# Traumatic/Acquired Brain Injury Waiver Program

Categories: Disability Related Services

The following is summarized from the Connecticut Department of Social Services "Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) Program details available on the website: <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/DSS/Lists/Programs-and-Services">https://portal.ct.gov/DSS/Lists/Programs-and-Services</a>.

# **Program Description**

The Connecticut Department of Social Services administers a special Medicaid waiver program for income eligible adults who have an acquired brain injury and who, without waiver services, would have to live in a long-term care facility. The program pays for services such as case management, personal care assistance, chore services, respite care, vocational supports, housing supports, and other services that are necessary to keep the individual living in the community.

# **Eligibility**

- Adults ages 18-64 who have acquired brain injuries
- Monthly income under 300% of the maximum monthly SSI benefit
- Must meet "Level of Care Requirement" which means that without the waiver services the individual would have to be placed in a long-term care facility
- Must be able to participate in the development of a Service Plan or have a legal representative who acts on the individual's behalf to perform these tasks, that offers a community alternative to institutional living

## To Apply:

Call Community Options Unit at the DSS Online Benefits Center, to ask for a Waiver Request Form.

### Note:

This is not an entitlement program; once DSS has reached its participant quota, names are placed on a waiting list.

The Connecticut Department of Mental Health Services (CT DMHAS), also provides an Acquired Brain Injury Services program to facilitate a person-centered recovery approach for persons living with acquired brain injury and mental illness. For more details on the program and eligibility, visit the website at: <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/DMHAS/Programs-and-Services/Statewide-Services/Acquired-Brain-Injury-Program">https://portal.ct.gov/DMHAS/Programs-and-Services/Statewide-Services/Acquired-Brain-Injury-Program</a>

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