



# HCBS Home and Community Based Services Waivers Part 2

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# I Need A Road Map



# What we hope you walk away knowing today...



- Differences in HCBS Children's Waivers in Colorado
- Eligibility for HCBS Waivers
- Criteria and Services in each waiver
- Steps to applying for HCBS Waivers
- Resources



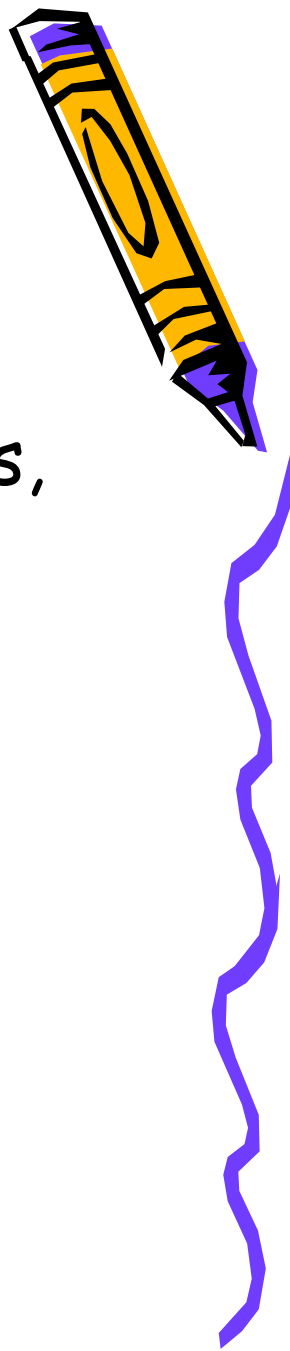
# Medicaid Coverage

## Mandatory- State Plan Benefits

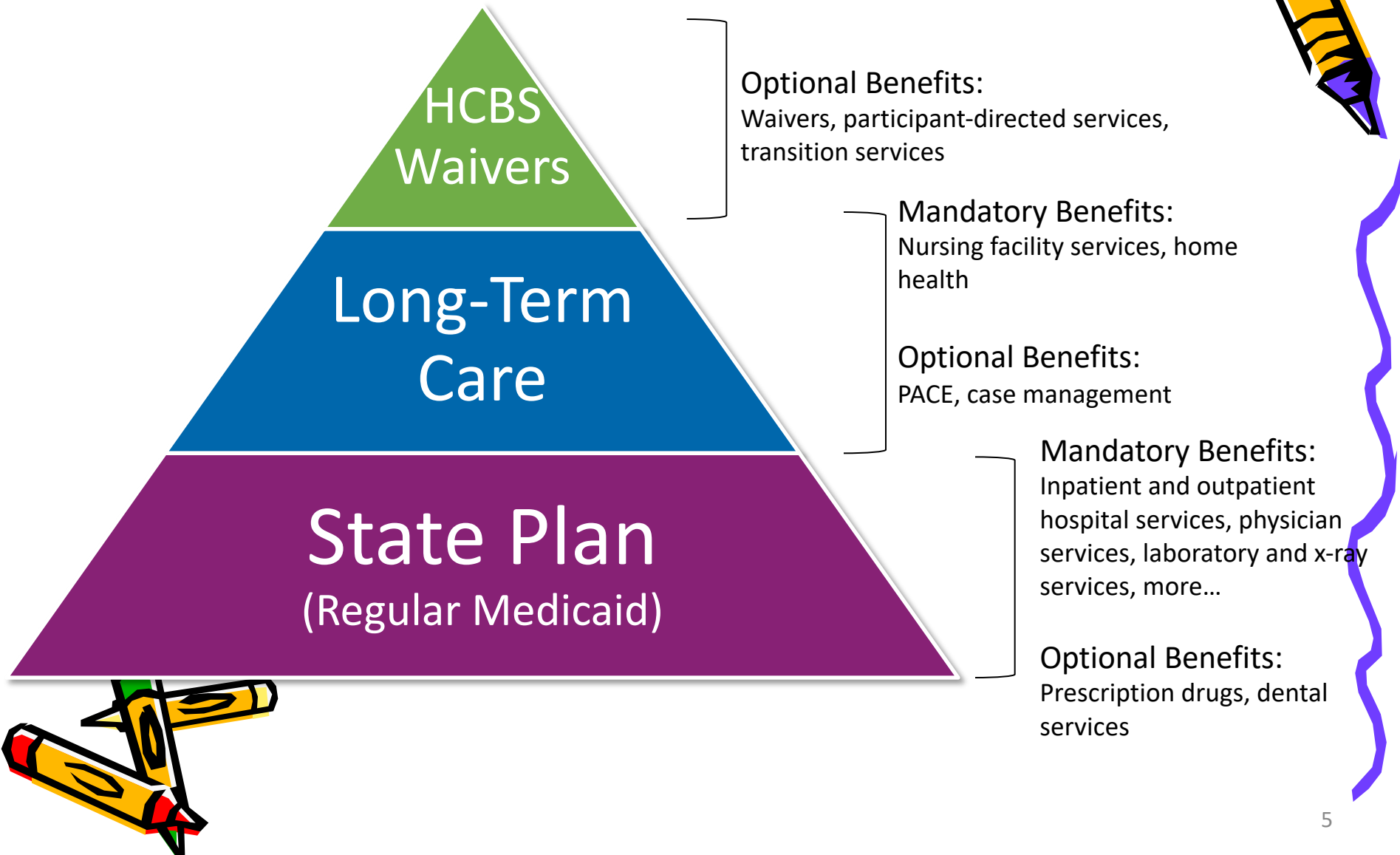
- Inpatient and outpatient hospital services, physician services, laboratory and x-ray services, nursing facility services, home health, and more...

## Optional Benefits

- Prescription drugs, case management, physical therapy, occupational therapy, mental health services, HCBS and more...



# Benefits Pyramid



# EPSDT

## Early Periodic Screening Diagnostic & Treatment

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- For all children on Medicaid
- Birth up to age 21
- The screening is the first step to
- accessing EPSDT services.
- Provides medically necessary services
- Provides benefits for children above the State Plan benefit



# Buy In Program for Children with Disabilities



- You must be a child under the age of 19,
- You must have a qualifying disability. The [Social Security Administration \(SSA\) listings](#) describes what disabilities qualify, and
- Your gross family income after disregards must be below 300% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). You may have additional income that is disregarded. For example, in 2019, a family of four earning about \$8,653 a month may qualify.
  - Applicants should always complete the [Health First Colorado application](#) to find out if their income qualifies.

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/medicaid-buy-program-children-disabilities>



# Which HCBS Waiver is Right for Your child?



Am I clear on what my child needs?

Discuss with some one that is familiar with all the HCBS Waivers and their criteria.

Questions such as:

1. Does your child have behavior issues?
2. Does your child sleep through the night?
3. What services do you need besides Medicaid eligibility?





# Waiver Eligibility

Eligibility

## Financial

County Human/Social  
Services Office

Income and Resources

## Level of Care

Case Management  
Agency

ULTC 100.2- Level of Care  
Assessment

## Targeting Criteria

Case Management Agency  
Waiver Criteria



# Financial Eligibility



- Applicant's income must be less than three times (300%) of the current Supplemental Security Income (SSI) limit
- May be a combination of different types of income such as SSI, SSDI, Social Security Survival benefits, child support, or income from a trust or employment
- The individual resource limit is \$2,000



NOTE: ALL HOUSEHOLD INCOME

# Level of Care

- **Hospital Level of Care**

Participant's needs are similar to that of a person in a hospital. They have acute care needs or their condition is unstable and unpredictable.

- **Nursing Facility Level of Care**

Participant's needs are similar to that of a person in a nursing facility. They require regular medical care, in-home services at least once every 30 days, and oversight of a physician to maintain stability.

- **Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF-IID) Level of Care**

Participant's needs are similar to that of a person in an ICF-IID facility.

They require regular medical care and rehabilitation.



# Targeting Criteria



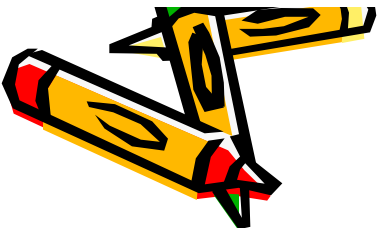
## Includes:

- Age Range
- Diagnoses
- Injuries

## Example:

- Brain Injury Waiver participants must:
- be 16 years old or older
  - Living with a diagnosed brain injury
  - Sustained that injury prior to age 65

- Participants may qualify for multiple HCBS waivers
- Case managers must be familiar with all waivers to best inform participants of all of their options
- Participants and families select option that works best for them



# Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waivers

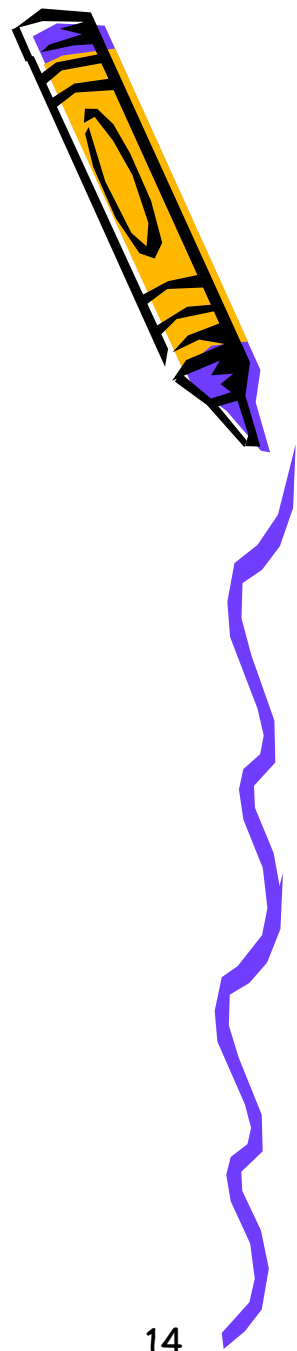


- Alternative to institutional care  
Provide institutional level of care to individuals who prefer to live in their home or community
- Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waivers allow states flexibility to:
  - Waive certain income/eligibility criteria
  - Provide specific services to target groups
  - or geographic regions
  - Can have waiting lists or enrollment caps



Can provide individuals more choice and independence

# Step by Step Procedure



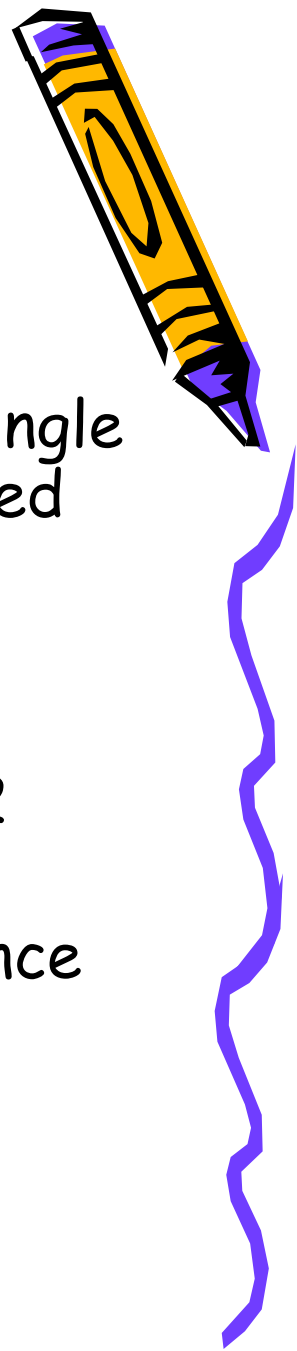
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\*Community Centered Board

# Medicaid Waivers

## Home and Community Based (HCBS)

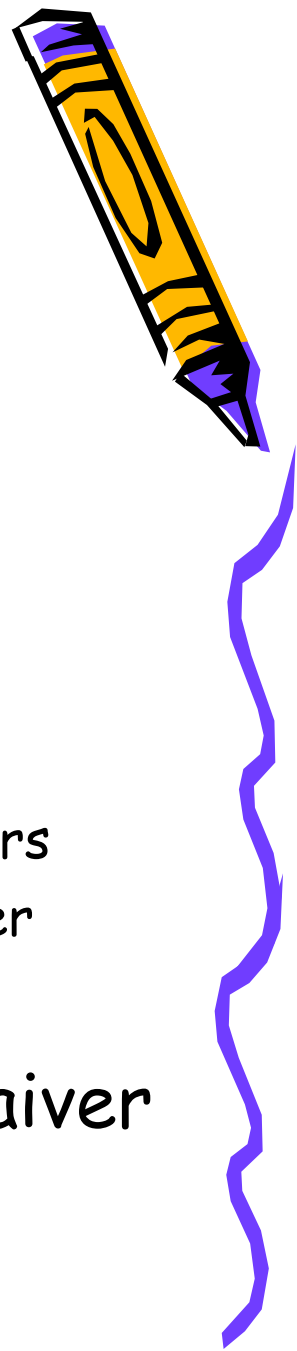


- Contact your county Social Services office, Single Entry Point Agency or your Community Centered Board
- Get a denial from Social Security (only for Children's HCBS Waiver)
- Complete a home visit to complete ULTC 100.2 (eligibility)
- Medicaid is secondary payer to private insurance
- There are different waivers for different populations



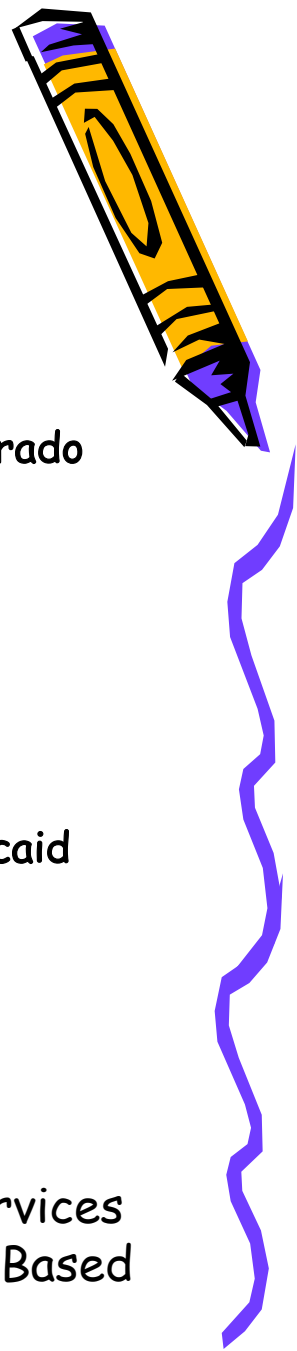
# Case Management Agencies

- 24 Single Entry Point Agencies (SEP)  
Provides case management for BI, CLLI, CMHS, EBD, SCI waivers  
Some SEPs provide case management for CHCBS waiver
- 20 Community Centered Boards (CCB)  
Provides case management for CES, CHRP, DD, SLS waivers
  - Some CCBs provide case management for CHCBS waiver
- 4 Private Case Management Agencies  
Provides case management for CHCBS waiver





# Private Case Management Agencies



## A Rise Above

855 W. Garden of the Gods Road  
Suite A  
Colorado Springs, CO 80907  
Main Phone: 719-418-7830  
Website: [www.ariseabovecolorado.com](http://www.ariseabovecolorado.com)

## Nursing and Therapy Services of Colorado

1130 W. Woodmen Rd.  
Colorado Springs, CO 80919  
Main Phone: 719-574-5562  
Website: [www.ntsoc.com](http://www.ntsoc.com)

## Access & Ability

218 N. 2nd St.  
Unit F  
LaSalle, CO 80645  
Main Phone: 970-737-9031  
Website: [www.accessandability.org](http://www.accessandability.org)

## A Special Needs Connection and Medicaid Waivers

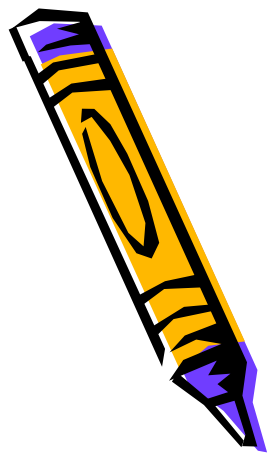
3595 E. Fountain Blvd., Suite 200  
Colorado Springs, CO 80910  
Main Phone: 719-358-8777  
Website: [www.asnconnection.com](http://www.asnconnection.com)



NOTE: These agencies provide case management services specifically for the Children's Home and Community Based Services waiver (CHCBS) only.

# County Management & Contacts

- Single Entry Point Agencies  
[www.colorado.gov/hcpf/single-entry-point-agencies](http://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/single-entry-point-agencies)
- Community Centered Boards  
[www.colorado.gov/hcpf/community-centered-boards](http://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/community-centered-boards)
- County Eligibility  
[www.colorado.gov/cdhs/contact-your-county](http://www.colorado.gov/cdhs/contact-your-county)



# Children's Home and Community Based Service Waivers



- Children's HCBS- Children's with medical needs
- CHRP-Children Habilitative Rehabilitation Program
- CES-Children Extensive Services
- CLLI- Children with Life Limiting Illness



# Children's HCBS Criteria



- For medically fragile children who would otherwise be ineligible for Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program) due to parental income and/or resources exceeding limit
- Must be ages birth - 17 years old and meet hospital or nursing facility level of care
- Contact local Case Management Agency



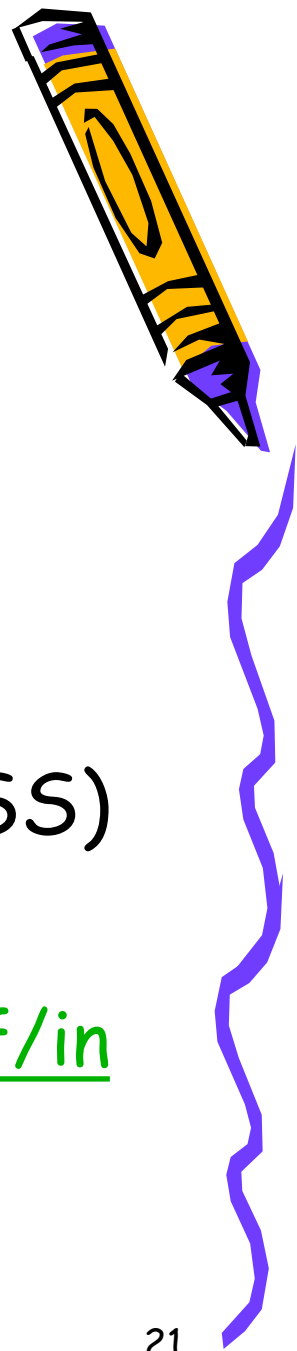
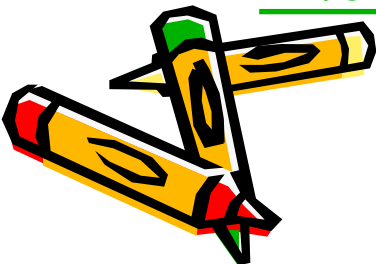
[www.colorado.gov/hcpf/childrens-home-andcommunity-based-services-waiver-chcbs](http://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/childrens-home-andcommunity-based-services-waiver-chcbs)

# Children's HCBS Services

Provides these Services:

- Case Management services
- In-Home Support Services (IHSS)

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/in-home-support-services>



# CES Criteria

## Children's Extensive Support Waiver (CES)

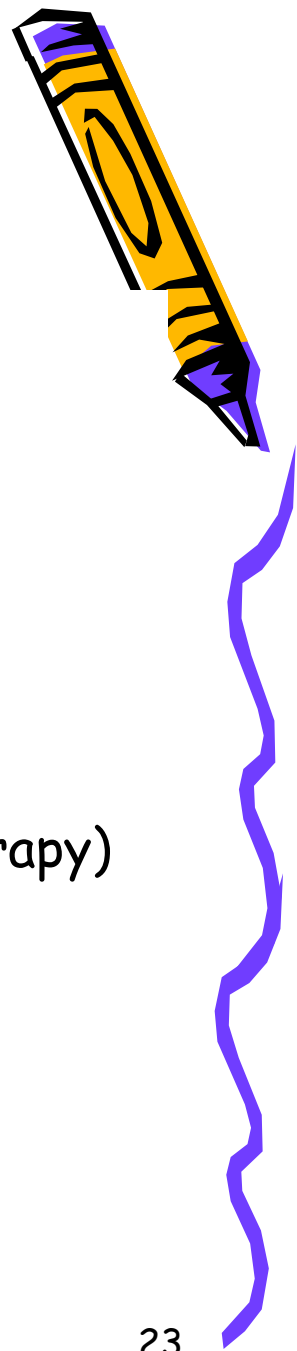
- For children with a developmental disability and intensive behavioral or medical needs
- Must be ages birth - 17 years old and meet Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (ICF-IID) level of care
- Contact local Community Centered Board (CCB)

[www.colorado.gov/hcpf/childrens-extensive-support-waiver-ces](http://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/childrens-extensive-support-waiver-ces)



# CES Waiver Services

- Adaptive Therapeutic Recreational Equipment and Fees
- Assistive Technology
- Behavioral Services
- Community Connector
- Home Accessibility Adaptations
- Homemaker Services
- Parent Education
- Personal Care Services
- Professional Services (Hippo, Massage and Movement Therapy)
- Respite Services
- Specialized Medical Equipment & Supplies
- Vehicle Adaptations
- Vision Therapy



# CHRP Criteria

## Children's Habilitation Residential Program (CHRP)

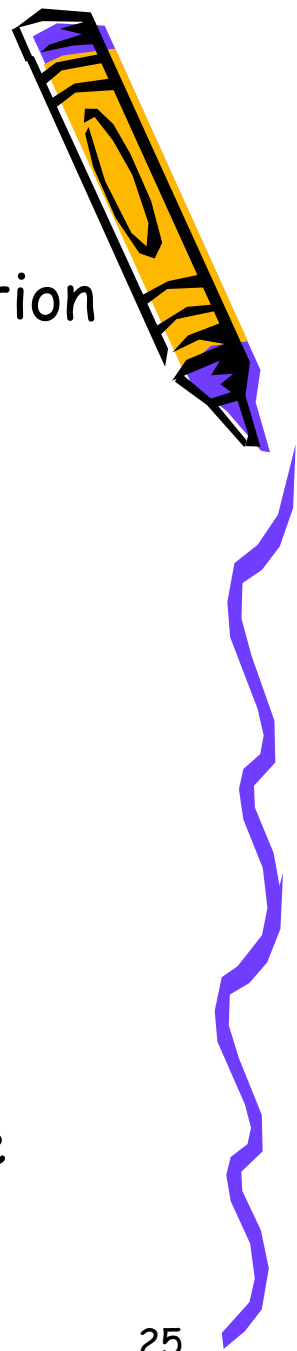
- For children and youth with a developmental disability and very high needs that put them at risk of or in need of, out of home placement
- Must be ages birth - 20 years old and meet ICF-IID level of care
- Contact local Community Centered Board (CCB)

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/childrens-habilitation-residential-program-waiver-chrp>

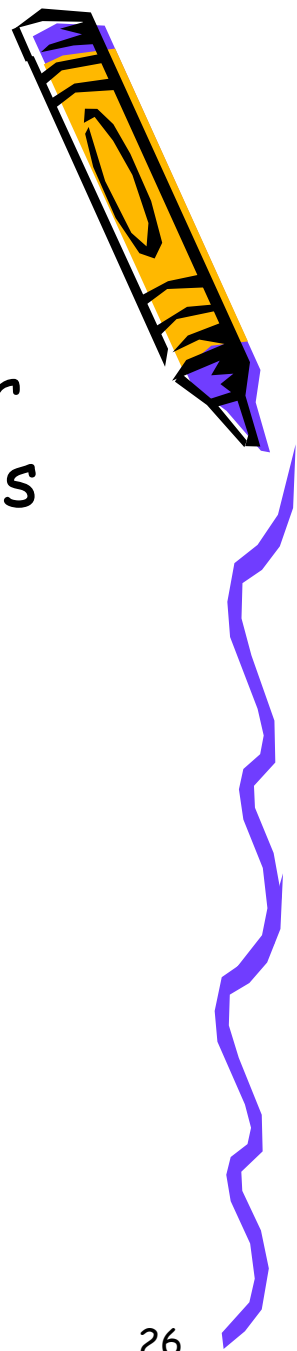


# CHRP Services

- Community Connection Services Habilitation Services
- Cognitive Services\*
- Communication Services\*
- Emergency Assistance Training\*
- Independent Living Training\*
- Personal Care Services\*
- Self-Advocacy Training\*
- Supervision Services\*
- Travel Services\*
- Respite Services
- Professional Service- Hippo and Massage Therapy



# CLLI Criteria



## Children with Life Limiting Illness Waiver

- For children with a life-limiting diagnosis
  - Must be ages birth - 18 years old and meet hospital level of care
  - Contact local Single Entry Point (SEP) Agency

[www.colorado.gov/hcpf/children-life-limiting-illness-waiver-clip](http://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/children-life-limiting-illness-waiver-clip)



# CLLI Services

Expressive Therapy:

Art and Play Therapy

Music Therapy

Massage Therapy

Palliative/Supportive Care:

Care Coordination

Pain and Symptom Management

Respite Care

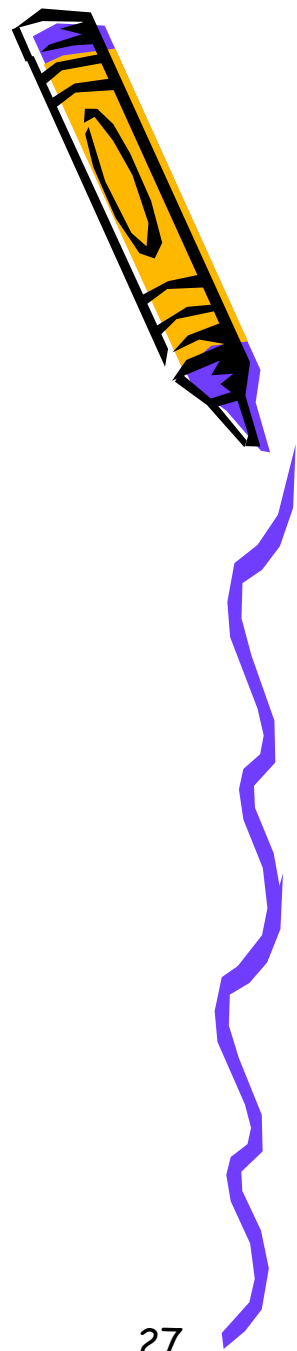
Therapeutic Services:

Bereavement Counseling

Therapeutic Life Limiting Illness

Support -

Individual/Family/Group



## Waiver Charts

Provide a side-by-side comparison of key components and eligibility requirements of each waiver □ Includes program contact information

## Flow Charts

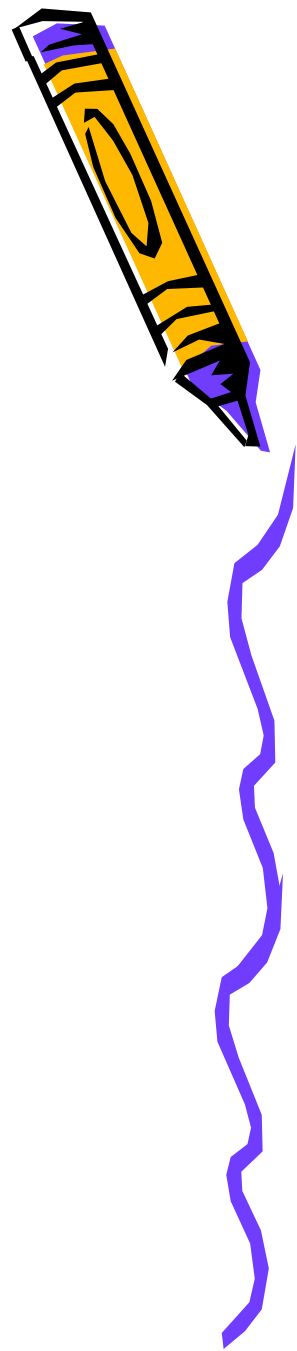
Provide participants and families a decision-tree to help them understand all of the program options



# Step by Step Procedure

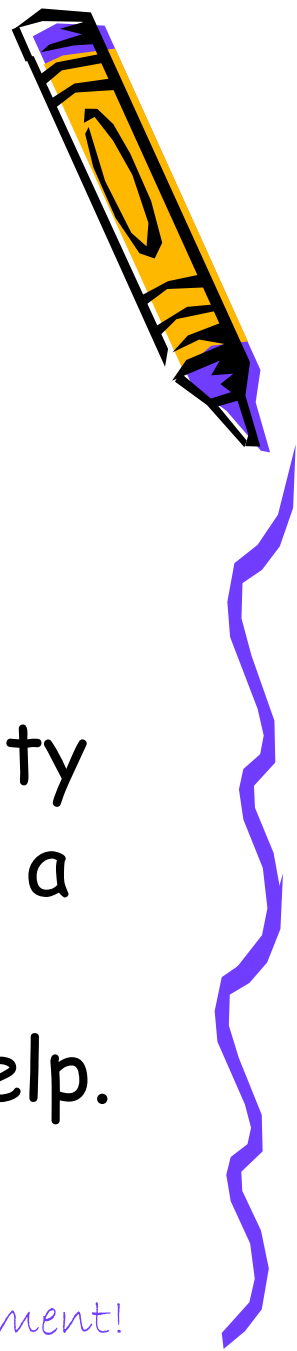
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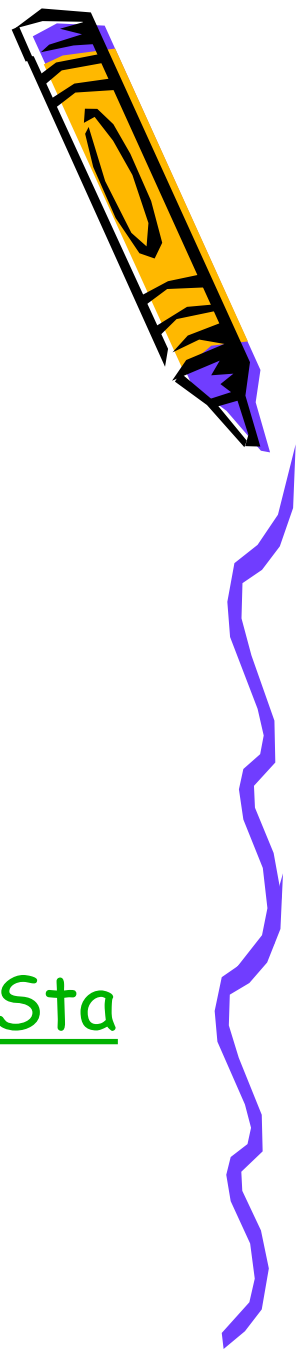
# Health Record Keeping

- Record keeping will save you time!
- Record keeping will assist you and providers to give better care.
- Organize by areas of need or specialty
- It does not take a fortune to create a care notebook.
- Simple things like medication lists help.



Document! Document! Document! Document! Document!

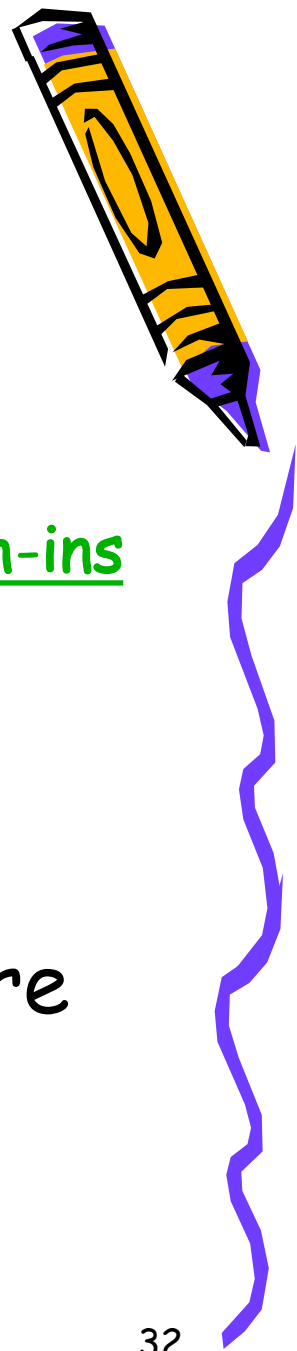
# Public Funding



- Benefits for Medicaid- Volume 8
  - <http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/>
  - Reference Materials
    - HMO coverage
    - Volume 8
- <http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/StateRules/index.asp>



# Public Funding



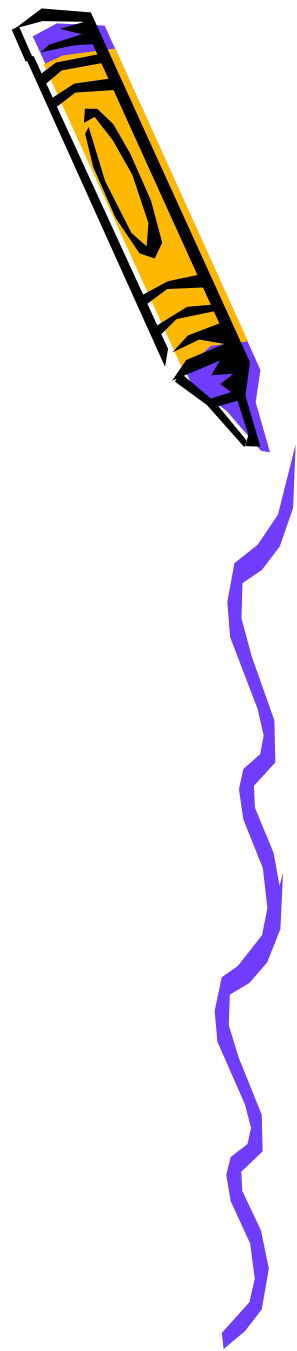
- Health Insurance Buy-In (HIBI)
- <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/health-insurance-buy-program>
- Health Insurance Buy-In (HIBI) is a premium assistance program for Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program) members.
- Ombudsman Medicaid Managed Care  
1-877-435-7123



[help123#@maximus.com](mailto:help123#@maximus.com)



# Resources You Have Available!



- ARC's
- Medicaid Managed Care Ombudsman
- Family Voices (health/insurance/navigation)
- PEAK Parent Center (education)
- HCP/Title V-Health Department
- Parent to Parent
- Regional Accountable Entity (RAE)
- Disability Law Colorado
- Community Centered Boards



|    | CCB Name  | Counties Served  |
|----|---|--|
| 1  | Blue Peaks Developmental Services                     | Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Mineral, Rio Grande, Saguache                                  |
| 2  | Colorado Bluesky Enterprises                          | Pueblo   |
| 3  | Community Connections, Inc.                           | Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata, Montezuma, San Juan  |
| 4  | Community Options, Inc.                               | Delta, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Montrose, Ouray, San Miguel                                     |
| 5  | Developmental Disabilities Resource Center            | Clear Creek, Gilpin, Jefferson, Summit   |
| 6  | Developmental Pathways                                | Arapahoe, Douglas  |
| 7  | Eastern Colorado Services                             | Cheyenne, Elbert, Kit Carson, Lincoln, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington, Yuma |
| 8  | Envision  | Weld   |
| 9  | Foothills Gateway                                     | Larimer  |
| 10 | Horizons Specialized Services                         | Grand, Jackson, Moffat, Rio Blanco, Routt  |
| 11 | Imagine!  | Boulder, Broomfield  |
| 12 | Inspiration Field                                     | Bent, Crowley, Otero   |
| 13 | Mesa Developmental Services (Strive)                  | Mesa   |
| 14 | Mountain Valley Developmental Services                | Eagle, Garfield, Lake, Pitkin  |
| 15 | North Metro Community Services, Inc.                  | Adams  |
| 16 | Rocky Mountain Human Services                         | Denver   |
| 17 | Southeastern Developmental Services                   | Baca, Bent, Kiowa, Prowers   |
| 18 | Southern Colorado Developmental Disabilities Services | Huerfano, Las Animas   |
| 19 | Starpoint   | Chaffee, Custer, Fremont   |
| 20 | The Resource Exchange (TRE)                           | El Paso, Teller, Park  |



# Community Centered Boards (CCB)

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/community-centered-boards>



# Single Entry Point Agencies (SEP)



- Single Entry Point Agencies

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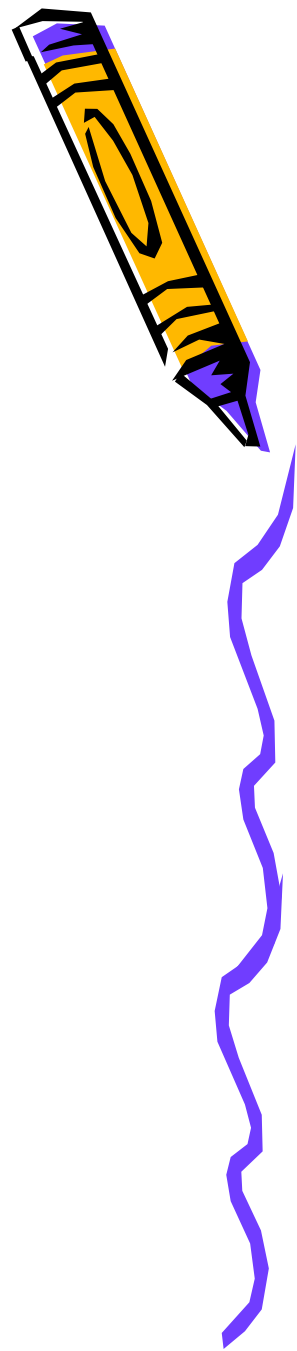
- Printable Map

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/Single%20Entry%20Point%20Agencies%20by%20County%20Map-July%202020.pdf>



# What Happens at 18??

- Most of these HCBS Waivers end at 18. WHY?
- Are there Adult HCBS Waivers?
- How do you learn about those Waivers?



# Questions & Next Steps

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