

Home Services Program

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DRS Components

- Bureau of Field Services (BFS)
- Bureau of Blind Services (BBS)
- **Bureau of Home and Community Based Supports (BHCBS)**
 - Independent Living (IL)
- Disability Determination Services (DDS)
- Vocational Rehabilitation (VR)

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DRS works in partnership with people with disabilities and their families to assist them in making **informed choices** to achieve full community participation through **employment, education, and independent living opportunities.**

- Home Services Program
- Vocational Rehabilitation
- Blind Services
- Funding for Centers for Independent Living
- Client Assistance Program
- Educational Services
- Disability Determination Services

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Home Services Program (HSP)

Provides services to individuals with significant disabilities so they can remain in their homes and live as independently as possible.

- Personal Assistants or Homemakers
- Maintenance Home Health - CNA, LPN, RN
- Respite
- Adult Day Care
- Home Delivered Meals
- Electronic Home Response
- Home Modification and Assistive Equipment

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Becoming an HSP Customer

- Make a Referral
- Complete Assessment Process with HSP Counselor
- Service Planning - HSP Counselor or Managed Care Coordinator
- Authorization of Services
 - Individual Provider employed by Customer with DRS acting as the fiscal intermediary
 - Agency Provider
- Annual Redetermination of Eligibility
- Annual Service Planning

Eligibility Criteria

- Imminent risk of health care facility placement
 - Total Determination of Need (DON) score of 29 or higher
- Severe disability lasting at least 12 months or for life
- Requires services which cost the same or less than nursing home services
 - Service Plan cost at or under the Service Cost Maximum
- Under the age of 60 at the time of application
 - Exception - no age limit for customers with HIV/AIDS & Brain Injury diagnosis
- Resident of Illinois and a U.S. citizen or legal resident
- Less than \$17,500 in non-exempt assets for customers at/over 18; \$35,000 in family assets for customers under age 18 or married
- Apply and cooperate with the Medicaid process

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Determination of Need- DON

- Conducted in home environment - telephone (due to COVID-19)
- Three Components
 - Folstein Mini-Mental State Examination
 - Impairment - Functional Ability
 - Need - Availability of Resource
- Basic Activities of Daily Living
 - Eating
 - Bathing
 - Grooming
 - Dressing
 - Transferring
 - Incontinence
 - Managing Money
 - Telephoning
 - Preparing Meals
 - Laundry
 - Housework
 - Outside Home
 - Routine Health
 - Special Health
 - Being Alone

Service Plan

- A written document detailing each HSP service authorized for the customer and the total cost of those services.
 - Each service is supported by a need on the DON
 - Total cost of the Service Plan can not exceed the SCM
- Service Cost Maximum (SCM)
 - Monthly spending limit
 - Amount varies based upon DON score
 - Higher score, higher amount
- Service Rates
 - Each HSP Service has a set rate of pay
 - Rate of pay does not vary by customer

Home & Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver Programs

A waiver is a program that provides services that allow individuals to remain in their own homes or live in a community setting, instead of in an institution. Each waiver:

- is designed for **individuals with similar needs**
- offers a **different set of services**
- has a **different eligibility criteria**
- has an Operating Agency
 - Operating Agencies can have more than one Waiver (slides 10 & 11)
 - Each Operating Agency has a **different process for submitting a referral**
 - Division of Developmental Disabilities - PUNS
 - Division of Rehabilitation Services - Web Referral

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Home & Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver Programs- Cont.

- All waivers allow for 50% (or more) federal reimbursement for waiver services provided to Medicaid recipients only
 - Some Operating Agencies have programs to support people not on Medicaid by using funds only from the State (no Federal reimbursement). Example- HSP
- Waivers may be commonly referred to by more than one name.
 - Official waiver name, a specific service type, or a general program name.
 - Home Services Program = Persons with Disabilities Waiver; Persons with Brain Injury Waiver; and Persons with HIV/AIDS Waiver
 - CILAs & Day Programs = Adults with Developmental Disabilities Waiver
 - Supportive Living Facility = Supportive Living Program
- A person can only be enrolled in **one waiver at a time**

9 Illinois Waivers

- DHS- Division of Rehabilitation Services
 - Persons with Disabilities Waiver
 - Persons with Brain Injury Waiver
 - Persons with HIV/AIDS Waiver
 - Collectively referred to as “The Home Services Program”
- DHS- Division of Developmental Disabilities
 - Children and Young Adults with Developmental Disabilities- Support Waiver
 - Children and Young Adults with Developmental Disabilities- Residential Waiver
 - Adults with Developmental Disabilities Waiver

9 Illinois Waivers- Cont.

- Illinois Department on Aging
 - Persons who are Elderly Waiver
- University of Illinois at Chicago - Division of Specialized Care for Children
 - People who are Medically Fragile, Technology Dependent Waiver
- Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services
 - Supportive Living Program Waiver

Fact Sheets for each Waiver can be found at

<https://www2.illinois.gov/hfs/MedicalClients/HCBS/Pages/default.aspx>

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Questions?

Make a Referral for HSP or Vocational Rehabilitation:

<https://wr.dhs.illinois.gov/wrpublic/wr/dynamic/referral.jsf>

DRS Statewide hotline: 1-800-843-6154

Find a local DRS Office:

<https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?module=12>

Find a local Center for Independent Living:

<https://www.incil.org/>

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