**Critical Public Meetings:**

**You Can Have an Impact Upon Georgia’s Medicaid Home and Community Based Services**

In March of 2014, to ensure home- and community-based services (HCBS) are integrated, the federal government approved *new rules* that outline which Medicaid services can be covered and in what setting they can be provided. States are required to create “transition plans” describing the changes they will make to comply with these new regulations. As stakeholders, this is your opportunity to make a difference in the direction Georgia takes in its services.

**At this meeting you will:**

* Meet with Medicaid leaders to learn about important changes to HCBS
* Participate in a focused discussion with other advocates and voice your concerns on current services
* Review the draft transition plan and provide critical feedback helping to shape the future of services in Georgia

**Who should attend**: Consumers and Family Members who receive any of the following services:

* Independent Care Waiver Program (ICWP)
* New Options Waiver (NOW)
* Comprehensive Supports Waiver Program (COMP)
* Elderly & Disabled Waivers
* SOURCE (Services Options Using Resources in a Community Environment)
* Community Care Services Program (CCSP)
* Georgia Pediatric Program (GAAP)

**October 28, 2014- Marietta**

*Afternoon or Evening session*

1:00p.m. -2:30p.m. Or 7:00p.m. - 8:30p.m.

The Mansour Center

995 Roswell Street NE

Marietta, GA 30060

Room: Travis Duke A

(770) 701-0315

**RSVP**: mariettahcbs@gmail.com

Please indicate afternoon or evening session

**November 6, 2014- Macon**

*Afternoon or Evening session*

1:00p.m. -2:30p.m. Or 6:30p.m. -8:00p.m.

Disability Connections

170 College Street

Macon GA 31201

Conference Room

(478) 741-1425

**RSVP:** Maconhcbs@gmail.com

Please indicate afternoon or evening session

**November 13, 2014 Athens**

*Afternoon or Evening session*

1:00p.m. -2:30p.m. Or 6:30p.m. -8:00p.m

The Classic Center

300 N. Thomas Street

Athens GA 30601

Room: Empire Room 1

(706) 357-4444

**RSVP**: athenshcbs@gmail.com

Please indicate afternoon or evening session

**November 18, 2014 Fayetteville**

*Afternoon or Evening session*

1:00p.m. -2:30p.m. Or 7:00p.m. -8:30p.m.

The Lafayette Educational Center- Building D

205 Lafayette Avenue

Fayetteville GA 30214

Room: Media Center

(770) 460-3990

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Please indicate afternoon or evening session

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For more detailed information on HCBS, please visit:

[Dch.georgia.gov/waivers](http://www.dch.georgia.gov/waivers)

[Unlockthewaitinglists.com](http://www.unlockthewaitinglists.com)

[Hcbsadvocacy.org](http://www.hcbsadvocacy.org)