



Developmental Disability Services in Oregon

FAST FACTS

- An estimated 38,000 Oregonians may experience a developmental disability, about 1.0% of the population.
- Many individuals with developmental disabilities and their families continue to wait for critical supports and services.
- DD Services contribute more than \$400 million each year to local economies in Oregon.
- Over 12,000 people are employed in the Oregon DD system.



What is a Developmental Disability?

A developmental disability is a physical and/or intellectual impairment that occurs before a person is 22 years old. The impairment has continued or can be expected to continue indefinitely, and is likely to create barriers to the ability of the individual to function independently.

Developmental disabilities include: cerebral palsy, intellectual disability, Down's syndrome, autism, epilepsy and other neurological conditions.

Individuals with developmental disabilities may also experience additional medical and/or mental health conditions.

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Supports and services that *may* be available to an individual with a developmental disability in Oregon, include:

- Case management / Service Coordination
- Individualized planning and supportive services
- 24 hour comprehensive supports including residential services and foster care
- Job development, training and ongoing support
- Services for children (0-18) and their families including respite care and other in-home family supports
- Intensive behavioral or medical intervention for children provided in the family home

Eligibility varies by service and many services have waiting lists. Some individuals and families may be receiving some support but continue to wait for higher levels of support. **It is estimated that more than 47% of people with developmental disabilities in Oregon receive *no services*** for a variety of reasons including lack of awareness, wait lists, limited access to service providers, personal choice, or they simply do not require assistance.



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How are Oregon's DD supports and services funded and provided?

State General Funds match Federal Medicaid dollars (40% state to 60% federal) for most community DD services. Most DD services are provided through a Title XIX Medicaid waiver.

Services are administered through the Oregon Department of Human Services: Seniors and People with Disabilities, Developmental Disabilities Division.

County Developmental Disability Programs (CDDP) are contracted to provide service coordination to over 19,000 children and adults. They also facilitate family support, intensive in-home services, out of home services and contract with community-based providers for adult residential, employment services, and crisis services for children and adults. Counties also conduct quality assurance and protective services activities.

Private providers contract with the State and CDDPs to provide 24-hour Comprehensive residential and vocational services to about 6,338 adults and children. Comprehensive residential services may include group homes, supported living and foster care.

Independent Support Brokerages, as a result of the Staley Settlement Agreement, provide planning services and assist almost 7,000 adults with developmental disabilities still living in their family home or their own home, locate and purchase a minimum level of support services averaging under \$10,000 per year.

Families and individuals may be authorized funding to contract with private providers, independent contractors or hire domestic employees to provide in-home services.

