

Intellectual Disabilities/ Developmental Disabilities (ID/DD) Waiver

Home and Community-Based Services



What is the ID/DD Waiver?

The ID/DD Waiver provides services and support for people who have intellectual/developmental disabilities to enable them to remain at home and in the community. The ID/DD Waiver is the responsibility of the Mississippi Division of Medicaid and is operated jointly with the Mississippi Department of Mental Health.

Who is Eligible?

A person must require the same level of care as someone applying for admission to an intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded (ICF/MR).

A person must be eligible for Medicaid through one of the following eligibility categories:

- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- 300% SSI (income can be no greater than 300% of the federal SSI payment)
- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- Disabled Child Living at Home

There are no age restrictions.

All persons who are eligible to receive Home and Community-Based Services under this waiver must first be approved through the Division of Medicaid.

What Services are Offered through the ID/DD Waiver?

Day Services – Adults focus on enabling the participant to attain or maintain his or her maximum functional level. Activities and environments are designed to foster the acquisition of skills, appropriate behavior, greater independence, and personal choice. Services are provided in a non-residential setting. Transportation is provided.

Prevocational Services are designed to prepare an eligible individual for paid employment and provide opportunities to acquire skills such as: problem solving, safety, attention to task, and independence. Individuals are offered opportunities to explore different types of jobs and job sites in their community. Transportation is provided.

Residential Habilitation provides individually tailored supports which assist an individual in the acquisition, retention and/or improvement in skills related to living in the community. Staff is available 24 hours per day, seven days per week to assist individuals as needed to live in the community. Transportation is provided.

Respite provides temporary, periodic relief to those persons normally providing care for an eligible individual. Respite services are provided to individuals who are unable to care for themselves in the absence or need for relief of the primary care giver. Respite is designed to be provided on a short term basis. Three types of respite are offered:

In Home Respite which is provided in an eligible individual's home.

Community Respite which is provided in a DMH certified community site.

ICF/MR Respite which is provided in a Medicaid certified ICF/MR facility and cannot exceed 30 days per year.

Support Coordination services consist of working with the eligible individual to: establish initial and ongoing eligibility for the ID/DD Waiver; develop the individualized Plan of Care; monitor the services provided to ensure the individual's health and welfare needs are being met; and coordinate all services a person receives whether they are provided through the ID/DD Waiver or another source.

Supported Employment provides intensive, ongoing supports which enable participants, for whom competitive employment at or above the minimum wage is unlikely without the provision of these supports. Services may consist of: assistance in finding a job; assistance preparing for a job; and assistance and support at the work site in order for the individual to successfully perform the job.

Behavior Support/Intervention services provide supports/interventions for individuals who exhibit behavior problems which cause them to be unable to benefit from other services being provided or cause them to be so disruptive in their environment(s) there is imminent danger of removal or dismissal.

Home and Community Supports provide participants with assistance to meet their daily living needs, ensure adequate functioning in their home and community, and provide safe access to the community.

Specialized Medical Supplies covered under the ID/DD Waiver are specified types of catheters, disposable briefs, and under pads not covered under the Medicaid State Plan benefit.

Physical, Occupation and Speech/Language/Hearing Services which are in excess of therapy services covered in the Medicaid State Plan, either in amount, duration or scope.

More specific information about these services can be found in the Medicaid Provider Manual or the Department of Mental Health Standards.

Need more information?

For more information about the program, you can contact the Department of Mental Health at:

Department of Mental Health
Robert E. Lee Building, Suite 1101
239 N. Lamar Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

Phone: 1-877-210-8513 or 1-601-359-1288

You may also contact the Division of Medicaid at: 1-800-421-2408 or 601-359-9545.

Regional Offices - If you have questions about eligibility or if you want to apply for Medicaid, call toll-free 1-800-421-2408 or contact your nearest Regional Office:

Brandon 601-825-0477
Brookhaven 601-835-2020
Canton 601-859-3230
Clarksdale 662-627-1493
Cleveland 662-843-7753
Columbia 601-731-2271
Columbus 662-329-2190
Corinth 662-286-8091
Greenville 662-332-9370
Greenwood 662-455-1053

Grenada 662-226-4406
Gulfport 228-863-3328
Hattiesburg 601-264-5386
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Jackson 601-961- 4361
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Laurel 601-425-3175
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Tupelo 662-844-5304
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Yazoo City 662-746-2309

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