

# GLOSSARY OF COMMONLY USED TERMS & PHRASES

**Summit DD:** County of Summit Developmental Disabilities Board; this is the county agency that serves eligible individuals with this diagnosis.

**DODD:** The Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities

**Eligibility:** this refers to the process that is used to determine whether or not someone is eligible for services through the Summit DD Board. A person must be eligible to receive services from the Summit DD Board.

**COEDI:** Children's Ohio Eligibility Determination Instrument—this is a state mandated tool used by the State of Ohio to determine eligibility through age 15. (Completion of this tool is just a part of the eligibility process)

**OEDI:** the Ohio Eligibility Determination Instrument—this is a state mandated tool used by the State of Ohio to determine eligibility from age 16 and up. (Completion of this tool is just a part of the eligibility process)

**MI/DD:** MI/DD stands for Mental Illness/Developmental Disabilities. Previously the 'dual diagnosis' reference was MR/MH, an acronym fading from usage and referring to "Mental Retardation/ Mental Health".

**Major Unusual Incident (MUI):** Major Unusual Incident: The reporting system mandated by Ohio law that sets procedures to review and report allegations of abuse, neglect and other potentially serious incidents that occur in the Developmental Disabilities system.

**Quality Assurance (QA):** Quality Assurance. A structured method of measuring and documenting quality of services.

**IEP:** Individualized Education Plan – this is the tool that schools use to capture supports being provided within the school system.

**SSA:** Service & Support Administrator – this is the Summit DD “service coordinator” or “case manager” who works with individuals and providers of services to coordinate services as well as monitor progress of those services

**ISP:** Individual Service Plan – this is the document written by the Service Coordinator that is the contract between the person and their provider and assures the health, safety and welfare of the individual. This document is to be completed annually and updated as often as needed.

**Adult Services:** This typically refers to day program services that a person has available to them after they graduate from school, whether that is at age 18 or 22. (the school is required to provide a public education through age 22)

**Day Array:** This refers to any activity that a person participates in after graduation from their school program. There are many day array providers in Summit County.

**Adult Day Supports:** These are non-vocational day services and typically consist of assessing interests, supports and services provided at a centers (through Summit DD or another private provider). Supporting and supervising individuals in the area of personal care include attending to their personal hygiene, eating assistance, communication, mobility and restroom assistance which will ensure an individual's ability to experience and participate in community life.

**Vocational Habilitation:** These are services designed to teach and reinforce concepts related to work, including responsibility, attendance, task completion, problem solving, social interaction, motor skill development and safety. Individuals in this program earn a paycheck for piece work that they complete.

**Adult Day Supports/Voc Habilitation Combo:** This refers to a program that contains elements of both vocational and non-vocational services

**Supported Employment Enclave:** This refers to a job that is designed to support a group of individuals in an integrated community-based setting. There is an on-site workstation specialist is there to cover day-to-day supervision issues and ensure that the work is completed to meet the needs of the employer. Most individuals receive at least minimum wage in this program.

**Supported Employment Community:** This program is for individuals who are working independently in the community. A Job Coach or Follow Along Specialist is usually assigned to help the individual maintain continued success and to address any potential pitfalls that could lead to the loss of employment. Follow-along services are typically provided twice a month.

**Job Exploration Training Program:** This program is designed to provide real work experiences, paid or volunteer, at community job sites for individuals-served who want supported employment in the future. J.E.T. will provide job training and work skill development. J.E.T. Trainees will actively engage in career exploration. Trainees who have met their vocational training goals will be referred to Job Development, as appropriate. The J.E.T. program is a time-limited service. Every six months, the trainees will move to a new work site. A trainee must complete the program in two years or experience a total of four work sites.

**Non-Medical Transportation (NMT):** This refers to the type of transportation provided to someone to and from their day array or community employment activity. There are many providers in Summit County who are certified to provide this service.

**Medicaid:** Medicaid is a program for people with low income. It pays for health care services using state and federal funds. Individuals must have limited income and assets in order to be eligible for Medicaid. Medicaid pays for Common Health Care Services (this includes medical appointments), Durable Medical Equipment and Home Health Care Services

**Waiver:** The waiver is the funding tool to pay for staff to provide individuals with the care they require based upon their assessed needs as identified in their ISP. Medicaid defines home as where the person lives and may include a family residence, congregate setting, foster care, or semi-independent setting. An individual must qualify for Medicaid and need the same level of care as people who live in a long-term care facility in order to qualify for a waiver.

There is a waiting list for the IO and the Level One waivers. Summit DD requests an allocation from DODD of waiver slots and then distribution of these new waivers is prioritized, with priority given to individuals currently using local funds to pay for residential or day services and/or situations that meet emergency rule criteria.

**Individual Options (IO):** This Waiver identifies a funding level for each person based on the Ohio Developmental Disabilities Profile. You must be redetermined eligible for Medicaid and the IO Waiver every year.

**Level 1 (L1):** This Waiver has a budgetary limit of \$5000, though there are emergency monies available per three-year period. You must be redetermined eligible for Medicaid and the L1 Waiver every year.

Although there are some minor differences, both Waivers basically cover the following services: Homemaker/Personal Care, Institutional Respite, Informal Respite, Transportation, Personal Emergency Response Systems, Specialized Medical Equipment & Supplies, Environmental Accessibility Adaptations, Emergency Assistance, Day Array Services

**Free Choice of Provider:** Individuals have free choice of provider for all Medicaid services per state rule. Selected providers must be willing to bill Medicaid (IO/L1 Waiver) for services under the current reimbursement rates. Not all providers are Medicaid (IO/L1) providers. Your SSA can help you choose a provider who accepts your funding.

**Provider Search Tool:** This can be found on the [www.summitdd.org](http://www.summitdd.org) website and is a way for families and persons served to plug in a set of variables and search for providers. The information provided lets you find out information about a provider and helps you determine if you would like to use them for services. There are over 500 agency and independent providers certified to provide various services in Summit County.

**Agency Provider:** This term refers to an organization who provides services to persons with developmental disabilities. The provider of record is the agency and the direct service can be provided by any member of their organization.

**Independent Provider:** This term refers to a provider who is considered independently employed. They cannot sub-contract or send someone else to provide service in their place.