



Planning for DD Services?

Have you been notified by DHS that you may be selected from the PUNS in the Summer of 2020 and wonder what you can do now to prepare?

1. Start by checking out this video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fwht_cU0pj0
2. If not receiving Medicaid, apply online: <https://abe.illinois.gov/abe/access/>
3. If you have the DRS waiver now learn how it compares to the DDD waiver: <http://www.thearcofil.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/DRS-v.-DDD-comparison-1>
4. You may want to see a CILA group home in your area? See the DHS list of CILA providers: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=56783>
5. See the DHS 2018 Handbook on DD Home-based services: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=101181>
6. Check out our webinar on Home-based Services: www.thearcofil.org/monthly-webinars (scroll down to the July 9th, 2019 webinar entitled “The ABCs of Self-Directing Services”)
7. If you know you will opt for the Home-based Services Program and want help managing services you may want to learn more about an optional service of the waiver –Self-Direction Assistance (SDA): <https://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=93863> . To contact a local SDA provider to learn more see: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=57220>
8. Thinking about a Community Day Service Program? Checkout the DHS statewide list of providers and check out a few in your area: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=57221>
9. Gather information that will be needed by your ISC, the agency that helped you get on the PUNS waiting list: <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=41167>
10. Interested in supportive housing (permanent affordable housing with home-based or intermittent CILA services)? Tell your Independent Service Coordination Agency (Suburban Access) and check out: <https://www.csh.org/resources/supportive-housing-workbook-for-adults-with-idd-and-their-families/>

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