

Waiver fact sheet: the SELF waiver

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The Self Empowered Life Funding (SELF) waiver is Ohio's first participant-directed waiver. Participant direction means individuals with developmental disabilities have authority to make decisions about their waiver services, and accept responsibility for taking a direct role in managing services.

Who is eligible?

The SELF waiver is for people with developmental disabilities who are:

- * Children (under 22 and not eligible for adult day support, integrated employment, supported employment-enclave or vocational habilitation.)
- * Adults (age 22 and over, under 22 and eligible for adult day support, integrated employment, supported employment-enclave, or vocational habilitation.)
- * Medicaid eligible.
- * In need of an Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF-IID) Level of Care.
- * Willing and able to perform the duties associated with participant direction through exercising budget authority or employer authority for at least one waiver service.
- * Able to have their health and welfare needs met through the SELF waiver and other formal and informal supports.
- * In need of at least one SELF waiver service.

What services are covered?

- * Participant directed goods and services for staff supports in home or community.
- * Support Brokerage to assess and obtain services through community resources.
- * Assessments and interventions for behavior and other therapies.
- * Supports for integrated community employment or adult day programs.
- * Transportation to employment or day programs or community inclusion activities.
- * Remote monitoring services in place of direct staff supervision.

What services are not covered?

Waiver supports do not pay for daily living expenses, such as food, rent, utilities or general household expenses.

***For more information on how to obtain these services contact your Support Coordinator.
If you do not have a Support Coordinator, contact Velena Taylor at (513) 785-4680.***