



Delaware County Board of Developmental Disabilities

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Funding for Services

Purpose

To define the funding policy for people served by the Delaware County Board of Developmental Disabilities (DCBDD).

Policy

Guidelines

Services and supports are designed to inspire, empower, and support people to achieve their full potential. Eligibility criteria as specified in DCBDD’s Eligibility Policy must be met prior to accessing services.

DCBDD supports as many people as possible by utilizing all available resources for needed services and supports. Funding for services includes, but is not limited to, private insurance, community-funded programs and services, and Medicaid state plan or Medicaid waiver services. DCBDD shall only consider funding services and supports with local levy funding after all other resources, including those indicated above, have been explored. All services authorized by DCBDD shall be based on assessed need and related to a person’s developmental disability.

Individuals who were determined to be eligible for DCBDD supports on or before 12/31/2023 will receive a legacy exemption until 12/31/2024 for the funding options below (see Appendix A for available services):

Evidence-based Early Intervention (EBEI)

DCBDD provides Evidence Based Early Intervention services for eligible children birth through age two. Families will be assigned a Service Coordinator and a Primary Service Provider as part of a Core Team of professionals, who are responsible for coordination of Board supports and services related to enhancing their child’s development. Services are designed to assist family members and caregivers to enhance children’s learning and development through participation in everyday family life and will be supported by an outcome on the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). Services are provided in natural environments, places where children live, learn, and play, and also include everyday routines at home and in the community. Services and supports are identified through the team process.

Self-Directed Services (local funding) & Medicaid Waiver Services

DCBDD implemented a Waiver Refinancing initiative beginning in 2023. By enrolling people served on Medicaid waivers, DCBDD maximizes the flow of state and federal

funding and reduces costs of services to taxpayers. Any person served with an assessed ongoing need for Medicaid waiver services shall be required to be assessed for the waiver waiting list in accordance with ORC 5126.042. The waiver waiting list prioritizes waiver enrollment according to the level of need for Medicaid waiver services.

- For individuals ages birth through 2, local funding shall be limited to \$500 per calendar year
- For individuals ages 3 through the exit of school services:
 - If not enrolled on a Medicaid waiver, local funding shall be limited to \$3,500 per calendar year
 - If enrolled on a Medicaid waiver, local funding shall be limited to \$500 per calendar year for services not available from a waiver
- For individuals who have exited school services:
 - If not enrolled on a Medicaid waiver, local funding shall be limited to \$10,000 per calendar year plus any supports available through Professional Service Contracts to meet an assessed need
 - If enrolled on a Medicaid waiver, local funding shall be limited to \$1,000 per calendar year for services not available from a waiver, plus any supports available through Professional Service Contracts to meet an assessed need.

Individuals determined to be eligible for DCBDD supports on or after 1/1/2024 will qualify for 1 of the 3 funding options below (see Appendix A for available services):

Evidence-based Early Intervention (EBEI)

DCBDD provides Evidence Based Early Intervention services for eligible children birth through age two. Families will be assigned a Service Coordinator and a Primary Service Provider as part of a Core Team of professionals, who are responsible for coordination of Board supports and services related to enhancing their child's development. Services are designed to assist family members and caregivers to enhance children's learning and development through participation in everyday family life and will be supported by an outcome on the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). Services are provided in natural environments, places where children live, learn, and play, and also include everyday routines at home and in the community. Services and supports are identified through the team process.

Family Support Services (local funding)

Eligible individuals ages 3 and above who are not enrolled on a Medicaid waiver are eligible to access the Family Support Services (FSS) program. See Family Supports Services policy for funding guidelines.

Medicaid Waiver Services

Eligible individuals with an assessed ongoing need for Medicaid waiver services shall be required to be assessed for the waiver waiting list in accordance with OAC 5123-9-04.

The waiver waiting list prioritizes waiver enrollment according to the level of need for Medicaid waiver services. Once an eligible person is enrolled on a Medicaid waiver, DCBDD will only authorize Medicaid waiver services and supports available through Professional Service Contracts for that person.

Resolution of Complaints

Any individual or person, other than an employee of the county board, may file a complaint to appeal actions proposed or initiated by a county board of developmental disabilities. Refer to the DCBDD Resolution of Complaints policy for complaint resolution information.

Rule Reference: ORC 5126.01, 5126.04, 5126.042, 5126.055, DCBDD Funding for Services Procedure, DCBDD Family Supports Services Policy

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Appendix A

- Medicaid waiver services are located in Chapter 5123 of the Ohio Administrative Code
- Self-Directed Services (locally funded) for people determined eligible prior to 1.1.24, these services are available through 12.31.24 or until enrollment on a Medicaid waiver, whichever comes first:
 - Adult Day Support
 - Assistive Technology Equipment
 - Camps, Classes (non-specialized)
 - Community Respite (specialized camps)
 - Environmental Accessibility Adaptations
 - Group Employment Support
 - Homemaker Personal Care/On-Site On-Call
 - Individual Employment Support
 - Informal Respite
 - Non-Medical Transportation
 - Non-Traditional Services (only music, art, and equine)
 - Occupational Therapist
 - Physical Therapist
 - Psychological Evaluations
 - Psychological Services
 - Specialized Medical Equipment & Supplies
 - Speech Therapist
 - Social Work (LISW LSW Counseling LPCC-MA)
 - Therapist Evaluation (OT, SLP, PT)
 - Transportation
 - Vocational Habilitation
- Services available for Family Support Services (FSS) funding are located in the Family Support Services Policy
- Professional Service Contract services, for all people determined eligible for DCBDD:
 - Behavior Support Services
 - Benefits Education Analysis
 - Extermination Services
 - Interpreter Services
 - Moving Services
 - Rent Deposit/Adjustment
 - Rent Subsidy
 - Representative/Payee Services
 - Utility Assistance