

10-13 Medically Fragile Waiver - The Medically Fragile program is a Home and Community Based Services Waiver used to finance non-institutional long-term care services for individuals requiring skilled nursing or hospital level of care. Individuals must be at least 19 years of age, have a chronic medical condition which results in prolonged dependency on medical care for which daily skilled intervention is necessary and is characterized by one or more of the following: (1) a life threatening condition characterized by reasonably frequent periods of acute exacerbation which requires frequent medical supervision and/or physician consultation and which, in the absence of such supervision or consultation, would require hospitalization; (2) the individual requires frequent time consuming administration of specialized treatments which are medically necessary; (3) the individual is dependent on medical technology such that without the technology, a reasonable level of health could not be maintained. The initial waiver population is expected to be primarily individuals with medical needs exceeding the service capabilities of the ADvantage Waiver and children aging out of the TEFRA program.

Budget Impact - \$2,938,918 total annual; \$734,729 state dollars annually