Bureau of Health Plan Policy, Ohio Department of Medicaid, 50 W. Town St, 5th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215

All comments must be received by 5 p.m. on January 16, 2025.

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