

**REPORT TO THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE  
STATE OF HAWAII  
2016**



**PURSUANT TO SECTION 333F-6, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES,  
THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SHALL REPORT ANNUALLY TO THE  
LEGISLATURE THE NUMBERS OF PERSONS WAITING FOR  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY OR INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES  
SERVICES AND SUPPORTS, AND SHALL PROVIDE THE REASONS FOR  
THE LACK OF SERVICES OR SUPPORTS**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Pursuant to Section 333F-6 (c), Hawaii Revised Statutes, Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities or Intellectual Disabilities (DD/ID), the Department of Health shall keep waiting lists of all individuals who are eligible for services and supports, but for whom services and supports have not been provided for any reason, and shall report annually to the legislature the numbers of persons waiting for services and supports and the reasons for the lack of services and supports.

For fiscal year (FY) 2015, the Developmental Disabilities Division (DDD) had **no waitlists** of DD/ID individuals for:

1. Medicaid DD/ID Home and Community-Based Service (HCBS) Waiver under the authority of section 1915 (c) of the Social Security Act (referred to as "The Waiver");
2. Long Term Adult Supports and Resources (LASR);
3. Family Support Services Program (FSSP); and
4. Crisis Network Services.

The total number of individuals with DD/ID served by the DDD was 3,272. Of this number 2,740 were served under "The Waiver," 82 individuals were served under the LASR program, 33 individuals received services through FSSP, 178 individuals were served under the Crisis Network Services, and the remaining 163 received only case management services.

The total expenditure for "The Waiver" was \$112,261,183 of which \$54,688,896 was from the state general fund and \$57,575,287 from federal matching funds. The expenditure for the LASR program was \$860,828 of state general funds. The expenditure for the FSSP was \$15,798 of state general funds. Finally, the expenditure for the Crisis Network Services program was \$919,516 from the state general fund. The total general fund expenditure for FY 2015 for the entire DDD program was \$71,048,509.

**REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE  
IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 333F, SECTION 6,  
HAWAII REVISED STATUTES**

**Introduction**

According to Section 333F-6(c) , Hawaii Revised Statutes "...the Department of Health shall keep waiting lists of all individuals who are eligible for services and supports, but for whom services and supports have not been provided for any reason, and shall report annually to the legislature the numbers of persons waiting for services and supports and the reasons for the lack of services and supports."

As of June 30, 2015, there were **no waitlists** of individuals with DD/ID for any Department of Health, DDD programs:

- DD/ID "The Waiver";
- Long Term Adult Supports and Resources;
- Family Support Services Program; and
- Crisis Network Services.

**1. DD/ID "The Waiver"**

The Medicaid HCBS Waiver Program is authorized in Title XIX, Section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act (42 USC § 1915 (c)). The program permits a state to furnish an array of home and community-based services that assist Medicaid beneficiaries to live in the community and avoid institutionalization.

"The Waiver" for individuals with DD/ID is operated by the DDD and administered through the State Department of Human Services MedQuest Division (MQD) which serves as the Medicaid state agency. Current Waiver services include Adult Day Health, Personal Assistance Habilitation, Chore, Respite, Assistive Technology, Employment Services, Specialized Equipment and Supplies, Vehicular Modifications, Crisis Network Services (Outreach, Respite, and Shelter), Skilled Nursing and Training and Consultation.

As of June 30, 2015, there was **no waitlist** of individuals with DD/ID for "The Waiver." The total number of individuals served under this program for the reporting period (FY 2015) was 2,740 which included 131 individuals who were newly admitted. The total expenditure for "The Waiver" was \$112,264,183 of this total expenditure \$54,688,896 was with

state general funds and \$57,575,287 was received by the state as federal matching funds.

## **2. Long Term Adult Supports and Resources (LASR) Program**

This program provides long-term supports for individuals with I/DD who are not eligible for Medicaid services under “The Waiver.” The LASR Program assists individuals with I/DD and families to increase independence. The LASR program may provide the individual with prevocational skill building and employment activities, volunteer activities, and educational activities.

There was **no waitlist** for the LASR program. In FY 2015, there were 82 individuals served by the LASR program with an expenditure of \$860,828 general funds.

## **3. Family Support Service Program (FSSP)**

The FSSP is a state funded program that supports individuals living in their family homes by reimbursing families for services and supports, which may include adaptive equipment, chore services, limited modification to home, and training and educational services.

There was **no waitlist** for this program. For FY 2015, there were 33 individuals served with an expenditure of \$15,798 general funds.

## **4. Crisis Network Services**

Crisis Network Services are available to any DDD participant who requires crisis services. This program also offers training to DDD’s 60 provider agencies, families and caregivers.

A total of 179 individuals received crisis services during FY 2015. 162 crisis calls were received during this time of which 80 resulted in mobile outreach by Crisis Network staff to assist the individual and caregiver face-to-face. Three individuals not enrolled in “The Waiver” received Training and Consultation services; and 14 individuals received crisis shelter services.

“The Waiver” providers received training in crisis management to assist DDD participants. The types of training included positive behavioral supports, de-escalation strategies, co-occurring diagnoses, intervention strategies for autism, and data collection.

There was **no waitlist** for crisis network services. In FY 2015, the total expenditure for this program was \$919,516 general funds.

## **Conclusion**

In FY 2015, DDD had **no waitlist** for all programs that were administered by the DDD serving 3,272 individuals. DDD additionally, trained 346 service provider staff to obtain and maintain essential skills to assist individuals with DD/ID.

DDD will continue to assure that there will be **no waitlist** of DD/ID individuals for all DDD programs by assisting individuals who are served, training provider staff to develop skills and tools to enhance their service to DDD participants, and providing DDD staff training that will help to provide staff with skills to manage and coordinate services effectively and efficiently to all individuals served by the DDD.

## SECTION 333F-6, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES

**§333F-6 Application and assessment for services; individualized service plans.** (a) The department shall administer an application and assessment system for persons with developmental or intellectual disabilities, and shall determine eligibility for services or supports within thirty working days of receipt of an application. If the department determines that the person is eligible for services or supports under this chapter within the limits of federal or state resources available for the purposes of this chapter, the department, after due consideration is afforded the preferences of the person with developmental or intellectual disabilities, the person's parents if a minor, or legal guardian, shall refer that person to appropriate programs within ten working days of the determination; an individualized service plan for the person shall be prepared by an interdisciplinary team for the person, and the department may provide case management services to the person.

(b) The procedure for assessment of the person and the elements of the individualized service plan shall be described in rules adopted by the department pursuant to chapter 91. The individualized service plan shall be in writing and shall include, at a minimum, the nature of the needs of the person, treatment and care goals, and specific services to be offered to the person to attain these goals.

(c) The department shall keep waiting lists of all individuals who are eligible for services and supports, but for whom services and supports have not been provided for any reason, and shall report annually to the legislature the numbers of persons waiting for services and supports and the reasons for the lack of services and supports.