

# Medicaid Waiver Program



Hidden Potentials is a Medicaid Waiver Provider through The Agency for Persons with Disabilities. Following is Information about this program.

**History:** In October, 2004, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) became an agency separate from The Department of Children & Families, specifically tasked with serving the needs of Floridians with developmental disabilities.

**Who is Qualified:** Florida's definition of "developmental disabilities" includes autism, cerebral palsy, mental retardation, Prader Willi and spina bifida.

**How is It Funded?** The APD receives funding from the State of Florida and from the federal government. Each year the Florida Legislature determines what portion of the state's budget will be used to fund APD.



**Types of Waivers:** The Medicaid Waivers in the APD are the Home & Community Based Services Waiver (HCBS), the Family Supported Living waiver (FSL) and the Consumer Directed Care Plus waiver (CDC+).

The supports and services provided through the waivers help people participate in their community in the ways in which they would like, live in the home of their choice, and have meaningful things to do during the day. These services and supports are provided to allow people with developmental disabilities to live in their community and out of an institutional placement.



**Is My Family Member Eligible?** Eligibility for services from APD is explained in detail in Chapter 393.065 of the Florida Statutes. Generally, the requirements are:

\* You must be a resident of the State of Florida

•You either be:

Over the age of 3 and have a diagnosis (before the age of 18) of autism, cerebral palsy, mental retardation, Prader Willi or spina bifida OR

Between the ages of 3 & 5 years old and at high risk of developing a developmental disability

Information taken from “A Fork in the Road” Mapping Out My Options  
Agency for Persons with Disabilities (July 2005)

# Medicaid Waiver Services Offered By Hidden Potentials

**In Home Supports:** Staff could assist you from 8 to 24 hours per day. The worker would provide companionship, personal care and may also help with day-to-day activities.



**Personal Care Assistance:** Staff could assist you with eating, bathing, dressing or personal hygiene. This service includes help with things like meal preparation or other activities when they are essential to your health and welfare and when there is no one else able to perform these tasks.



Linda helping Rayna with a drink.

**Respite Care:** Staff could assist you to give family members (or caregivers) some time off – a break – from the demands of caring for an individual. Respite care can be for a few hours to a few days and can also be used for family emergencies.



Linda & Rayna going for a stroll.



**Companion:** Staff provides non-medical care, supervision and/or socialization. This could include helping with shopping, meal preparation, or accompanying on a trip into the community.



# Parents Say The Nicest Things!

“Linda (our respite worker) has such enthusiasm. You cannot NOT smile and laugh when you are with her. My daughter is difficult to reach at times and she lights up like a light bulb when Linda comes over!  
Carolyn, Mom of Rayna



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**Provider Informations**

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**Provider Support Level:** ★★☆☆ [Stars Legend](#)

**Score:** N/A

**Review Date:** 9/10/2009

**SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**

**Compliance with Background Screening?** Met

**Compliance with Staff Training?** Met

**Reimbursement and Monitoring Documentation?** Met

**Service Authorization is Documented?** Met

**Compliance with Desk Review Process?** This provider is reviewed at the pro site, so this is not applicable.

**Services Provided:** Companion, In-Home Support Servi  
Personal Care Assistance, Respite

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# Contact Information for Medicaid Waiver

## Agency for Persons with Disabilities

Call APD to see if your family member is  
eligible for services.

**321-409-6518 OR**

**1-866-APD-CARES**

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