

Information for Professionals on MassHealth HCBS Waivers

Acquired Brain Injury Waivers and Money Follows the Person Waivers

- **Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waivers are alternative LTSS programs** for MassHealth members who otherwise need facility-based care. In Massachusetts, there are ten HCBS Waivers. Each offers specific services to a different target population.
- **Four HCBS waiver programs** are specifically designed to serve adults who transition from a nursing facility or long stay hospital back to the community:

HCBS Waiver Program	Target Population
1. ABI-RH Waiver <i>Acquired Brain Injury with Residential Habilitation</i> operated by Dept. of Developmental Services (DDS)	Adults with Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) who require 24-hour supervision and staffing in a provider-operated and staffed residential setting
2. ABI-N Waiver <i>Acquired Brain Injury Non-residential Habilitation</i> operated by Mass. Rehabilitation Commission (MRC)	Adults with ABI who do not require 24-hour supports/supervision, but need community-based waiver services provided in their home
3. MFP-RS Waiver <i>Money Follows the Person Residential Supports</i> operated by DDS	Adults who require 24-hour supervision and staffing in a provider-operated and staffed residential setting
4. MFP-CL Waiver <i>Money Follows the Person Community Living</i> operated by MRC	Adults who do not require 24-hour supports and supervision, but need community-based waiver services provided in their home

- **Could residents of your facility be eligible to participate in an ABI or MFP Waiver?** To qualify, an individual must meet financial *and* clinical eligibility requirements:

To qualify for the waiver, an individual must...	ABI Waivers	MFP Waivers
Have an ABI* that was sustained at age 22 or older	✓	
Be a disabled adult <u>or</u> be age 65 or older	✓	✓
Have been living in a facility for at least 90 days	✓	✓
Meet clinical level of care requirements	✓	✓
Need available waiver services (see reverse)	✓	✓
Meet financial requirements to qualify for MassHealth Standard**	✓	✓
Be able to be safely served in the community	✓	✓

*Some examples of ABIs that qualify are brain injuries resulting from **stroke, brain trauma, infection of the brain, brain tumor, or anoxia**. This list is not exhaustive. Dementia-type conditions alone do not qualify.

- **Requirements for HCBS waiver applicants to qualify financially for MassHealth Standard in the community:
- **Income** ≤ 300% of the SSI Federal Benefit Rate
 - **Countable assets** ≤ \$2,000

Waiver Services	Residential Waivers		Non-residential Waivers	
	ABI-RH	MFP-RS	ABI-N	MFP-CL
<i>See website below for details</i>				
Assisted Living Services	✓	✓		
Residential Habilitation	✓	✓		
Shared Living - 24 Hour Supports	✓	✓		
Adult Companion			✓	✓
Chore Service			✓	✓
Coordinated Behavioral Health Services		✓		✓
Day Services	✓	✓	✓	✓
Family Training				✓
Home Accessibility Adaptations		✓	✓	✓
Home Health Aide				✓
Homemaker			✓	✓
Independent Living Supports				✓
Individual Support and Community Habilitation		✓	✓	✓
Peer Support		✓		✓
Personal Care			✓	✓
Physical/Occupational/Speech Therapy	✓	✓	✓	✓
Prevocational Services		✓		✓
Respite			✓	✓
Shared Home Supports				✓
Skilled Nursing		✓		✓
Specialized Medical Equipment	✓	✓	✓	✓
Supported Employment	✓	✓	✓	✓
Supportive Home Care Aide				✓
Transitional Assistance	✓	✓	✓	✓
Transportation	✓	✓	✓	✓
Vehicle Modification				✓

- **For more information** including how to apply, and to download application materials, please visit www.mass.gov/eohhs/provider/insurance/masshealth/mfp-demonstration-and-abi-mfp-waivers/home-and-community-based-services-waivers.html
- **If you have specific questions** about ABI or MFP waivers, call the ABI/MFP Waiver Unit at the University of Massachusetts Medical School at **855-499-5109** (TTY: **800-596-1746** for persons who are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech disabled)