

# What to expect regarding Ohio's new Waiver Wait List Rule

## New Wait List Rule is effective September 1, 2018.

If your name was on the Wait List under the old Rule, it is now on the **Transitional Wait List** until you have been assessed.



You will be assessed using a new **statewide Wait List assessment tool** to determine if you have:

- **An Immediate Need** - a situation that creates a risk of substantial harm to an individual, caregiver or another person if action is not taken within thirty calendar days to reduce the risk.
- **A Current Need** - an unmet need for home and community-based services within twelve months as determined by the County Board and based upon assessment of the individual using the Wait List assessment tool.
- **No Unmet Needs** at this time and/or anticipated in the next 12 months – either there are no assessed needs or that the assessed needs are being or can be met with alternative resources/services.
- **Not eligible** for placement on the Wait List or enrollment onto a Waiver due to no qualifying condition.



You will be provided with a **Personas Brochure** and a **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)** to further assist you with understanding the four possible outcomes of your assessment.

The outcome of your assessment will be made available to you in writing and you will be provided your right to **Due Process** in the event you meet one of the following:



- You do not have an immediate need or a current need and you will not be added to the Wait List from the Transitional Wait List.
- You will go on the Wait List instead of being enrolled on a Waiver.
- You no longer have a current need and will be removed from the Wait List.

Should you wish to see the **results of your assessment**, your County Board may invite you to sign up on the **Family Portal** with the [Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities](#). If you do not have the ability to sign up for the Family Portal, you may request a paper copy of your assessment from your County Board.

We have a team ready in our **Service and Support Administration** department at the Lake County Board of DD/Deepwood to assist you through this process and answer your questions. Should your needs change at any time and you require a new assessment, please do not hesitate to contact our SSA department. We are here to support you.

Contact SSA: 440-350-5145 and/or email our Wait List inbox at [waitlistinbox@lakebdd.org](mailto:waitlistinbox@lakebdd.org).



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