



# DDA Home & Community-Based Services Waivers

Nearly all services delivered through the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) are through a federal Home & Community Based Services (HCBS) waiver. They're called waivers because they waive the option to receive services in an institutional setting, choosing instead to receive the same or similar services in their own home and community. DDA has five different waivers, each with their own set of services and funding limits.

**IFS**  
Individual & Family Services  
ALL AGES

For children and adults living in the family home. Services include (but are not limited to): Assistive Technology, Respite, Skilled Nursing, Positive Behavior Support, Environmental Adaptations, Vehicle Modifications, Specialized Equipment/Supplies, OT/PT, Speech, Hearing & Language Services, Staff/Family Consultation, Transportation, Peer Mentoring, Person-Centered Planning Facilitation, Supported Parenting, Community Engagement. Annual funding levels are based on assessed need: \$1,200, \$1,800, \$2,400, \$3,600.

**BASIC PLUS**  
ALL AGES

For children and adults living in the family home or other community-based setting (such as Adult Family Homes) whose ability to continue being supported in that setting is at risk without additional services. Services include (but are not limited to): Respite, Skilled Nursing, Positive Behavior Support, Environmental Adaptations, Specialized Equipment/Supplies, OT/PT, Speech, Hearing & Language Services, Specialized Psychiatric Services, Staff/Family Consultation, Transportation, Supported Employment, Community Guide, Community Inclusion.

**CORE**  
ALL AGES

For children and adults at immediate risk of out-of-home placement who have a need that cannot be met by the Basic Plus waiver, and who may need up to 24-hour residential services that include training and education; or, who may require daily to weekly one-on-one support for physical or health needs. Services include most services under Basic Plus\*, as well as supported living and community transition services. (\*CORE waiver services provide more funding for services than Basic Plus, based on assessed need.)

**CIIBS**  
Children's Intensive In-Home Behavioral Support  
AGES 8-20

For children (ages 8-20) living in the family home who are at risk of out-of-home placement due to the intensity of their behavioral challenges. Services include: positive behavior support and team based planning that builds upon strengths and works toward outcomes driven by the family. Each child's team includes family, friends, providers, school staff, and others. The family partners with a behavior specialist to create and follow a positive behavior support plan that fits the whole family. Other services include (but are not limited to): Respite, Assistive Technology, Environmental Adaptations, Specialized Medical Equipment & Supplies.

**COMMUNITY PROTECTION**  
ADULTS

For adults who need 24-hour on-site awake staff supervision and therapies to maintain their own and community safety. The goal of the Community Protection program is to provide a structured, therapeutic environment for persons with community protection issues in order for them to live safely and successfully in the community while minimizing the risk to public safety. Community Protection services include all services under the CORE waiver, except: Community Guide, Respite, Wellness Education, Community Inclusion.