

AACOG IDD Services & Medicaid Waivers

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AACOG IDDS

Who We are

- Local Authority for Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
- Cover Bexar county only
- Help manage and coordinate Long term supports and services for Individuals with an Intellectual or Developmental Disability

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What We Do

- Assess eligibility for services
- Assist with applying for and maintaining state and federal benefits (SSI and Medicaid)
- Enroll into services programs: Medicaid waiver and non waiver programs
- Provide service coordination/case management for enrolled programs

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Who We Serve

- Intellectual and/or Developmental disabilities
- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Persons with Related conditions who are eligible for services through the Health and Human Services Commission
- Nursing facility residents who are eligible for specialized services due to an IDD or related condition
- Children who are eligible for Early Childhood Intervention Services

Intake and Eligibility is the Front Door to access any IDD Services

How to Get Started

- Call (210) 832-5020 and ask to speak with the intake worker on duty. The intake worker will conduct a screening to determine if the individual is a candidate for IDD services.
- Complete and submit an intake application, along with supporting documentation.
- Once the intake is complete and all supporting documentation has been provided, the consumer/family will be given a Determination of an Intellectual Disability (DID) appointment date.

What Happens During the Intake?

- Interview the family to gather developmental history and determine their needs.
- Provide a detailed explanation of services and supports available for persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.
- Obtain collateral documentation, such as school records, physician statements, hospital records, to validate the diagnosis.
- Complete a financial assessment to determine the monthly ability to pay for services (Medicaid & SSI)
- Provide referrals to other community agencies that might be able to meet their needs.

The Determination of Intellectual Disabilities (DID)

The LIDDA, conducts the **Determination of an Intellectual Disability (DID)** at **no cost** to the individual.

The DID consists of:

- A)** a standardized measure of the individual's intellectual functioning using the most appropriate test for the characteristics of the individual;
- B)** a standardized measure of the individual's adaptive behavior level;

The **Determination of an Intellectual Disability** serves as an authorization for services and supports throughout the State of Texas.



What Happens After the DID?

After the DID is completed, the Individual/LAR meets with the Intake Care Specialist to review the results of the DID. An explanation of services is provided, and the Individual is placed on the Interest List for any local/statewide services they are eligible for and identified a need for.



Non Waiver Services

- Crisis Intervention Services – Conduct evaluations to determine the level of therapeutic support needed to stabilize the situation and provide training and appropriate referrals.
- Crisis Respite – Short term respite care for individuals with Intellectual or developmental disabilities. It can be provided in-home (72 hours) or out-of-home (up to 14 calendar days) to meet the needs of the individual.
- Intermediate Care Facility (ICF) – Group home with care staff available to supervise individuals and assist with management of daily living skills.
- Employment Assistance – Support and training to find a paid competitive job within the community.
- General Revenue Services – Provide in home support and therapies. Also Day Activity and Health Services

What are Waiver programs?

Waivers let states use Medicaid funds for long-term home and community-based services for people with disabilities or special health care needs in order to help them live in the community.

- Some of the services you can get with a waiver are:
 - Personal care for help with things like bathing or dressing
 - Nursing care
 - Home modifications like ramps
 - Car modifications
 - Respite care
 - Certain therapies

State Wide Interest List

- Add to IL at the time of Intake or can call our general line to be added
- IL Technician Reviews the Biannual List for our county (Bexar) and call everyone on the list in a two-year period – update their contact information and address
- Extensive Wait Period for Medicaid Waiver Lists can take upwards of 15 years
- Other programs do exist that bridge the gap of the wait – Non-Waiver Services

Medicaid Waiver Services

- Texas Home Living (TxHmL) – This Medicaid waiver program provides essential services so that people with intellectual and developmental disabilities may continue to live with their families.
- Home and Community-Based Services (HCS) -- A Medicaid waiver program that provides services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities who live with their family, in their own home, in a foster/companion setting, or in a residence with no more than four others receiving services.

Medicaid Waiver Services

Community Living Assistance and Support Services (CLASS)

Provides home and community-based services as an alternative to an intermediate care facility (ICF/IID) for individuals with related conditions. A related condition is a disability, other than an intellectual disability, that originated prior to the age of 22 (i.e. cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, Autism) Staff assist participants in organizing various supports to achieve maximum levels of independence including attendant care, specialized therapies, adaptive aids, minor home modifications and respite care. Services are facilitated by Community Based Organizations (CBO's)

Medically Dependent Children's Program (MDCP)

Provides services to support families caring for children and young adults age 20 and younger who are medically dependent and to encourage de-institutionalization of children and young adults who reside in nursing facilities. MDCP provides respite, flexible family support services, minor home modifications, adaptive aids, transition assistance services, employment assistance, supported employment and financial management

Services are facilitated by Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCO's).

Medicaid Waiver Services

Deaf Blind Multiple Disabilities (DBMD)

The DBMD program provides home and community-based services to people who are deafblind with multiple disabilities as a cost-effective alternative to institutional placement. The program focuses on increasing opportunities for consumers to communicate and interact with their environment.

Services are provided by Community Based Organization (CBO's)

STAR+PLUS

Allows disabled adults and elderly Texans, age 65 or older, who require a nursing facility level of care to reside at home, adult foster care, or in assisted living residences and receive care services in those locations. Under this Medicaid waiver, both medical care and non-medical long-term care services are covered. Benefits such as personal care, adult day care, assistance for home modifications, and personal emergency response systems are available.

Services are provided by Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCO's).

For more information and to place your name on the interest list, contact Health and Human Services (HHS) at (877) 438-5658

Any Questions?

Thank you!