

About Us



DDD is part of the Rhode Island state government. DDD manages services for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD). DDD helps adults with I/DD access needed services. The services help people stay healthy, safe, and independent in the community.

All Rhode Islanders have the right to live happy, healthy and fulfilling lives. DDD is committed to helping adults with I/DD live their best lives.

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Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD)



**Applying for
DDD Services**





Who Can Apply for Services

DDD services are for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD). People must be approved for Medicaid. They must also have an I/DD or another serious, long-lasting disability that:

- Is caused by a mental or physical disability
- Starts before age 22 and will be present for the person's entire life
- Results in the inability to do major life activities without help
- Reflects the person's need for lifelong services and supports



Applying for Services

Adults with I/DD must submit a completed DDD application. The earliest someone can apply is 2 months before their 17th birthday.

There is paperwork people must send in with their application. The paperwork includes things like:

- Doctor's notes and test results
- Agency service notes
- Legal papers

Applications are available on the [DDD Eligibility and Application webpage](#). For a paper application call the DDD office at 401-462-3421.



Next Steps

Application Review:

DDD reviews all completed applications. DDD lets people know if they are approved for services within 30 days.

DDD will work with each person approved for services.

Help with Your Application:

There are two ways you can get help completing your DDD application:

1. DDD Eligibility Office at 401-462-3421
2. Rhode Island Parent Information Network (RIPIN) at 401-270-0101