# WAIVER SERVICES INFO BRIEF



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# Waiver Amendment #2 and Individual Supports Budgets

# The Vision for an Improved DDD System

The Developmental Disabilities Division (DDD) has implemented many changes in recent years to improve how individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) are supported in our community, including:

- Expanding and improving the types of services available;
- Beginning to conduct assessments using the Supports Intensity
   Scale (SIS) to better understand participants' support needs;
- Increasing most service reimbursement rates;
- Making data-informed decisions;
- Advancing the supports planning process;
- Investing in staff, providers, and families;
- Embracing innovation; and
- Increasing flexibility and choice with individual supports budgets.





#### Mission

Foster partnerships and provide quality person-centered and family-focused services and supports that promote self-determination.

#### **Vision**

Individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities have healthy, safe, meaningful and self-determined lives.

#### **System Values**

People with IDD will...

- Be in charge of their lives as much as possible.
- Have opportunities to enhance their lives and participate in their communities.
- Have access to the services and other resources they need.
- Have enhancing life experiences and choices throughout all stages of their life.

The service system will...

- Deliver high quality services that support this vision.
- Be managed in a way that is efficient and fair to everyone.
- Embrace partnerships.

### **Statewide Community Meetings**

During November and December 2017, DDD staff held meetings around the state to talk with communities about Hawaii's vision for services provided through the Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Home and Community Based Services Waiver (I/DD Waiver).

In case you were unable to attend one of the Community Meetings, this Waiver Services Info Brief will share the highlights of what was discussed, as well as provide additional information on Individual Supports Budgets.

#### What is Included in Waiver Amendment #2?

A waiver amendment will be submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to enhance the I/DD Waiver. The enhancements to the waiver include:

- Clarifying that Community Learning Services Individual can be used by children and teenagers;
- Allowing Vehicular Modifications to cover the cost of repairs to the modifications;
- Increasing the per-trip cost of Non-Medical Transportation;
- Addressing cost-share for disabled or blind individuals if their social security disability insurance increases;
- Adding Private Duty Nursing for adults as a replacement for Skilled Nursing;
- Establishing a higher payment rate for nurses providing Respite to participants who require this level of medical oversight; and
- Adding Individual Supports Budgets.

## **Individual Supports Budgets**

#### What are Individual Supports Budgets?

An Individual Supports Budget is an annual funding level based on a participant's living arrangement and assessed needs that are intended to provide the amount of supports that he or she needs to be successful in the community. Within these annual budget amounts, a participant and their Circle of Supports can decide which services best meet their unique needs. The Individual Supports Budgets cover 'typical' services as depicted in the table below:

#### Services Included in Individual Supports Budget

Individual Support	Certified/ Licensed Settings	Family Home	Living In Own Home
Adult Day Health (ADH)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Community Learning Service – Group (CLS-G)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Community Learning Service – Individual (CLS-Ind)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Personal Assistance/ Habilitation (PAB)	N/A	Yes	Yes
Chore	N/A	Yes	Yes
Respite	N/A	Yes	N/A

Note: Other waiver services not listed can be authorized in addition to those that are covered by the individual supports budgets based on individual needs.

#### **How is the Individual Supports Budget Determined?**

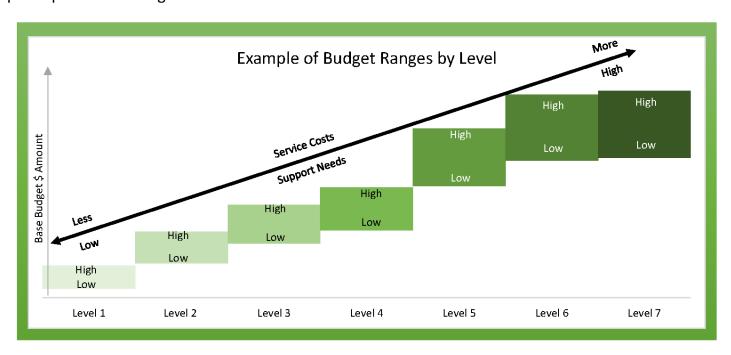
Your Individual Supports Budget is based on two factors:

- Your Supports Intensity Scale (SIS) assessed level of support needs, and
- Your residential setting (i.e. type of place you live in).



#### **Budget Ranges**

For each Individual Supports Budget, there is a 'band' that shows the expected range of budgets to meet individuals' needs based on their assessed level and residential setting. Service reimbursement rates are higher on the Big Island to accommodate expenses related to travel. Therefore, there is a difference in overall supports budget amounts between Big Island and Other Islands to ensure that participants on the Big Island can access the same amount of services.



#### **Individual Supports Budget Ranges**

- Licensed/Certified Settings (includes ADH, CLS-Ind, and CLS-G)
- Living in Family Home (includes ADH, CLS-Ind, CLS-G, PAB, Chore, and Respite)
- Living Independently (includes ADH, CLS-Ind, CLS-G, PAB, and Chore)

SIS Level	Budget	Licensed / Certified Settings All Other Islands	Licensed / Certified Settings Big Island	Living in Family Home All Other Islands	Living in Family Home Big Island	Living Independently All Other Islands	Living Independe ntly
1	Low	\$15,938	\$18,555	\$30,041	\$34,465	\$34,754	\$40,887
1	High	\$21,250	\$24,740	\$40,054	\$45,953	\$46,338	\$54,516
2	Low	\$16,938	\$19,698	\$40,941	\$47,075	\$43,587	\$51,102
2	High	\$22,584	\$26,264	\$54,588	\$62,766	\$58,116	\$68,136
3	Low	\$21,326	\$24,588	\$49,698	\$56,951	\$50,885	\$59,508
3	High	\$28,434	\$32,784	\$66,264	\$75,934	\$67,846	\$79,344
4	Low	\$21,326	\$24,588	\$55,293	\$63,431	With Exception	With Exception
4	High	\$28,434	\$32,784	\$73,724	\$84,574	With Exception	With Exception
5	Low	\$24,477	\$27,971	\$74,384	\$85,255	With Exception	With Exception
5	High	\$32,636	\$37,294	\$99,178	\$113,673	With Exception	With Exception
6	Low	\$25,260	\$28,652	\$86,070	\$97,742	With Exception	With Exception
6	High	\$33,680	\$38,202	\$114,760	\$130,322	With Exception	With Exception
7	Low	\$26,055	\$29,736	\$86,811	\$99,130	With Exception	With Exception
7	High	\$34,740	\$39,648	\$115,748	\$132,174	With Exception	With Exception

<sup>\*</sup>Requires Exception Review - (Individuals living independently who have exceptional support needs are authorized on a case by case basis)

Note: The above budget ranges do NOT include Residential Habilitation and other add-on services such as Skilled Nursing, Employment, Training & Consultation, Non-Medical Transportation, etc.

#### **Add-On Services**

"Add-on" services are in addition to the individual supports budget and are authorized individually to help you meet your Individualized Service Plan (ISP) goals. These services: are typically one-time or periodic, require additional authorization, used by few participants, and/or may not be waived or exchanged for other services (such as Res Hab or Skilled Nursing).

#### **Add-On Services**

For ALL residential settings	For Certified/Licensed Settings ONLY	For Family Homes/Living in Own Home ONLY
<ul> <li>Benefits Planning</li> <li>Discovery &amp; Career Planning</li> <li>Individual Employment         Coaching</li> <li>Individual Employment         Development</li> <li>Assistive Technology</li> <li>Personal Emergency         Response System</li> <li>Skilled Nursing</li> <li>Specialized Medical         Equipment</li> <li>Training &amp; Consultation</li> <li>Waiver Emergency Services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Additional Residential Supports</li> <li>Residential Habilitation (Res Hab)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Environmental Accessibility Adaptations</li> <li>Non-Medical Transportation</li> <li>Vehicle Modification</li> </ul>

Add-on services available to you are also based on where you live (some services are only available or not allowed if you live in a licensed/certified setting).

Benefits Planning and Discovery & Career Planning are not included in the base budget to ensure you can explore employment options without impacting any of your other services.

#### **How are Individual Supports Budgets Used?**

Before you begin planning with your Circle of Supports at your ISP meeting, you will receive your individual supports budget. Within that budget, you can choose any combination of the types and amounts of I/DD Waiver services you need to meet your goals, consistent with other existing limits (such as 760 hours per year of Respite). You will have the responsibility and flexibility to design a schedule that best suits your needs while remaining within your available budget. When you know how much money is in your budget, you have more information to make decisions.

#### When can you begin using your Individual Supports Budget?

Individual Supports Budgets will begin to phase-in starting on July 1, 2018 based on your SIS cohort.

- Cohort 1 includes all individuals living in licensed/certified settings and will phase-in beginning July 1, 2018.
- Cohort 2 includes individuals who live with family or in their own home and also receive ADH services and will phase in beginning July 1, 2019.
- Cohort 3 includes individuals who live with family or in their own home and do not receive ADH services and will phase in beginning July 1, 2020.

#### **Waiver Amendment Public Comments**

The new waiver amendment will be submitted to CMS by February 28, 2018. The public comment period opened on December 18, 2017 and will remain open through February 2, 2018. All public

comments may be submitted to the DDD Community Resources Branch at doh.dddcrb@doh.hawaii.gov.

We hope you find this edition of the Waiver Services Info Brief helpful.

We will be sending you information on a regular basis to keep you updated about DDD services.

Please feel free to contact the DD Division (contact info above) or email the DDD Case Management Branch at <a href="mailto:doh.dddcmb@doh.hawaii.gov">doh.hawaii.gov</a> if you have questions or concerns.

#### For additional information

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