Priority Waitlist (PWL)

How to interpret the categories within the Priority Waitlist
6 Categories of the PWL

• Waiver application for eligibility determination date (adjusted due to administrative error)
• Human Development Centers (HDC)/Intermediate Care Facilities (ICF)
• Nursing Facility residents
• Arkansas State Hospital patients
• Supported Living Arrangements/Group Homes
• Division of Children & Family Services (DCFS)/Adult Protective Services (APS)
8/5/10 Snapshot

- Currently there are 154 people on the PWL

- 0- Adjustments,
- 0- HDC,
- 16-ICF,
- 2-ASH,
- 97-SLA(Group Home),
- 0-Nursing Home,
- 38-DCFS,
- 1-APS
Please note~

*People are released for slots from the PWL according to slot availability and category cascading effect. Example: Person is #1 in the ASH category with an application date of 1/1/10 but now there is a person in Nursing Facility Category with a 7/1/10 eligibility determination date…the next vacancy goes to the Nursing Facility Category

*People are added to the PWL according to category and date. Date = Date of eligibility determination

*Waiver capacity is 3988 regular slots with an additional 95 capacity reserved for HDC transitions
Cascading Effect

- Adjusted: persons who have successfully applied, but through administrative error were or are inadvertently omitted from the Waiver wait list

- Completely empty then next category
  - ICF
  - HDC

- Completely empty then next category
  - Nursing Facility Residents
- ASH
- Completely empty then next category

- Supported Living Arrangements (Group Homes & Apartments)

- DCFS
- APS
- Completely empty then regular wait list
APPEAL

• Priority Categories – The identification of and process for implementing categories was approved by the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services and promulgated for public input by the Division of Medical Services. Appeal timeframes have expired.

• Category Ranking – For disagreements with ranking within category or category assignment, appeal is to the Assistant Director, Waiver Services or the Office of Chief Counsel – Fair Hearings.

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