

Medicaid Definitions and Acronyms

Activities of Daily Living (ADLs) – are self-care activities routinely performed on a daily basis, such as bathing, dressing, grooming, toileting, transferring, mobility, continence and eating.

Individual Support Plan (ISP) - The ISP belongs to the individual; the process helps people achieve their life goals and evolves as the individual's life evolves. The planning team consists of an individual (focus individual) and a circle of support (the support team). The initial plan shall not exceed 365 days. An annual individual support planning meeting shall be held 60-90 days prior to the date of expiration so that the renewed plan starts on the same date of the new year.

Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADLs) – are activities related to independent living including preparing meals, shopping for groceries/personal items, performing light or heavy housework, communication and money management.

Intensive Supportive Living Arrangement (ISLA) - Twenty-four hour Supported Living Services are residential support services provided 24 hours per day by an organizational qualified provider.

Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR) – A residential setting which is primarily used for the diagnosis, treatment, or rehabilitation for persons with mental retardation or a related condition.

Legally Responsible Individual (LRI) – Individuals who are legally responsible to provide medical support, including: spouses of recipients, legal guardians, and parents of minor recipients, including: stepparents, foster parents and adoptive parents.

Level of Care (LOC) – A screening assessment to determine if an applicant's condition requires the level of services provided in a hospital, Nursing Facility, or ICF/MR.

Plan of Care (POC) – Identifies the waiver services as well as other ongoing community support services that the recipient needs in order to live successfully in the community. The POC must reflect the recipient's service needs and include both waiver and non-waiver services in place at the time of POC completion, along with informal supports that are necessary to address those needs.

Parental Financial Responsibility (PFR) – The cost-sharing portion that enables a child to receive Medicaid coverage under the Katie Beckett Eligibility Option. PFR is based on evaluation of parental income and resources by the Department of Welfare and Supportive Services (DWSS) with the PFR amount determined based upon a sliding fee schedule.

Supportive Living Arrangement (SLA) - A host home is a supported living arrangement within an integrated community neighborhood which provides residential support services in a family living setting.

Persons with related conditions - individuals who have a severe, chronic disability that meets all of the following conditions: (a) it is attributable to, (1) cerebral palsy or epilepsy or (2) any other condition, other than mental illness, found to be closely related to intellectual disability because this condition results in impairment of general intellectual functioning or adaptive behavior similar to that of intellectually disabled and requires treatment or services similar to those required for these persons, (b) it is manifested before the person reaches the age of 22, (c) it is likely to continue indefinitely (d) results in substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following areas of major life activities: (1) self-care; (2) understanding and use of language; (3) learning; (4) mobility; (5) self-direction; (6) capacity for independent living.

