

Housing

New Jersey's system for housing individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) in community based settings is underfunded, underdeveloped and lacking in options. Families and advocates call for more choices from a wide variety of models. As populations continue to age the demand for limited supply of accessible options becomes more difficult to obtain.

Issues:

Funding: (State) \$20 Million in Special Needs Housing Trust Fund

Is the state considering any other investment in housing for people with I/DD?

Housing Options: In the last few years, CMS community integration guidance affords greater flexibility in housing options.

What documentation can we expect from the state on housing options that would be considered acceptable. What integration does the state use to approve projects?

How can we include families and key system users in all phases of housing discussion?

Finding Housing:

Searching for housing, one-time expenses etc., tenancy supports are all part of housing navigation and sustaining housing. Is Medicaid considering including these as allowable waiver services?

What other services and investments are being considered for new HCBS funding?