

AUTISM WAIVER

Maryland's Home and Community Based Services Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder allows eligible children with Autism Spectrum Disorder to receive specific waiver services and certain Medicaid services to support them in their homes and communities.

Autism Waiver Services

- Respite Care
- Environmental Accessibility Adaptations
- Family Training
- Residential Habilitation
- Intensive Individual Support Services
- Therapeutic Integration
- Adult Life Planning

Waiver participants are also eligible to receive Medicaid services which include:

- Physician and Hospital Care
- Pharmacy
- Home Health
- Laboratory Services
- Disposable Medical Supplies and Durable Medical Equipment
- Mental Health Services
- Payment of Medicare premiums, co-payments, and deductibles

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Maryland children with autism, ages 1 through 21, who need Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled (ICF-ID) level of care.

ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

Medical and Technical Criteria

- Individuals must be certified as needing services from an ICF-ID.
- Individuals must meet additional Autism Waiver medical and technical eligibility criteria.

Financial Criteria

- An individual's income and assets are reviewed to determine financial eligibility for Medical Assistance.
- The child's monthly income may not exceed 300% of SSI benefits, and the countable assets may not exceed \$2,000 or \$2,500 (depending on eligibility category).
- Based on the individual's income and resources.

PERSONS INTERESTED SHOULD:

Contact the Maryland State Department of Education at 410-767-1446.

Due to the high demand for the Autism Waiver and a defined number of available slots, the waiver is currently full. The State is not accepting applications for Autism Waiver services at this time. To make application for future services, please call the Waiver Services Registry at:

1-866-417-3480

The Waiver Services Registry is a list of individuals interested in waiver services.



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