

HB 466 -- PERSONAL CARE ASSISTANT SERVICES

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This bill adds structured family caregiving as an agency-directed model to the MO HealthNet Program to ensure the availability of comprehensive and cost-effective choices for a MO HealthNet participant who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's or a related disorder to live at home in the community of his or her choice and to receive support from a caregiver of his or her choice.

The bill specifies that the structured family caregiving waiver must include a cap of 300 participants.

Within 90 days of the effective date of these provisions, the Department of Social Services must, if necessary to implement the provisions of this section, apply to the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services for a structured family caregiver waiver under Section 1915(c) of the Federal Social Security Act. The department must request an effective date of not later than July 1, 2020, and must take all administrative actions necessary to ensure time and equitable availability of structured family caregiving services for any home- and community-based care participant.

This bill states that a consumer receiving personal care assistance services is responsible for allowing the vendor to comply with its quality assurance and supervision process, including face-to-face home visits and monthly case management activities.

The bill removes provisions relating to the establishment of telephone tracking system pilot projects.

This bill outlines requirements of the vendor in relation to the orientation of a consumer, quality assurance and supervisory roles.

Personal care assistance services may be discontinued if the consumer provides false information of his or her condition, functional capacity, or level of care needs.

This bill is similar to HCS HB 1885 and HB 2500 (2018) and HCS HB 455 (2017).