

# Proposal to Address Current HCB Waivers Wait Lists

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# HCB Waivers Waitlists

There are six (6) Home & Community Based (HCB) Waivers in Kentucky

1. Acquired Brain Injury – Acute (ABI Acute)
2. Acquired Brain Injury – Long Term (ABI – LT)
3. Home & Community Based (HCB)
4. Model II (M II)
5. Michelle P. (MPW)
6. Supports for Community Living (SCL)

# HCB Waivers Waitlists

- The Wait Lists numbers were provided to the Budget Review Subcommittee on Health & Family Services on July 19, 2023 by CHFS Secretary Friedlander.
- The numbers are from the July 7, 2023 actual wait lists. It should be noted that the numbers have increased for the Michelle P. and SCL waivers since then.
- KY Medicaid have reported that the HCB waiver wait list will be reduced to zero (0) due to placements becoming available on August 1, the beginning of the HCB waiver year. It is anticipated that the HCB waiver wait list will begin to grow again until August 1, 2024.
- Each waiver has a distinct waiver year. Any placement that was no longer used during the waiver year, becomes available to be reallocated at the beginning of the succeeding waiver year.

# HCB Waivers Wait Lists

- The wait list for the SCL waiver has three distinct subsidiary wait list.
  1. Emergency Wait List
  2. Urgent Wait List
  3. Future Planning Wait List
- The other five (5) wait lists are solely a chronological wait list: individuals are placed on the wait list based upon their respective date of application.
- For consideration: Should there be a discussion of alternative wait list management strategies?

# Decreasing HCB Waivers Wait Lists @50/Year

- What happens if the HCB, MPW & SCL each are appropriated fifty (50) additional slots per year into the future?
- How long will it take to reduce the point-in-time wait list for each waiver?
- For the HCB waiver at 50 placements per year, the point-in-time wait list will be zero (0) in **22 years or 2045!**
- For the Michelle P. waiver at 50 placements per year, the point-in-time wait list will be zero (0) in **168 years or 2191!**
- For the SCL waiver at 50 placements per year, the point-in-time wait list will be zero (0) in **65 years or 2088!**

# Reducing HCB Waivers Wait Lists @ 50/Year

Wait List as of July 7, 2023

Waiver	Wait List Count	50 Persons/Year	Year Wait List Ends
ABI – LTC	N/A		
ABI – Acute	N/A		
HCB	1,094	22 Years	2045
MII	N/A		
MPW	8,398	168 Years	2191
SCL	3,231	65 Years	2088

# HCB Waivers Waitlists

## Assumptions Guiding Wait List Funding Models

1. There are three (3) funding models:
  1. Reduce wait lists to zero (0) in two-years (SFY '25 & '26)
  2. Reduce wait lists to zero (0) in four-years (SFY '25, '26, '27 & '28); only two (2) years are included since 2024 General Assembly will enact the SFY '25 & '26 biennium budget
  3. Reduce wait list to zero (0) in six-years ((SFY '25, '26, '27, '28, '29 & '30); only two (2) years are included since 2024 General Assembly will enact the SFY '25 & '26 biennium budget
2. It should be noted that new names will be continually added to the wait lists, so this model only addresses the point-in-time wait list.
3. Wait list growth projections could be incorporated

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## Assumptions Guiding Wait List Funding Models (cont'd)

4. The wait list approach includes phasing in the total number of new individuals served throughout the year. It is not feasible to support 100% of new individuals projected for the fiscal year in July.
  1. The phase-in model is one-twelfth (1/12) of the total to be added each month.
  2. New enrollees in July will have twelve (12) months of services, in August, eleven (11) months . . . In June, one (1) month of services in that fiscal year.
5. Year 1 – SFY 2025 is based upon the phase-in 1/12 model for new waiver participants.
6. Year 2 – SFY 2026 is based upon (1) 12 full month of service from SFY '25 waiver participants plus the phase-in 1/12 model for new waiver participants added in the second year of the biennium.



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## Assumptions Guiding Wait List Funding Models (cont'd)

7. It should be noted there is most likely some duplication on the waiver wait lists which should reduce some of the wait time toward the goal of completely eliminating the current wait list.
8. Federal Match Rate for 10/1/22 – 9/30/23: **0.7217**
9. KY Match Rate for 10/1/22 – 9/30/23: **0.2783**

# HCB Waivers Waitlists

Month-By-Month Phase-In Model showing months of services received, depending on the month the individual is put into the waiver.

July – 12 months

August – 11 months

September – 10 months

October – 9 months

November – 8 months

December – 7 months

January - 6 months

February – 5 months

March – 4 months

April – 3 months

May – 2 months

June – 1 month

# HCB Waivers Wait Lists

## Wait List Proposal 2 – 4 – 6 Years Phase In Summary

<b>Two-Year Wait List Cost</b>		<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>SGF</b>	<b>FFP</b>	<b>People Served</b>
Year 1 - Total	SFY '25	\$ 219,148,405	\$ 60,989,001	\$ 158,159,404	6,362
Year 2 - Total	SFY '26	\$ 623,803,505	\$ 173,604,515	\$ 450,198,990	12,724
<b>Four Year Wait List Cost</b>		<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>SGF</b>	<b>FFP</b>	<b>People Served</b>
Year 1 - Total Cost	SFY '25	\$ 109,591,313	\$ 30,499,262	\$ 79,092,051	3,181
Year 2 - Total Cost	SFY '26	\$ 311,844,661	\$ 86,786,369	\$ 225,058,292	6,362
<b>Six Year Wait List Cost</b>		<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>SGF</b>	<b>FFP</b>	<b>People Served</b>
Year 1 - Total Cost	SFY '25	\$ 73,071,950	\$ 20,335,924	\$ 52,736,026	2,121
Year 2 - Total Cost	SFY '26	\$ 207,979,465	\$ 57,880,685	\$ 150,098,780	4,242



# HCB Waivers Wait Lists – Year 2 of 2-Year Model

Two-Year Wait List Model – Year 2 – SFY 2026

	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>SGF</b>	<b>FFP</b>
<b>Year 1 Phase In</b>	<b>\$ 219,148,405</b>	<b>\$ 60,989,001</b>	<b>\$ 158,159,404</b>
<b>Year 2 Total</b>	<b>\$ 404,506,695</b>	<b>\$ 112,574,213</b>	<b>\$ 291,932,482</b>
<b>Year 2 Phase In</b>	<b>\$ 219,148,405</b>	<b>\$ 60,989,001</b>	<b>\$ 158,159,404</b>
<b>Total Cost Biennium</b>	<b>\$ 842,803,505</b>	<b>\$ 234,552,215</b>	<b>\$ 608,251,290</b>

# HCB Waivers Wait Lists – Cost Full 2 Years

Two-Year Wait List Model Total Cost – HCB, MPW & SCL

	<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>SGF</b>	<b>FFP</b>
<b>Year 1 SFY '25 - Total</b>	<b>\$ 219,148,405</b>	<b>\$ 60,989,001</b>	<b>\$ 158,159,404</b>
<b>Year 2 SFY '26- Total</b>	<b>\$ 623,655,100</b>	<b>\$ 173,563,214</b>	<b>\$ 450,091,886</b>
<b>Biennium Total</b>	<b>\$ 842,803,505</b>	<b>\$ 234,552,215</b>	<b>\$ 608,251,290</b>



# HCB Waivers Wait Lists – Year 2 of 4-Year Model

Four-Year Wait List Model – Year 2 – SFY 2026

Waiver	Wait List	Year 2 - SGF '26	Annual Cost	Total Annual Cost
HCB	1094	274	\$ 34,128	\$ 9,334,008
MPW	8398	2100	\$ 51,378	\$ 107,868,111
SCL	3231	808	\$ 105,294	\$ 85,051,229
	12723	3181		\$ 202,253,348





# HCB Waivers Wait Lists - Total Cost 4-Year Model

Four-Year Wait List Model – Total Cost HCB, MPW & SCL

		<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>SGF</b>	<b>FFP</b>
<b>Year 1 - SFY '25 Phase-In</b>		<b>\$ 109,591,313</b>	<b>\$ 30,499,262</b>	<b>\$ 79,092,051</b>
<b>Year 2 Total</b>		<b>\$ 202,253,348</b>	<b>\$ 56,287,107</b>	<b>\$ 145,966,241</b>
<b>Year 2 - SFY '26 Phase-In</b>		<b>\$ 109,591,313</b>	<b>\$ 30,499,262</b>	<b>\$ 79,092,051</b>
<b>Total Cost Biennium</b>		<b>\$ 421,435,974</b>	<b>\$ 117,285,631</b>	<b>\$ 304,150,342</b>

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<b>Year 2 SFY '26 Total</b>	<b>\$ 311,844,661</b>	<b>\$ 86,786,369</b>	<b>\$ 225,058,291</b>
<b>Biennium Total Cost</b>	<b>\$ 421,435,974</b>	<b>\$ 117,285,631</b>	<b>\$ 304,150,342</b>

# HCB Waivers Wait Lists – Year 1 of 6-Year Model

Six-Year Wait List Model – Year 1 – SFY 2025

Waiver	Wait List	Year 1 - SFY '26	Annual Cost	Cost Per Month	Total Months	Total Cost
HCB	1094	182	\$ 34,128	\$ 2,844	1183	\$ 3,364,452
MPW	8398	1400	\$ 51,378	\$ 4,282	9100	\$ 38,961,650
SCL	3231	539	\$ 105,294	\$ 8,775	3504	\$ 30,745,848
					13787	\$ 73,071,950

# HCB Waivers Wait Lists – Year 2 of 6-Year Model

Six-Year Wait List Model – Year 2 – SFY 2026

<b>Waiver</b>	<b>Wait List</b>	<b>Year 2 - SFY '26</b>	<b>Annual Cost</b>	<b>Total Annual Cost</b>
<b>HCB</b>	<b>1094</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>\$ 34,128</b>	<b>\$ 6,222,672</b>
<b>MPW</b>	<b>8398</b>	<b>1400</b>	<b>\$ 51,378</b>	<b>\$ 71,912,074</b>
<b>SCL</b>	<b>3231</b>	<b>539</b>	<b>\$ 105,294</b>	<b>\$ 56,700,819</b>
	<b>12723</b>	<b>2121</b>		<b>\$ 134,835,565</b>

# HCB Waivers Wait Lists – Year 2 of 6-Year Model Phase-In

Six-Year Wait List Model – Year 2 Phase-In – SFY 2026

Phase In Model - 1/12 from Wait List each month						
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# HCB Waivers Wait Lists – Cost of 6-Year Model with Phase-Ins

Six-Year Wait List Model – Total Cost HCB, MPW & SCL

	Total Cost	SGF	FFP
Year 1 - SFY '25 Phase-In	\$ 73,071,950	\$ 20,335,924	\$ 52,736,026
Year 2 - SFY '26 Total	\$ 134,835,565	\$ 37,524,738	\$ 97,310,827
Year 2 - SFY '26 Phase -In	\$ 73,071,950	\$ 20,335,924	\$ 52,736,026
Total Cost Biennium	\$ 280,979,465	\$ 78,196,585	\$ 202,782,880

# HCB Waivers Wait Lists -Total Cost 6-Year Model

Six-Year Wait List Model Total Cost – HCB, MPW & SCL

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<b>Year 2 SFY '26 - Total Cost</b>	<b>\$ 207,907,515</b>	<b>\$ 57,860,661</b>	<b>\$ 150,046,854</b>
<b>Biennium Total Cost</b>	<b>\$ 280,979,465</b>	<b>\$ 78,196,585</b>	<b>\$ 202,782,880</b>



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# HCB Waivers Wait Lists - Concerns

## Concerns and Considerations

1. Focusing on the Wait List does not offer additional services and supports to the two (2) Acquired Brain Injury waivers and the Model II waiver, nor to HCB, SCL or Michelle P where the numbers served will grow, but not necessarily the services and supports offered.
2. The model does not include rate increases over the next two (2), four (4) or six (6) years.
  1. This will cause different challenges to the waivers.
3. What actually is the waiver capacity? What are the workforce needs?
4. Wait lists will continue to increase; this needs to be addressed.
5. Wait list management should be examined and possibly revised.