

## FAQ on the Intake Line

### **Where can I find IQ/adaptive testing?**

Testing may be found in school IEP's, reports, and any past neurological/psychological assessments. Please contact your school to find out if adaptive or IQ testing has been completed. If not, please check with the school to see if they are planning on administering testing soon.

For a complete list of tests we accept as well as resources for adaptive and cognitive testing please click on the following link: <https://www.dpcolo.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Testing-Information.pdf>

### **What is a confidence interval (CI) and why does the testing need to be completed at a 90% CI?**

To qualify for services, an individual's IQ/adaptive score must be a 70 or below. The 90% confidence interval provides a range of values that you can be 90% certain contains the population mean (or the actual score). For example, if your child's adaptive behavior composite score is a 72 and the 90% CI indicates a range of 69-75, the confidence interval means the actual score is likely to fall somewhere between a 69 to a 75. This range allows us to use the lower end of your child's score which would be a qualifying score.

### **Why is a re-determination required?**

When a child turns five, the state changes the definitions of who qualifies and who does not. Prior to 5 an individual must meet delay criteria. After their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday, the child needs to meet the disability criteria. Therefore, Developmental Pathways must determine that the individual still qualifies for services based upon the child having a qualifying neurological diagnosis and IQ or adaptive test scores of a 70 or below.

### **What can I get with Medicaid?**

Everyone with Medicaid has access to basic Medicaid services/supports, known as State Plan Benefits. Depending on the type of Medicaid you have, that affects the additional services available. Some examples of basic State Plan Benefits include primary care services, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Behavioral Therapy, and Mental Health Services. To see more visit the Health First Colorado website: <https://www.healthfirstcolorado.com/benefits-services/>

If you want to find a Medicaid provider for a Medicaid service, the Health First Colorado website can be very useful. <https://www.healthfirstcolorado.com/find-doctors/>. You can also contact your local Regional Accountable Entity (RAE), which provides case management for Medicaid clients.

### **If you aren't the correct CCB, where do I go?**

Developmental Pathways is the CCB for Douglas and Arapahoe Counties and the city of Aurora. If we are not the correct CCB for where you currently reside, we can support you with accessing the correct CCB by making a referral to them and providing your contact information. You can also reach out to them directly and find their information here: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/community-centered-boards>

### **What are some Community Resources including housing resources?**

Unfortunately, Developmental Pathways itself does not provide housing to individuals or funding for housing. Our website does have some community resources <https://www.dpcolo.org/tools/>, <https://www.dpcolo.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/Website-Resource-Guide.pdf> as well as the DP Events Calendar <https://www.dpcolo.org/news-events/>. DP also has a Community Line that keeps up to date on things available in the community. They can be reached at 303-858-2255.

You can also reach out to the ARC advocate to discuss options with them or talk to an Intake Case Manager. It comes down to what is right for you and your family at this moment. Remember you can only be on one waiver at a time, but that does not mean you cannot change waivers as things in your life change. You simply must meet the criteria for the waiver you are seeking.

We have a Crisis Guide that might provide useful for support.

<https://nmsco.sharepoint.com/sites/cm/cmdocs/Crisis%20and%20Unstable%20Situation%20Resource%20Guide.docx>

You can also call the United Way Help Line by dialing 2-1-1 or using their website: [2-1-1 Help Line info and resource database](#)

#### **Where can I get information about guardianship?**

Guardianship is a difficult topic for many to discuss and determining if guardianship is needed is very individualized. If you want to learn more about guardianship in general, the Guardianship Alliance of Colorado is a great place to start.

<https://www.abilityconnectioncolorado.org/guardianshipallianceofcolorado/>

You can also contact your local ARC to discuss with them (ARC for Arapahoe and Douglas Counties: <https://arc-ad.org/> or 303-220-9228).

#### **How can I decide which waiver is best for me?**

Colorado has a variety of Medicaid funded waivers, including those overseen at Developmental Pathways. It can be challenging to determine which is best for you and/or your loved one. The Department has created waiver charts comparing the basic points of the waivers. They can be found on their website using the below links.

##### **Adult waivers:**

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/CO%20HCBS%20Adult%20Waiver%20Chart-14%20pt%20font-August-2019.pdf>

##### **Child waivers:**

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/CO%20HCBS%20Children%20Waiver%20Chart-September%202019.pdf>

#### **How do I initiate a transfer from my current community center board (CCB) to Developmental Pathways?**

Please reach out to your current case manager at your CCB and request they send the transfer packet over to [CMTransfers@dpcolo.org](mailto:CMTransfers@dpcolo.org) or fax to 303-341-0382.