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OHP Director John McCarthy testifies on the next steps to improve Ohio's unified long-term services and supports

Director McCarthy's [testimony](#) to the Joint Legislative Committee

Kasich Administration submits draft state plan amendment (SPA) for health homes for people with severe and persistent mental illness

The submission will allow Ohio to begin working collaboratively to develop a health homes model that CMS and the State can agree on. Once an agreement is reached, a formal SPA will be sent to CMS. Approval of the SPA would allow Medicaid, at a 90/10 federal/state matching rate, to cover the cost of care coordination services provided to individuals in these settings.

[CMS draft state plan amendment](#)

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