Partnering for a Good Life

IN-HOME SUPPORTS WAIVER

Developmental Disabilities Services
Developmental Disabilities Services – Oklahoma DHS-DDS (Developmental Disabilities Services) partners with individuals and families with intellectual disabilities to plan for a good life that focuses on living and participating in their home 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 Medicaid 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 Medicaid Waivers

Services are provided in the family’s home through two 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 – Adults served in the In-Home 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 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 Through 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
- 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)

TEFRA provides coverage to certain disabled children living in the home who would qualify for SoonerCare if residents of nursing facilities, ICF/IIDs, or inpatient acute care hospital stays are expected to last not less than 60 days. (See Publication TEFRA Brochure, SBR-TEFENG-2014 for more information.)

Services Available for Children Through the SSI-Disabled Children’s Program (apply at the 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 in DDS’ In-Home Supports Medicaid 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
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

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