



Facts about Home and Community Based Services:

A waiver is an extra set of Medicaid benefits that you could qualify for in certain cases. These benefits can help you remain in your home and community. Waivers have extra program rules and sometimes have waitlists.

You must meet the following financial and program criteria to access services under this program. To use waiver benefits, you must also be willing to receive services in your home or community.

- You require long-term support services at a level comparable to services typically provided in a nursing facility.
- You must be 18 years of age
- You must meet financial eligibility. *Income must be less than \$2,250.00/month. For a single person, your countable income resources must be less than \$2,000.00 and for a couple,

*Income requirements change yearly.

the countable resources must be less than \$3,000.00

Elderly, Blind and Disabled Waiver (EBD)

- If you are between 18- 64, you must have a physical disability
- If you are 65 and older, you must be determined to have a significant functional impairment.

Community Mental Health Supports Waiver (CMHS)

- A person experiencing a severe and persistent mental health need that requires assistance with one or more Activities of Daily Living (ADL);
- 18 years of age
- Currently has or at any time during the past year leading up to the assessment has diagnosable mental, behavioral or emotional disorder of sufficient duration to meet diagnostic criteria specified with the Diagnostic and Statistical

Manual or Mental Disorders (DSM-5)

- Has a disorder that is episodic, recurrent, or has persistent features, but may vary in terms of severity and disabling effects
- Has resulted in a functional impairment with substantially interferes with or limits one or more major activity.
- Does not include intellectual or developmental disorders or, substances use disorders without a co-occurring diagnosis of a severe and persistent mental health need.

Brain Injury Waiver (BI)

- You must be 16 years or older.
- You must have a brain injury.
- Your brain injury occurred before for 65th birthday.
- Your diagnosis must fit within certain categories.

For more information on any of the waivers please call 719-583-6857 or visit:

<https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/long-term-services-and-supports-programs>