Partnering for a Good Life

IN-HOME SUPPORTS WAIVER
To apply for services, call your DDS Area Office for an application. Families who qualify will be served in chronology order as funds allow.

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Developmental Disabilities Services Area Offices
Human Services
Oklahoma
The Oklahoma Department of Human Services Developmental Disabilities Services (DHS DDS) partners with individual’s with intellectual disabilities and their families to help them plan for a good life that focuses on living and participating in their communities.

DDS serves Oklahomans through funding available in four Home-and Community-Based Medicaid Waivers. (Waivers fund programs through Medicaid to provide community-based services as an alternative to institutional care.)
Eligibility for DDS Waivers
To be eligible for any of the DDS Waiver Services Programs, a person must:

• Be financially eligible for Medicaid (based on the individual’s income, not the family’s)
• Have a disability with a diagnosis of intellectual disabilities
• Need institutional level of care
• Meet other waiver-specific eligibility criteria

In-Home Supports Waivers
Services are provided in the family’s or individuals' home through two DDS In-Home Supports Medicaid Waivers. The Children’s Waiver serves children ages 3-17. The Adult Waiver serves individuals 18 and older.

Both programs are designed to provide additional services not available in Oklahoma’s State Medicaid Plan (SoonerCare) and to supplement supports and services provided by the family and other community services. Both programs limit the amount that can be spent for the individual’s supports each year.

Self-Direction
Individuals served through the In-Home Supports Waivers may self-direct their services. Individuals that self-direct their services may hire their caregiver within the rules of the self-direction program.

Case Management
Individuals served through Medicaid DDS Waivers are provided case management services to assist them in the development of a person-centered plan of support. The case manager will assist the individual and family in navigating the service system, advocating for their inclusion in community life, and gaining referrals to community-wide resources for support.
Services available for children and youth up to age 21 through Medicaid Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Testing (apply at your nearest DHS office).

The Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) Program

This is a comprehensive child health program designed for children from birth to 21 years of age who are eligible for SoonerCare (Medicaid). Children with disabilities can access a variety of therapies and medical services that are medically necessary through prescription(s) from their doctor.

*The services available under the EPSDT program include:

- Child Health Screenings (well-child exams)
- Referrals to Specialists
- Diagnostic X-Rays, Laboratory Tests and Injections
- Immunizations
- Hospital Care
- Incontinence Supplies
- Personal Care Services (in-home care)
- Dental Care
- Vision Care (including eyeglasses)
- Hearing Evaluations and Hearing Aids
- Prescription Drugs
- Psychological Services
- Transportation (in connection with examinations or treatment)
- Medical Supplies, Equipment, Appliances and Prosthetic Devices
- Early Intervention Services (include nursing services, occupational, physical and speech-language therapies, nutrition services, family training and counseling)

*Some services may need to be pre-approved
Services available to children through the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) (apply at your nearest DHS office)

Under the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 (TEFRA), Oklahoma can provide SoonerCare (Medicaid) coverage to children:

- With severe intellectual disabilities and/or chronic/acute medical conditions
- Who qualify to be cared for in a hospital, nursing home or intermediate care setting even if they are living at home.

Children will receive full SoonerCare services when approved for the TEFRA program. Some benefits are:

- Well-child checkups
- Pharmacy
- Medical equipment
- Physical therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Speech therapy
- Dental
- Vision
- Outpatient services
- Hospital care
- Emergency and non-emergency transportation

Services available for children through the SSI-Disabled Children’s Program (apply at your nearest DHS office)

Children younger than 18, who already receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, may also be eligible for the DHS SSI-Disabled Children’s Program (SSI-DCP). Even if a child already receives services from several other sources, the SSI-DCP may be able to bridge the gap by providing a variety of free services that are not available through the other programs, including:

- Developmental Aids
- Equipment to Aid Accessibility and Mobility
- Professional Services
- Diapers
- Formula (Boost®, Ensure Plus® and PediaSure®)
- Respite Vouchers

*All services are contingent upon the availability of funds.*
Additional services available for children through the DDS In-Home Supports Waiver (apply at the nearest DDS Area Office, online at www.okdhs.org/programsandservices/dd/ or call to request an application)

- Respite
- Habilitation Training Specialists (in-home care)
- Architectural Modifications to the Home
- Family Training
- Adaptive Equipment
- Specialized Medical Supplies
- Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy for architectural modifications assessment

Services available for Adults in the DDS In-Home Waiver:

- Respite
- Adaptive Equipment
- Audiology (Hearing) Exams and Treatment
- Psychological Counseling
- Employment Services
- Dental Exams
- Architectural Modifications to the Home
- Nursing Services
- Nutritional Services
- Occupational, Physical and Speech Therapies
- Habilitation Training Specialists (in-home care)
- Medical Supplies and Services
- Transportation
- Family Training
- Adult Day Care
- Family Counseling
- Homemaker
- Prescribed Drugs

For more information, please contact your nearest DDS Area Office or link to www.okdhs.org or http://www.okdhs.org/library/forms/default.htm
DDS Mission Statement

“To enable people with developmental disabilities to lead healthy, independent and productive lives to the fullest extent possible; to promote the full exercise of their rights as citizens of their communities, state and country; and to promote the integrity and well-being of their families.”