Home and Community-Based 1915(c) Waivers and Concurrent 1915(b) Managed Care Waivers for Respite Support

Medicaid is a program in every state that pays for medical assistance for certain individuals and families with low incomes and resources. It is the largest source of funding for medical and health-related services for America’s poorest people. Because Medicaid is funded jointly by the federal and state governments, the services paid for vary from state to state. In addition to medical services, Medicaid will pay for home and community-based services (HCBS) through the state plan as well as through Medicaid waivers that offer services as a lower-cost alternative to treatment in a medical or long-term care facility, such as a nursing home. Respite is usually paid for through one or more of the following types of waivers: research and demonstration (1115), managed care (1915b) and HCBS (1915c) waiver programs. This state’s Medicaid waivers that include respite are:

**IL Waiver for Adults w/DD**

Provides adult day care, developmental training, residential habilitation, supported employment-individual/group, occupational therapy (OT)-extended, physical therapy (PT)-extended, speech therapy-extended, service facilitation, adaptive equipment, behavior intervention/treatment, behavioral-psychotherapy/counseling, emergency home response services, home accessibility modifications, non-medical transportation, personal support, skilled nursing, temporary assistance (formerly crisis), training/counseling services for unpaid caregivers, vehicle modifications for individuals w/autism, DD, IID ages 18 years and older.

**IL HCBS Waiver for Persons w/Brain Injury**

Provides personal assistant, homemaker, adult day care, environmental accessibility adaptations, specialized medical equipment, home delivered meals, Personal Emergency Response System (PERS), respite, nursing (including intermittent), extended State Plan therapy services (physical, occupational, speech), day habilitation, prevocational services, supported employment, and cognitive behavioral therapies for individuals of any age with brain injury and functional limitations directly resulting from the brain injury as documented by a physician/neurologist. The brain injury waiver offers intense case management support.

**IL HCBS Waiver for Children that are Medically Fragile, Technology Dependent**

Provides respite, specialized medical equipment and supplies, environmental modifications, family training, nurse training, placement maintenance counseling, and medically supervised day care and supplies for individuals from birth through age 20 who are diagnosed as medically fragile and technology dependent.

**IL HCBS Waiver for Persons w/HIV or AIDS**

Provides adult day care, homemaker, personal assistant, respite, home health aide, intermittent nursing, occupational therapy (OT), physical therapy (PT), speech therapy, environmental accessibility adaptations, home delivered meals, in-home shift nursing, PERS (personal emergency response systems), and specialized medical equipment for individuals diagnosed with HIV/AIDS with no age restrictions.

**IL HCBS Waiver for Persons Who are Elderly**

Provides adult day care, in-home service, automated medication dispenser and emergency home response services for individuals aged 65 and older. Persons with physical disabilities may enroll at 60.

**IL Persons w/Disabilities**

Provides adult day care, homemaker, personal assistant, respite, home health aide, occupational therapy (OT), physical therapy (PT), speech therapy, environmental accessibility adaptations, home delivered meals, in-home shift nursing, intermittent nursing, PERS (personal emergency response systems), and specialized medical equipment individuals from birth through age 59 diagnosed as physically disabled.
### Description

This waiver provides supports that are designed to prevent or delay out-of-home placement or to provide residential services in the least restrictive community setting for participants who would otherwise need ICF/MR level of care.

Services include adult day care, developmental training, residential habilitation, supported employment-individual/group, occupational therapy (OT)-extended, physical therapy (PT)-extended, speech therapy-extended, service facilitation, adaptive equipment, behavior intervention/treatment, behavioral-psychotherapy/ counseling, emergency home response services, home accessibility modifications, non-medical transportation, personal support, skilled nursing, temporary assistance (formerly crisis), training/ counseling services for unpaid caregivers, vehicle modifications, and a variety of therapies.

Participants may choose between participant-direction, including both budget and employer authority, and more traditional service delivery, or a combination of the two options. Participants who choose home-based supports may select from a menu of services based on their individual needs within a monthly services cost maximum. Participants may use domestic employees or direct service providers. When participants exercise employer authority, a Financial Management Services (FMS) entity is available.

### Waiver Type

1915(c)

### Target Population-Eligibility

Individuals with autism, developmental disabilities, or intellectual disabilities ages 18 and over.

### Level of Care

Individuals require level of care available in an Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID).

### Respite Services

This waiver does not offer formal respite services but provides Adult Day Care, which is provided 4 or more hours per day on a regularly scheduled basis for one or more days per week, or as specified in the service plan, in a non-institutional, community-based setting, encompassing both health and social services needed to ensure the optimal functioning of the participant. Snacks/meals and transportation to and from the Adult Day Care center is a part of the service.

Additionally, respite may be provided under Personal Support Services.

### Respite Provider Eligibility

Information on becoming a provider of services: [https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page. ?item=52725](https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page. ?item=52725) or call (217) 557-9282

### Caregiver Eligibility

Adult Day Care may not be provided by a relative, legal guardian or legally responsible person.

### Enrollment Limit

23,049: Year ending in 12/10/2022

### How to Apply

Information on waiver: [https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/support_cyadd.aspx](https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/support_cyadd.aspx)

### Contact Information

Independent Service Coordination (ISC) entities serve as the local point of access.
To find the local office contact the Developmental Disabilities Helpline 1-888-DD-PLANS or 1-866-376-8446 (TTY)
Local DHS offices may be found at: [http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?module=12](http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?module=12) 1-800-843-6154 (#3 on menu) or 1-800-447-6404 (TTY)

### Link to Waiver Application

[https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/SiteCollectionDocuments/AdultswithDevelopmentalDisabilitiesApprovedWaiver.pdf](https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/SiteCollectionDocuments/AdultswithDevelopmentalDisabilitiesApprovedWaiver.pdf)

### Expiration Date

12/20/2022

### Date of Last Update

07/31/2019
### Description
This waiver serves persons who are at risk for nursing facility level of care as the result of a brain injury. The waiver allows individuals to remain in their homes and receive a wide-array of services, including personal assistant, homemaker, adult day care, environmental accessibility adaptations, specialized medical equipment, home delivered meals, Personal Emergency Response System (PERS), respite, nursing (including intermittent), extended State Plan therapy services (physical, occupational, speech), day habilitation, prevocational services, supported employment, and cognitive behavioral therapies. The brain Injury waiver offers intense case management support.

The State delivers care coordination and waiver services through a mandatory managed care delivery system for those waiver participants enrolled in the Integrated Care Program (ICP). The ICP is implemented in the Illinois areas of suburban Cook (all zip codes that do not begin with 606), DuPage, Kane, Kankakee, Lake and Will Counties. Future areas/MCO plans will affect the population similarly.

### Waiver Type
1915(c). Operates concurrently with Section 1932 (a) State plan amendment (SPA) to implement mandatory managed care in Cook County and surrounding border counties.

### Target Population-Eligibility
Individuals of any age with brain injury and functional limitations directly resulting from the brain injury as documented by a physician/neurologist. Includes traumatic brain injury, anoxia, stroke, aneurysm, infection (encephalitis, meningitis), electrical injury, neoplasm of the brain, and toxic encephalopathy. Does not include degenerative, congenital or neurological disorders related to aging.

### Level of Care
Individuals require level of care available in a nursing facility (NF).

### Respite Services
Respite provides relief for unpaid family or primary caregivers currently meeting all service needs of the customer. Services are limited to personal assistant, homemaker, nurse, adult day care in order to provide customer’s activities of daily living during the periods of time when the primary caregiver is absent. It may be provided in individual’s home; or in and adult day care setting. Services are available for a maximum of 240 hours per year.

### Respite Provider Eligibility
Information on becoming a provider of services: [https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=52725](https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=52725) or call 217-557-9282

### Caregiver Eligibility
Respite may be provided by a relative, but not a legal guardian or legally responsible person.

### Enrollment Limit
4905: Year ending 06/30/2022

### How to Apply
All information at [https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/BI.aspx](https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/BI.aspx)
Persons enrolled with a Medicaid managed care organization may contact their care coordinator about the need for in home services and for assistance with a referral. You may apply online: [https://wr.dhs.illinois.gov/wrpublic/wr/dynamic/referral.jsf](https://wr.dhs.illinois.gov/wrpublic/wr/dynamic/referral.jsf) or call Rehabilitation Services

### Contact Information
Local DHS office locator: [http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?module=12](http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?module=12) or call Rehabilitation Services: (800) 843-6154 (#3 on menu) or (800) 447-6404 (TTY) Select Rehabilitation Services on the drop down menu or DHS-DRS Springfield office: (217) 782-2722

### Link to Waiver Application
[https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/SiteCollectionDocuments/ApprovedBrainInjuryBIWaiver.pdf](https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/SiteCollectionDocuments/ApprovedBrainInjuryBIWaiver.pdf)

### Expiration Date
06/30/2022

### Date of Last Update
07/31/2019
IL HCBS Waiver for Children that are Medically Fragile, Technology Dependent (0278.R05.00)
State Operating Agency: University of Illinois, Division of Specialized Care for Children at Chicago (DSCC)

**Description**
This waiver for children who are diagnosed as medically fragile or technology dependent (MFTD) allows eligible children to remain in their own homes rather than in an institutional setting. The waiver program offers coordination and support for in-home medical care. Nursing is the primary service received by waiver participants although it is not a waiver service. Waiver services include respite, specialized medical equipment and supplies, environmental modifications, family training, nurse training, placement maintenance counseling, and medically supervised day care. The child's resources are considered, but parental income is not counted for Medicaid financial eligibility.

**Waiver Type**
1915(c)

**Target Population-Eligibility**
Individuals from birth through age 20 who are diagnosed as medically fragile or technology dependent. Individuals who require institutionalization solely because of a severe mental or developmental impairment are not eligible.

**Level of Care**
Individuals require level of care available in a hospital or nursing facility (NF).

**Respite Services**
Respite services are care and supportive services to enable the participant to remain in the community, or home-like environment, while periodically relieving the family of caregiving responsibilities. Respite is provided in the participant's home or a Children's Community-Based Health Care Center Model, licensed by the Illinois Department of Public Health. In home respite is provided by qualified licensed nurses and certified nurse's aides employed by an approved private duty nursing agency. Respite in the Children's Health Care Center is provided by nurses and certified nurse aides employed by the Center. Respite and private duty nursing services may not be provided simultaneously.

The Children's Community-Based Health Care Center Model provides necessary technological support and nursing care as respite care in a stand-alone facility for a period of one to fourteen days. Authorization of respite at a children's respite center requires: prescription by the physician managing care; request by the child's parent(s) and/or guardian. Participant must be clinically stable.

Respite may be provided in a home-like environment that serves no more than 12 children at a time, offering an alternative setting for waiver services normally provided in the child's home. Transportation is not part of this service.

**Respite Provider Eligibility**
Information on becoming a provider of services: [http://dscc.uic.edu/for-providers/provider-criteria-2/](http://dscc.uic.edu/for-providers/provider-criteria-2/)

**Caregiver Eligibility**
Respite may not be provided by a relative, legal guardian or a legally responsible person.

**Enrollment Limit**
1215: Year 1; 1365: Year 2; 1515: Year 3; 1665: Year 4; 1815: Year ending in 08/31/2022

**How to Apply**
Applications available in English, Spanish or French at [https://dscc.uic.edu/how-we-help/how-to-apply/](https://dscc.uic.edu/how-we-help/how-to-apply/) or contact a Specialized Care for Children Regional Office to request the forms be mailed to you [http://dscc.uic.edu/find-an-office/](http://dscc.uic.edu/find-an-office/)

**Contact Information**
University of Illinois, Division of Specialized Care for Children, 800-322-3722 or visit [http://dscc.uic.edu/](http://dscc.uic.edu/)

**Link to Waiver Application**
[http://www2.illinois.gov/hfs/SiteCollectionDocuments/MFTD10212015.pdf](http://www2.illinois.gov/hfs/SiteCollectionDocuments/MFTD10212015.pdf)

**Expiration Date**
08/31/2022

**Date of Last Update**
07/31/2019
**Description**

This waiver serves persons with HIV/AIDS, who are at risk for nursing facility level of care, allowing them to remain in their homes. Services and supports include adult day care, homemaker, personal assistant, respite, home health aide, intermittent nursing, occupational therapy (OT), physical therapy (PT), speech therapy, environmental accessibility adaptations, home delivered meals, in-home shift and intermittent nursing, personal emergency response systems, and specialized medical equipment.

The waiver is based on an independent living philosophy that encourages individuals to direct their own care.

**Waiver Type**

1915(c) - Operates concurrently with Section 1932 (a) State plan amendment (SPA) to implement mandatory managed care

**Target Population-Eligibility**

Individuals of any age diagnosed with HIV/AIDS with severe functional limitations, which are expected to last at least 12 months or for the duration of life

**Level of Care**

Individuals require level of care available in a nursing facility (NF).

**Respite Services**

Respite services provide relief for unpaid family or primary care givers, who are currently meeting all service needs of the customer. Services are limited to personal assistant, homemaker, nurse, adult day care, and provided to a consumer to provide his or her activities of daily living during the periods of time it is necessary for the family or primary care giver to be absent.

Federal Financial Participation (FFP) will not be claimed for the cost of room and board except when provided as part of respite furnished in a facility approved by the State that is not a private residence. Respite may be provided in the individual’s home; or in an adult day care setting.

**Respite Provider Eligibility**

Information on becoming a provider of services: [https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=52725](https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=52725) or call 217-557-9282

**Caregiver Eligibility**

Respite may be participant directed and provided by a relative, but not a legal guardian or legally responsible persons.

**Enrollment Limit**

1480: Year 1; 1528: Year 2; 1576: Year 3; 1624: Year 4; 1672: Year ending in 09/30/2023

**How to Apply**

Persons who have medical services through a Medicaid managed care organization may contact their care coordinator about the need for in home services and for assistance with a referral. You may apply online: [https://wr.dhs.illinois.gov/wrpublic/wr/setReferral.do](https://wr.dhs.illinois.gov/wrpublic/wr/setReferral.do) or by phone (800) 843-6154 or (800) 447-6404 (TTY)

**Contact Information**


**Link to Waiver Application**

[https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/SiteCollectionDocuments/CurrentHIVorAIDSWaiver.pdf](https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/SiteCollectionDocuments/CurrentHIVorAIDSWaiver.pdf)

**Expiration Date**

09/30/2023

**Date of Last Update**

07/31/2019
IL HCBS Waiver for Persons Who are Elderly (0143.R06.00)
State Operating Agency: Illinois Department on Aging (IDoA)

Description
The waiver for the elderly is part of the Community Care Program (CCP), a larger state program operated by the IDoA that serves Illinois seniors. The CCP offers services to persons age 60 and over who meet functional and financial eligibility criteria. Those meeting Medicaid eligibility are HCBS waiver participants. Those that do not meet Medicaid eligibility are funded with state-only monies. Services offered are the same for both Medicaid and state funded participants.

There are 13 Planning and Service Areas (PSA) in Illinois, each managed and served by an Area Agency on Aging (AAA). Care coordinators educate participants on the available providers and assist them, if needed, in making informed choices.

Services available under the waiver include homemaker, adult day care, and emergency home response service. Other services are available through the Older Americans Act (OAA) and senior networks. Based on personal needs identified by the case coordinator, referrals are made to a variety of services including those outside the services offered in the elderly waiver. Examples of additional services include home delivered meals, medication management, flexible senior services, respite care, transportation, and medical and home health services.

Waiver Type
1915(c) - Operates concurrently with Section 1932 (a) State plan amendment (SPA) to implement mandatory managed care in Cook County and surrounding border counties.

Target Population-Eligibility
Persons who are aged 65 and older. Person with physical disabilities may enroll at age 60.

Level of Care
Individuals require level of care available in a nursing facility (NF).

Respite Services
This waiver does not offer formal respite services but provides Adult Day Care, which is provided 4 or more hours per day on a regularly scheduled basis for one or more days per week, or as specified in the service plan, in a non-institutional, community-based setting, encompassing both health and social services needed to ensure the optimal functioning of the participant. Snacks/meals and transportation to and from the Adult Day Care center is a part of the service. Respite services may be added and paid by other sources as identified by the care coordinator and based on individual need.

Respite Provider Eligibility
Information on becoming a provider of services: [https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=52725](https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=52725) or call 217-557-9282

Caregiver Eligibility
Adult day care may not be provided by a relative, legal guardian or legally responsible person.

Enrollment Limit
85,090: Year 1: 92,054: Year 2; 105,618: Year 3: 122,447: Year 4: 143,101: Year ending in 10/31/2021

How to Apply
See [https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/Elderly.aspx](https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/Elderly.aspx) for instructions or contact the HelpLine below.

Contact Information
Department on Aging Senior HelpLine: (800)252-8966 (option #4) or (888) 206-1327 (TTY)
Local CCP Care Coordination Unit contact information may be found online by visiting: [http://www.illinois.gov/aging/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.illinois.gov/aging/Pages/default.aspx)

Link to Waiver Application
[https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/SiteCollectionDocuments/CurrentElderlyWaiver.pdf](https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/SiteCollectionDocuments/CurrentElderlyWaiver.pdf)

Expiration Date
10/31/2021

Date of Last Update
07/31/2019
Description
This waiver provides a consumer-directed program for persons with disabilities. Most beneficiaries hire, supervise, and terminate their own caregivers (personal assistants). The program was designed as an independent living model. The program offers a full array of services which include personal assistants, homemaker, skilled professional nursing, certified nursing assistants, therapies, adult day care, emergency home response, respite, home delivered meals, environmental modifications, and special medical equipment and supplies.

The State delivers care coordination and waiver services through a mandatory managed care delivery system for those waiver participants enrolled in the Integrated Care Program (ICP). Waiver participants dually enrolled in Medicare and Medicaid receive services through the managed care delivery system.

Waiver Type
1915(c). Operates concurrently with a 1915(b) managed care waiver and Section 1932(a) State plan amendment to implement mandatory managed care in Cook County and surrounding border counties.

Target Population-Eligibility
Individuals from birth through age 59 diagnosed with a severe disability, which is expected to last for 12 months or for the duration of life.

Level of Care
Individuals require level of care available in a nursing facility (NF).

Respite Services
Respite services provide relief for unpaid family or primary care givers, who are currently meeting all service needs of the customer. Services are limited to personal assistant, homemaker, nurse, adult day care, and provided to a consumer to provide his or her activities of daily living during the periods of time it is necessary for the family or primary care giver to be absent. It may be provided in the individual’s home; or in an adult day care setting.

FFP will not be claimed for room and board except when provided as part of respite furnished in a facility approved by the State that is not a private residence.

Services are available for a maximum of 240 hours per year.

Respite Provider Eligibility
Information on becoming a provider of services: https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=52725 or call 217-557-9282

Caregiver Eligibility
Respite may be provided by a relative but not by a legal guardian or legally responsible person.

Enrollment Limit
34,950: Year 1; 34,993: Year 2; 36,068: Year 3; 37,177: Year 4; 38,320: Year ending in 07/11/2021

How to Apply
Services are accessed through local DHS-DRS offices. Local offices can be found by using the DHS office Locator (http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?module=12). Persons who have Medicaid managed care may contact their care coordinator about the need for in home services and for assistance with a referral. You may apply online: https://wr.dhs.illinois.gov/wrpublic/wr/setReferral.do or by phone: 1-800-843-6154 or 1-800-447-6404 (TTY). All information may be found at https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/disabilities.aspx

Contact Information
Developmental Disabilities Helpline, 1-888-DD-PLANS or 1-866-376-8446 (TTY). All information may be found at https://www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/disabilities.aspx

Link to Waiver Application

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