

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
Special Open Door Forum:
HHS and HUD Community Living Partnership to Expand
Housing Options for People with Disabilities Including Older Adults
Tuesday, March 1, 2011 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. ET

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will host a Special Open Door Forum on the HHS and HUD partnership that was developed in response to the President's Year of Community Living proclamation and in conjunction with HHS Secretary Sibelius's Community Living Initiative (CLI).

This Special Open Door Forum will focus on understanding the HUD HHS Collaboration: creating sustainable partnerships between the housing and human service agencies at the federal, state & local levels to improve the availability of affordable and accessible housing. This is being accomplished through two major efforts.

- HUD HHS Community Living Collaboration and its six initiatives
- Linking long term services & supports with HUD's new Category I & II vouchers to assist individuals with disabilities

Following the presentation, the telephone lines will be opened to allow participants to ask questions of the subject matter experts from HUD and HHS, including CMS.

Information about the Community Living Initiative can be found at the HHS Office on Disability <http://www.hhs.gov/od/topics/community/olmstead.html>.

Presentation materials will be posted to the Office on Disability webpage by Friday, February 25, 2011.

We look forward to your participation.
Special Open Door Forum Participation Instructions:

Dial 1-800-837-1935 Conference ID 44280806

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An audio recording and transcript of this Special Forum will be posted to the Special Open Door Forum website at http://www.cms.gov/OpenDoorForums/05_ODF_SpecialODF.asp and will be accessible for downloading beginning on or around April 1, 2011.

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