

How can Developmental Services Ontario help me?

Are you over 18 years old? Before July 1, have you been getting help from a Developmental Service agency or on a waiting list for support?

If the answer to both of these questions is 'yes' then you are already considered eligible for services funded by the Ministry of Community and Social Services. The Developmental Services Ontario staff can give you information about services in your area.

Are you looking for help for the first time? Developmental Services Ontario will:

Find out if you are eligible

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To find out if you can apply for services and supports funded by Ontario's Ministry of Community and Social Services, you will need to provide Developmental Services Ontario with documents that show:

- you have a developmental disability
- you are 18 years of age or older
- you live in Ontario

Developmental Services Ontario staff can tell you more about which documents you will need for this. They will then review this information to see if you are eligible to apply.



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Fill out an application and discuss services and supports

If you are eligible, Developmental Services Ontario staff will discuss your needs and goals with you. They will also help you fill out an application.

They will talk with you about the services and supports that may help you participate in community life.



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Find out if services and supports are available

Based on current resources and your needs, Developmental Services Ontario staff will contact you to let you know if services and supports funded by the ministry are available.

If these are not available for you right away, staff will follow up with you when they become available. They may also be able to tell you about other programs in the community that are not part of services and supports funded by the ministry.



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Connect with services and supports

If services and supports are available for you, Developmental Services Ontario staff will connect you to them.

NOTE: This is a guide to help you better understand how to apply for developmental services and supports funded by Ontario's Ministry of Community and Social Services. This is not a legal document. For details on each step of the process, please contact Developmental Services Ontario in your area.