



Department for Medicaid Services

What are Medicaid Waiver Services?

Medicaid waiver programs can provide Medicaid coverage for many different services that can help you stay in your home. The Department for Medicaid Services offers six 1915(c) waiver programs.

Programs & Services

ABI Acute and ABI Long-Term Care Waivers

For those age 18 and older with an acquired brain injury (ABI)

Acquired Brain Injury Waiver: The ABI waiver is for adults with an acquired brain injury who can benefit from intensive rehabilitation services. The services are designed to assist participants in re-entering the community and functioning independently.

Acquired Brain Injury Long Term Care Waiver: The ABI LTC waiver is for adults with an acquired brain injury who have reached a plateau in their rehabilitation level. They require maintenance services to live safely in the community.

Home and Community Based (HCB) Waiver

For those age 65 and older and/or those of any age with a physical disability.

Home and Community Based Services Waiver: HCB provides assistance to the elderly or to adults and children with physical disabilities to help them live in the community as independently as possible.

Model II Waiver (MIIW)

Model II Waiver provides assistance to individuals who use a ventilator for 12 or more hours a day to allow them to live in the community independently as possible.

Michelle P. Waiver (MPW)

For those with intellectual or developmental disabilities

Michelle P. Waiver: provides assistance to individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities to help them live in the community as independently as possible.

Supports for Community Living (SCL) Waiver

For those with an intellectual or developmental disability who need more intensive support.

Supports for Community Living : SCL provides assistance to individuals with an intellectual or developmental disability to help them live in the community as independently as possible.

Kentucky Transitions

For individuals who wish to move out of a nursing home or institution and into the community.

Kentucky Transitions: helps people move out of nursing facilities or institutions and into their own homes.

You may be eligible for Medicaid waiver services if:

- You are age sixty-five (65) years or older and/or physically, intellectually or developmentally disabled, ventilator dependent, or have an acquired brain injury.
- You meet the financial qualifications for Medicaid. Special financial qualifications are applied to waiver programs.
- You have a written certification by a physician that if Medicaid waiver services were not available, nursing facility services would be ordered and you would be admitted to a nursing facility and/or intermediate care facility in the immediate future
- You meet the nursing facility or intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability level of care criteria giving consideration to the medical diagnosis, age-related dependencies, care needs, services, health personnel required to meet those needs, and the feasibility of meeting those needs through alternative or non-institutional services
- You choose to live at home and get waiver services

For more information regarding 1915(c) waivers or how to apply, visit the DMS Division of Community Alternatives website at <https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/dca/Pages/default.aspx>, or contact the 1915(c) Waiver Help Desk by phone at (844) 784-5614, or email at 1915cWaiverHelpDesk@ky.gov.