

Community-Based Services for People with I/DD



What Does HCBS Mean?

Home and community-based services (HCBS) are provided through the Medicaid program.

These critical services help people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) to live full and independent lives in their communities.



Activities of Daily Living



Meal Preparation



Medication Management



Employment Support



Goal Development



Community Engagement

How Are Community-Based Services Funded?

Medicaid operates as a state-federal partnership. States set payment rates and the federal government provides matching funds. These funds are used to reimburse providers for the services they provide to people with I/DD.

STATE GOVERNMENT FUNDS

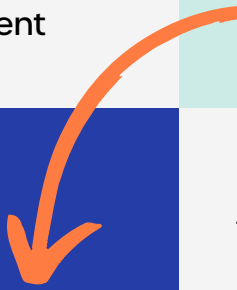


MATCHING FEDERAL FUNDS



STATE'S MEDICAID PROGRAM

The reimbursement rate set by states must cover nearly every expense necessary to provide support for people with I/DD, including:



Direct Support Staff Wages



Facilities Maintenance



Program Development



Operational Costs

Insufficient Medicaid funding for community-based services means providers are facing staffing shortages and program closures.

This ultimately leaves people with I/DD without a choice to receive supports in their homes and communities and remain on lengthy waitlists or be forced into institutional settings.