**Summary of the DDDS Lifespan Amendment**

**Proposed Effective Date July 1, 2019**

**Background**

Delaware has operated a Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities continuously since 1987. The authority under the Social Security Act that allows HCBS waivers to be created requires that each waiver be renewed every five years.

**Appendix A:** Waiver Administration and Oversight: This section describes how the waiver is operated and administered and how oversight by the Medicaid Agency is conducted. The section continues to indicate that DDDS operates the waiver under the oversight of DMMA under a Memorandum of Understanding. No significant changes were made to this section.

**Appendix B:** Revised the language in Section 1 (Request Information 3 of 3) to indicate that all Individuals enrolled in the DDDS Lifespan Waiver can be concurrently enrolled in the 1115 Waiver in order to receive their acute care benefits under the Diamond State Health Plan. The previous language had indicated that only Individuals enrolled in the DDDS Lifespan Waiver who were living with their family could be concurrently enrolled in the 1115 Waiver.

New provider types have been added to Respite, Personal Care, and Supported Living

No other significant changes were made to the waiver.