



Quarterly Report on Agency Services to Floridians with Developmental Disabilities and Their Costs

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Introduction

Each month, the **Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD)** serves more than 30,000 people across Florida with autism, mental retardation, spina bifida, cerebral palsy, Prader-Willi syndrome, and children aged 3 to 5 who are at high risk of being diagnosed with a developmental disability. The great majority of APD's services are provided through three Medicaid waivers administered by the agency.

To meet the needs of the diverse and often medically complex population it serves, APD offers a wide array of services. Some of the 33 services currently provided in the Developmental Disabilities Home and Community-based Services waiver (DD/HCBS) include: nursing care, occupational therapy, behavior analysis, medical equipment, and adult day training. Companies under contract with the agency determine the medical need for a service and authorize it prior to delivery.

From July through September 2007, about 6,000 people on the wait list received services through the Family and Supported Living waiver and more than 7,800 received some state services, which leaves about 7,400 people who did not receive any state services. The number without services is something this agency hopes to address even as it works to hold spending within the budget appropriated by the legislature. APD's recently proposed measures to further limit spending in response to declining state revenues have concentrated on greater system efficiencies that will minimize any adverse impact on those we serve.

The agency continues to work with its stakeholders to develop implementation plans for the adjustments to the waiver program mandated by the legislature in 2007. The goal of implementing the changes is to ensure the health and safety of the people the agency currently serves while making adjustments to reduce costs. Part of the mandated change entails the implementation of new waiver programs which better match levels of client need with appropriate levels of care. APD will continue to work with the Agency for Health Care Administration to seek federal approval for this new program. Implementation is anticipated for the second half of fiscal year 2007-08.

Please share with us any comments or suggestions you have regarding this report. Our Legislative Affairs Director, Lucy Mohs, may be reached at 414-0488.

Glossary of Terms Used in Report

APD-Agency for Persons with Disabilities

CDC+ Waiver-Consumer-Directed Care Plus Waiver

FSL Waiver-Family and Supported Living Waiver

DD/HCBS Waiver- Developmental Disabilities Home and Community-Based Services Waiver

IFS-Individual and Family Supports

This report is prepared and distributed pursuant to section 393.0661(5), Florida Statutes.

“The Agency for Persons with Disabilities shall submit quarterly status reports to the Executive Office of the Governor, the chair of the Senate Ways and Means Committee or its successor, and the chair of the House Fiscal Council or its successor regarding the financial status of home and community-based services, including the number of enrolled individuals who are receiving services through one or more programs; the number of individuals who have requested services who are not enrolled but who are receiving services through one or more programs, with a description indicating the programs from which the individual is receiving services; the number of individuals who have refused an offer of services but who choose to remain on the list of individuals waiting for services; the number of individuals who have requested services but who are receiving no services; a frequency distribution indicating the length of time individuals have been waiting for services; and information concerning the actual and projected costs compared to the amount of the appropriation available to the program and any projected surpluses or deficits...”

1. Services Received by Waiver Enrollees

Tables 1a, 1b, 1c and 1d provide information on services received by persons enrolled in APD waivers.

Table 1a: Waiver Enrollment and Payments

Month	DD/HCBS Waiver*		FSL Waiver		Both Waivers	
	Enrolled Clients**	Total Waiver Payments	Enrolled Clients	Total Waiver Payments	Total Enrollment	Total Waiver Payments
Jul-07	25,232	\$75,414,025	6,122	\$3,848,174	31,354	\$79,262,199
Aug-07	25,213	\$75,919,834	6,132	\$3,868,308	31,345	\$79,788,143
Sep-07	25,198	\$69,271,362	6,134	\$3,455,934	31,332	\$72,727,296

*CDC+ Waiver enrollment is included.

**as of the first day of the month

Source: Allocation, Budget, and Contracts (ABC) Database as of October 22, 2007, and Medicaid FREEDOM (Florida Rapid Entry to Enhanced Data On-line for Medicaid) Database as of Nov 4, 2007

Table 1b summarizes types of services received by waiver enrollees. In addition to the DD/HCBS Waiver and the FSL Waiver, a third waiver, the Consumer-Directed Care Plus (CDC+) Waiver, is included. This waiver offers comparable services to the DD/HCBS Waiver, but it allows much greater flexibility and choice in client selection of providers and services. Table 1b also includes two types of services funded by APD that are not part of Medicaid: Individual and Family Supports (IFS) and Room and Board. The former, paid from General Revenue and the Social Services Block Grant, comprises services to persons not eligible for waiver services, services to persons waiting for waiver enrollment, and non-waiver services to persons enrolled in a waiver. Room and Board, paid entirely from General Revenue, provides payment to residential providers for clients with identified support and income needs.

Table 1b: Types of Services Received by Waiver-Enrolled Clients

Service Month	Client Counts by Service Category for Billed Services					Client Total*
	DD/HCBS Waiver	CDC+ Waiver	FSL Waiver	IFS	Room and Board	
Jul-07	23,110	992	5,524	1,040	856	29,570
Aug-07	23,048	988	5,492	1,000	821	29,487
Sep-07	22,846	982	5,377	1,086	675	29,158

*Clients are counted only once regardless of the number of different services they received.

Note: Based on historical payment patterns, waiver services are incomplete due to anticipated unsubmitted claims for the reported service months as of October 22, 2007.

Source: ABC Database as of October 22, 2007 and Medicaid FREEDOM Database as of November 4, 2007

1. Services Received by Waiver Enrollees (continued)

In addition to the services cited above, many waiver enrollees receive Medicaid State Plan services. Table 1c summarizes the number and percent of waiver enrollees who use these services.

Table 1c: Clients Using Medicaid State Plan Services
by Month of Service

Service Month	Total Waiver Enrollment	Medicaid State Plan	
		#	%
Jul-07	31,354	19,861	63.3%
Aug-07	31,345	19,597	62.5%
Sep-07	31,332	19,130	61.1%

Source: Medicaid FREEDOM Database as of November 4, 2007

Table 1d lists the number of clients using individual waiver services. Because clients typically use multiple services, the client total at the bottom of the table is an unduplicated count.

Table 1d: Clients Using Individual Waiver Services
by Month of Service

Service	DD/HCBS Waiver			CDC+ Waiver			FSL Waiver		
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07
Adult Day Training - Facility Based	9,957	9,898	9,665				855	851	828
Adult Dental Services	1,248	1,467	1,239						
Behavior Analysis Level 1	1,832	1,833	1,685				196	178	186
Behavior Analysis Level 2	861	857	749				152	133	111
Behavior Analysis Level 3	1,323	1,316	1,226				237	238	217
Behavior Assistant Services	362	384	373				26	26	22
Behavioral Analysis Services Assessment	78	94	59				15	20	19
CDC Consultant Services				902	896	838			
CDC Month Allowance				990	984	980			
Chore Services	53	47	47						
Companion	3,782	3,873	3,794						
Consumable Medical Supplies	5,591	5,484	5,274				1,220	1,204	1,165
Dietician Services	151	137	131						
Durable Medical Equipment	61	64	51				10	9	13
Environmental Accessibility Assessment	17	23	27				4	8	6
Environmental Accessibility Adaptations	43	27	30				12	13	7
Homemaker Services	689	635	573						
In - Home Supports (Awake Staff) Qtr. Hour	784	778	779				1,920	1,943	1,913
In - Home Supports (Live-In Staff) Day	1,591	1,604	1,593				2	2	1

1. Services Received by Waiver Enrollees (continued)

Table 1d: Clients Using Individual Waiver Services (continued)

Service	DD/HCBS Waiver			CDC+ Waiver			FSL Waiver		
	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07	Jul-07	Aug-07	Sep-07
Medication Review	718	412	304						
Non-Residential Support Services	4,654	4,338	3,887						
Occupational Therapy	501	493	493						
Occupational Therapy Assessment	15	19	15						
Personal Care Assistance	3,915	3,932	3,810						
Personal Emergency Response-Installation		1							
Personal Emergency Response-Service	101	102	62				3	3	2
Physical Therapy	934	945	896						
Physical Therapy - Assessment	39	42	36						
Private Duty Nursing	81	82	80						
Psychological Assessment		2							
Residential Habilitation-Day	6,823	6,757	6,487						
Residential Habilitation - Quarter Hour	99	101	97						
Residential Nursing Services	209	195	168						
Respiratory Therapy	12	12	13						
Respite Care - Day	493	461	425				63	63	58
Respite Care - Quarter Hour	1,867	1,907	1,833				756	792	754
Skilled Nursing - LPN	66	64	67						
Skilled Nursing - RN	28	25	21						
Special Medical Home Care	13	12	11						
Specialized Mental Health - Assessment	33	26	22						
Specialized Mental Health - Therapy	623	638	577						
Speech Therapy	1,101	1,098	1,032						
Speech Therapy - Assessment	33	34	18						
Support Coordination	22,163	21,990	21,003				5,339	5,225	4,960
Support Coordination - Transitional	15	13	2						
Supported Employment	2,340	2,380	2,310				307	304	282
Supported Living Coaching	3,582	3,604	3,406				197	184	185
Therapeutic Massage	774	776	751						
Therapeutic Massage - Assessment	22	18	9						
Transportation (Mile)	152	153	150				15	14	13
Transportation (Month)	1,312	1,293	1,244				121	120	118
Transportation (Trip)	7,674	7,570	7,162				534	508	461
Client Unduplicated Total	23,110	23,048	22,846	992	988	982	5,524	5,492	5,377

Note: Based on historical payment patterns, waiver services are incomplete due to anticipated unsubmitted claims.
Source: Medicaid FREEDOM Database as of November 4, 2007

6. Projected Waiver Costs and Appropriations

Table 6 provides information concerning projected waiver costs compared to the available appropriations, and any projected surpluses or deficits.

Table 6: Fiscal Year 2007-08 Waiver Budget Forecast

	DD/HCBS Waiver*	FSL Waiver	Total
Appropriations for FY 2007-08			
State Funds	\$382,226,395	\$32,126,817	\$414,353,212
Federal Funds	\$504,815,601	\$42,430,661	\$547,246,262
Total	\$887,041,996	\$74,557,478	\$961,599,474
Adjust for impact of Special Session C			
State Funds	(\$1,693,628)	(\$180,480)	(\$1,874,108)
Federal Funds	(\$2,236,816)	(\$238,364)	(\$2,475,180)
Total	(\$3,930,444)	(\$418,844)	(\$4,349,288)
Available Appropriations			
State Funds	\$380,532,767	\$31,946,337	\$412,479,104
Federal Funds	\$502,578,785	\$42,192,297	\$544,771,082
Total	\$883,111,552	\$74,138,634	\$957,250,186
Projected Expenditures Including Effect of Policy Changes from SB 1124			
State Funds	\$399,495,811	\$21,280,381	\$420,776,192
Federal Funds	\$527,623,730	\$28,105,511	\$555,729,241
Total	\$927,119,541	\$49,385,892	\$976,505,433
Projected Surplus/Deficit			
State Funds	(\$18,963,045)	\$10,665,956	(\$8,297,089)
Federal Funds	(\$25,044,945)	\$14,086,786	(\$10,958,159)
Total	(\$44,007,990)	\$24,752,742	(\$19,255,248)

*Budget and expenditures for the CDC+ Waiver are included.

**The GAA has been corrected to reflect the FMAP reduction effective October 1, 2007.