

Texas Long-Term Service and Supports (LTSS) Waiver Programs
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	State of Texas Access Reform (STAR)+PLUS Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)	Youth Empowerment Services (Yes)	STAR Kids Medically Dependent Children Program (MDCP) ¹	Community Living Assistance and Support Services (CLASS)	Deaf Blind with Multiple Disabilities (DBMD)	Home and Community-based Services (HCS)	Texas Home Living (TxHmL)
Waives off	Nursing facility (NF)	Insitution for Mental Diseases (IMD)	NF	Intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability or related conditions (ICF/IID)	ICF/IID	ICF/IID	ICF/IID
Year initiated	1998	2009	1984	1991	1995	1985	2004
Ages served	Age 21 and older	3-18	Age 0 – 20	All ages	All ages	All ages	All ages
Licensure/certification by HHSC	Licensed for services provided: • ALF Home and community support services agency (HCSSA)	Certified	Licensed as a HCSSA	Licensed as a HCSSA (direct services agency only)	Licensed for services provided: • ALF • HCSSA	Certified	Certified
Entity that provides case management or service coordination	Service Coordination provided by the managed care organization (MCO)	Case management provided by the local mental health authority (LMHA) or local behavioral health authority or entity providing case management	Service Coordination provided by the MCO	Case management provided by the contracted case management agency	Case management provided by the contracted DBMD provider agency	Service coordination provided by the local intellectual and developmental disability authority (LIDDA)	Service coordination provided by the LIDDA

¹ MDCP is also available through Star Health.

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Individual annual maximum cost	202% of the institutional average Resource Utilization Group (RUG) value ²	\$35,804.00	50% of the institutional average RUG value ³ as of August 31, 2010	\$114,736.07	\$114,736.07	Based on the individual's level of need (LON) ⁴ : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$167,468 for LONs 1, 5 and 8 • \$168,615 for LON 6 • \$305,877 for LON 9 	\$17,000

² Texas calculates nursing facility rates by RUG due to differences in individual acuity levels, resulting in 34 different cost limits.

³ For STAR Kids MDCP, Texas calculates nursing facility rates by RUG due to differences in individual acuity levels, resulting in 34 different cost limits. STAR Kids MDCP rates do not include add-ons related to ventilator use. For cost limits see the [STAR Kids Handbook](#).

⁴ LON 1 (intermittent); LON 5 (limited); LON 8 (extensive); LON 6 (pervasive); and LON 9 (pervasive plus)

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Functional eligibility	Medical necessity and level of care criteria for nursing facility admission	Medical necessity and level of care criteria for inpatient admission	Medical necessity and level of care criteria for NF admission	ICF/IID Level of Care (LOC) VIII: (1) primary diagnosis of a related condition ⁵ ; and (2) moderate to extreme deficits in adaptive behavior.	ICF/IID Level of Care (LOC) VIII: (1) primary diagnosis of a related condition; (2) moderate to extreme deficits in adaptive behavior; (3) be an individual with deafblindness or function as a person with deafblindness; and (4) have an additional disability that impairs independent functioning.	ICF/IID LOC I: (1) full scale IQ of 69 or below; or full scale IQ of 75 or below and a primary diagnosis of a related condition; and (2) mild to extreme deficits in adaptive behavior -OR- ICF/IID LOC VIII: ⁶ (1) primary diagnosis of a related condition; and (2) moderate to extreme deficits in adaptive behavior.	See HCS

⁵ A related condition must occur before the age of 22 and the individual must have substantial functional limitations in at least three of the six major life skill areas assessed. For more information see [HHSC Approved Diagnostic Codes for Persons with Related Conditions](#).

⁶ For HCS and TxHmL, an applicant who meets LOC VIII must be transitioning or diverting from a nursing facility.

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Financial eligibility	Monthly income within 300% of SSI monthly income limit	Monthly income within 300% of SSI monthly income limit	Monthly income within 300% of SSI monthly income limit	Monthly income within 300% of SSI monthly income limit	Monthly income within 300% of SSI monthly income limit	Monthly income within 300% of SSI monthly income limit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% SSI •
Consideration of parental income for eligibility of a minor	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
Where residential services may be provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allowable settings for residential services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adult foster care home - ALF 	N/A - Residential services are not part of the service array	N/A - Residential services are not part of the service array	N/A - Residential services are not part of the service array	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allowable settings for residential services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 to 3 person group home - ALF (4-6 person) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allowable settings for residential services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3 or 4 person home - Host home /companion care setting 	N/A - Residential services are not part of the service array

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Where respite services may be provided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allowable respite settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adult foster care home - ALF - Individual's home - NF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allowable respite settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Camps licensed by DSHS - Individual's home or foster care home - Licensed child care setting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allowable respite settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Accredited camps - Individual's home or foster care home - Licensed child care setting - Medicaid certified hospital - NF - Specialty care facility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allowable respite settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adult foster care home - ALF - Camp accredited by American Camp Association - Individual's home or the residence of a relative or friend - ICF/IID - NF - Residence of another person receiving a Medicaid waiver service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allowable respite settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group home (1 to 3 person) - ALF (4-6 person) - Camp accredited by the American Camp Association - ICF/IID (6 persons or less) - Individual's home - Private residence of respite provider 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allowable respite settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Camp - Group respite facility operated by an HCS provider - HCS 3 or 4 person home - Host /companion care home - Individual's home - Respite provider's home 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allowable respite settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Camp - Group respite facility operated by an HCS provider - HCS 3 or 4 person home - HCS host/companion care home - Individual's home - Respite provider's home

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LTSS waiver program services that may be provided by relative or legal guardian⁷	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AA • Assisted living • CRT • Dental • EA • ERS • Medical supplies • MHM • Nursing • Professional therapies (all) • Respite • SE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EA • Non-medical transportation • SE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AA • EA • Flexible family supports • MHM • Respite • SE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevocational services • EA • MHM • Habilitation • Respite • SE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AA (if under \$500) • Chore services • Day habilitation • EA • Intervener • MHM • Nursing • Residential habilitation • Respite • SE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audiology • Day habilitation • Dietary • EA • HH/CC • Nursing • Occupational therapy • Physical therapy • Respite • Speech and language pathology • SE • Transportation as a supported home living activity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audiology • Dietary • Day habilitation • EA • Nursing • Occupational therapy • Physical therapy • Respite • Speech and language pathology • SE • Transportation as a community support activity

⁷ Relative means a person who is related by blood or marriage; additional restrictions may apply regarding the provider of services (e.g., in TxHmL CSS and respite cannot be provided by a relative or guardian who lives with the individual); spouses and parents of minor children are considered to have a legal responsibility to provide care and are not eligible for reimbursement as a service provider in any of the programs listed above.

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Adaptive aids (AA)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Adult foster care (AFC)	✓						
Animal-assisted therapy		✓					
Aquatic therapy				✓			
Art therapy		✓					
Assisted living (AL) residential services in a 1 to 3 person home	✓				✓		
Assisted living (AL) residential services provided in a licensed 4 to 6 person ALF	✓				✓		
Audiology ⁸					✓	✓	✓
Auditory integration therapy/auditory enhancement therapy				✓			
Behavioral support services				✓	✓	✓	✓
Case management ⁹				✓	✓		
Chore services					✓		
Cognitive rehabilitation therapy (CRT)	✓			✓		✓	
Community living supports		✓					
Community support services (CSS) transportation							✓
Continued family services (CFS)				✓			
Day habilitation					✓	✓	✓
Dental	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Dietary services				✓	✓	✓	✓
Emergency response services (ERS) ¹⁰	✓						
Employment assistance (EA)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Family supports		✓					
Financial management services (FMS) ¹¹	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Flexible family support			✓				
Hippotherapy				✓			

⁸ Audiology is available in the CLASS waiver through auditory integration therapy/auditory enhancement therapy.

⁹ These are case management services billed through the waiver. Other waivers offer case management in the form of service coordination which is not billed through the waiver.

¹⁰ In other waivers, ERS devices are available through the waiver utilizing adaptive aid funding and ERS monitoring is available through CFC (as a non-waiver service).

¹¹ This is financial management services through the waiver not CFC financial management services. This service is only available through the CDS option and only available to individuals who are self-directing one or more services through the CDS option.

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Waiver Services	STAR+Plus HCBS	YES	STAR Kids MDCP	CLASS	DBMD	HCS	TxHmL
Home delivered meals	✓						
Host home / companion care (HH/CC)						✓	
Intervener (base Intervener, Intervener I, Intervener II and Intervener III)					✓		
Massage Therapy				✓			
Minor home modifications (MHM)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Music Therapy		✓		✓			
Non-medical transportation		✓					
Nursing	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Nutritional counseling		✓					
Occupational therapy (OT)	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Orientation and mobility					✓		
Para-professional services		✓					
Personal assistance services (PAS)	✓						
Physical therapy (PT)	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Pre-enrollment minor home modification (PMHM)						✓	
Pre-enrollment minor home modification assessment (PMHMA)						✓	
Prevocational services				✓			
Protective supervision	✓						
Recreational therapy		✓		✓			
Residential habilitation transportation				✓	✓		
Residential support services (RSS)						✓	
Respite	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Social work						✓	
Speech, hearing and language services					✓		
Speech and language pathology				✓			
Speech and language therapy	✓					✓	✓
Supervised living (SL)						✓	

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Waiver Services	STAR+Plus HCBS	YES	STAR Kids MDCP	CLASS	DBMD	HCS	TxHmL
Support consultation ¹² (SC)	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Support family services (SFS)				✓			
Supported employment (SE)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Supportive family-based alternatives		✓					
Supported home living (SHL) transportation						✓	
Therapeutic horseback riding				✓			
Transition assistance services (TAS)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Unlimited prescriptions ¹³	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Non-Waiver Services ¹⁴	STAR+Plus HCBS	YES	STAR Kids MDCP	CLASS	DBMD	HCS	TxHmL
Community first choice (CFC) ¹⁵ personal attendant services (PAS) / habilitation (HAB)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CFC ERS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CFC FMS	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CFC support management	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Service coordination	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓

¹² This is support consultation offered through the waiver not CFC support management. This service is only available through the CDS option and only available to individuals who are self-directing one or more services through the CDS option.

¹³ Available to individuals enrolled in the waiver who are eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare (dually eligible). An individual who is dually eligible must obtain prescribed medications through the Medicare Prescription Drug Plan or through the Texas Medicaid State Plan (for certain medications excluded from Medicare), before using the waiver to obtain the medications. Individuals who are not dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid and are receiving acute care services through managed care will receive unlimited prescription medications through their managed care plan. Children (under 21 years) will continue to have access to unlimited prescriptions through State Plan.

¹⁴ This is not an exhaustive list of non-waiver services.

¹⁵ CFC services are not available to individuals who receive Medicaid assistance only (MAO).

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Adaptive aids (AA)	AA are devices necessary to treat, rehabilitate, prevent or compensate for conditions resulting in disability or loss of function. AA enable people to perform the activities of daily living or control the environment in which they live.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This service is available in all LTSS waivers: STAR+PLUS HCBS - \$10,000 • STAR Kids MDCP – \$4,000 • CLASS -\$10,000 combined limit with dental • DBMD - \$10,000 • HCS - \$10,000 • TxHmL - \$10,000 • YES - \$5,000 combined limit with MHM
Adult foster care (AFC)	AFC services are personal care services, homemaker, chore, and companion services, and medication oversight provided in a licensed (where applicable) private home by an adult foster care provider who lives in the home. AFC services are furnished to adults who receive the services in conjunction with residing in the home.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need
Art therapy	Art therapy is a human service profession in which waiver participants, facilitated by the art therapist, use art media, the creative process, and the resulting artwork to explore their feelings, reconcile emotional conflicts, foster self-awareness, manage behavior, develop social skills, improve reality orientation, reduce anxiety, and increase self-esteem.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES - no limit, based on need
Aquatic therapy	Aquatic therapy means a service that involves a low-risk exercise method done in water to improve an individual's range of motion, flexibility, muscular strengthening and toning, cardiovascular endurance, fitness, and mobility. Aquatic therapy will only be considered a specialized therapy if provided by a licensed therapist other than a physical, occupational or speech therapist (such as, a recreational therapist, massage therapist): otherwise it is to be billed under the appropriate therapy service category.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need
Animal-assisted therapy	In animal assisted therapy, animals are utilized in goal directed treatment sessions, as a modality, to facilitate optimal physical, cognitive, social and emotional outcomes of a waiver participant such as increasing self-esteem and motivation, and reducing stress. Animal-assisted therapy is delivered in a variety of settings by specifically trained individuals in association with animals that meet specific criteria and in accordance with guidelines established by the American Veterinary Medical Association. Example programs include, but are not limited to Therapeutic Horseback Riding and Pet Partners.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES - no limit, based on need

¹⁶ This provides a generic service description for the service. Each waiver has specific service definitions and requirements. This waiver specific information can be found in the waiver program’s rules, handbook, or waiver application with CMS.

¹⁷ Service limits listed are for an individual’s IPC year, unless otherwise specified such as a lifetime limit. Costs for all waiver services cannot exceed the individual annual cost ceiling established under the waiver.

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Assisted living (AL)	AL services are personal care, homemaker, and chore services; medication oversight; and therapeutic, social and recreational programming provided in a homelike environment in a licensed community facility in conjunction with residing in the facility. AL services include 24-hour on-site response staff to meet scheduled or unpredictable needs in a way that promotes maximum dignity and independence, and to provide supervision, safety, and security.	This service is available in two or more LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - 365 days within the service plan year • DBMD- 365 days within the individual plan of care. May bill up to 24 hours/day but no more than 18 hours/day if the individual is away from the home for 6 or more hours per day
Audiology	Audiology provides assessment and treatment by licensed audiologists, and includes training and consultation with an individual's family members or other support providers. The audiology service includes: screening and assessment; development of therapeutic treatment plans; direct therapeutic intervention; assistance and training with adaptive aids and augmentative communication devices; consultation with other service providers and family members; and participation on the service planning team, when appropriate.	This service is available in two or more LTSS waivers: ¹⁸ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS - no limit, based on need • TxHmL- no limit, based on need
Auditory integration therapy/auditory enhancement therapy	Auditory integration training/auditory enhancement training means specialized training that assists an individual to cope with hearing dysfunction or over-sensitivity to certain frequency ranges of sound by facilitating auditory processing skills and exercising the middle ear and auditory nervous system.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need
Behavioral support services	Behavioral support services provide specialized interventions that assist an individual in increasing adaptive behaviors and replacing or modifying challenging or socially unacceptable behaviors that prevent or interfere with the individual's inclusion in the community. Behavioral support services can include the full range of psychological activities within the scope of state licensure for psychologists and other licensed professionals in addition to specific behavioral support services. The scope of behavioral support services offered in this waiver exceeds the State Plan psychological services benefit and may be provided by a certified behavior analyst. Under the waiver, behavioral support services will be provided to maintain the individual's optimum condition.	This service is available in two or more LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS - no limit, based on need • TxHmL - no limit, based on need
Case management¹⁹	Services which assist individuals who receive waiver services in gaining access to needed waiver and other State Plan services, as well as needed medical, social, educational and other services, regardless of the funding source for the services to which access is gained.	This service is available in two or more LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS- monthly service, limit 12 units per year • DBMD - no limit, based on need
Chore services	Services needed to maintain the individual's home as a clean, sanitary and safe environment. This service includes heavy household chores such as washing floors, windows and walls, securing loose rugs and tiles, moving heavy items or furniture in order to provide safe access and egress.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DBMD - no limit, based on need

¹⁸ Audiology is available in the DBMD waiver through the speech, language and audiology service and available in the CLASS waiver through auditory integration therapy/auditory enhancement therapy.

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Cognitive rehabilitation therapy (CRT)	CRT is a service that assists an individual in learning or relearning cognitive skills that have been lost or altered as a result of damage to brain cells/chemistry in order to enable the individual to compensate for the lost cognitive functions.	This service is available in two or more LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS- no limit, based on need • CLASS- no limit, based on need • HCS- no limit, based on need
Community living supports	Community living supports provide assistance to the family caregiver in the disability-related care of the waiver participant, while facilitating the waiver participant's independence and integration in to the community. The training in skills related to activities of daily living, such as personal hygiene, household chores, and socialization may be included, if these skills are affected by the waiver participant's disability. Community living supports may also promote communication, relationship-building skills, and integration into community activities. These supports must be targeted at enabling the waiver participant to attain or maintain his / her maximum potential.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES - no limit, based on need
Community support services (CSS) transportation	With the availability of Community First Choice (CFC) effective June 1, 2015, the majority of community support services are now available to all TxHmL waiver participants through the CFC state plan services. However, CSS transportation remains an exclusive TxHmL waiver service. State plan services, including those provided under CFC, must be exhausted before using TxHmL waiver services. The TxHmL community support waiver service may include: transportation necessary for the individual to participate in community activities or assistance in securing such transportation	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TxHmL- no limit, based on need
Continued family services (CFS)	Continued family services are services provided to an individual 18 years of age or older who resides with a support family, as described in Title 40 of the Texas Administrative Code, Part 1, Chapter 45, Subchapter E, Division 3, Section 531 (relating to Support Family Requirements), that allow the individual to reside successfully in a community setting by training the individual to acquire, retain, and improve self-help, socialization, and daily living skills or assisting the individual with activities of daily living. The individual must be receiving support family services immediately before receiving continued family services.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - 365 units combined SFS and CFS
Day habilitation	Day habilitation provides individuals assistance with acquiring, retaining, or improving self-help, socialization, and adaptive skills necessary to live successfully in home and community-based settings. Day habilitation provides individualized activities in environments designed to promote the development of skills and behavior supportive of greater independence and personal choice and consistent with achieving the outcomes identified in the individual's service plan.	This service is available in two or more LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DBMD- no limit, based on need • HCS- up to five units per calendar week not to exceed 260 units per IPC year • TxHmL- up to five units per calendar week not to exceed 260 units per IPC year

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Dental	Dental services which exceed the dental benefit under the State Plan are provided under this waiver when no other financial resource for such services is available or when other available resources have been used. Dental services are those services provided by a dentist to preserve teeth and meet the medical need of the member.	This service is available in all LTSS waivers except STAR Kids MDCP and YES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - \$5,000; exception to cap may be made if services of oral surgeon is required (up to an additional \$5000) • CLASS - \$10,000 combined limit with AA • DBMD - \$2500 for dental services and \$2000 for sedation • HCS - \$2000 • TxHmL - \$1000
Dietary services	Dietary services include: screening and assessment, development of therapeutic treatment plans, direct therapeutic intervention, assistance and training with adaptive aids relative to eating, consulting with other service providers and family members; and participating on the service planning team, when appropriate.	This service is available in two or more LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS - no limit, based on need • TxHmL - no limit, based on need
Emergency response services (ERS)	ERS provides members with an electronic device that enables certain members at high risk of institutionalization to secure help in an emergency. The member may also wear a portable "help" button to allow for mobility. The system is connected to the person's phone and programmed to signal a response center once a "help" button is activated. <i>Note: In other waivers, ERS devices are available through the waiver utilizing adaptive aid funding (waiver service) and ERS monitoring is available through CFC (as a non-waiver service).</i>	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver ²⁰ : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - 12 units per service plan year
Employment assistance (EA)	EA means assistance provided to an individual to help the individual locate paid employment in the community. EA includes: identifying an individual's employment preferences, job skills, and requirements for a work setting and work conditions; locating prospective employers offering employment compatible with an individual's identified preferences, skills, and requirements; and contacting a prospective employer on behalf of an individual and negotiating the individual's employment.	This service is available in all LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need • STAR Kids MDCP - no limit, based on need • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS - no limit, based on need • TxHmL - no limit, based on need • YES - no limit, based on need

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Family supports	Family supports provides peer mentoring and support to the primary caregivers; engages the family in the treatment process; models self-advocacy skills; provides information, referral and non-clinical skills training; maintains engagement; and assists in the identification of natural / non-traditional and community support systems.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES - no limit, based on need
Financial management services (FMS)	FMS provides assistance to individuals with managing funds associated with consumer directed services. The service includes initial orientation and ongoing training related to responsibilities of being an employer and adhering to employer legal requirements. The financial services provider, referred to as the financial management services agency (FMSA), also provides assistance in the development, monitoring and revision of the individual's budget for each service delivered through the consumer directed services option and must maintain a separate account for each individual's budget.	This service is available in all LTSS waivers except the YES waiver and only available to individuals utilizing the CDS option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS – 12 units • STAR Kids MDCP – 12 units • CLASS – 12 units • DBMD – 12 units • HCS- 12 units • TxHmL- 12 units
Flexible family support	FSSS promote community inclusion in typical child/youth activities while the primary caregiver is at work, in work training or in school through the enhancement of natural supports and systems. FFSS providers may provide personal care supports for activities of daily livings and instrumental activities of daily living, skilled care, non-skilled care and delegated skilled care supports to support inclusion. This service may be reimbursed if part of an approved service plan and if delivered in a setting where provision of such supports is not already required or included as a matter of practice.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR Kids MDCP - no limit, based on need
Hippotherapy	Hippotherapy means the provision of therapy that involves an individual interacting with and riding horses. Hippotherapy is designed to improve the balance, coordination, focus, independence, confidence, and motor and social skills of the individual. The service is delivered by a riding instructor certified by the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International in a structured therapeutic riding program administered in cooperation with a licensed physical therapist, occupational therapist, physical therapist assistant, or occupational therapy assistant that has an expertise in hippotherapy.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need
Home delivered meals	HDM services provide a nutritionally sound meal to members. The meal provides a minimum of one-third of the current recommended dietary allowance for the member as adopted by the United States Department of Agriculture.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need

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Host home/ companion care (HH/CC)	HH/CC provides personal assistance with activities of daily living and functional living tasks; assistance with planning and preparing meals; transportation or assistance in securing transportation; assistance with ambulation and mobility; reinforcement of behavioral support or specialized therapies activities; assistance with medications based upon the results of an RN assessment; performance of tasks delegated by a RN; and supervision of the individual's safety and security. HH/CC includes habilitation activities that facilitate the individual's inclusion in community activities, use of natural supports and typical community services available to all people, social interaction and participation in leisure activities, and development of socially valued behaviors and daily living and functional living skills. HH/CC is provided in a private residence meeting HCS requirements by a host home or companion care provider who lives in the residence. HH/CC is combined because the actual services provided are identical. In a host home arrangement, the host home provider owns or leases the residence. In a companion care arrangement, the residence may be owned or leased by the companion care provider or may be owned or leased by the individual.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCS - 365 days
Intervener (base Intervener, Intervener I, Intervener II, and Intervener III)	The intervener serves as a facilitator to involve the individual in home and community services and activities. The intervener makes sights, sounds, and activities accessible to the individual by learning the specific communication system of the individual. This system is an individualized combination of expressive and receptive communication forms that may include sign language, speech, tangible symbols, gestures, non-verbal cues, actions, and behaviors. Intervener services include one-to-one contact to provide communication and information from the environment that would otherwise be available through vision and hearing; periodic development and preparation of activities for the individual; transporting individuals to gain access to community services and resources included in the service plan; and instructing individuals in skills related to community access.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DBMD - no limit, based on need
Massage Therapy	Massage therapy means the manipulation of soft tissue by hand or through a mechanical or electrical apparatus for the purpose of body massage and includes effleurage (stroking), petrissage (kneading), tapotement (percussion), compression, vibration, friction, nerve strokes, and Swedish gymnastics. The terms "massage," "therapeutic massage," "massage technology," "myotherapy," "body massage," "body rub," or any derivation of those terms are synonyms for "massage therapy."	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need

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Minor home modifications (MHM)	A MHM is a physical adaptation to an individual's residence that is necessary to address the individual's specific needs and that enables the individual to function with greater independence in the individual's residence or to control his or her environment. MHMs include installation, maintenance, and repair not covered by warranty.	This service is available in all LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - \$7500 lifetime limit, plus \$300 per IPC for repair and maintenance after lifetime limit is paid • STAR Kids MDCP - \$7,500 lifetime limit, plus \$300 per IPC for repair and maintenance after lifetime limit is paid • CLASS -\$10,000 lifetime limit, plus \$300 per IPC for repair and maintenance after lifetime limit is paid • DBMD -\$10,000 lifetime limit, plus \$300 per IPC for repair and maintenance after lifetime limit is paid • HCS- \$7,500 lifetime limit, plus \$300 per IPC for repair and maintenance after lifetime limit is paid • TxHmL- \$7,500 lifetime limit, plus \$300 per IPC for repair and maintenance after lifetime limit is paid • YES- \$5000 annually, combined limit with AA
Music therapy	Music therapy is the use of musical or rhythmic interventions to restore, maintain, or improve an individual's social or emotional functioning, mental processing, or physical health.	This service is available in two or more LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need • YES- no limit, based on need
Non-medical transportation	Non-medical transportation enables waiver participants to gain access to waiver and other community services, activities and resources, as specified by the service plan. This service is in addition to, and not instead of, medical transportation required under 42 CFR §431.53 and transportation services under the State Plan. Transportation services under the waiver are offered in accordance with the waiver participant's service plan. Whenever possible, family, neighbors, friends, or community agencies which can provide this service without charge are utilized.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES- no limit, based on need

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Nursing	Nursing services are those services that are within the scope of the Texas Nurse Practice Act and are provided by a registered nurse (or licensed vocational nurse under the supervision of a registered nurse), licensed to practice in the state. In the State Plan, nursing services are provided only for acute conditions or exacerbations of chronic conditions lasting less than 60 days. Nursing services provided in the waiver cover ongoing chronic conditions such as medication administration and supervising delegated tasks. This broadens the scope of these services beyond extended State Plan services.	This service is available in all LTSS waivers except STAR Kids MDCP and YES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS- no limit, based on need • TxHmL- no limit, based on need
Nutritional counseling	Nutritional counseling assists waiver participants in meeting their basic and/or special therapeutic nutritional needs. This includes, but is not limited to counseling waiver participants in nutrition principles, dietary plans, and food selection and economics.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES- no limit, based on need
Occupational therapy (OT)	OT consists of interventions and procedures to promote or enhance safety and performance in activities of daily living, instrumental activities of daily living, education, work, play, leisure, and social participation. OT services consist of the full range of activities provided by a licensed occupational therapist, or a licensed occupational therapy assistant under the direction of a licensed occupational therapist, acting within the scope of his/her state licensure.	This service is available in all LTSS waivers except STAR Kids MDCP and YES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - - no limit, based on need • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS- no limit, based on need • TxHmL- no limit, based on need
Orientation and mobility	Orientation and mobility teaches independent travel skills to an individual who is deafblind, so that the individual is able to negotiate in the environment safely and efficiently. The service includes evaluation of the strengths and needs of the individual, and creation of a plan to develop skills across an expanding environment using functional vision in a variety of travel situations. The service includes training other staff to create environments that enhance independent travel to meet the goals and objectives of orientation and mobility activities.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DBMD- no limit, based on need
Para-professional services	Services related to addressing the waiver participant's needs that arise as a result of their serious emotional disturbance. These services contribute to the community functioning of waiver participants and thereby assist the waiver participants to avoid institutionalization. The services are essential to promote community inclusion in typical child/youth activities and exceed what would normally be available for children in the community. The paraprofessional is a behavioral aide supporting the waiver participant to meet the behavioral goals outlined in their plan. The paraprofessional may model and coach appropriate behaviors. Paraprofessional services are provided under the direction of a licensed behavioral health professional.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES- no limit, based on need

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Personal assistance services (PAS)	PAS provides assistance to members in performing the activities of daily living based on their service plan. PAS services include assistance with the performance of the activities of daily living and household chores necessary to maintain the home in a clean, sanitary, and safe environment. PAS also includes the following services: tasks delegated by a registered nurse under the rules of the Texas Board of Nursing; escort services consist of accompanying, but not transporting, and assisting a member to access services or activities in the community; and extension of therapy services.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need
Physical therapy (PT)	PT is the evaluation, examination, and utilization of exercises, rehabilitative procedures, massage, manipulations, and physical agents. Physical agents include mechanical devices, heat, cold, air, light, water, electricity, and sound used in the aid of diagnosis or treatment. The scope of PT services offered in this waiver exceeds the State Plan PT benefit. State Plan PT services are provided only to treat for acute conditions or to treat exacerbation of chronic condition lasting less than 180 days. Services provided through the waiver cover ongoing chronic conditions even after rehabilitation has reached a plateau (e.g., range of motion). Through the waiver PT services will be provided to maintain the individual's optimum condition.	This service is available in all LTSS waivers except STAR Kids MDCP and YES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS- no limit, based on need • TxHmL- no limit, based on need
Pre-enrollment minor home modification (PMHM)	PMHM is available to applicants enrolling into the HCS waiver from an ICF/IID, GRO or nursing facility and is available with prior approval from HHSC. PMHM must be delivered at least two days prior to enrollment into the waiver and must have a professional assessment, three bids, and be approved by HHSC prior to installation.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCS - \$7,500 and is included in the \$7,500 lifetime total for MHM after the applicant has enrolled
Pre-enrollment minor home modification assessment (PMHMA)	PMHMA is a professional assessment completed by an occupational therapist, physician, psychologist, or physical therapist to evaluate a home for minor home modifications. This service can only be used prior to an applicant's enrollment into the HCS waiver program.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCS - \$7,500 and is included in the \$7,500 lifetime total for MHM after the applicant has enrolled
Prevocational services	Services that are not job-task oriented and are provided to an individual who the service planning team does not expect to be employed (without receiving supported employment) within one year after prevocational services are to begin, to prepare the individual for employment.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need
Professional therapies	<i>(see separate service descriptions for each of the following professional therapies available through the waivers: audiology; behavioral support; dietary; occupational therapy; physical therapy; and speech and language services which are referred to as speech, hearing and language services in DBMD, speech and language pathology in CLASS and speech and language therapy in STAR+Plus HCBS, HCS and TxHmL)</i>	This service is available in all LTSS waivers except STAR Kids MDCP and YES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS- no limit, based on need • TxHmL- no limit, based on need

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Protective supervision	Protective supervision provided solely to ensure the health and safety of a member with cognitive/memory impairment and/or physical weakness.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need
Recreational therapy	Recreational therapy means recreational or leisure activities that assist an individual to restore, remediate, or habilitate the individual's level of functioning and independence in life activities, promote health and wellness, and reduce or eliminate the activity limitations caused by an illness or disabling condition.	This service is available in two or more LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS – no limit, based on need • YES -no limit, based on need
Residential habilitation transportation	With the availability of Community First Choice (CFC) effective June 1, 2015, the majority of residential habilitation services are now available to waiver participants through the CFC state plan services. However, residential habilitation transportation remains an exclusive waiver service. State plan services, including those provided under CFC, must be exhausted before using waiver services.	This service is available in two or more LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need
Residential services - 1 to 3 person home	<i>(see service description for Assisted Living)</i>	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DBMD- 365 units combined 18hr and 24hr
Residential services - 4 to 6 person home provided in a licensed assisted living facility (ALF)	<i>(see service description for Assisted Living)</i>	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DBMD - 365 units combined 18hr and 24hr
Residential support services (RSS)	RSS provides individuals with personal assistance with activities of daily living (grooming, eating, bathing, dressing and personal hygiene) and functional living tasks; assistance with planning and preparing meals; transportation or assistance in securing transportation; assistance with ambulation and mobility; reinforcement of behavioral support or specialized therapies activities; assistance with medications based upon the results of a registered nurse (RN) assessment, the performance of tasks delegated by a RN in accordance with the Texas Board of Nursing rules as defined by Title 22 of the Texas Administrative Code, Part 11, Chapter 225. Transportation costs are included in the rate for all types of residential services. Type and frequency of supervision is determined on an individual basis based on the level of need for each individual.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCS - 365 units

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Respite	Respite is provided for the planned or emergency short-term relief of the unpaid primary caregiver of an individual who lives in their family home. Respite is provided intermittently when the primary caregiver is temporarily unavailable to provide supports due to non-routine circumstances. This service provides an individual with personal assistance with activities of daily living. This service includes habilitation activities that facilitate the individual's inclusion in community activities, use of natural supports and typical community services available to all people, social interaction and participation in leisure activities, and development of socially valued behaviors and daily living and functional living skills.	This service is available in all LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - 30 days • MDCP - 29 days²¹ • CLASS – 30 units of combined in-home and out-of-home • DBMD - 30 units of combined in-home and out-of-home • HCS – 300 units • TxHmL - no limit, based on need • YES - up to 720 hours (30 days)
Social work	Social work services include: screening and assessment, development of therapeutic treatment plans, direct therapeutic intervention, assistance, and training with adaptive aids and augmentative communication devices, consulting with other service providers and family members, and participating on the service planning team, when appropriate.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCS- no limit, based on need
Specialized therapies (CLASS waiver only)	<i>(see separate service descriptions for the following specialized therapies available only in the CLASS waiver: aquatic therapy, hippotherapy, massage therapy, and therapeutic horseback riding)</i>	These specific specialized therapy services are unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need
Specialized therapies (CLASS and YES waivers)	<i>(see separate service descriptions for the following specialized therapies available only in the CLASS and YES waivers: music therapy and recreational therapy)</i>	These specific specialized therapy services are available in two or more LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need • YES - no limit, based on need
Specialized therapies (YES waiver only)	<i>(see separate service descriptions for the following specialized therapies available in only the YES waiver: art therapy and animal-assisted therapy)</i>	These specific specialized therapy services are unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES - refer to the separate descriptions for each specialized therapy

²¹ The MDCP member may request additional days as long as there is a need and the member does not go over the RUG cost limit. If the MDCP member requests additional days of out-home respite and there has been a significant change in the member's health, the MCO service coordinator will re-assess the member to see if the RUG has changed.

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<p>Speech, hearing and language services (DBMD)</p> <p>Speech and language pathology (CLASS)</p> <p>Speech and language therapy (STAR+Plus, HCS and TxHmL)</p>	<p>Speech and language services (referred to as: speech, hearing and language services in DBMD; speech and language pathology in CLASS; and speech and language therapy in STAR+Plus HCBS, HCS and TxHmL) are defined as the evaluation and treatment of impairments disorders or deficiencies related to an individual's speech and language by a licensed speech language pathologist or a licensed speech language pathologist assistant under the direction of the licensed speech language pathologist; within the scope of state licensure. Speech, hearing, and language therapy services include: screening and assessment; developing therapeutic treatment plans; providing direct therapeutic intervention; recommending augmentative communication devices; training and assisting with augmentative communication devices; consulting with other providers and family members; and participating on the service planning team as appropriate. The scope of speech, hearing, and language therapy services offered in this waiver exceeds the state plan speech, hearing, and language therapy benefit.</p>	<p>This service is available in all LTSS waivers except STAR Kids MDCP and YES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS - no limit, based on need • TxHmL - no limit, based on need
<p>Supervised living (SL)</p>	<p>SL provides individuals with personal assistance with activities of daily living (grooming, eating, bathing, dressing and personal hygiene) and functional living tasks; assistance with planning and preparing reinforcement of behavioral support or specialized therapies activities; assistance with medications based upon the results of a registered nurse assessment and supervision of the individual's safety and security. SL includes habilitation activities that facilitate the individual's inclusion in community activities, use of natural supports and typical community services available to all people, social interaction and participation in leisure activities, and development of socially valued behaviors and daily living and functional living skills. SL provides residential assistance as needed by individuals who live in residences in which the HCS provider holds a property interest and that meet program certification standards. SL is provided to individuals by direct service providers who are not awake during normal sleep hours. SL providers provide services and supports as needed by individuals and are present in the residence and able to respond to the needs of individuals during normal waking hours.</p>	<p>This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCS - 365 units
<p>Support consultation (SC)</p>	<p>SC is an optional service that offers practical skills training and assistance to enable an individual or legally authorized representative to successfully direct those services the individual or the legally authorized representative elect for consumer direction. This service is provided by a certified support advisor, and includes skills training related to recruiting, screening, and hiring workers; preparing job descriptions; verifying employment eligibility and qualifications; completion of documents required to employ an individual; managing workers; and development of effective backup plans for services considered critical to the individual's health and welfare in the absence of the regular provider or an emergency situation.</p>	<p>This service is available in all LTSS waivers except YES (and only to individuals utilizing the CDS option):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS - no limit, based on need • TxHmL - no limit, based on need

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Support family services (SFS)	Support family services are services provided to an individual under 18 years of age who resides with a "support family," as described in Title 40 of the Texas Administrative Code, Part 1, Chapter 45, Subchapter E, Division 3, Section 531 (relating to Support Family Requirements), that allow the individual to reside successfully in a community setting by supporting the individual to acquire, maintain, and improve self-help, socialization, and daily living skills or assisting the individual with activities of daily living.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - 365 units combined SFS and CFS
Supported employment (SE)	SE means assistance provided, in order to sustain competitive employment, to an individual who, because of a disability, requires intensive, ongoing support to be self-employed, work from home, or performs in a work setting at which individuals without disabilities are employed. SE includes employment adaptations, supervision, and training related to an individual's assessed needs. Individuals receiving supported employment earn at least minimum wage (if not self-employed).	This service is available in all LTSS waivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need • STAR Kids MDCP - no limit, based on need • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS - no limit, based on need • TxHmL - no limit, based on need • YES- no limit, based on need
Supported home living (SHL) transportation	With the availability of Community First Choice (CFC) effective June 1, 2015, the majority of SHL services are now available to all HCS waiver participants through the CFC state plan services. However, SHL transportation remains an exclusive HCS waiver service. State plan services, including those provided under CFC, must be exhausted before using HCS waiver services.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCS - no limit, based on need
Supportive family-based alternatives	Supportive family-based alternatives are designed to provide therapeutic support to the waiver participant and to model appropriate behaviors for the waiver participant's family with the objective of enabling the waiver participant to successfully return to their family and live in the community with their family. Supportive family-based alternatives include services required for a waiver participant to temporarily reside within in a home other than the home of their family. The Child-Placing Agency will recruit, train and certify the support family and coordinate with the waiver participant's family. The support family must include at least one adult living in the home and no more than four non-related individuals may live in the home. The support family must have legal responsibility for the residence and either own or lease the residence. The home must be located in a typical residence in the community and provide an environment that assures community integration, health, safety and welfare of the waiver participant. The support family must provide services as authorized in the waiver participant's service plan. Services may include:	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES - no limit, based on need
Therapeutic Horseback Riding	Therapeutic horseback riding means the provision of therapy that involves an individual interacting with and riding on horses. Therapeutic horseback riding is designed to improve the balance, coordination, focus, independence, confidence, and motor and social skills of the individual.	This service is unique to a single LTSS waiver: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLASS - no limit, based on need

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Transition assistance services (TAS)	TAS pays for non-recurring, set-up expenses for individuals transitioning from specific institutional setting type(s) identified in the waiver application to the community. Transition assistance services assist an individual in setting up a household in the community before being discharged from the institutional setting and enrolling into the waiver. Allowable expenses are those necessary to enable individuals to establish basic households	<p>This service is available in two or more LTSS waivers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - \$2500 one time limit at enrollment for applicants moving from a nursing facility • STAR Kids MDCP - \$2500 one time limit at enrollment for applicants moving from a nursing facility • CLASS - \$2500 one time limit at enrollment for applicants enrolling from a nursing facility or an ICF/IID • DBMD - \$2500 one time limit at enrollment for applicants enrolling from a nursing facility or an ICF/IID • HCS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ \$1000 one time limit at enrollment from a nursing facility, an ICF/IID, or a General Residential Operation (GRO) into a 3- or 4- person home. ○ \$2500 one time limit at enrollment from a nursing facility, an ICF/IID, or a GRO into an OHFH setting • YES - \$2,500 one time limit limit at enrollment for applicants moving from a institution, provider-operated setting, or family home
Unlimited prescriptions	Provides unlimited prescription medications to individuals enrolled in the waiver who are eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare (dually eligible). An individual who is dually eligible must obtain prescribed medications through the Medicare Prescription Drug Plan or through the Texas Medicaid State Plan (for certain medications excluded from Medicare), before using the waiver to obtain the medications. Individuals who are not dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid and are receiving acute care services through managed care will receive unlimited prescription medications through their managed care plan. Children (under 21 years) will continue to have access to unlimited prescriptions through State Plan.	<p>This service is available in all LTSS waivers except STAR Kids MDCP and YES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAR+PLUS HCBS - no limit, based on need • CLASS - no limit, based on need • DBMD - no limit, based on need • HCS - no limit, based on need • TxHmL - no limit, based on need

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Community First Choice (CFC) and Service Coordination

Non-Waiver Services ²²	General Service Description	Availability and Service Limits
<p>Community first choice (CFC)²³ <i>(Note: CFC is available through the state plan, not through the waiver)</i></p>	<p>CFC is a state plan option governed by Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, Chapter 441, Subchapter K, regarding Home and Community-Based Attendant Services and Supports State Plan Option (Community First Choice) that provides the following services to individuals:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CFC Personal Assistance Services (PAS)/Habilitation (HAB) which consists of: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. PAS - personal assistance services that provide assistance to an individual in performing activities of daily living (ADLs) and instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs); b. HAB - assistance to an individual in acquiring, retaining, and improving self-help, socialization, and daily living skills and training the individual on ADLs, IADLs, and health-related tasks;; 2. CFC Emergency Response Services (ERS), a backup systems and supports used to ensure continuity of services and supports which includes electronic devices and an array of available technology, personal emergency response systems, and other mobile communication devices.; and 3. CFC support management, a service for an individual receiving CFC PAS/HAB that provides training regarding how to select, manage, and dismiss an unlicensed service provider of CFC PAS/HAB. 4. CFC financial management services. <p>With the availability of Community First Choice (CFC) effective June 1, 2015, CFC PAS/HAB replaced all but the transportation component in the following waiver services:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community support services in TxHmL; 2. Residential habilitation services in CLASS and DBMD; and 3. Supported home living services in HCS. 	<p>This is a service offered through the state plan and is available to individuals enrolled in any of the waivers.</p> <p><i>Service limits: N/A – CFC is available through the state plan, not through the waiver, thus not paid for through the waiver.</i></p>
<p>Service coordination</p>	<p>Services which assist individuals who receive waiver services in gaining access to needed waiver and other State Plan services, as well as needed medical, social, educational and other services, regardless of the funding source for the services to which access is gained.</p>	<p>This service is available in all LTSS waivers except CLASS and DBMD.</p> <p>Service limits - no limit, based on need</p>

²² This is not an exhaustive list of non-waiver services.

²³ CFC services are not available to individuals who receive Medicaid assistance only (MAO).