

## Preparing for Transition from Child Welfare to Adult Disability Systems:

A 64,000 foot overview of adult services,  
challenges, and statutes with case study

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## Turning 18 with a disability: What I hope to know to help the transition.

- Why is this important for your transition age clients?
- Case Study
- Legal Statutes
- Adult systems services and supports beyond YIT, typical college and/or employment
  - Case Management and Medicaid Waivers
  - DVR
  - SSI/SSDI

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## Case examples: Real life with a twist

- When it has gone smoothly (early and late identification going smoothly in transition.
- When it does not go smooth in transition: unforeseen challenges and how to navigate them

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## Statutes and the law at transition: Quick reference

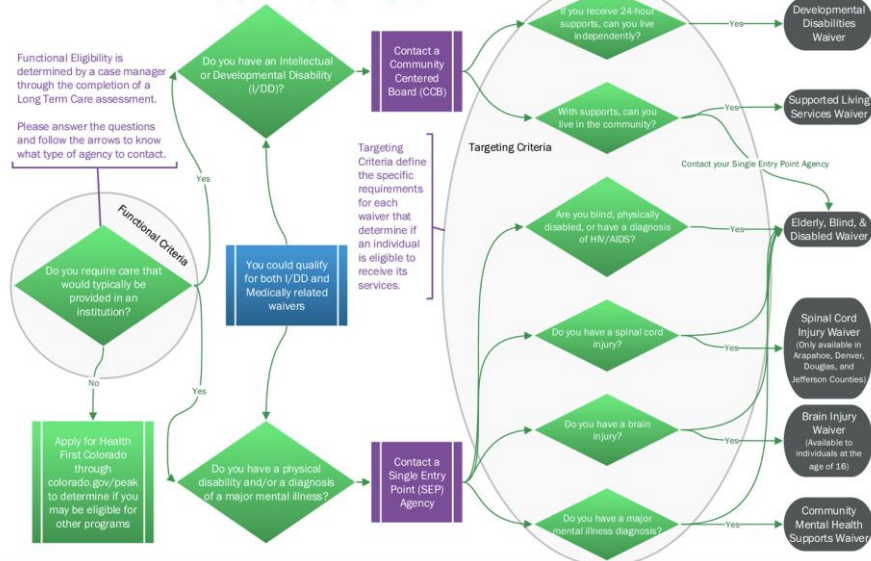
- Role of GAL & CFY in advocating for youth for successful transition
  - Statutes guiding transition are found in children's code (title 19), probate code (title 15), and Title 25.5 Health care policy and financing
- \*\*\*§ 25.5-6-409.5. Transition plan for youth with intellectual and developmental disabilities to adult services
  - Changes on July 1 - no longer CCB but Case Management Agency (is there a difference, can CCB also be a Case Management Agency?)
- Statute" C.R.S. 19-3-205 (continuing jurisdiction)
  - New legislation proposed to change language and "incapacitated person" throughout statutes - adding 15-14.7 section "uniform guardianship, conservatorship, and other protective arrangements act"
  - Currently, D&N court shall continue to have jurisdiction for child or youth adjudicated to be D&N until 18.5 unless
    - Determination made or pending regarding **incapacity** pursuant to CRS 15-14-102
      - Jurisdiction continues until complete transition to adult services AND it is in the youth's best interests to terminate jurisdiction
      - OR youth reaches age 21
    - If youth is making the transition to adult services pursuant to CRS 25.5-6-409.5 then until the transition is complete

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## Choosing an HCBS Waiver for Adults

Note: Use of this chart does not determine, or guarantee in any way, waiver eligibility



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## Waivers in Colorado

<https://hcpf.colorado.gov/hcbs-waivers>

### Adult HCBS Waivers

Select a waiver to learn more:

- [Brain Injury Waiver \(BI\)](#)
- [Community Mental Health Supports Waiver \(CMHS\)](#)
- [Complementary and Integrative Health Waiver \(CIH\)](#)
- [Developmental Disabilities Waiver \(DD\)](#)
- [Elderly, Blind and Disabled Waiver \(EBD\)](#)
- [Supported Living Services Waiver \(SLS\)](#)

### Children's HCBS Waivers

Select a waiver to learn more:

- [Children with Life Limiting Illness Waiver \(CLLI\)](#)
- [Children's Extensive Support Waiver \(CES\)](#)
- [Children's Habilitation Residential Program Waiver \(CHRP\)](#)
- [Children's Home and Community Based Services Waiver \(CHCBS\)](#)

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Name of Waiver or Program	Persons with Brain Injury Waiver (HCBS-BI)	Community Mental Health Supports Waiver (HCBS-CMHS)	Complementary and Integrative Health Waiver (HCBS-CIH)	Persons with Developmental Disabilities Waiver (HCBS-DD)	Persons who are Elderly, Blind and Disabled Waiver (HCBS-EBD)	Supported Living Services Waiver (HCBS-SLS)	Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)
<b>Who determines the eligible person's needs?</b>	Member Case manager Family or legal guardian	Member Case manager Family or legal guardian	Member Case manager Family or legal guardian	Member Case manager Family or legal guardian	Member Case manager Family or legal guardian	Member Case manager Family or legal guardian	Participant Representative PACE IDT
<b>What waiver or program services are available?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult Day Services</li> <li>Behavioral Management and Education</li> <li>Consumer Directed Attendant Support Services (CDAAS)</li> <li>Day treatment</li> <li>Home Delivered Meals</li> <li>Home Modifications</li> <li>Independent Living Skills Training (ILST)</li> <li>Medication Reminder</li> <li>Mental Health Counseling</li> <li>Non-Medical Transportation</li> <li>Personal Care (with Remote Supports options)</li> <li>Peer Mentoring</li> <li>Personalized Emergency Response System (PERS)</li> <li>Respite Care</li> <li>Specialized Medical ... Equipment and Supplies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult Day Services</li> <li>Alternative Care Facilities</li> <li>Attendant Support Services (CDAAS)</li> <li>Home Delivered Meals</li> <li>Home Modifications (with Remote Supports options)</li> <li>Life Skills Training</li> <li>Medication Reminder</li> <li>Non-Medical Transportation</li> <li>Peer Mentoring</li> <li>Personal Care (with Remote Supports options)</li> <li>Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)</li> <li>Respite Care</li> <li>Transition Set Up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult Day Services</li> <li>Complementary and Integrative Health Services (Acupuncture, Chiropractic, Massage)</li> <li>Consumer Directed Attendant Support Services (CDAAS)</li> <li>Home Delivered Meals</li> <li>Home Modifications</li> <li>Homemaker Services</li> <li>In-Home Support Services (IHSS)</li> <li>Life Skills Training</li> <li>Medication Reminder</li> <li>Non-Medical Transportation</li> <li>Peer Mentoring</li> <li>Personal Care (with Remote Supports options)</li> <li>Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)</li> <li>Respite Care</li> <li>Transition Set Up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Behavioral Services</li> <li>Day Habilitation</li> <li>Specialized Habilitation, Community Connections</li> <li>Dental Services</li> <li>Home Delivered Meals</li> <li>Non-Medical Transportation</li> <li>Prevocational Services</li> <li>Residential Habilitation</li> <li>Services (24-hour individual or group)</li> <li>Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies</li> <li>Supported Employment</li> <li>Transition Set Up</li> <li>Vision Services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult Day Services</li> <li>Alternative Care Facilities</li> <li>Consumer Directed Attendant Support Services (CDAAS)</li> <li>Home Delivered Meals</li> <li>Home Modifications (with Remote Supports options)</li> <li>In-Home Support Services (IHSS)</li> <li>Life Skills Training</li> <li>Medication Reminder</li> <li>Non-Medical Transportation</li> <li>Peer Mentoring</li> <li>Personal Care (with Remote Supports options)</li> <li>Personal Emergency Response System (PERS)</li> <li>Respite Care</li> <li>Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies</li> <li>Transition Set Up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assistive Technology</li> <li>Behavioral Services</li> <li>Consumer Directed Attendant Support Services (CDAAS)</li> <li>Day Habilitation</li> <li>Services (Specialized Habilitation, Community Connections)</li> <li>Dental Services</li> <li>Health Maintenance Activities</li> <li>Home Delivered Meals</li> <li>Home Modifications</li> <li>Homemaker Services</li> <li>Non-Medical Transportation</li> <li>Personal Care (with Remote Supports options)</li> <li>Peer Mentoring</li> <li>Personalized Emergency Response System (PERS)</li> <li>Transition Set Up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Medicare and Medicaid-covered services including but not limited to:</li> <li>Adult Day Services</li> <li>Dental Services</li> <li>Durable Medical Equipment</li> <li>Emergency Services</li> <li>End of Life Care</li> <li>Home Care Services</li> <li>Hospital Care</li> <li>Laboratory X-Ray</li> <li>Long-term Care Facility</li> <li>Mental Health Services</li> <li>Nursing Services</li> <li>Nutritional Counseling</li> <li>Occupational Therapy</li> <li>Personal Care</li> <li>Physical Therapy</li> <li>Prescription Drugs</li> <li>Participants will get Medicare Part D covered drugs and all other necessary drugs from PACE. Joining a separate drug plan is</li> </ul>

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<b>What waiver or program services are available?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Substance Abuse Counseling</li> <li>Supported Living Program</li> <li>Transition Set Up</li> <li>Transitional Living Program</li> </ul>					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prevocational Services</li> <li>Professional Services</li> <li>Hippotherapy, Massage and Movement</li> <li>Preventive Care</li> <li>Primary Care</li> <li>Recreational Therapy</li> <li>Respite Services</li> <li>Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies</li> <li>Supported Employment</li> <li>Transition Set Up</li> <li>Vehicle Modifications</li> <li>Vision Services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>considered a voluntary enrollment from PACE)</li> <li>Preventive Care</li> <li>Primary Care</li> <li>Recreational Therapy</li> <li>Respite Services</li> <li>Social Work</li> <li>Counseling</li> <li>Specialists: Cardiology, Optometry, Podiatry, Urology, etc.)</li> <li>Transition</li> <li>Other services determined necessary by the IDT</li> </ul>

<https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/section-1115-demo/demonstration-and-waiver-list/Waiver-Descript-Factsheet/CO>

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## Case Management Agency Directory

Case Management Agencies assist individuals and families with accessing necessary services and supports to meet their needs.

Services include:

- Intake
- Eligibility determination
- Service plan development
- Arrangement for services
- Delivery of services
- Service and support coordination
- Monitoring
- Termination and discharge from services

Submit formal, confidential complaints to HCPF regarding Case Management Agencies (CMA)

CMA Transparency Complaint Form

CMA General Complaint Form

Select the county you currently live in:

Find My County

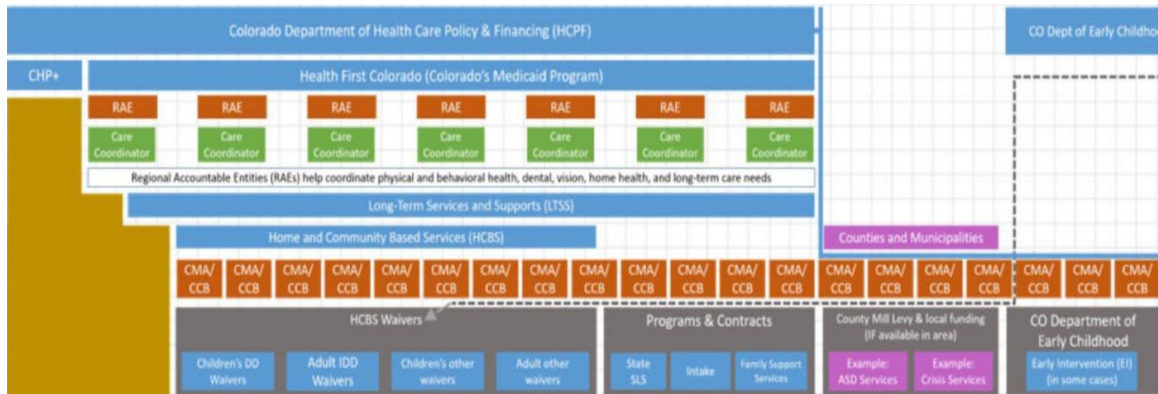
View Private CMAs

Adams	Denver	Kit Carson	Phillips
Alamosa	Dolores	Lake	Pitkin
Arapahoe	Douglas	La Plata	Prowers
Archuleta	Eagle	Larimer	Pueblo
Baca	Elbert	Las Animas	Rio Blanco
Bent	El Paso	Lincoln	Rio Grande
Boulder	Fremont	Logan	Routt
Broomfield	Garfield	Mesa	Saguache
Chaffee	Gilpin	Mineral	San Juan
Cheyenne	Grand	Moffat	San Miguel

<https://hcpf.colorado.gov/case-management-agency-directory>

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## HealthCare Policy and Financing (HCPF) Flow Chart



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## Department of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)

### Welcome to the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

"Empowering Employment and Independence"

Are you a person with a disability who wants to work, is looking for a job or needs help keeping your current job? If so, DVR is the right place for you!

We believe that anyone with a disability who wants to work, can work, regardless of the type or severity of their disability. We provide a wide variety of *individualized services* for people with disabilities. These services may allow you to reach your employment goals and live independently.

[Visit our Online Request for Services](#)



#### Adults

Our services are about helping Coloradans with disabilities. We help you find or keep a job, advance in your current job or find a new one.

[Adults](#)

#### Youth

Are you a youth thinking about what's next after high school? We can help you with job exploration counseling, work based learning experiences and more.

[Youth](#)

#### Business

We are committed to helping businesses find skilled, loyal, and committed candidates.

[Business](#)

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## Cross over of YIT and DVR: meeting a requirement of eligibility

7.203.41 of Volume 7 CCR

Article 7, part 3 of Title 19, C.R.S.

- Are engaged in, or intends to engage in, at least one of the following, unless an exception applies or are waived by federal law:
- 1. Completing secondary education or an educational program leading to an equivalent credential
- 2. Attending an institution that provides post secondary or vocational education
- 3. Working part- or full-time for at least eighty hours per month, or
- 4. Participating in a program or activity designed to promote employment or remove barriers to employment.

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## Work and Medicaid Waivers: Cautionary note to protect services

### For adult waiver programs, you must:

- Have income that's \$2,829 or less per month.
- Have [resources](#) that are \$2,000 or less if you are single (\$3,000 or less for couples).

You may also qualify for a waiver through the [Health First Colorado Buy-In Program For Working Adults With Disabilities](#) (Medicaid Adult Buy-In), which has much higher income limits and no [resource limit](#).

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### Health First Colorado Buy-In Program For Working Adults With Disabilities (Adult Buy-In)

The Medicaid Adult Buy-In program (sometimes called WAwD for short) provides health coverage to working people with disabilities in Colorado ages 16 or older who are not otherwise eligible for [Health First Colorado](#) (Medicaid). It has a much higher income limit than Health First Colorado (Medicaid) usually has, has no resource limit, and lets you get the same coverage as regular Health First Colorado (Medicaid). Depending on your income, you may have to pay a [premium](#) of up to \$200 per month.

<https://hcpf.colorado.gov/buy-in-program-working-adults-disabilities>

For Medicaid Adult Buy-In, you must have [countable income](#) at or below \$5,648 per month for individuals. Almost all of your unearned income is counted, but less than half of your [earned income](#) is counted. That means, you could earn as much as \$11,380 per month and still qualify!

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## Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

### Who can get SSI

Adults and children might be eligible for SSI if they have:

1. Little or no income, **and**
2. Little or no resources, **and**
3. A disability, blindness, or are age 65 or older.

[Find out if you might be eligible for SSI](#)

### How much you could get

Your monthly payment depends on your income, living situation, things you own, and other factors.

[See what can affect SSI payments](#)

### Report changes to your income, resources, and living situation

Each month, you must report your wages, other income, and changes to your resources or living arrangements.

[Learn about what to report](#)

### Programs to get more help while on SSI

Explore programs, like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Medicaid, that help you save money and take care of basic needs while on SSI.

[Learn more about these programs](#)

<https://www.ssa.gov/prepare>

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## When do I look and consider these systems for a client?

Less than 14	Age 14	Age 15-16	Age 17-18	Age 19-21	Age 22-24
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Person Centered Planning</li> <li>Connect to Medicaid waiver programs through a Community Center Board</li> <li>Family Support Programming</li> <li>Complete application for Behavioral Health Services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Person Centered Planning (incorporate with IEP/504)</li> <li>Connect with Independent Living Center</li> <li>Connect to local workforce center</li> <li>Connect to Benefits Planning Counselor</li> <li>Submit application for HCBS-DD Waiver services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Person Centered Planning (incorporate with IEP/504)</li> <li>Apply for mental health services (age 15)</li> <li>Refer DVR for Pre-ETS</li> <li>Apply for DVR, as appropriate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Person Centered Planning (incorporate with IEP/504)</li> <li>Submit application for SSI</li> <li>Apply for DVR, as appropriate</li> <li>Planning/preparing Transition from Children's to adult HCPF (17 years) Linking to information</li> <li>Connection made to IDEA 18-21 Services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Person Centered Planning (incorporate with IEP/504)</li> <li>IDEA 18-21 Services</li> <li>Apply for DVR, as appropriate</li> <li>Choice transitions CCT at 18 + Transition to Adult HCPF services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Person Centered Planning</li> <li>Apply for DVR, as appropriate</li> <li>Adult HCPF Services</li> </ul>

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## Agency List

- [HealthCare Policy and Financing \(Medicaid and Waivers\)](#) Case management Agencies
- [Working Adults with Disabilities Medicaid Buy-in](#)
- [Centers for Independent Living](#)
- [Department of Vocational Rehabilitation](#)
- [Social Security Administration](#)
- [Arc Chapters](#)
- [Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado](#)

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