

Aged and Disabled
Waiver

DD Adult
Day Waiver

Webinar Dates

2025

March 31, 4 – 5 pm, CT

April 2, 12 – 1 pm, CT

April 9, 4 – 5 pm, CT

April 11, 9 – 10 am, CT

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Developmental Disabilities Adult Day Waiver (DDAD) Offer Letter

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Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD)

March 17, 2025

Recipient's Name
Address
City State Zip

Re: Your Connection to Home and Community-Based Services
Reference ID #: Reference ID #
Offered Waiver: Developmental Disability Adult Day Waiver (DDAD) under Nebraska Revised Statute § 83-1216

Dear Recipient's Name,

We are pleased to inform you that our records indicate you have or will be turning 21 years old soon. You can now move forward with getting services on the **Developmental Disability Adult Day Waiver (DDAD)**. The Division of Developmental Disabilities is here to help you connect to services that best meet your needs.

For more information, visit our website: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/DD-Transitioning-from-High-School.aspx>, where you'll find helpful resources, including a **video series** explaining the waiver eligibility and service coordination process and a **FAQ** section that addresses common questions.

How to Respond

You can submit your decision online by visiting <https://wkf.ms/3XNtdRK> or scanning the QR code on the attached response form. **Please respond by March 31, 2025.**

If you prefer to mail your response, complete the attached response form and return it by mail.

Next Steps

To be eligible for these waiver services you must: be a citizen or legal resident of the US, be a legal resident of the State of Nebraska, be eligible for Nebraska Medicaid, and have a need for waiver services. To be eligible for Nebraska Medicaid you may also need a disability determination. If you have not received a disability determination through Supplemental Security Income (SSI), please reach out to the Social Security Administration at www.ssa.gov or 800-772-1213.

Questions?

Visit our website or contact us at (402) 471-6541 or via email at DHHS.DDregistry@nebraska.gov.

We look forward to helping you connect with the services you need.



Jim Pillen, Governor

Waiver Response Form
Reference ID #: Reference ID #

We encourage you to complete your response online for faster processing!
To submit your decision online, visit <https://wkf.ms/3XNtdRK> or scan the QR code below.

Enter your Reference ID #: [Insert Reference ID #] and follow the instructions.



If you prefer to mail your response, please complete this form and return it to the address provided below:

Division of Developmental Disabilities
Re: Response to Waiver
PO Box 95026
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-9966

I Accept the Developmental Disability Adult Day Waiver (DDAD)

By accepting, I agree to complete all eligibility processes and requirements, participate in monthly case management, in-person person-centered plan meetings, and use waiver services. Failure to fulfill these requirements may result in the closure of the waiver slot.

I Decline the Waiver

I understand that if I require services in the future, I must contact the Division of Developmental Disabilities to request assistance.

Please provide your preferred contact information for who we should contact to discuss next steps for waiver services:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Waiver Services Response Form



Waiver Services Response Form

Please complete this form to indicate whether you accept or decline the waiver services offered to you as part of the End of the Waitlist initiative. Your response will help us proceed with the next steps in connecting you to the services you need. DHHS will contact you following your submission.

Reference ID# *

Please enter your unique Reference ID, which is provided in the letter you received. This ID helps us identify your waiver offer.

Waiver Response *

Please select whether you accept or decline the waiver services offered to you.

If this is a Developmental Disability Adult Day (DDAD) Waiver offer, check here.

If this is a Family Support Waiver (FSW) offer, move on to the next question.

Name *

Please enter the name of the person we should contact to discuss next steps for waiver services.

Phone Number *

Please provide the best phone number to reach you regarding your waiver services.

Email Address *

Please enter your preferred email address for receiving updates about your waiver services.

Additional Notes

Use this space to provide any additional information or questions you may have about the waiver offer.

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Acknowledgment *

Please check the box to confirm that you understand DHHS will contact you regarding the next steps for your waiver services.

Submit

DD Waiver Services Funding – The ICAP

If this is a Developmental Disability Adult Day (DDAD) Waiver offer, check here.

If this is a Family Support Waiver (FSW) offer, move on to the next question.



Please provide the names of two respondents to be interviewed for the ICAP, including their contact information (telephone number and/or email) and relationship to the individual, who meet this criteria: *

Respondents must have at least three (3) months experience having regular contact with the Individual and see the Individual on a day-to-day basis (Monday – Friday or Sunday – Saturday). If the individual does not live at home, please provide the name and telephone number of the Guardian/Parent.

Types of respondents that would meet the criteria would be:

- a teacher,
- residential, respite or day provider,
- shared living home provider,
- sibling or parent.

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Assessment & Budgeting for DDAD Waiver

- Once an offer is accepted, we assess abilities and needs to determine available funding.
- The ICAP is a "needs-based" assessment, focusing on skills, tasks, and support needed.
- Needs from the ICAP determine the budget—more needs = more funding.
- We interview two people who know the individual well (e.g., parents, teachers).
- DD Waiver budgets are set for one year, aligned with the Person-Centered Planning year.

ICAP INVENTORY for CLIENT and AGENCY PLANNING
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Richard F. Weatherman
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CLIENT
Name: LAST FIRST MI.
Address: STREET CITY STATE ZIP
Phone:)
Residential Facility
School/Day Program
County/District Responsible
Case Manager Phone
Parent or Guardian Phone
Respondent (Your Name) Your Phone
Relationship to Client
Reason for Evaluation

Client ID
Residence ID
Day Program ID
Co./District ID
Case Manager ID
Other ID

Evaluation Date: YEAR MONTH DAY
(-) Birth Date
Age
YES NO

CALCULATION: Calculate the client's age by subtracting the birth date from the evaluation date. If the number of days in the client's exact age is less than 15, the client's age is the number of years and months calculated. If the number of days is 15 or greater, the number of months is increased by one.

ICAP Training Implications Profile

MOTOR SKILLS

SOCIAL AND COMMUNICATION SKILLS

PERSONAL LIVING SKILLS

COMMUNITY LIVING SKILLS

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Medicaid HCBS Waivers in Nebraska

HCBS Waivers Available for Eligible People

– An overview of Nebraska’s waivers.

Nursing Facility
(NF) level of care

- Aged and Disabled Waiver (AD Waiver)
 - All ages with a disability and ages 65 and older.
 - Helps people live safely in their community.

- Traumatic Brain Injury Waiver (TBI Waiver)
 - Ages 18 years and older.
 - Helps people live safely in their community.

Intermediate Care
Facility for
Individuals with
Intellectual
Disabilities (ICF/IID)
level of care

- Family Support Waiver (FSW)
 - Ages birth through 21 years and eligible for DD services.
 - Supports the child and their family.

- Developmental Disabilities Adult Day Waiver (DDAD Waiver)
 - Age 21 years and older, and eligible for DD services.
 - Maximizes independence to work in the community.
 - Focuses on competitive, integrated employment.

- Comprehensive Developmental Disabilities Waiver (CDD Waiver)
 - All ages and eligible for DD services.
 - Maximizes independence as people live, work, and socialize in their community.
 - Includes 24-hour residential.

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Waivers with ICF/IID Level of Care

Family Support Waiver (FSW)

- Ages birth through 21 years.
- Supports the child and their family.

Habilitation: Assisting a person with improving and achieving developmental skills, when impairments delayed or blocked initial acquisition of the skills.

Developmental Disabilities Adult Day (DDAD) Waiver

- Ages 21 years and older.
- Replaces services provided by the school system.
- Maximizes independence in the community.
- Focuses on competitive, integrated employment.
- Includes supported residential services.

Comprehensive Developmental Disabilities (CDD) Waiver

- All ages.
- Maximizes independence as people live, work, and socialize in their community.
- Includes 24-hour residential services.

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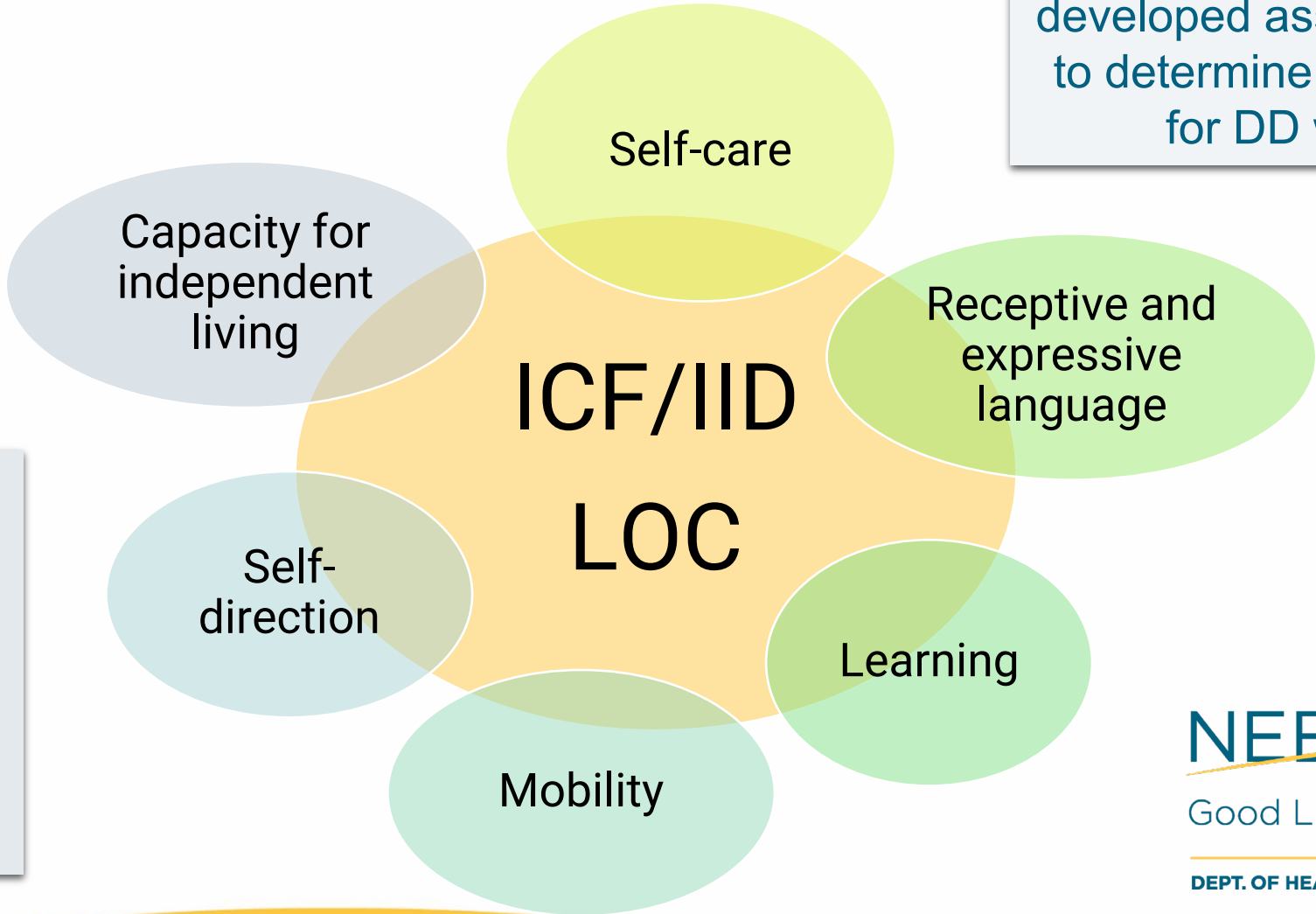
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ICF/IID Level of Care

The Developmental Index (DI) is a state-developed assessment used to determine LOC eligibility for DD waivers.



In Summer 2025, DDD will begin using interRAI assessments for ICF/IID Level of Care.

DD Waiver Services vs. AD Waiver Services

Services Available	FSW	DDAD Waiver	CDD Waiver
Adult Day	-	Yes	Yes
Assistive Technology	Yes	Yes	Yes
Behavioral In-Home Habilitation	-	-	Yes
Child Day Habilitation	Yes	-	Yes
Community Integration	Yes	Yes	Yes
Consultative Assessment	-	Yes	Yes
Day Supports	Yes	Yes	Yes
Environmental Modification Assessment	Yes	Yes	Yes
Family Caregiver Training	Yes	-	-
Family and Peer Mentoring	Yes	-	-
Home Modification	Yes	Yes	Yes
Homemaker	Yes	-	Yes
Independent Living	Yes	Yes	Yes
Medical In-Home Habilitation	-	-	Yes
Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Prevocational	-	Yes	Yes
Residential Habilitation - Continuous Home	-	-	Yes
Residential Habilitation - Host Home	-	-	Yes
Residential Habilitation - Shared Living	-	-	Yes
Respite	Yes	Yes	Yes
Small Group Vocational Support	-	Yes	Yes
Supported Employment - Follow-Along	-	Yes	Yes
Supported Employment - Individual	-	Yes	Yes
Supported Family Living	Yes	Yes	Yes
Therapeutic Residential Habilitation	-	-	Yes
Transitional	-	Yes	Yes
Transportation	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vehicle Modification	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Adult Day Waiver Services

Day Services

Focus: integrated, competitive employment.

- Services may:
 - Teach job skills before becoming employed; or
 - Provide support at a job.

Focus: Independence and socialization.

- Services may:
 - Teach self-help, appropriate behaviors, socialization, and adaptive skills.
 - Increases independence, personal choice, and engagement in your community.

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DD Waiver Providers

Your Service Coordinator helps you decide who will provide your services.

- Completes referrals for agency providers and assists with visits.
- Helps enroll a person as your independent provider.
- If you have a current Independent Provider, we can work with you to have them update their enrollment.

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Receiving a Service Coordinator

The Service Coordinator is in a local office.

- **DD Waiver SC** provided by DDD.
- **AD Waiver SC** provided by one of the following:
 - Early Development Network (EDN) for children participating in EDN services, typically ages birth to 3 years.
 - DDD for children ages 3 through 17 years, or younger when not choosing EDN services.
 - League of Human Dignity (LHD) for adults over age 18.
 - Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) for adults over age 18.
- **TBI Waiver SC** provided by LHD or AAA.

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The Role of the Service Coordinator

- The SC is the contact for the person (and guardian), answers questions, and helps plan services.
- When a participant is in school, the SC can attend IEP meetings.
- The SC is there to support what the participant wants.
- The SC is responsible to oversee and monitor waiver services.
- The SC writes the **person-centered plan** at a yearly meeting.
 - The plan identifies services, supports, and resources.
 - It can be revised whenever needed.

The approved person-centered plan is required before waiver services can begin.

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Considerations

- Review your current services authorized on the AD Waiver to determine if they're still needed.
- Check if those services are available on the Adult Day Waiver and compare differences (e.g., caps, rates, etc.).
- If a service is not available, explore similar service options that could replace it.
- Can your current provider continue to be your provider?
- Then consider whether these differences will meet your loved one's needs.

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Next Steps

- Make a decision to either accept or decline the Adult Day Waiver offer and respond to the letter.
- If you accept:
 - E&E will schedule an ICAP assessment to determine the annual budget.
 - A DDSC will be assigned and will reach out to plan an ISP meeting, with the AD worker invited to assist in the transition.

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