



iBudget Waiver & Pilot Program for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

Senate Health and Human Services Subcommittee

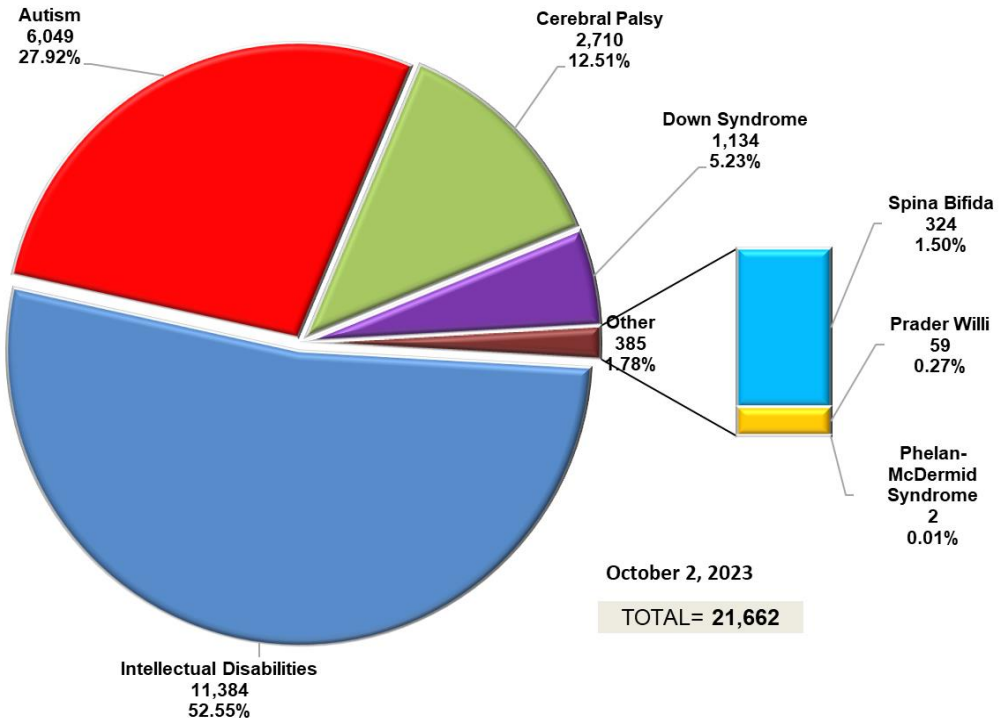
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iBudget Waiver: Overview

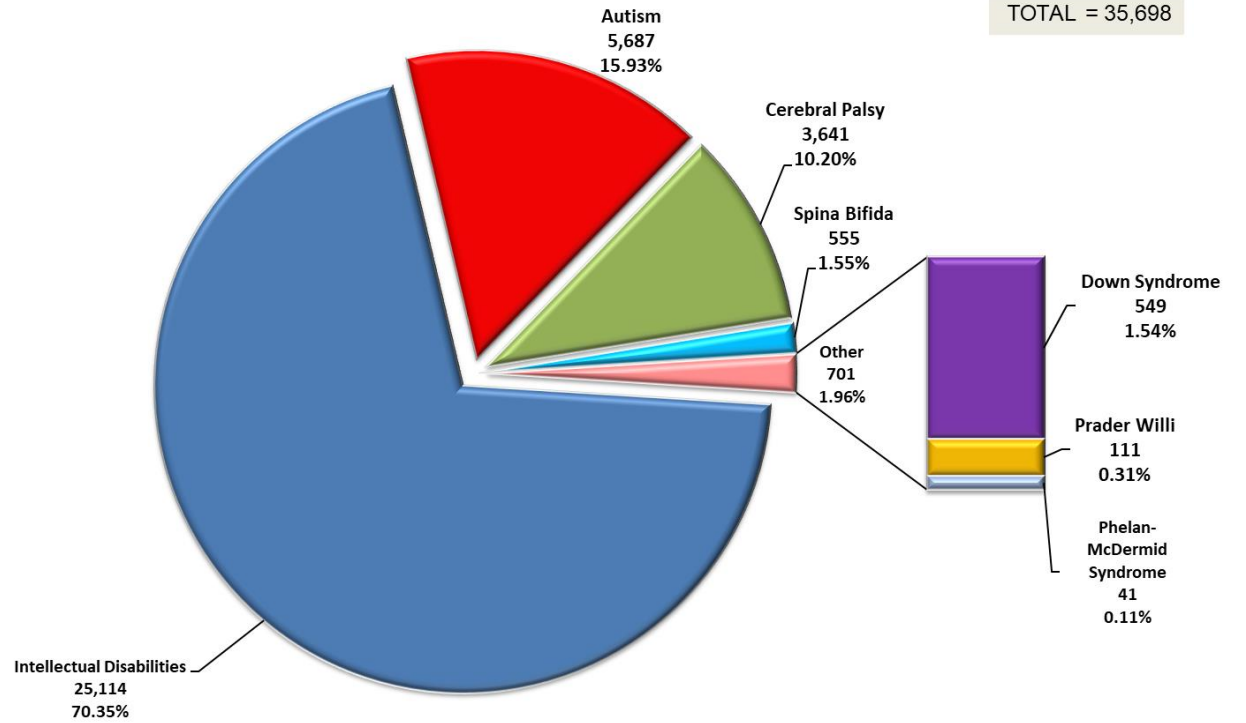
- The Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) primarily provides services and supports to individuals with developmental disabilities that are enrolled through a Home and Community Based Services Medicaid Waiver called the iBudget Florida Waiver.
 - Eligibility Criteria, as outlined in Chapter 393 of Florida Statutes:
 - A person must live in Florida, be at least 3 years old, and have a diagnosed developmental disability, included below, that occurred before the age of 18 to be eligible for APD services.
 - Severe forms of Autism
 - Cerebral palsy
 - Down syndrome
 - Intellectual disability
 - Phelan-McDermid syndrome
 - Prader-Willi syndrome
 - Spina bifida
- As of October 2, 2023, APD serves approximately 61,173 individuals with unique abilities on their pathway to possibilities, of which over 35,698 Floridians are enrolled in iBudget Florida Waiver program.

iBudget Waiver: By the Numbers

Individuals in Pre-Enrollment Categories by Disability



All Individuals Enrolled in iBudget HCBS Waiver by Disability



iBudget Waiver: Pre-enrollment

| Priority | Total |
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| Category 1: Crisis situations | N/A |
| Category 2: Child welfare system at the time of permanency or turning 18 | N/A |
| Category 3: Intensive needs | 210 |
| Category 4: Caregiver is 70 years of age or older | 83 |
| Category 5: Transitioning from school | 17 |
| Category 6: Individuals 21 years of age or older who do not meet other prioritization criteria | 12,872 |
| Category 7: Individuals under 21 years of age who do not meet other prioritization criteria | 8,478 |

Some individuals listed in the prioritization categories are receiving services through other sources such as:

- Medicaid State Plan provides robust services to individuals under 21 who have full Medicaid benefits
- Intermediate Care Facilities
- Public schools
- Natural supports and families
- Other supplemental funding streams available through APD to meet immediate needs

Data as of October 2, 2023

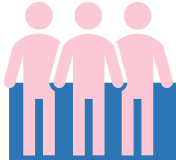
iBudget Waiver: Services

- The iBudget Florida Waiver offers 26 services that are grouped into the following 8 service categories:
 - Life Skills Development
 - Supplies and Equipment
 - Personal Supports
 - Residential Services
 - Support Coordination
 - Therapeutic Supports and Wellness
 - Transportation
 - Dental

Pilot Program for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

- During Florida's 2023 Legislative Session, SB 2510 and the General Appropriations Act included language which directed the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) and the Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) to implement a managed care pilot program. In partnership, we have prioritized the following core tenants for this implementation.
- The language further directed APD to work in partnership with AHCA to:
 - Ensure the highest level of care coordination supporting a person-centered approach for those enrolled in the pilot program.
 - Increase access to providers and services including the recruitment and retention relating to provider development.
 - Maximize community interactions through traditional and non-traditional pathways.
 - Allow for managed care flexibility to provide additional services.
 - Enhanced accountability to include measuring outcomes relating to well-being, in addition to traditional health and safety measures, to prioritize accountability.

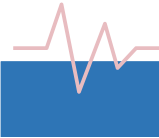
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- FY 2023-24 budget provides coverage for up to 600 Medicaid recipients in the iBudget Pre-Enrollment group.
- Enrollment in the Pilot is voluntary.



- Authority in SB 2510 to operate in two Statewide Medicaid Managed Care Regions, with available funding.
 - Regions D and I
 - D: Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, Hardee, Highlands
 - I: Miami-Dade, Monroe




- Provide a comprehensive service package of all services under the Long-Term Care (LTC) program, Managed Medical Assistance (MMA) program, and iBudget waiver.



- One plan to participate in the pilot program for each of the two regions.
- To be eligible to participate in the pilot program, a plan must have been awarded a contract to provide LTC services, pursuant to s. 409.981 as a result of an invitation to negotiate (ITN).

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| Steps | Status | Notes |
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| Submit Request for Federal Authority by September 1, 2023 |  | The Agency held the required public comment period from 7/28-8/27/23 and submitted the request for a new 1915c waiver on September 1. |
| Receive approval from Federal CMS | In Progress | No initial concerns received from CMS |
| Conduct Invitation to Negotiate to select one plan to participate in the Pilot in each region | In Progress | ITN posted on November 3, 2023 |
| Submit initial status report to Florida Legislature by December 31, 2023 | In Progress | |
| Award contracts pursuant to the ITN and begin enrollment by January 31, 2024 | In Progress | |

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Goals

- ★ Maximize Managed Care flexibility to Provide Additional Services
- ★ Maintain Highest Quality of Care Coordinators and Person-Centered Care Plans
- ★ Increase Access to Providers and Services
- ★ Increased Opportunities for Community Interactions