



Medicaid Waivers

About Indiana's Family Support Services and Community Integration and Habilitation Waiver

Apply for a Waiver:

At your Local BDDS Office.
To find your local office, call
1-800-545-7763

What are Medicaid Waivers?

Waivers are a part of the federally and state funded Medicaid program that provides for reasonable and necessary medical care for persons meeting eligibility requirements. Waivers provide funding for qualifying children and adults with disabilities to receive support and services in the home and community rather than in an institutional setting. Indiana has two different types of home and community based waiver programs, medical and developmental. The developmental program for qualifying children and adults with developmental disabilities requires meeting the level of care needed for admission to an Intermediate Care Facility for those with Mental Retardation, known as ICF/ID DD Level of Care. There are two Indiana Medicaid Waivers serving individuals with ICF/ID DD Level of Care - the Family Supports Waiver (FSW) and the Community Integration & Habilitation (CIH) Waiver. Each waiver has a federally approved capacity limiting the number of participants it serves.

How is eligibility determined?

To qualify for the Family Supports or Community Integration and Habilitation Waivers an individual must have a developmental disability and meet ICF/ID DD Level of Care, meaning the person would be at risk of being placed in an institution without the services provided by the waiver. The Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services (BDDS) District Office determines whether the applicant has a developmental disability (DD) as defined by the State. If DD eligible, the district office also determines eligibility for the ICF/ID DD Level of Care waivers. The ICF/ID DD Level of Care is based upon the confirmation of diagnosis form completed by the physician, the completion of the Level of Care Screening Instrument (LOCSI), and the documentation used to determine eligibility for state DD services.

Family income and assets are NOT considered when determining Medicaid eligibility for a child under the age of eighteen who is applying for a waiver.

The Community Integration & Habilitation waiver is a needs-based waiver, which means that an individual must meet the ICF/ID DD Level of Care and the priority criteria.

How do I apply for a Waiver?

If your child has a developmental disability (DD) you may apply for Waiver services by calling the local Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services (BDDS) District Office and requesting an Application for Long-Term Care Services. See the state map (on the back) or call 1-800-545-7763 to identify your local office.

Family Voices Indiana (Indiana's Family to Family Health Information Center) is available to help answer your questions about waivers and provide support as you navigate the application process. This assistance is free and available in all parts of the state, call (317) 944 -8982 and ask to speak to a Health Information Specialist in your area.

Priority Criteria:

Currently, there are a few priority criteria categories. One category under the Family Supports Waiver sets aside openings (slots) for eligible persons to enter into waiver services as they exit school. The local BDDS office will work with you to determine if you qualify for priority criteria.



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What do I need to do to stay on the waiting list?

You will need to update the BDDS whenever your contact information, including phone or address, changes. It is advisable to contact the BDDS office annually to update and confirm your contact information. Keep a copy of your dated waiver application and any other correspondence with your BDDS office for your own records. You can visit the Waiver Waiting List website to confirm that your information is correct,

What other community-based services are available?

The local Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services (BDDS) District Office provides information, and referrals to various services for persons who are developmentally disabled. There are other programs and services for which you might be eligible. Additionally, you may qualify for more than one type of waiver but you may only be served under one waiver program at a time. Apply for all waivers for which you may be eligible. To learn about the other types of home and community-based waivers in Indiana, please refer to our fact sheet on Indiana's Aged & Disabled and Traumatic Brain Injury Waivers.

Where to get more Information:

- Your local BDDS office is the point of entry for ICF/ID DD waivers and can answer your questions about those waivers. See the state map (on the back) or call 1-800-545-7763 to identify your local office.
- The Division of Disability & Rehabilitative Services (DDRS) is a part of the Family & Social Services Administration. DDRS operates the ICF/ID DD Level of Care Waivers and other community-based services for people who have developmental disabilities. DDRS Website: <http://www.in.gov/fssa/2328.htm>

Additional Community resources:

- Family Voices Indiana is Indiana's statewide Family to Family Health Information Center, supporting families who have children with disabilities and special health care needs as they navigate systems and services. Visit www.fvindiana.org or 317-944-8982.
- ASK is a place for families and professionals in Indiana to go to "ASK" questions about children with special needs and to access information and resources about a variety of topics such as health insurance, special education, community resources and medical homes. Visit www.aboutspecialkids.org or 1-800-964-4746.

Programs and systems change often. It is important to ensure that you are using the most current information. This Fact Sheet was updated on September 7, 2012. Please check with <http://www.earlychildhoodmeetingplace.org> for the **most recent edition**.

BDDS District Offices

The Bureau of Developmental Disabilities Services (BDDS) is a program of the Division of Disability & Rehabilitative Services, a division of the Indiana Family & Social Services Administration.

DISTRICT 1

110 W. Ridge Road
Gary, IN 46408-2709
Phone: 219-981-5313
Fax: 219-981-5318
Toll Free: 1-877-218-3053
Counties: Jasper, Lake, Newton, Porter, Pulaski & Starke

DISTRICT 2

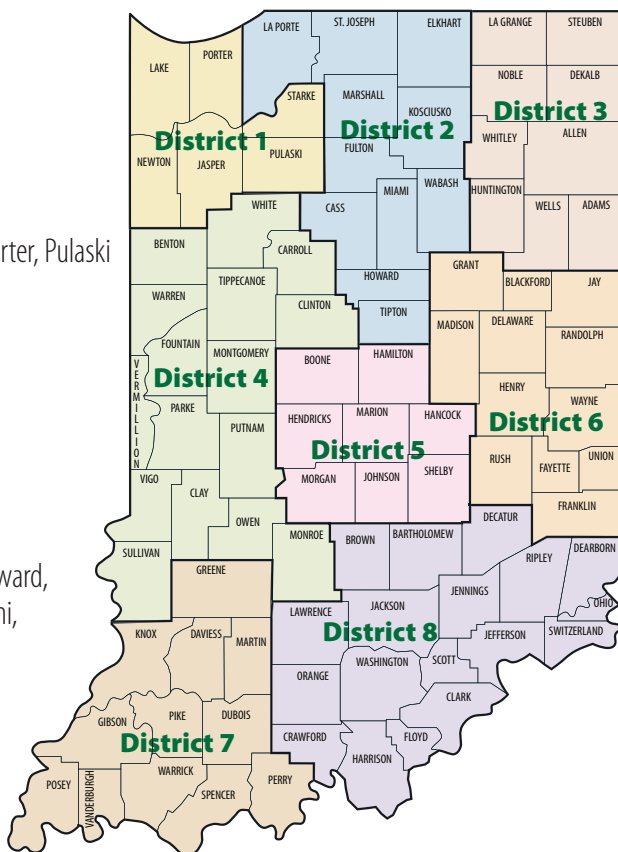
100 W. South Street, Suite. 100
South Bend, IN 46601-2435
Phone: 574-232-1412
Fax: 574-287-5482
Toll Free: 1-877-218-3059
Counties: Cass, Elkhart, Fulton, Howard, Kosciusko, LaPorte, Marshall, Miami, Saint Joseph, Tipton & Wabash

DISTRICT 3

219 W. Wayne Street
Ft. Wayne, IN 46802
Phone: 260-423-2571
Fax: 260-424-2830
Toll Free: 1-877-218-3061
Counties: Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Huntington, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wells & Whitley

DISTRICT 4

30 N. 8th Street., P.O. Box 10217
Terre Haute, IN 47802-3106
Phone: 812-232-3603
Fax: 812-235-2472
Toll Free: 1-877-218-3096
Counties: Benton, Carroll, Clay, Clinton, Fountain, Monroe, Montgomery, Owen, Parke, Putman, Sullivan, Tippecanoe, Vermillion, Vigo, Warren & White



DISTRICT 5

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Indianapolis, IN 46256-3961
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Fax: 317-845-1652
Toll Free: 1-877-218-3530
Counties: Boone, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Johnson, Marion, Morgan & Shelby

DISTRICT 6

201 E. Charles Street, Suite 130
Muncie, IN 47305
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Fax: 765-288-8529
Toll Free: 1-877-218-3531
Counties: Blackford, Delaware, Fayette, Franklin, Grant, Henry, Jay, Madison, Randolph, Rush, Union & Wayne

DISTRICT 7

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Clarksville, IN 47129-7721
Phone: 812-283-1040
Fax: 812-285-9533
Toll Free: 1-877-218-3529
Counties: Clark, Crawford, Floyd, Harrison, Lawrence, Orange, Scott & Washington

211 N. Chestnut Street
Seymour, IN 47274-2103
Phone: 812-522-5859
Fax: 812-523-1160
Toll Free: 1-877-218-3532
Counties: Bartholomew, Brown, Dearborn, Decatur, Jackson, Jefferson, Jennings, Ohio, Ripley & Switzerland



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