

# Indiana Waiver Services Criteria

Indiana has two main waiver programs that provide supports and services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The waivers have specific qualification criteria, and you must complete detailed applications with the Indiana Division of Disabilities and Rehabilitative Services to be approved for service. Once approved, you will be able to use those services with a state-approved Community Rehabilitation Provider (CRP).

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## Community Integration & Habilitation Waiver (CIH) Criteria

The CIH waiver is a needs-based waiver. An individual must meet one of the following priority criteria:

- Eligible individual in other setting whose health and welfare is threatened
- Eligible individual transitioning to the community from nursing facility, extensive support needs home, and state operated facility
- Eligible individual determined to no longer need/receive active group home treatment
- Eligible individual transitioning from 100 percent state-funded services
- Eligible individual with loss or incapacitation of primary caregiver
- Eligible individual with an aging primary caregiver
- Eligible individual aging out of Department of Education, Department of Child Services or Supported Group Living Emergency Placement
- Eligible individual requesting to leave Large/Private Intermediate Care Facilities/Intellectual Disabilities (ICFs/ID)
- Eligible individual transitioning from Crisis Management who meets certain other criteria

## Waivers at a Glance

While the Family Supports Waiver and the Community Integration & Habilitation Waiver provide support to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, each has specific criteria and conditions to meet to qualify for approval.

Each waiver can support similar programming options, but some specific program options you might desire might be supported by only one waiver.

As you seek waiver support, it is prudent to understand the waiver options in detail to ensure you request the optimal options for your individual needs.

## Family Supports Waiver (FSW) Criteria

FSW criteria are the same as any DDRS waiver program services. Individuals who meet state developmental disability criteria and ICF/ID level-of-care criteria are eligible to receive waiver services (Indiana defines "developmental disability" as individuals' severe, chronic disability).

The main criteria are:

- Is the condition attributable to intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, or any other condition (other than a sole mental illness diagnosis) found to be closely related to intellectual disability?
- Did the condition manifest before the individual turned 22 years old?
- Is the condition likely to continue indefinitely?
- Does the condition result in substantial functional limitations in at least 3 of the following major life activity areas:
  - Self-care
  - Language understanding/use
  - Learning
  - Mobility
  - Self-direction
  - Capacity for independent living

For more information about Indiana waiver services, visit:

[www.in.gov/ddrs/2639.htm](http://www.in.gov/ddrs/2639.htm)

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[www.in.gov/medicaid/members/202.htm](http://www.in.gov/medicaid/members/202.htm)



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