Developmental Disabilities Administration

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Community Inclusion

The Community Inclusion Program supports citizens to thrive in their home communities by learning how to actively and independently engage. The ideal outcome is that natural relationships with other community members develop so paid supports are no longer needed.

Community Inclusion services are individualized and provided in typical integrated community settings. Paid supports provide opportunities to learn, practice, and apply skills that promote greater independence and inclusion. These supports can be complemented by individual support, technical assistance and community information and education.

Eligibility Requirements

Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) clients:

- Age 62 and over;
- Who participated in a DDA employment program for nine consecutive months; or
- With a DDA-approved exception to the nine month rule

Stakeholders

- Individuals and their families
- Counties
- Qualified service providers
- Advocacy organizations
- Employers and volunteer sites



Quality Assurance Oversight

External

- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
- Commission for Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facility
- Washington State Auditor's Office

Internal

- DDA monitoring and evaluation process of counties and client service
- County monitoring of subcontracted providers and client service

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DDA supports community inclusion through contractual partnerships with Washington State's 39 counties. Counties collaborate with multiple local agencies to provide community inclusion services to approximately 1,400 individuals statewide.