

A Comparison of Medicaid Personal Care and Medicaid I/DD Waiver

	Medicaid Personal Care	I/DD Waiver
Program Description	<p>Personal Care is a Medicaid funding stream based on medical need to assist people with activities of daily living (ADLs) and instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs) in the member's home, place of employment or community. The greater the need, the more services can be provided. Personal care needs determine the hours per month.</p>	<p>The I/DDW Program is a home and community based service program that reimburses for services to instruct, train, support, supervise, and assist individuals who have intellectual and/or developmental disabilities in achieving the highest level of independence and self-sufficiency possible. The IDDW Program provides services based on a person's annual functional assessment and assigned individualized budget.</p>
Program Eligibility	<p>Applicants for the Personal Care Program must meet all of the following criteria to be eligible for the program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a resident of West Virginia • Be approved as medically eligible • Meet Medicaid financial eligibility criteria for the program as determined by WV DHHR <p>If they are being referred to a Specialized Family Care home, they must also be diagnosed with an intellectual or developmental disability.</p>	<p>Applicants for I/DD Waiver MUST:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a resident of West Virginia; • Complete the I/DD 01 Application form to begin the eligibility screening process; • Have a diagnosis of intellectual and/or developmental disability, manifested before the age of 22, with assistance needed in self-care, communication, mobility, or employment; • Have a need for continuous training and treatment programs that addresses the disability and functioning levels; • Meet Medicaid financial eligibility; • Have chosen Home and Community Based Services over institutional services; and • Enroll in the I/DD Waiver Program and obtain a funded I/DD slot. • Individuals eligible for Title XIX approved waiver slot must transfer from a general foster home or Adult Family Care home to a Specialized Family Care Home
Permanency Options Funding Considerations	<p>Medicaid does not allow the parents of a minor child to receive reimbursement for the services provided to the child, as it is an expectation of a parent to provide for the care of a child. Therefore, foster parents or Specialized Family Care home providers wishing to adopt a child with Medicaid Personal Care funding will not continue to receive funds for the services provided to the individual. Once the adoption becomes final, Specialized Family Care services for that individual will cease.</p>	<p>A foster parent or Specialized Family Care home provider is able to become adoptive parents to a minor child under Title XIX Medicaid I/DD Waiver and still receive Medicaid reimbursement for the services provided to the individual. Once an adoption is finalized, the child and provider are no longer participants in the Specialized Family Care Program.</p>
Provided Services	<p>Personal care services are medically necessary activities or tasks that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are prescribed by a doctor; • Must have prior authorization from the Bureau of Medical Services; • Are necessary for the long term health and safety of the individual; • Require a plan of care developed by an RN and provides assistance in areas of eligibility. <p>Personal care service providers are para-professionals trained in basic training requirements established by the Bureau of Medical Services.</p>	<p>Home and community-based services available for individuals with intellectual and/or developmental are:</p> <p>Behavior Support Professional; Crisis Services; Dietary Therapy; Environmental Accessibility Adaptation; Electronic Monitoring/ Surveillance System On-Site Response (Not SFC) Facility Based Day Habilitation; Occupational Therapy; Person-Centered Support; Physical Therapy; Respite; Service Coordination; Skilled Nursing; Speech Therapy; Supported Employment; job development, and pre-vocational services; and transportation.</p>