

2024 WAIVER CHANGES

Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Medicaid Waiver



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On July 1, 2024, several changes to Indiana's Medicaid Waivers went into effect. This fact sheet reviews the Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Medicaid Waiver.

Administrative Changes

- ❖ The TBI Waiver will now be administered by the Bureau of Disability Services rather than the Division of Aging.
- ❖ Individuals will still apply for the TBI Waiver through their local Area Agency on Aging.
- ❖ Care management companies for the TBI Waiver will stay the same

Paid Caregivers

- ❖ Attendant Care - Attendant Care is still an available service for all TBI Waiver participants; however, changes have been made regarding who can be paid to provide this service.
 - Legally Responsible Individuals (LRIs), defined as the parent of a minor child or spouse, cannot provide Attendant Care.
 - Legal guardians of adults can be paid up to 40 hours per week for Attendant Care.
 - Any other relative, including parents of adults who are not legal guardians, stepparents, and other relatives, can provide services and are not subject to a 40 hour per week cap.
 - This service was modified to allow caregivers to assist with transfers and mobility devices, including Hoyer lifts.
- ❖ Structured Family Caregiving (SFC) – SFC is a service where an individual is paid to provide care to a person who lives with them. The caregiver is paid through a SFC provider. SFC providers are required to:
 - Provide caregiver coaching to assist caregivers in meeting the medical and behavioral needs of the person they are caring for.
 - Provide up to 15 days of unskilled respite to caregivers per year.
 - Skilled Nursing Respite and Transportation have been approved as separate, billable services when using SFC.
- ❖ LRIs and legal guardians cannot provide Home and Community Assistance (Homemaker Services).

Services Changes

- ❖ Home Modification Assessment - Individuals who want to use waiver services to modify their home are required to have an independent provider, who will not be completing any home modifications, assess the plans to determine if they are appropriate.
- ❖ Vehicle Modifications - Vehicle Modifications are now capped at 10 years rather than a lifetime cap.

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