

The following are programs and funding available through Developmental Services. In order to access any of these, an individual must first meet DS-eligibility. Each program or funding resource has its own criteria that needs to be met. This list is by no means exhaustive, but offers a quick-glance at the more commonly referenced resources:

- Bridge Case management support to DS-eligible youth up to age 22
  - Participant cannot receive case management through any other Agency of Human Services entity, including DCF
  - Participant cannot have Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) also known as the Medicaid Waiver
  - Can potentially access:
    - Family Managed Respite
    - One-time Funding
    - Flexible Family Funding
  - Additionally, the entire Bridge team are trained assessors for Children's Personal Care Services, providing Personal Care Assessments for many on their caseloads
  - **Targeted Case Management** Case management support to individuals over age-18 who are no longer in school
    - o Participant does not yet meet funding priority for HCBS/Medicaid Waiver
    - Participant does not receive case management services through any other Agency of Human Services entity
    - Can potentially access:
      - One-time Funding
      - Flexible Family Funding
- Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) also known as the Medicaid Waiver \*most funding priorities are available only to those 18 and older
  - Participant must meet one of the following funding priorities:
    - Imminent Risk of Health and Safety: Individual has substantial needs in one or more areas that without paid supports is at "imminent" (occurring or expected to occur within 45 days) risk of danger, injury, or harm. (18+)
    - **Public Safety**: Ongoing supports and/or supervision are needed to prevent an adult who poses a risk to public safety from endangering others. (18+)
    - Preventing Institutionalization- Nursing Facilities: Ongoing support and/ or supervision needed to prevent or end institutionalization in nursing facilities when deemed appropriate by Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR). (Children & Adults)

- Preventing Institutionalization- Psychiatric Hospitals and ICF/DD: Ongoing, direct supports and/or supervision needed to prevent or end long term stays in inpatient, public or private psychiatric hospitals or end institutionalization in an ICF/DD. (Children & Adults)
- Employment for High School Grads: Ongoing, direct supports and/or supervision needed for a high school graduate to maintain employment upon graduation. (18-26)
- Parenting: Ongoing, direct supports and/or supervision needed for a parent with developmental disabilities to provide training in parenting skills to help keep a child under the age of 18 at home. Services may not substitute for regular role and expenses of parenting; maximum amount is \$7,800 per person per year. (18+)
- Once it's determined a person likely meets a funding priority, that's when the comprehensive Needs Assessment process begins.
- The funding process, including preparing the needs assessment and budget outline, can take anywhere from 8-12 weeks.
- **DS Funding Resources** include:
  - **Family Managed Respite/FMR** also available to youth in our Children, Youth, and Families/CYF Division **\*ends at age 21** 
    - Three levels of acuity-based funding:
      - Level I (Low) \$2,000 annually
      - Level II (Moderate) \$4,000 annually
      - Level III (High) \$6,000 annually
  - $\circ$  Flexible Family Funding \*not available to those receiving waiver funding
    - Up to \$1,000 annually, dispersed quarterly
    - Funding to address unmet health and safety, accessibility, enrichment, respite, or other needs
  - $\circ~$  DS One-time Funds \*cannot be used to pay utility bills or for recurring expenses
    - Funding up to \$5,000 to address unmet need
    - All other funding resources have been exhausted
    - Must address unmet health and safety, accessibility, enrichment, respite, or other needs