



# **Developmental Disabilities Administration**

## **Self-Directed Services Training Series**

### **Module 4: Self-Directed Waiver Services**

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# Overview

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- This training module will provide you with an overview of all Medicaid waiver services that are available under the Self-Directed Services delivery model.
- This training is a summary with important information on this topic
- There is more information and requirements in the Medicaid waiver program applications, laws, regulations, guidance, and policies
- The most updated information regarding Self-Directed Services is published in the Self-Directed Services policy and manual that can be found on the DDA's website at <https://health.maryland.gov/dda/Pages/sdforms.aspx>
- Additional training modules are available that provide additional information on the topics presented in this overview training module

# Medicaid Waiver Services Available to Self-Direct

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Reference: [DDA-operated Medicaid Waiver Programs webpage](#)

# Assistive Technology and Services

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## Can be provided by:

- ☒ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

## Cannot be provided by:

- ☐ Vendors
- ☐ Employees
- ☐ Relatives
- ☐ Legally Responsible Person
- ☐ Legal Guardian

## Self-Directed Authority

- ☒ Budget Authority

## Waiver Programs

- ☒ Community Pathways
- ☒ Community Supports
- ☒ Family Supports



## Module 4

# Behavioral Support Services

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### Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

### Cannot be provided by:

- ✗ Vendors
- ✗ Employees
- ✗ Relatives
- ✗ Legally Responsible Person
- ✗ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority

### Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways
- ✓ Community Supports
- ✓ Family Supports



# Community Development Services (CDS)

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## Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider
- ✓ Vendors
- ✓ Employees
- ✓ Relatives
- ✓ Legally Responsible Person
- ✓ Legal Guardian

## Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority
- ✓ Employer Authority

## Waiver Programs

- ✓ Community Pathways
- ✓ Community Supports

# Day Habilitation

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## Can be provided by:

- ☒ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

## Cannot be provided by:

- ☐ Vendors
- ☐ Employees
- ☐ Relatives
- ☐ Legally Responsible Person
- ☐ Legal Guardian

## Self-Directed Authority

- ☒ Budget Authority

## Waiver Program

- ☒ Community Pathways Waiver
- ☒ Community Supports Waiver

# Employment Services (1 of 2)

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## 1. Discovery, Job Development, Self-Employment Development Supports and Co-Worker Employment Supports

### Can be provided by:

☒ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

### Self-Directed Authority

☒ Budget Authority

### Cannot be provided by:

☐ Vendors

☐ Employees

☐ Relatives

☐ Legally Responsible Person

☐ Legal Guardian

### Waiver Program

☒ Community Pathways

☒ Community Supports





# Employment Services (2 of 2)

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## 2. Ongoing Job Supports and Follow Along Supports

### Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider
- ✓ Vendors
- ✓ Employees
- ✓ Relatives
- ✓ Legally Responsible Person
- ✓ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority
- ✓ Employer Authority

### Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways
- ✓ Community Supports

## Module 4

# Environmental Assessment

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### Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

### Cannot be provided by:

- ✗ Vendors
- ✗ Employees
- ✗ Relatives
- ✗ Legally Responsible Person
- ✗ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority

### Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
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## Module 4

# Environmental Modifications

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### Can be provided by:

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### Cannot be provided by:

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- ☐ Employees
- ☐ Relatives
- ☐ Legally Responsible Person
- ☐ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

☒ Budget Authority

### Waiver Program

- ☒ Community Pathways Waiver
- ☒ Community Supports Waiver
- ☒ Family Supports Waiver



## Module 4

# Family and Peer Mentoring Supports

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### Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

### Cannot be provided by:

- ✗ Vendors
- ✗ Employees
- ✗ Relatives
- ✗ Legally Responsible Person
- ✗ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority

### Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
- ✓ Community Supports Waiver
- ✓ Family Supports Waiver



# Family Caregiver Training and Empowerment Services

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## Can be provided by:

☒ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

## Cannot be provided by:

- ☐ Vendors
- ☐ Employees
- ☐ Relatives
- ☐ Legally Responsible Person
- ☐ Legal Guardian

## Self-Directed Authority

☒ Budget Authority

## Waiver Program

- ☒ Community Pathways Waiver
- ☒ Community Supports Waiver
- ☒ Family Supports Waiver



## Module 4

# Housing Support Services

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### Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

### Cannot be provided by:

- ✗ Vendors
- ✗ Employees
- ✗ Relatives
- ✗ Legally Responsible Person
- ✗ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority

### Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
- ✓ Community Supports Waiver
- ✓ Family Supports Waiver



## Module 4

# Individual and Family Directed Goods and Services (IFDGS) (1 of 3)

### Recruitment and Advertising Component

Can only be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

Cannot be provided by:

- ✗ Vendors
- ✗ Employees
- ✗ Relatives
- ✗ Legally Responsible Person
- ✗ Legal Guardian

**Self-Directed Authorities**

- ✓ Budget Authority

**Waiver Program**

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
- ✓ Community Supports Waiver
- ✓ Family Supports Waiver

## Module 4

# Individual and Family Directed Goods and Services (IFDGS) (2 of 3)

### Day-to-Day Administrator Component

#### Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider
- ✓ Vendors
- ✓ Employees
- ✓ Relatives
- ✓ Legally Responsible Person
- ✓ Legal Guardian

#### Self-Directed Authorities

- ✓ Budget Authority
- ✓ Employer Authority

#### Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
- ✓ Community Supports Waiver
- ✓ Family Supports Waiver



## Module 4

# Individual and Family Directed Goods and Services (IFDGS) (3 of 3)

### Other Goods/Services Component

#### Can only be provided by:

- ☒ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

#### Cannot be provided by:

- ☐ Vendors
- ☐ Employees
- ☐ Relatives
- ☐ Legally Responsible Person
- ☐ Legal Guardian

#### Self-Directed Authorities

- ☒ Budget Authority

#### Waiver Program

- ☒ Community Pathways Waiver
- ☒ Community Supports Waiver
- ☒ Family Supports Waiver

## Module 4

# Live-in Caregiver Supports

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### Can be provided by:

☒ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

### Self-Directed Authority

☒ Budget Authority

### Cannot be provided by:

☐ Vendors

☐ Employees

☐ Relatives

☐ Legally Responsible Person

☐ Legal Guardian

### Waiver Program

☒ Community Pathways Waiver

☒ Community Supports Waiver

☒ Family Supports Waiver

# Nursing Support Services

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## Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider
- ✓ Vendors
- ✓ Employees
- ✓ Relatives\*
- ✓ Legally Responsible Person
- ✓ Legal Guardian

## Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority
- ✓ Employer Authority

## Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
- ✓ Community Supports Waiver
- ✓ Family Supports Waiver

\*If approved by the DDA

## Module 4

# Participant Education, Training, and Advocacy Supports

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### Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider
- ✓ Vendors
- ✓ Employees
- ✓ Relatives
- ✓ Legally Responsible Person
- ✓ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority
- ✓ Employer Authority

### Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
- ✓ Community Supports Waiver
- ✓ Family Supports Waiver



# Personal Support Services

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## Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider
- ✓ Vendors
- ✓ Employees
- ✓ Relatives
- ✓ Legally Responsible Person
- ✓ Legal Guardian

## Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority
- ✓ Employer Authority

## Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
- ✓ Community Supports Waiver
- ✓ Family Supports Waiver

## Module 4

# Remote Support Services

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### Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

### Cannot be provided by:

- ✗ Vendors
- ✗ Employees
- ✗ Relatives
- ✗ Legally Responsible Person
- ✗ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority

### Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver



# Respite Care Services

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## Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider
- ✓ Vendors
- ✓ Employees
- ✓ Relatives (who are not the primary care provider)
- ✓ Legally Responsible Person
- ✓ Legal Guardian

## Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority
- ✓ Employer Authority

## Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
- ✓ Community Supports Waiver
- ✓ Family Supports Waiver

## Module 4

# Shared Living

### Can be provided by:

- ☒ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

### Cannot be provided by:

- ☐ Vendors
- ☐ Employees
- ☐ Relatives with the exception of siblings hired by the provider
- ☐ Legally Responsible Person
- ☐ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

- ☒ Budget Authority

### Waiver Program

- ☒ Community Pathways Waiver





# Support Broker Services

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## Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider
- ✓ Vendors
- ✓ Employees
- ✓ Relatives
- ✓ Legally Responsible Person
- ✓ Legal Guardian

## Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority
- ✓ Employer Authority

## Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
- ✓ Community Supports Waiver
- ✓ Family Supports Waiver

## Module 4

# Supported Living

### Can be provided by:

☒ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

### Cannot be provided by:

- ☐ Vendors
- ☐ Employees
- ☐ Relatives
- ☐ Legally Responsible Person
- ☐ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

☒ Budget Authority

### Waiver Program

☒ Community Pathways Waiver



## Module 4

# Transition Services

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### Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

### Cannot be provided by:

- ✗ Vendors
- ✗ Employees
- ✗ Relatives
- ✗ Legally Responsible Person
- ✗ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority

### Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
- ✓ Community Supports Waiver
- ✓ Family Supports Waiver



# Transportation Services

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## Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider
- ✓ Vendors
- ✓ Employees
- ✓ Relatives
- ✓ Legally Responsible Person
- ✓ Legal Guardian

## Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority

## Waiver Program

- ✓ Community Pathways Waiver
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- ✓ Family Supports Waiver

## Module 4

# Vehicle Modifications

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### Can be provided by:

- ✓ Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider

### Cannot be provided by:

- ✗ Vendors
- ✗ Employees
- ✗ Relatives
- ✗ Legally Responsible Person
- ✗ Legal Guardian

### Self-Directed Authority

- ✓ Budget Authority

### Waiver Program

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# Resources

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- [Self-Directed Services Comprehensive Policy](#)
- [Self -Directed Services Manual](#)
- [DDA Self-Directed Services Overview](#)
- [DDA Guide To Services](#)
- [DDA Easy-To-Understand Guide to Services](#)

# Resources

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- [Person-Centered Plan Overview](#)
- [DDA Person-Centered Planning Webpage](#)
- [Person-Centered Planning Manual](#)
- [DDA-operated Medicaid Waiver Programs Webpage](#)

# Summary

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- **Of the services that can be self-directed, the participant:**
  - Always has budget authority
  - Sometimes has employer authority
- **Certain services require the use of a Licensed or DDA-Certified Provider**
- **Some services allow participants to hire family members, legally responsible people, or their legal guardians**