



## DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

# Brain Injury (BI) Waiver Program

Helping people with brain injuries live as independently as possible in homes or community settings, not nursing homes or neurobehavioral hospitals

## What is the BI Waiver Program?

In Minnesota, children and adults with a diagnosis of brain injury who require the level of care provided in a specialized nursing home or neurobehavioral hospital may be eligible to receive services in community settings rather than in a nursing facility or a neurobehavioral hospital.

## Who is eligible?

To be eligible for the BI Waiver, people must:

- Be eligible for Medical Assistance (MA)
- Be certified disabled by the Social Security Administration or State Medical Review Team (SMRT) process
- Be under the age of 65 at the time they are authorized to receive the BI Waiver
- Have a documented diagnosis of traumatic or acquired brain injury
- Experience significant or severe behavior and cognitive deficits related to the brain injury
- Be assessed through a screening process and determined to need the level of services provided in a specialized nursing facility or neurobehavioral hospital
- Have an assessed need for supports and services beyond those available through the standard Medical Assistance (MA) benefit set.

## What services are offered?

In addition to the full range of services traditionally covered by Medical Assistance (medically necessary hospital care, physician care, prescription drugs, dental services, therapies, counseling, medical transportation), the BI Waiver offers a variety of services based on need such as:

- Customized living
- Consumer directed community supports (CDCS)
- Family training and counseling
- Environmental accessibility adaptations
- Respite care.

People can receive a variety of services while living in their own home, the home of a relative or friend or another community setting, such as a licensed foster care home.

## Will these services take the place of other funding sources?

No. BI Waiver services supplement, not replace, other funding sources such as insurance, Medical Assistance and Medicare.

## What happens when a person on the BI Waiver reaches age 65?

People who receive BI Waiver services may choose to stay on the waiver when they turn 65 years old or go onto the Elderly Waiver (EW).

## How do people apply?

People who are interested in receiving BI Waiver services should contact their county social services agency to ask for a screening or additional information.

Visit <https://mn.gov/dhs> and search for “county, tribal and regional offices” or call the Disability Hub MN at 866-333-2466 for a list of county, tribal and regional offices.

## Right to fair treatment

People have the right to fair, non-discriminatory treatment. The Department of Human Services

cannot discriminate against anyone because of his or her race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, creed, political beliefs or because of physical, mental or emotional disability or status with regard to public assistance.

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Minnesota Department of Human Services  
Office for Equal Opportunity  
PO Box 64997  
St. Paul, MN 55164-0997  
651-431-3040 (voice)  
651-431-3041 (TTY/TDD)  
651-431-7444 (fax)  
800-627-3529 (Minnesota Relay Service)  
877-627-3848 (Speech-to-Speech Relay)

or the  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Office for Civil Rights, Region V  
233 N. Michigan Avenue, Suite 240  
Chicago, IL 60601  
312-886-2356 (voice)  
312-353-5693 (TTY/TDD)

Minnesota Department of Human Services  
Disability Services Division  
PO Box 64967  
St. Paul, MN 55164-0967

## Disability Hub MN 866-333-2466

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