

# CCO Savings and Efficiencies

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# Topics

- ▶ What is a budget efficiency?
- ▶ What can be purchased with budget efficiencies?
- ▶ CCO Savings Plans

# CCO Review

**CCO allows members to self-direct certain authorized HCBS waiver services.**

**The CCO monthly budget is created with funds and services authorized by the case manager through the person-centered planning process.**

- ▶ Monthly budget shows how the funds will be spent.
- ▶ Member purchase goods and services to meet the needs identified in their service plan.
- ▶ Monthly CCO budget includes direct services, the purchase of a good or service, and any savings plans.



# CCO Budget Efficiencies

- ▶ The monthly budget amount is based on the HCBS services that have been authorized in the member's service plan.
- ▶ If a member is efficient in using the funds in the monthly budget to get their assessed needs met, and there are funds remaining in the budget, the remaining funds are called "efficiencies".

- ▶ The member may use budget efficiencies to purchase:
  - Additional goods or services to meet assessed needs.
  - Units of service beyond what is authorized in their plan.
  - Goods or items to enhance their services.
  - Create savings plan.
  
- ▶ Goods and services purchased with budget efficiencies must:
  - Still meet the members' assessed needs.
  - Be allowable under Iowa Administrative Code.
  - Meet the scope and definition of the HCBS waiver service(s) being purchased. (ie- SCL must be provided in an integrated, community setting. Respite cannot be provided when the parent is working.)

# CCO Savings Plans

- ▶ Based on assessed member need as authorized in the service plan.
- ▶ Require case manager involvement.
- ▶ Least costly to meet the member need.
  - Be mindful of “recreational” items that are not medically necessary (ball pits, trampolines, amusement park passes.....)
- ▶ Not be available through another source.
  - Check HVM/SME/DME/etc. first

- ▶ Savings plans cannot be created to purchase a good or service if the budget doesn't show how the member will get their authorized service needs met.
  - Example: I need 25 hours of SCL a month and 40 hours of Respite.
    - My CCO budget should show how I will get at least 25 hours of SCL and 40 hours of Respite (or save an equivalent amount of Respite for future use) BEFORE requesting any additional services or the purchase of a good or item.

# A note about Respite...

“Unused respite can only be used for future respite.”

- ▶ This means that, like all other CCO services, respite must be budgeted in a way that shows how the member will get the full amount of respite authorized in the plan, either through direct service or through savings.
- ▶ This must occur prior to using respite efficiencies to purchase another good or service.



# Questions?



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