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Subject: CMS Approves Additional State Medicaid Waivers and Amendments to Give States Flexibility to Address Coronavirus Pandemic

CMS approved its 45th Medicaid waiver to the District of Columbia, delivering urgent regulatory relief to ensure the District can quickly and effectively care for their most vulnerable citizens. In light of the urgent and evolving needs of states during the COVID-19 crisis, [CMS developed a toolkit](#) to facilitate expedited application and approval of State waivers requests in record time. The waivers support President Trump's commitment to a COVID-19 response that is locally executed, state managed, and federally supported.

CMS also approved an additional state waiver amendment request for Oklahoma to give emergency flexibilities in their programs that care for the elderly and people with disabilities, bringing the total to 18 approvals across 16 states.

[Section 1135 Waivers](#)

1915(c) [Appendix K Waivers](#)

