



Mi Via and Supports Waivers

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Mi Via Eligibility

- Intellectual Disability, diagnosed prior to age 18
- Or a related condition (Cerebral Palsy, Autistic Disorder, Down Syndrome, Epilepsy, etc.) *and*
- Significant limitations in at least 3 areas of major life activity that began prior to age 22.
- Yearly Level of Care (LOC) and financial eligibility
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- 1,400 received services through Mi Via
- Waiting list of roughly 3,900.



Mi Via Services

- Consultant/support guide
- Behavior Support consultation
- Community Direct Support
- Customized community group supports
- Emergency Response Services
- Employment supports
- Environmental Modification Services
- Home Health Aide
- Homemaker
- In-home living supports
- Nutritional counseling
- Private duty nursing for adults
- Related goods such as tech for safety and independence
- Respite
- Specialized therapies
- Extended state plan therapies for adults PT, OT, SLP
- Transportation
- Assist in identifying resources outside Mi Via

Supports Waiver Eligibility

- Individuals on the Developmental Disability Waiver (DD Waiver) waiting list.
- **Wait currently 15 years**

CDD Mission

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