**Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities Incentives**

**Waiver**

County Board

* **Eligibility** 
  + **Individual who receives a state-funded waiver when leaving a developmental center**
* Option to choose either waiver allocation methodology:
  + Option 1:
    - $40,000 state match, which includes day services
    - Part of on-going allocation after two years
  + Option 2:
    - DODD pays all waiver costs including day service
    - Funding removed upon disenrollment

SSA Funding

* **Eligibility** 
  + **Individual who receives a waiver funded by developmental center downsizing and ICF bed conversion**
* County must participate in HOME Choice Program to be eligible
* County eligible for up to $23,500 (DODD state match) for serving 35 new people or $11,750 (DODD state match) for serving 17 new people

Home Choice

* **Eligibility** 
  + **Individual has moved into qualified housing** 
    - **A home owned or leased by the individual or family member**
    - **An individually leased and lockable apartment (with sleeping, bathing and cooking areas within unit in which the individual or family member has domain and control)**
    - **A community based residential setting with no more than four unrelated persons**
  + **Individual has lived in a facility-based (NF, ICF, Hospital or RTF for children) care setting for at least 90 days**
* Community Transition Services (e.g. first month’s rent, furniture, etc.) aka “Goods & Services” up to $2000 and up to $500 for Pre-transition transportation
* Case Management for HOME Choice is provided by the county board of DD through the role of the SSA
* Optional: The county board serves as the HOME Choice Transition Coordinator during the discharge planning period. (In lieu of TCM)
  + A provider agreement must be submitted for authorization of this service
  + There are three deliverables paid to county boards as Transition Coordinators: up to $5,000

Housing Assistance

* **Eligibility** 
  + **Individual moving to waiver setting (home) of four or fewer**
* CCA funds are available for the purchase, renovation and or construction of community housing.
* May be licensed or non-licensed settings (Not ICFs/IID)
* May be single family homes, duplexes, quad-plexes or condos
* No mobile homes/ trailers

*Applicable Administrative Rules:*

* + *5123:1-1-03: Distribution of Community Assistance Funds for the Acquisition of Housing*
  + *5123:1-1-04: Community Capital Assistance Funds for the Development of Licensed Residential Facilities*
  + *5123:1-1-17: Accessibility and Renovation Projects*

Rental Assistance

* **Eligibility** 
  + **Individual (state funded resident only) who moves from a DC to a waiver setting**
  + **Individual living in a non-DC ICF who leaves the ICF and enrolls on a waiver**
* Scope of availability
  + May be used in homes previously funded with DODD Community Capital Assistance (purchase and/or renovation)
  + Landlord may be not-for-profit or for profit entity
  + May be in a licensed or non-licensed setting

**Community Integration Add-On**

* **Eligibility** 
  + **Individual who receives a waiver funded by developmental center downsizing or ICF bed conversion**
* HPC rate enhancement is $0.52/15 minute unit. Enhancement is for HPC only and does not include On-Site/On-Call
* Individuals who have been admitted to a DC for stabilization funded by the county board are not included in the continuing DC census and therefore are not eligible for the rate add-on
* Time-limited for up to 12 months to support the individual’s transition from an institution to home and community based setting
* Can be in addition to medical and/or behavior add-ons as applicable

*Applicable Administrative Rules:*

* + *5123:2-9-30 – Home and community-based services waivers-homemaker/ personal care under the individual options and level one waivers*

**ICF Rate Enhancement**

* **Eligibility** 
  + **Individual who receives a waiver funded by developmental center downsizing**
* If an ICF directly admits an individual from a DC, the ICF can request rate reconsideration from DODD within 90 days of the admission
* The ICF must provide a summary of the facts supporting the request and demonstrate the increased costs to be eligible for the rate enhancement
  + The maximum allowed amount is $50/day divided by the number of beds in the facility (Example: $50 per day/10 beds = $5.00 per day increase to the per diem rate)
  + The rate enhancement continues until the start of the next fiscal year

*Applicable Administrative Rules:*

* + *5123:2-7-28 – Intermediate care facilities – prospective rate reconsideration on the basis of extreme hardship upon admission of a resident from a state-operated developmental center*

**DODD Follow Along**

* **Eligibility [Waiver]**
  + **Individual who receives a waiver funded by developmental center downsizing to receive waiver or ICF services**
* DODD staff will provide follow along services for anyone leaving a DC up to three years or longer, if needed
* Readmission to a center without charge (except closing centers) will be considered if deemed necessary within one year of exit from developmental center for individuals who were state funded
* **Eligibility [ICF]**
  + **Individual who receives a state funded waiver for exit and conversion and individuals leaving ICF to move to downsized ICF**
* DODD staff will provide follow along services for anyone leaving for up to one year or longer, if requested

**Technical Assistance**

* **Eligibility** 
  + **Any individual receiving services in the DD system**
* Any individual, guardian, county board or provider may request free technical assistance to assist in prevention of admission or readmission to an institutional setting

**Systems Innovation Dollars**

Training for staff prior to service delivery

* **Eligibility** 
  + **Individual leaving developmental center to move to waiver setting**
* A waiver provider could be reimbursed/receive up to $500 per individual to receive services to participate in individual specific training prior to the initiation of service delivery.
  + - The services would include but are not limited to:
      * Direct interaction with the individual to receive services to understand the person-centered-plan, wants, desires, expectations
      * Participation of direct service staff (direct care, nursing) in IP reviews, discharge/planning meetings
      * Identification and understanding of individual needs
      * Promoting the foundation of relationship building with the provider of future services

Additional money for starting household (BRIDGE Funding)

* **Eligibility** 
  + **Individual who receives a waiver funded by developmental center downsizing, exit or conversion of ICF bed**
* After HOME Choice funds are exhausted and more items or serves are needed to start a household, individual may receive up to an additional $1,000 for goods and services

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