Comparison of Adult Services : IL Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS) Medicaid waiver Home Services Program or the IL Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) Home-Based Services Program/Community Integrated Living Arrangement (CILA)

Individuals with disabilities can receive funding for services through only one Medicaid waiver. Some people with I/DD selected from the PUNS have been receiving services through the DRS Adult Waiver Home-Services Program for Persons with Disabilities/ Persons with Brain Injuries(TBI) must make a choice whether to remain with the DRS waiver or begin the application for services through the Adults with DD Waiver. Please note two key differences: The DRS waiver offers funding that can increase as the complexity of the disability increases. DRS Home Services are mostly offered in one's home. Whereas, DDD home-based services can be offered outside of the home and are based upon a fixed funding award of 3 x SSI monthly program allotment.

DRS Medicaid Waiver www.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/disabilities.aspX	DDD Medicaid Waiver – HBS wwww.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=52665	DDD Medicaid Waiver – CILA www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=52665
Home Services Program Union membership that offers health care for personal assistant (PA); union sets PA hourly wage	Home-based services from monthly allotment of 3 X SSI (Adult) Employer and personal support worker (PSW) negotiate an hourly rate for the PSW to be paid.	Community Integrated Living Arrangement Group or Host Family (24/7 care) or Intermittent/Family CILA (<24/7); DDD sets amount of individualized award
Eligibility: Under age 60 with severe disability lasting at least 12 months or life, imminent risk of health facility placement	Eligibility: IQ of 70 or below before age 18 OR related condition before age 22 with significant life skill deficits in 3 of 6 major life areas (self-care, language, learning, mobility, self-direction, capacity for independent living); PUNS waiting list	Eligibility: IQ of 70 or below before age 18 OR related condition before age 22 with significant life skill deficits in 3 of 6 major life areas (self-care, language, learning, mobility, self-direction, capacity for independent living); PUNS waiting list
Services include: PA/In-home Service -PA hours based on determination of need (DON) score.	Services include:	Services include:
 Electronic Home Response System Home-Delivered Meals Adult Day Care (ADC) Assistive Equipment Environmental Modification Respite Homemaker Nursing/Intermittent Nursing Therapies (PT/OT/ Speech) Home Health Aide Specialized Medical Equipment Supported Employment (SEP)* 	 -Individualized Service and Support Advocacy Supported employment (SEP)* Behavior Counseling (Individual and Group) Behavior Intervention and Treatment Psychotherapy Support Services Team PT/OT/Speech Therapy* - Adaptive Equipment* Assistive Technology* Home Accessibility & Vehicle Modifications* Self-Direction Assistance Personal Support - Nursing Emergency Home Response Services Transportation (non-medical) Training and Counseling for Unpaid Caregivers Out of home respite Adult Day Care* Community Day Service (CDS) program Temporary Intensive Staffing (in CDS program only)* 	 Individualized Service and Support advocacy Residential Habilitation Community Day Service (CDS) program Temporary Intensive Staffing* Supported Employment (SEP)* Adult Day Care* Other Day Program (formerly sheltered workshop)* PT/OT/Speech Therapy* Behavior Counseling (Individual and Group Behavior Intervention and Treatment Psychotherapy - Adaptive Equipment* Assistive Technology* Home Accessibility Modifications*
Non-Waiver Specialized services: 12 week Vocational Training (Blind/ Visually Impaired) • Employment Assistance (Deaf/Hard of Hearing) • Bilingual Staff Assistance (Hispanic/Latino)	 (** when unpaid caregiver is unable to provide support due to a temporary absence.) The SSI monthly allotment is determined by Social Security. This amount is generally updated in January of each year. 	*Services that require both authorization and prior approval are marked with an asterisk. *See DHS DDD comparison chart offered at https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=101181
Note: There are 9 waivers in IL. Only 2 are being compared in this document.		

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Questions to Consider:

What services does my adult child need to funding for?

(ie. Personal Support, Community Day Services, Residential Services, etc)

Where will the majority of services take place?

- □ In the home and the community
- □ At a residential setting
- Must take place in Illinois; waiver funding is non-transferable to another state

How does each waiver provide my adult child with an amount of service?

- DRS assigns each individual a fixed number of personal care service
- DDD provides a fixed monthly amount to be allocated for personal support and other services

Location of services:

- A Personal Assistant (PA) paid through DRS Home Services Program enrolled in the persons with disabilities waiver provides some services exclusively within the home, which can include some community hours.
- A Personal Support Worker (PSW) paid through DDD can provide services in the home, in the community, and in an agency setting. (Note: if a person is being supported by a CDS provider, they're not allowed to receive and bill for PSW services during that time.)

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