

ALABAMA HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES (HCBS) WAIVERS

Name of Waiver	Community Waiver Program (Since 2021)
What is the purpose?	<p>The 1115 demonstration titled Community Waiver Program, concurrently with a new 1915(c) waiver, will enable the state to create a new home and community-based services (HCBS) program and expand coverage to beneficiaries who are currently on the waiting list for the Intellectual Disability (ID) and Living at Home (LAH) 1915(c) HCBS waivers.</p> <p>The demonstration will overlay specific waiver authorities over a new 1915(c) waiver and establish an expenditure authority population to allow the state flexibility to operate the new program and expand coverage. This demonstration assists the state in redesigning the HCBS delivery system to address concerns such as long waiting lists, high use of residential services and out-of-home placement.</p>
What is the target population?	Individuals with a diagnosis of Intellectual Disabilities (ID); Individuals meeting an Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF/IID)
What are the services provided?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Support Coordination ▪ Employment Services ▪ Co-Worker Supports ▪ Personal Assistance – Home ▪ Personal Assistance - Community ▪ Independent Living Skills Training ▪ Community Integration Connections & Skills Training ▪ Community Transportation (Non-Medical) ▪ Positive Behavior Supports ▪ Breaks and Opportunities (Respite) ▪ Family Empowerment/Systems Navigation Counseling Services ▪ Natural Support or Caregiver Education & Training ▪ Peer Specialist Services ▪ Financial Literacy & Work Incentive Benefits Counseling Services ▪ Assistive Technology & Adaptive Aids ▪ Remote Supports ▪ Supported Living Non-Intensive Services ▪ Housing Counseling Services ▪ Housing Start-Up Assistance ▪ Skilled Nursing ▪ Therapies – Occupational, Physical, Speech & Language ▪ Individual Directed Goods and Services ▪ Minor Home Modifications ▪ Community-Based Residential Services
Waiver criteria:	ICF/IID level of care
What groups can be eligible for this waiver?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individuals receiving SSI ▪ SSI related protected groups deemed to be eligible for SSI / Medicaid ▪ Special HCBS waiver disabled individuals whose income is not greater than 300% of the SSI Federal Poverty Level ▪ Low Income Families with Children ▪ Federal or State Adoption Subsidy Individuals
Enrollment Limit:	500
Is there an age requirement?	3 years and older
Who provides Case Management?	Alabama Department of Mental Health
Where to go to receive information on how to apply?	Alabama Department of Mental Health https://mh.alabama.gov/waiver-waiting-list-application/
Who are the contact persons?	ADMH / ID Call Center 1-800-361-4491
What are the reference sources?	Code of Federal Regulations: 42 CFR 440.180 and 441.300 Policy provision for providers: Medicaid Admin Code Ch. 43

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