

**STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE AND FAMILY SERVICES**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Federal regulations promulgated by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) in March, 2014 sought to ensure that individuals receiving long-term care services and supports through Home and Community-Based (HCBS) program have full access to benefits of community living and the opportunity to receive services in the most integrated setting possible. In accordance with these regulations, the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) has developed a Statewide Transition Plan, which currently awaits federal approval, outlining the state's strategies for bringing its HCBS delivery system into compliance.

As part of the Statewide Transition Plan process, HFS proposes to submit the sites listed below for consideration under the "heightened scrutiny" provision of the federal regulations to CMS. This submission is part of the process to ensure compliance with the process established at Federal Register (42 CFR 441.301(c) (4)-(5)) on January 16, 2014, effective March 17, 2014, which clarify the definition of home and community-based (HCBS) settings for Medicaid waivers granted pursuant to section 1915(c) and 1915 (i) of the Social Security Act.

Evidence that would support that the sites listed below do not have the characteristics of an institution and do have qualities of home and community-based settings is available at the following link.

[Heightened Scrutiny Locations 2018](#)

HFS invites feedback regarding whether the listed sites exhibit the characteristics of an HCBS setting as defined in the federal regulations. Public comment is welcome through October 12, 2018.

Comments may be submitted via email or by mail. Email comments should be sent to: HFS.SWTransitionPlan@illinois.gov.

Written comments should be mailed to:

Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services  
Attn: Waiver Management  
201 South Grand Avenue East, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, IL 62763

Persons who are unable to access the Internet may request a hard copy of the Draft Statewide Transition Plan or the evidence packages described above by calling HFS at (217) 557-0997.

Listing of Facilities:

Association for Individual Development  
Aurora, IL 60506

Community Workshop and Training Center  
Peoria, IL 61604

Elim Christian Services  
Palos Heights, IL 60463

Friends and Family Adult Day Center  
Joliet, IL 60432

Good Shepherd Manor  
Momence, IL 60954

Milestone, Inc. (RocVale)  
Rockford, IL 61103

Shelby County Community Services  
Shelbyville, IL 62565

UCP Land of Lincoln  
Springfield, IL 62703

