

## **Colorado Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities**

### **Adult Comprehensive Services (HCBS DD Waiver)**

Comprehensive services are provided to adults with a developmental disability who are living outside their family home and require 24-hour supervision and residential services. To be eligible, one must be at least 18 years old, have a developmental disability, and require extensive support services to live safely outside the home. Some services in this program are:

- residential habilitation with 24 hour supervision;
- day habilitation services which can include supported employment services, access to typical community life activities, and generalized skill development;
- training and habilitation services in the areas of personal, physical, mental, and social development;
- transportation;
- specialized medical equipment and supplies, such as wheelchairs, wheelchair adaptation, van adaption, or toys and computers to aid with communication;
- skilled nursing;
- behavioral services and mental health services; and
- dental and vision services

### **Supported Living Services (SLS Waiver)**

Supported Living Services are services and supports to assist persons with developmental disabilities to live in their own home or their family home. Supported Living Services are provided as an alternative to institutional placement for individuals with developmental disabilities, but are not intended to provide 24 hour supervision like Comprehensive services. To be eligible, one must either live independently with limited supports or already receive services from other resources such as family members. Services can include:

- specialized medical equipment and supplies;
- counseling and therapeutic services;
- dental, hearing, and vision services;
- day habilitation activities
- supported employment
- home modification;
- personal assistance services including assistance with bathing, personal hygiene, eating, dressing, grooming, relief to family members who normally provide personal care, and medications;
- counseling services

### **Children's Extensive Support Service (CES Waiver)**

Children's Extensive Support Services are provided to children who have a developmental disability, or to children under the age of five who are at risk of a developmental disability or developmental delay. To be eligible, one must have intensive behavioral or medical needs.

Children's Extensive Support Services are provided as an alternative to institutional placement for children with developmental disabilities. Services include:

- personal assistance services including assistance with bathing, personal hygiene, eating, dressing, grooming, and medications;
- child care assistance;
- professional services such as counseling and therapeutic services;
- household services such as housekeeping tasks;
- home modification services such as adaptation of showers or toilets and making the home accessible with ramps or railings;
- specialized medical equipment and supplies including wheelchairs, wheelchair adaptation, van adaptation or toys and computers that aid in communication.

### **Children with Autism (Autism Waiver)**

Autism waiver services are for children from birth to age six who have a diagnosis of autism and are at risk of institutionalization. Services can include:

- occupational therapy;
- speech therapy;
- psychological and psychiatric services;
- physical therapy; and
- behavioral therapy.

### **Family Support Services (General fund only)**

Family Support Services are intended to provide services to allow children and adults with developmental disabilities to remain in their family home and to provide support to families as the primary care givers. Referrals to the Family Support program are made through Community Service Boards. Those eligible are required to have a family member with a developmental disability living in the household. The Family Support program is not funded through a Medicaid Waiver but is funded with state dollars.

A family support plan is developed in conjunction with an individual's Individual Plan in order to avoid duplicative services. Services may include:

- service coordination and educational materials;
- emergency and outreach services;
- reimbursement for medical and dental expenses not covered by health insurance programs;
- child care;
- mobility aids and adaptive equipment;
- therapy and family counseling
- transportation