

Continuous Residential Habilitation

The service definition and limits outlined below do not include all details and requirements. For the service standards, limitations, provider types and qualifications, and reimbursement information, refer to the appropriate Medicaid HCBS DD Waiver.

Waiver Availability

Comprehensive Developmental Disabilities (CDD) Waiver

NFOCUS Service Codes

Continuous Residential Habilitation – Agency 3992

Service Definition

Continuous Residential Habilitation is a habilitative, continuous service, which teaches the participant skills related to living independently, as well as community integration.

Continuous Residential Habilitation is delivered in a provider-owned or leased, operated, or controlled residential setting and provided by agency provider shift staff not living in the setting.

Conditions of Provision

- A. A participant chooses each service based on their needs.
 1. Services should increase independence and community integration; and
 2. The chosen waiver services and who provides them are documented in the participant's Individual Support Plan (ISP).
- B. Continuous Residential Habilitation includes assistance with health maintenance and supervision.
- C. Continuous Residential Habilitation is a habilitative service and must include habilitation programs. Individual habilitation programs must be conducted, and data recorded each time the service is provided.
- D. Examples of Continuous Residential Habilitation include teaching adaptive skills in activities of daily living, including but not limited to:
 1. Personal hygiene;
 2. Laundry and household chores;
 3. Meal preparation;
 4. Activities in the community; and
 5. Social and leisure skills.
- E. Continuous Residential Habilitation has the following limitations:
 1. May be provided to no more than three participants at the same time unless the residence is licensed as a Center for the Developmentally Disabled (CDD).
 2. Participants receiving Continuous Residential Habilitation cannot receive Independent Living or Supported Family Living on the same day.

3. Participants receiving Continuous Residential Habilitation cannot receive Child Day Habilitation, Respite, or Therapeutic Residential Habilitation.
 4. Continuous Residential Habilitation cannot include any service or part of a service available through public education, including:
 - a. Programs in the participant's local school district, including after-school supervision and daytime services when school is not in session such as summer breaks, scheduled school holidays, and teacher in-service days; and
 - b. The school hours set by the local school district for the participant regardless of school chosen (public, private, or home).
 5. Continuous Residential Habilitation cannot overlap with, replace, or duplicate other similar services provided through Medicaid.
- F. A lease, residency agreement, or other form of written agreement must be in place to protect the participant from eviction according to landlord and tenant laws.
- G. Continuous Residential Habilitation can be provided in the hospital setting when a participant is admitted for critical care.
1. Supports are designed to meet the needs of the participant while in a hospital setting and to assist for a smooth transition back to their home.
 2. Supports include teaching skills that will help the participant to maintain their current level of independence, providing behavioral support as needed, and assistance with daily living activities that assist the participant with their treatment and recovery while in the hospital.
 3. Supports do not include any health maintenance activities, treatments, procedures, medication administration, or practices, which must be done by hospital staff.
 4. The person-centered service plan will be updated when this service is provided in a hospital setting.

Provider Requirements

The information outlined below does not include all provider requirements. It is intended to be general information about providers of this specific DD service.

- A. All providers of waiver services must:
1. Be a Medicaid provider;
 2. Comply with all applicable Titles of the Nebraska Administrative Code and Nebraska State Statutes;
 3. Adhere to standards as described in the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care Service Provider Agreement;
 4. Complete DHHS trainings upon request; and
 5. Use universal precautions.
- B. Continuous Residential Habilitation can be offered by a DD agency provider.
1. A DD agency provider is a company enrolled as a Medicaid provider and certified by DHHS to provide DD services and is responsible for:
 - a. Hiring or contracting and supervising employees and contractors who work with the participant;
 - b. Employing staff based on their qualifications, experience, and demonstrated abilities;

- c. Providing training to ensure staff are qualified to provide the necessary level of care;
 - d. Agreeing to make training plans available to DHHS;
 - e. Ensure adequate availability and quality of service; and
 - f. Other administrative functions.
2. The agency provider is responsible for hiring or contracting and supervising employees and contractors who work with the participant, and other administrative functions.
- C. Continuous Residential Habilitation cannot be self-directed.
- D. A relative of the participant, but not a guardian or other legally responsible person of the participant may provide Continuous Residential Habilitation when they meet other requirements. Since this service is only available from agency providers, the relative would need to be an employee of an agency provider.

Rates

- A. Continuous Residential Habilitation must be purchased within a participant's annual individual budget amount.
- B. Continuous Residential Habilitation is reimbursed at a daily rate.
- 1. The provider must be in the residence with the participant a minimum of ten hours or more out of a 24-hour period 12:00 a.m. - 11:59 p.m.
 - 2. When providing fewer than ten hours out of a 24-hour period 12:00 a.m. - 11:59 p.m., the provider will be paid half of the daily rate.
 - 3. Part or all of the 10 hours in the day may be time the provider and participant are asleep, as long as this is appropriate per the participant's ISP and all needs are being met.
- C. The cost of transportation is:
- 1. Included in the rate during Continuous Residential Habilitation;
 - 2. Included in the rate to the site where Continuous Residential Habilitation begins; and
 - 3. Included in the rate from the site where Continuous Residential Habilitation ends.
- D. DD Rates are listed on the [DD Provider webpage](#).
- 1. Only one fee schedule is effective at a time.
 - 2. The start date is on each schedule; once a fee schedule is no longer valid an end date is added.