

iBudget Information

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- Individualized budgeting, or iBudget, is an effective means of implementing for home and community-based services for individuals with developmental disabilities. It is designed to meet the health and safety needs for the customer and to provide choice in supports necessary for successful community integration
- Rules 65G-4.0213 through 4.0218, Florida Administrative Code became effective on July 7, 2016. The iBudget rule establishes the new algorithm for individuals enrolled in the iBudget Waiver program. The implementation period for the new algorithm will be at the time of any annual support plans that occur between January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017
- The algorithm will be re-run for most individuals at the time of their support plan. The algorithm is the starting point in determining the person's iBudget amount.
- Waiver Support Coordinators (WSCs) play a key role in working with individuals on their caseloads by making sure that services meet their needs.
- During the AIM review, the WSC will discuss the Allocation Algorithm Amount with the individual, or individual's representative and, if applicable, the client advocate, in order to determine if the individual has any Significant Additional Needs.
- The Agency will conduct an Individual Review to determine whether services requested meet health and safety needs and waiver coverage and limitations. The Agency will issue a decision of the iBudget Amount within 30 days of receipt of the AIM Worksheet form. The Notice of iBudget Amount will include information on how the iBudget amount was determined. If an individual believes the Agency's action is erroneous, a mistake, or otherwise wrong, you have the right to an administrative hearing before the Office of Appeal Hearings, Department of Children and Families, to dispute the decision.
- Customers have more flexibility with the iBudget program to move money to different services should their needs or goals change. It gives them greater control over their lives.

To view the iBudget rule visit

<http://apd.myflorida.com/ibudget/docs/iBudget%20Rule.pdf>