

Home and Community for People with ID/DD

Intellectual Disability

- Intellectual disability is a disability characterized by significant limitations both in intellectual functioning and in adaptive behavior, which covers many everyday social and practical skills. This disability originates before the age of 18.

Developmental Disability

- The term "developmental disability" means a severe, chronic disability of an individual that:
 - (i) is attributable to a mental or physical impairment or combination of mental and physical impairments;
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 - (ii) is manifested before the individual attains age 22;
 - (iii) is likely to continue indefinitely;
 - (iv) results in substantial functional limitations in 3 or more of the following areas of major life activity:
 - (I) Self-care.
 - (II) Receptive and expressive language.
 - (III) Learning.
 - (IV) Mobility.
 - (V) Self-direction.
 - (VI) Capacity for independent living.
 - (VII) Economic self-sufficiency; and
 - (v) reflects the individual's need for a combination and sequence of special, interdisciplinary, or generic services, individualized supports, or other forms of assistance that are of lifelong or extended duration and are individually planned and coordinated.
- (B) INFANTS AND YOUNG CHILDREN - An individual from birth to age 9, inclusive, who has a substantial developmental delay or specific congenital or acquired condition, may be considered to have a developmental disability without meeting 3 or more of the criteria described above if the individual, without services and supports, has a high probability of meeting those criteria later in life.

North Carolina Today

- Three HCBS DD waivers
- State funded services through LME's
- High public institution usage
- Large number of community ICF group homes
- Large waiting list for community services
- Inconsistent service system
- Pockets of high quality supports and Services

Challenges

- Increasing numbers of individuals needing support
- Aging caregivers
- Need for more flexible supports
- Disincentives to community services
- Workforce issues
- Need for crisis services

What Citizens Really Want

- System that supports
- Flexibility
- Self directed options
- Community with assurances
- Choices
- Cost effective
- Use of technology

Affordable Care Act Helps

- 1915 i Option
- Rebalancing options
- CLASS Act
- Money Follows the Person Extension
- Community First Choice Option [CFC]

The Arc Suggests

Create plan to utilize benefits of ACA while improving current options

Move quickly to access options that save state funds

Plan for system that will be radically different in the next decade

Take Advantage of i Option Now

- Start with services currently paid with state funds that can be contained
- Develop longer range plan to address waiting list with tightly controlled definitions
- Plan for i services to complement HCBS waivers

Take Advantage of Other Options

- Rebalancing Incentives
- Continue MFP
- Explore Community First Choice Option
- Direct Support Worker Grants

System Design Must Adjust

- Habilitation option in private insurance
- Increase in Medicaid eligible
- Increase MH/SA benefits
- CLASS Act