

Medically Fragile Waiver (MFW)

New Mexico

What is the Medically Fragile Waiver (MFW)?

This waiver program provides services to individuals who have been determined to have both a medically fragile condition and a developmental disability (DD). The MFW provides support to families by providing assistance to individuals in their homes.

Services may include case management, private duty nursing, home health aide, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech/language therapy, nutritional counseling, behavior support consultation, respite, and specialized medical equipment and supplies.

What makes a person eligible?

To qualify for services, the individual must meet both the medical and financial criteria.

- For **medical eligibility**, both a **medically fragile condition** and a **developmental disability** must be present and diagnosed prior to the age of 22. **Medically fragile** means needing ongoing skilled nursing care, evaluation and decision making due to a complex chronic medical condition. To meet the criteria for a **developmental disability**, the individual must have an intellectual disability or a related condition (such as cerebral palsy, seizure disorder, autism), and a developmental delay or risk for developmental delay. The disability must have occurred before age 22.
- **Financial eligibility** is based on the income and resources of the individual with the medically fragile condition, not the income of the parents or other household members.

For additional information on eligibility visit the Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) MFW website.

To apply:

Contact the DDSD Intake and Eligibility Bureau to complete the Medical Assistance Division Waiver Services Registration Form (MAD 325) over the phone.

Receiving an allocation

Once funding is available and an allocation is offered, recipients can choose the Medically Fragile Waiver or the Mi Via Self-Directed Waiver.

For more information about the Mi Via Self-Directed Waiver, visit their website.

Remember:

- MFW recipients also receive New Mexico Medicaid/Centennial Care benefits, even if they were not otherwise eligible for Medicaid due to household income.
- The Center for Development and Disability (CDD) Medically Fragile Case Management Program (MFCMP) provides comprehensive Registered Nurse (RN) case management statewide.
- For more information about the MFW, contact the CDD MFCMP or DDSD.



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1-800-283-8415
505-841-2913

<http://archive.nmhealth.org/ddsd/medicallyfragilewaiver/programmfwwaiverpg1.htm>

DDSD Intake and Eligibility Bureau

To apply for MFW
1-800-283-5548
505-841-5500

CDD Medically Fragile Case Management Program (MFCMP)

1-800-675-2910
505-272-2910

Mi Via Waiver

505-841-5511 or
505-841-2917

<http://archive.mivianm.org>

Questions?

Call the CDD Information Network

1-800-552-8195

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www.cdd.unm.edu/infonet

Informational Tip Sheets:

www.cdd.unm.edu/infonet/tip-sheets.html