



We want to hear from you about supports for people with disabilities in Indiana

The Indiana Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services (DDRS) is working to improve supports for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. They are planning to make changes to home and community-based services offered through its Medicaid waivers – the Family Supports Waiver and Community Integration and Habilitation Waiver. Use this guide to talk with members of your group and pass along any input they may have about services and supports for people with disabilities in Indiana.



Instructions for Group Facilitator: Ask someone to take notes during the meeting. It can be you or someone you trust. At the end, the notetaker will read the notes back to the group.

Read to the group: DDRS wants to understand what Hoosiers want in order to make the right changes to services for people with disabilities. DDRS has talked to many people over the years. They created a list of the big things they have heard.

Let's go over that list together and make sure that it covers all the things that we want. If anything is missing, or not described quite right, we want them to know. We will write down what we think should be changed or added and send that information to DDRS.



Instructions for Group Facilitator: Hand out a copy of the list on the next page to everyone in the group and read each item one-by-one. After each item, give people time to think about what was said and react to it.

After reading the list, ask the group: **Is anything missing? What else should the state know?**



Instructions for Group Facilitator: Have the notetaker write down all the feedback from the group and read it back to them. Send the notes to:

Alena Vazquez at: avazquez@hsri.org

Thank you for your help!



People with disabilities, their families, and advocates in Indiana want...

IDD Service System	HCBS Waiver
<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ To not change staff so much❖ Better trained staff❖ Better transportation❖ More affordable housing❖ More meaningful community options❖ Higher pay for providers❖ More flexibility with services and supports❖ Help with key transitions in life	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Help understanding Medicaid, services, and how to apply❖ Help with choosing a provider❖ More choice and control over services and self-directed options❖ More technology services and supports❖ Better coordination across different kinds of supports❖ Better behavioral supports❖ Better ways to make sure everyone is safe and cared for, and to say something if they aren't❖ Better quality support planning❖ Services focused on developing supports from the people we want in our lives, like our friends and people in the community

Is there anything you would add, change, or take away?