

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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PROVIDER BULLETIN

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TO: Medicaid HCBS DD Independent Service Providers

FROM: Courtney Miller, Director Division of Developmental Disabilities *cm*

BY: Katherine Becker, Policy Administrator II

RE: Independent Provider Crosswalk of Unbundled Services

This provider bulletin is effective with the implementation date, upon CMS approval, of the new Medicaid HCBS DD Adult Day Services Waiver (0394) and Comprehensive Services Waiver (4154). This implementation date is anticipated to be March 1, 2017. New services have been created as a result of unbundling services from the previous waiver services.

Due to the new service array, independent providers are now able to enroll to provide some habilitative services. Independent providers will need to enroll to provide these habilitative services. Prior to enrollment, independent providers must provide evidence of necessary education, experience, and training requirements.

Current independent providers of non-habilitative services will be automatically enrolled into crosswalked services by Maximus in Decision Point, based on the service array currently being provided. If an independent provider would like to provide a service that is not currently crosswalked in the attached chart, the provider must enroll with Nebraska Medicaid through Maximus.

Maximus can be reached at: 1-844-374-5022 or nebraskamedicaidPSE@Maximus.com. The Maximus web port can be found at: www.nebraskamedicaidproviderenrollment.com. Once enrolled, the Services Coordinator will do a service authorization in the usual manner.

New independent providers whom are not currently serving any individuals may enroll to provide both non-habilitative and habilitative services. In order to enroll, new independent providers must contact Kim McFarland at the DDD Central Office at kim.mcfarland@nebraska.gov to begin the enrollment process.

If you have any questions about this provider bulletin, please contact Katherine Becker, Policy Administrator II at Katherine.becker@nebraska.gov or 402-471-0012.

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<u>Independent Provider Auto-Enroll Crosswalk</u>	
<u>Old Service</u>	<u>New Service*</u>
Respite Care In-home – 1113	Respite Independent – In-home - 8148
Respite Care Out of Home – 7395	Respite Independent – Out of home – 9042
Homemaker – 6700 & 7599	Homemaker – Independent - 9393

<u>New Independent Provider Habilitative Services* (Independent Provider must Enroll with Maximus)</u>	
Supported Employment Follow-Along - 2141	Consultative Assessment Service - 7783
Supported Employment Individual - 9695	Prevocational Service - 8362
Adult Companion Service - 4479 (In-Home – 2546)	In-Home Residential Habilitation - 2611
Habilitative Community Inclusion - 6845	
<p>The following are required of Independent Providers to provide Supported Employment Individual, Supported Employment Follow-Along, Adult Companion Service, Consultative Assessment Service, Prevocational Service, and In-Home Residential Habilitation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Complete all provider enrollment requirements; 2) Have necessary education and experience, and provide evidence upon request: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a Bachelor’s degree or equivalent coursework/training in: education, psychology, social work, sociology, human services, or a related field; OR • Have four or more years of professional experience in the provision of habilitative services for persons with intellectual or other developmental disabilities (IDD), or in habilitative program writing and program data collection/analysis, or four or more years of life experience in teaching and supporting an individual with IDD; OR • Have any combination of education and experience identified above equaling four years or more; 3) Have training in the following areas, and provide evidence of current certificate of completion from an accredited source, when applicable, or upon request: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abuse, neglect, and exploitation and state law reporting requirements and prevention; • Cardiopulmonary resuscitation; and • Basic first aid; 4) Be age 19 or older and authorized to work in the United States; 5) Not be a legally responsible individual or guardian; and 6) Not be an employee of DHHS; 7) Possess a valid driver’s license and insurance as required by Nebraska law, if transportation is provided. 	

<u>New Independent Provider Non-Habilitative Services* (Independent Provider must Enroll with Maximus)</u>	
Home Modification Service - 1398	Transitional Service - 7835
Environmental Modification Service - 2633	Assistive Technology and Support Service - 9418
Transportation - 3764	

***Specific descriptions of each service may be found at**

http://dhhs.ne.gov/developmental_disabilities/Documents/DDServiceDirectory.pdf