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Who can be a paid caregiver for Medicaid Waiver services

The definition of relative is the same for all waivers.

By the definition, relatives include:

- Parent
- Grandparent
- Sibling
- Child
- Grandchild
- Aunt/Uncle
- Niece/Nephew
- First Cousin

This includes natural, step, half, adopted, and in-law.

IMPORTANT TO KNOW

If you are a parent of a minor, a legal guardian, or designated as a legally responsible individual (LRI) assisting someone with self-directed care, you cannot be paid to provide that self-directed care.



CONFUSED OR LOOKING FOR CLARIFICATION?

Call The Arc of Indiana at 317-977-2375 and ask to speak with a family advocate.

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The Breakdown	Parent of Minor Child	Parent of Adult	Legal Guardian of Adult	Spouse	Other Relative	Other Provider
Attendant Care (ATTC)						
Home & Community Assistance (HCA)						
Structured Family Caregiving (SFC)						
Participant Assistance & Care (PAC)	^ +	#	#	^ +	#	✓
Residential Habilitation (ResHab)						
Day Habilitation (DayHab)						✓
Respite		#	#		#	✓
Transportation		✓	✓		✓	✓
Workplace Assistance		#	#		#	✓

Limitations

+ Limited to 40 hours per week for all LRIs combined	# Limited to 40 hours per week per waiver participant for all services combined
@ If definition of extraordinary care is met	^ If definition of extraordinary care AND intensive nursing needs is met

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FAMILY SUPPORT WAIVER (FSW) SERVICES RELATIVES & LEGAL GUARDIANS CAN NO LONGER BE PAID FOR:

- Adult Day Services
- Day Habilitation
- Pre-Vocational Services
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Psychological Services
- Speech-Language Therapy
- Behavior Support Services
- Career Exploration and Planning
- Extended (Employment) Services
- Facility-Based Support Services
- Music Therapy
- Personal Emergency Response Services
- Recreation Therapy
- Remote Supports
- Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies

FSW SERVICES WITH LIMITATIONS

Respite Services (Legal guardian or appointed representatives cannot be paid if self-directed)

PAC Services (Legal guardian or appointed representatives cannot be paid if self-directed. Additionally, LRIs can **ONLY BE PAID** for PAC Services **IF** the individual meets the definition of Extraordinary Care **AND** has Intensive Nursing Needs.)

KEEP IN MIND

40 hours per week will use the available waiver budget more quickly.

While Relatives or Legal Guardians can technically be paid for 40 hours per week, THE STANDARD IS NORMALLY LESS THAN THAT TO ENSURE YEAR-ROUND CARE.