

Office of Developmental Programs – Service Descriptions

***The service descriptions below do not represent the comprehensive Service Definition as listed in each of the Waivers. Please refer to the appropriate Waiver Program for a comprehensive service definition as well as any service limitations and provider qualifications.**

NOTE: The Community Living Waiver is scheduled to begin January 1, 2018

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| Other Service | Advanced Supported Employment | An enhanced version of supported employment services that includes discovery, job development and systematic instruction to learn the key tasks and responsibilities of the position and intensive job coaching and supports that lead to job stabilization and retention. Providers are paid for three separate outcomes: 1) Discovery profile; 2) Securing a job; and 3) Retention of job. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Outcome Based |
| Other Service | Assistive Technology | The purchase, modification or repair of assistive technology for increased functional involvement of individuals in their activities of daily living. This service also includes independent living technology which includes remote monitoring. In general, there is a lifetime limit of \$10,000 with exceptions and a variance process to request technology above the limit. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Outcome Based |
| Other Service | Behavioral Support | This service is available for individuals age 21 and older and includes comprehensive assessment, the development of and revisions to a behavioral support plan that includes strategies to support the individual based upon assessment, and the provision of interventions and training to individuals, staff and caregivers. There are two levels of service that reflect the differing levels of provider qualifications and the needs of the individual. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Other Service | Benefits Counseling | This service informs an individual about competitive integrated employment and how and whether it will result in increased economic self-sufficiency and/or net financial benefit through the use of various work incentives. It will also provide information on essential benefit programs. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Other Service | Communication Specialist | This service determines the individual's communication needs and educates the individual and his or her caregivers on those needs and the best way to meet them in his or her daily life. This service includes helping to establish environments that emphasize the use of visual cues and other appropriate communication methods, assistance in the development and implementation of an action plan and educating entities about the individual's needs related to communication access, legal responsibilities and cultural and linguistic needs. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Statutory Service | Community Participation Support | This service provides opportunities and support for community inclusion and building interest in and developing skills and potential for competitive integrated employment. This service may be provided in community locations, community hubs, licensed adult | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |

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| | | training facilities, licensed Older Adult Daily Living Centers and licensed vocational facilities. | | |
| Other Service | Companion | This service is intended to assist an individual who is age 18 or older to participate more meaningfully in home and community life. It is provided to individuals living in private homes for the purposes of providing supervision or assistance that is designed to ensure the individual's health, safety and welfare or to perform activities of daily living for the individual. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Other Service | Consultative Nutritional Service | This service assists unpaid caregivers and/or paid support staff in carrying out an individual's treatment/service plan with the goal of improving or sustaining the individual's health status and improve his or her independence and inclusion in the community. The service may include assessment, plan development, training and monitoring. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Statutory Service | Education Support Services | This service is limited to payment for the following: tuition, general fees, on campus peer support, classes to teach individuals who are deaf and adult education or tutoring program for reading or math instruction. Individuals must have an employment outcome or an outcome related to skill attainment or development which is documented in the service plan and is related to the Education Support need. There is a limit of \$35,000 lifetime limit toward tuition and a \$5000 limit per semester of on campus peer support. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Outcome Based |
| Other Service | Family/ Caregiver Training and Support – Training and Counseling | This service provides professional training and counseling services for unpaid family members or caregivers who provide support to an individual. It is intended to develop, strengthen and maintain healthy, stable relationships among the individual and all members of the individual's informal network, to support achievement of the goals in the individual's service plan. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Other Service | Family/ Caregiver Training and Support – Registration and Fees | The amount of training or registration fees for the unpaid family member or caregiver's registration costs at specific training events, workshops, seminars or conferences is limited to \$500 per fiscal year. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Outcome Based |
| Other Service | Home Accessibility Adaptations | This service consists of modifications to the private home of the individual. The modification(s) must be necessary due to the individual's disability, to ensure the health, security of, and accessibility for the individual, or which enable the individual to function with greater independence in the home. Maximum limit for home adaptations is \$20,000 per individual over a 10-year period with a variance process for specific modifications above the limit. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Outcome Based |

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| Statutory Service | Homemaker/ Chore - Temporary | This service includes household cleaning and maintenance and homemaker activities. They are provided only when neither the individual, nor anyone else in the household, is capable of performing the function, and no other relative, caregiver, landlord, community/volunteer agency, or third-party payer is capable of or responsible for the provision. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Hour |
| Statutory Service | Homemaker/ Chore - Permanent | This service includes household cleaning and maintenance and homemaker activities. A person is considered permanently unable when the condition or situation that prevents them from performing the homemaker/chore functions is not expected to improve. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Hour |
| Other Service | Housing Transition and Tenancy Sustaining Services | This service includes pre-tenancy and housing sustaining supports to assist individuals in being successful tenants in private homes owned, rented or leased by the individual. The Housing Transition component identifies the individual's needs and preferences, assists in the housing search process, and helps to arrange details of the move. The Tenancy Support component promotes housing success, fosters community integration and inclusion, and develops natural support networks. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Statutory Service | In-Home and Community Support | This is a direct service provided in home and community settings to assist individuals in acquiring, maintaining and improving the skills necessary to live in the community, to live more independently, and to participate meaningfully in community life. Services consist of assistance, support and guidance in general areas such as (but not limited to) self-care, health maintenance, decision making and home management. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Other Service | Life Sharing | This is a provider agency managed service that occurs in private homes licensed under 55 Pa. Code Chapter 6500 and private homes that are unlicensed as well as other inclusive community settings. Through the provision of this service, individuals will acquire, maintain, or improve skills necessary to live in the community, to live more independently, and to participate meaningfully in community life. Services consist of assistance, support and guidance in the general areas of everyday living. In the Community Living Waiver, Life Sharing is provided for participants in Needs Group 1 or 2 or those who need less than 30 hours per week of this service. | Consolidated Comm. Living Base | Day |
| Statutory Service | Music Therapy, Art Therapy and Equine Assisted Therapy | Direct therapy services provided to an individual who could benefit by the provision of therapy to maintain, improve or prevent regression of the individual's condition and assist in the acquisition, retention or improvement of skills necessary for the individual to live and work in the community. The initial session of Music Therapy, Art Therapy or Equine Assisted Therapy must include an assessment of the individual's need for the service. If additional sessions are indicated, therapists providing these services must develop a treatment plan that reflects individualized, attainable goals. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Other Service | Participant- Directed Goods and Services | These are services, equipment or supplies available to individuals who choose to self-direct this service. Services include those not otherwise provided through other services offered in this waiver, the Medicaid State Plan, or a responsible third party. | P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Outcome Based |

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| | | Participant-Directed Goods and Services must address an identified need in the individual's service plan. There is a \$2,000 annual limit to this service. | | |
| Other Service | Small Group Employment Services | Small Group Employment services consist of supporting individuals in transitioning to competitive integrated employment through work that occurs in a location other than a facility subject to 55 Pa. Code Chapter 2380 or Chapter 2390 regulations. The goal of Small Group Employment services is competitive integrated employment. Small Group Employment service options include mobile work force, work station in industry, affirmative industry, and enclave. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Other Service | Shift Nursing – RN | This service consists of Nursing services for individuals age 21 and older within the scope of practice. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Other Service | Shift Nursing – LPN | This service consists of Nursing services for individuals age 21 and older within the scope of practice. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Statutory Service | Residential Habilitation – Child Residential Services | Child Residential Services (the residential section of 55 Pa. Code Chapter 3800, Child Residential and Day Treatment Facilities): The 55 Pa. Code Chapter 3800 services that may be funded through the Waiver are limited to residential service settings. | Consolidated Base | Day |
| Statutory Service | Residential Habilitation – Community Residential Rehabilitation Services for the Mentally Ill | Community Residential Rehabilitation Services for the Mentally Ill (CRRS) licensed under 55 Pa. Code Chapter 6310 are characterized as transitional residential programs in community settings for individuals with chronic psychiatric disabilities. This service is full-care CRRS for adults with intellectual disability and mental illness. Full-care CRRS for adults is a program that provides living accommodations for individuals who are psychiatrically disabled and display severe community adjustment problems. A full range of personal assistance and psychological rehabilitation is provided for individuals in a structured living environment. | Consolidated Base | Day |
| Statutory Service | Residential Habilitation – Community Homes for Individuals with an Intellectual Disability or Autism | A licensed Community Home is a home where services are provided to individuals with an intellectual disability or autism. A community home is defined in regulations (55 Pa. Code Chapter 6400) as, "A building or separate dwelling unit in which residential care is provided to one or more individuals with an intellectual disability or autism". In licensed Community Homes, services may be provided up to the approved program capacity of the home. | Consolidated Base | Day |

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| Statutory Service | Residential Habilitation – Unlicensed | Residential Habilitation may be provided to individuals who live in unlicensed provider-owned, rented or leased settings. The 55 Pa. Code §6400.3(f)(7) licensing regulations exclude community homes that serve 3 or fewer individuals with an intellectual disability or autism 18 years of age or older who need a yearly average of 30 hours or less of direct staff contact per week per home. | Consolidated Base | Day |
| Statutory Service | Respite, Day | These are services that are provided to supervise and support individuals living in private homes on a short-term basis for planned or emergency situations, giving the person(s) normally providing care a period of relief that may be scheduled or due to an emergency. There is a limit of 30 units per fiscal year with a variance process to request additional units. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living | Day |
| Statutory Service | Respite, 15 Minutes | These are services that are provided to supervise and support individuals living in private homes on a short-term basis for planned or emergency situations, giving the person(s) normally providing care a period of relief that may be scheduled or due to an emergency. There is a limit of 480 units per fiscal year in the Consolidated waiver and 1440 units per fiscal year in the P/FDS and Community Living waivers with a variance process to request additional units. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living | 15 Minutes |
| Extended State Plan Service | Specialized Supplies | Incontinence supplies for individuals age 21 and older that are medically necessary and are not a covered service through the MA State Plan, Medicare or private insurance. Supplies are limited to diapers, incontinence pads, cleansing wipes, underpads, and vinyl or latex gloves. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Outcome Based |
| Statutory Service | Supported Employment | Supported Employment services are provided in a variety of community settings for the purposes of supporting individuals in obtaining and sustaining competitive integrated employment. Competitive integrated employment refers to full or part-time work at minimum wage or higher, with wages and benefits similar to workers without disabilities performing the same work, and fully integrated with coworkers without disabilities. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Other Service | Supported Living | Individuals receiving this agency managed service will be supported to live in a private home owned, leased or rented by the individual. This service will support individuals to acquire, maintain or improve skills necessary to live more independently and be more productive and participatory in community life. In the Community Living Waiver, Supported Living is provided for participants in Needs Group 1 or 2. | Consolidated Base Comm. Living | Day |
| Supports for Participant Direction | Supports Broker Service | This service is available to individuals who elect to self-direct their services through either the Agency with Choice or Vendor Fiscal/Employer Agent models. The Supports Broker service is designed to assist individuals or their designated surrogate with employer-related functions in order to be successful in self-directing some or all of the individuals' needed services. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Statutory Service | Supports Coordination | This service involves the primary functions of locating, coordinating, and monitoring needed services and supports for individuals. | Consolidated P/FDS | 15 Minutes |

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| Other Service | Therapy Services | Therapy services includes the following: physical therapy; occupational therapy; speech/language therapy; and orientation, mobility and vision therapy. Therapy services are available to individuals age 21 and older and must be delivered in a home and community-based setting (not a clinic or rehabilitative facility setting). | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | 15 Minutes |
| Other Service | Transportation - Public Transportation | Public transportation costs to enable individuals to access services and resources specified in the individual's support plan. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Outcome Based |
| Other Service | Transportation - Transportation Mile | Transportation by providers, family members, surrogates who are the employer or managing employer, or other qualified licensed drivers for using vehicles to transport the individual to and from services specified in the individual's support plan. Mileage will be paid per trip. A trip is defined as from the point of pick-up to the destination while the individual is in the car. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Per Mile |
| Other Service | Transportation - Transportation Trip | This service is transportation provided to individuals, with costs determined on a per-trip basis. Trip distances are defined by ODP through the use of zones. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Per Trip |
| Other Service | Vehicle Accessibility Adaptations | Modifications to the vehicle that the individual uses as his or her primary means of transportation to meet his or her needs. The modifications must be necessary due to the individual's disability. There is a limit of \$20,000 over a 10-year period in the Community Living Waiver and \$10,000 over 5 years in the Consolidated and P/FDS Waivers. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Outcome Based |
| Administrative Service | Vendor Fiscal/ Employer Agent Financial Management Services | An administrative service that assists individuals and/or their surrogates in the direct employment and management of qualified Support Service Professionals and management of vendors. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Per Month |
| Administrative Service | Agency with Choice Financial Management Services | An administrative service that assists individuals and/or their surrogates in the employment and management of qualified Support Service Professionals and management of vendors. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living Base | Per Month |
| Administrative Service | VF/EA FMS Transition Service | A one-time per individual transition service related to the completion of all required transition activities in order for an individual to transition from the existing statewide VF/EA FMS to the new statewide VF/EA FMS. | Consolidated P/FDS Base | Flat Fee |
| Administrative Service | VF/EA FMS Start-up Service | A one-time start-up service approved for each individual enrolling with the statewide VF/EA FMS. This start-up service may not be approved for individuals transitioning from | Consolidated P/FDS | Flat Fee |

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| | | the existing statewide VF/EA FMS to the new statewide VF/EA FMS and may only be approved for new individuals enrolling with the statewide VF/EA FMS. The VF/EA FMS start-up service may not be approved for the same individual in the same month as any other VF/EA FMS administrative service approved for the new statewide VF/EA FMS. | Base | |
| Administrative Service | OHCDS, Transportation Services | This is an administrative service to pay the administration fee that is charged when the OHCDS provides an administrative service directly related to the delivery of a Transportation vendor service (one time vendor) for an individual who is not self-directing their services. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living | Outcome Based |
| Administrative Service | One-Time Vendor Payment for Respite Camp | This is an administrative service to pay the administration fee that is charged when the OHCDS provides an administrative service directly related to the delivery of a Respite Camp vendor service (one time vendor) for an individual who is not self-directing their services. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living | Outcome Based |
| Administrative Service | OHCDS, Other Vendor Services | This is an administrative service to pay the administration fee that is charged when the OHCDS provides an administrative service directly related to the delivery of a vendor service (one time vendor) other than Transportation or Respite Camp for an individual who is not self-directing their services. | Consolidated P/FDS Comm. Living | Outcome Based |
| Respite | Respite Care, 24 Hours | This service is provided to supervise and support individuals on a short-term basis due to the absence or need for relief of those persons normally providing care. | Base | Day |
| Respite | Support Medical Environment | This service may be used to provide support in general hospital or nursing home settings where there is a documented need and the County Program Administrator or Director approves the support in a medical facility. | Base | 15 Minutes |
| Residential | Child Residential Services | Child residential services that are not eligible for Consolidated Waiver funding due to the size of the home (home serves 9 or more individuals). | Base | Day |
| Residential | Community Residential Rehabilitation Services | Community residential rehabilitation services that are not eligible for Consolidated Waiver funding due to the size of the home (home serves 9 or more individuals). | Base | Day |
| Residential | Community Home Services | Community residential services that are not eligible for Consolidated Waiver funding due to the size of the home (home serves 9 or more individuals). | Base | Day |
| Family Aide | Family Aide Services | This service is provided to supervise or support individuals on a short-term basis due to the absence or need for relief of those persons normally providing care. | Base | 15 Minutes |
| Special Diet | Special Diet Preparation | This service provides individuals with assistance in the planning or preparation of meals when needed due to a significant modification to a routine diet. | Base | Outcome Based |
| Recreation | Recreation/ Leisure Time Activities | This service is provided to enable individuals to participate in regular community activities that are recreational or leisure in nature. | Base | Outcome Based |

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| Home Modifications | Home Rehabilitation | This service provides for minor renovations to an individual's or family's home to enable the continued care and support of the individual in the home. | Base | Outcome Based |
| FSS | FSS/Individual Payment | This is an indirect service to allow cash and/or voucher payments to individuals and families for FSS. | Base | Dollar |
| Not Specified | Base Service Not Otherwise Specified | This service is provided through base funds and is designed to meet the unique needs of the individual receiving services and or their family. | Base | Outcome Based |