

Supports Waiver Fact Sheet

WHAT IS THE SUPPORTS WAIVER?

The Supports Waiver (SW) program provides services in the home and in the community to individuals 18 years of age or older, who are eligible to receive OCDD waiver services.

This program is not intended to provide 24 hours a day support.

IF I QUALIFY, WHAT SERVICES MAY I RECEIVE FROM THIS PROGRAM?

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support Coordination • Supported Employment- Individual or Group • Day Habilitation • Prevocational • Habilitation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respite (center-based or in-home) • Permanent Supportive Housing Stabilization • Permanent Supportive Housing Stabilization Transition • Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) |
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**Individuals under 21 years of age may access Early Periodic Screening and Diagnostic Treatment (ESPD) services*

**Individuals who receive the SW may also receive Long Term Personal Care Services. (LTPCS)*

WHO CAN QUALIFY FOR SERVICES?

Individuals who:

- Meet Louisiana Medicaid eligibility **AND**
- Meet the Louisiana definition for developmental disability which manifested prior to age 22 (Revised Statute 25:451.2, Paragraph (11)), **AND**
- Have an OCDD Statement of Approval **AND**

- Meet Intermediate Care Facility- Intellectual Disability (ICF-ID) Level of Care Criteria **AND**
- Are 18 years of age or older

Financials

Resources are the things people own. When we count resources for this program, we do not count the person's home, the car they drive to medical appointments or other basic resources.

- Single people can have no more than \$2,000 in resources. Couples can have no more than \$3,000 in resources (when both spouses receive long-term care).

HOW CAN PEOPLE REQUEST AN OCDD WAIVER?

Home and community-based waiver opportunities will now be provided based on the individual's prioritized need for support, which was identified in their RFSR Screening for Urgency of Need. Instead of being first come, first served, individuals with the most emergent and urgent need for support will have priority.

Individuals who have a need for services should contact their local Human Services District/Authority in order to go through the eligibility determination process.

To add your name to the Developmental Disability Request for Services Registry or if you have questions, you can contact the Human Services District/Authority for your area. Listed below is a web link to this information:

<http://ldh.la.gov/index.cfm/page/134>

If you do not have access to a computer, you may call the OCDD State Office at 866-783-5553 to request the contact information for your local Human Services District/Authority.