

IDD Intake Process and Referrals

The contact to refer someone to services goes through Washington County Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. The intake coordinator at the County contact information is listed below:

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To qualify an individual will need the following documents:

MA-51 Physical Form (see attached)

If have an Intellectual Disability diagnosis:

The box to qualify on the form are: ICF/MR which provides the following Provides health-related care to MR individuals. More care than custodial care but less than in a NF.

If have an Autism Diagnosis:

The box to qualify on the form are: ICF/ORC Care which provides the following Provides health-related care to ORC individuals. More care than custodial care but less than in a NF

The individual will also need the following to qualify for the ID services:

Vineland Adaptive Behavioral Scale

Vineland Adaptive Behavior Scales Third Edition is the leading instrument for supporting the diagnosis of intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Vineland-3 not only aids in diagnosis but provides valuable information for developing educational and treatment plans.

ABAS III

Adaptive Behavior Assessment System Third Edition (ABAS-3) gives a complete picture of adaptive skills across the lifespan. It is particularly useful for evaluating those with developmental delays, autism spectrum disorder, intellectual disability, learning disabilities, neuropsychological disorders, and sensory or physical impairments.

The only two current agencies in Washington County that are completing these are the following:

Wesley Family Services

Bridgeville

100 Emerson Lane, Suite 1525
Bridgeville, PA 15017

412-564-1172

They will accept and bill medical assistance to complete the assessment. For individuals who do not have medical assistance they can use the following second option.

California University of PA

Anyone in need of testing needs to contact them at psychclinic@calu.edu or 724-938-4403. Dana Keener is the contact. Dana Keener from Cal U for clarification on the cost for testing. She said that for just an interview and adaptive questionnaire with interpretive report they charge \$50. I shared with her the specific eligibility requirements for the evaluation report, and she said she is always willing to make changes to ensure all areas of need are addressed.

If needing further assistance in the process the ID Supervisors can assist in directing or helping in the eligibility and referral process. The contact information is below:

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