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<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/medicaid/managed-care/starplus/">http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/medicaid/managed-care/starplus/</a>	<a href="http://www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/mdcp.html">http://www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/mdcp.html</a>	<a href="http://www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/class.html">http://www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/class.html</a>	<a href="http://www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/dbmd.html">http://www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/dbmd.html</a>	<a href="http://www.dads.state.tx.us/providers/HCS/">http://www.dads.state.tx.us/providers/HCS/</a>	<a href="http://www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/txhtml.html">http://www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/txhtml.html</a>
<b>Waives off</b>	Nursing facility (NF)	NF	Intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability or related conditions (ICF/IID)	ICF/IID	ICF/IID	ICF/IID
<b>Year initiated</b>	1998	1984	1991	1995	1985	2004
<b>Ages served</b>	Age 21 and older	Age 0 – 20	All ages	All ages	All ages	All ages
<b>Functional eligibility</b>	Medical necessity and level of care criteria for nursing facility admission	Medical necessity and level of care criteria for NF admission	ICF/IID Level of Care (LOC) VIII: (1) primary diagnosis by a licensed physician of a related condition <sup>1</sup> ; and (2) moderate to extreme deficits in adaptive behavior.	ICF/IID LOC VIII: (1) primary diagnosis by a licensed physician of a related condition such as deaf-blindness or a condition that will result in deaf-blindness; (2) moderate to extreme deficits in adaptive behavior; and (3) an additional disability that impairs independent functioning.	ICF/IID LOC I: (1) full scale IQ of 69 or below; or full scale IQ of 75 or below and a primary diagnosis by a licensed physician of a related condition; and (2) mild to extreme deficits in adaptive behavior; or  ICF/IID LOC VIII <sup>2</sup> : (1) primary diagnosis by a licensed physician of a related condition; and (2) moderate to extreme deficits in adaptive behavior.	See HCS

<sup>1</sup> Examples of a related condition include autism, cerebral palsy, traumatic brain injury and rubella syndrome. More information is available at: [http://www.dads.state.tx.us/providers/guidelines/ICD-9-CM\\_Diagnostic\\_Codes.pdf](http://www.dads.state.tx.us/providers/guidelines/ICD-9-CM_Diagnostic_Codes.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> As identified in Appendix B of the waiver application for nursing facility diversion or transition

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<b>Financial eligibility</b>	Monthly income within 300% of SSI monthly income limit (\$2,163)	Monthly income within 300% of SSI monthly income limit (\$2,163)	Monthly income within 300% of SSI monthly income limit (\$2,163)	Monthly income within 300% of SSI monthly income limit (\$2,163)	Monthly income within 300% of SSI monthly income limit (\$2,163)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SSI (\$721 per month);</li> <li>• Medical Assistance Only (MAO);<sup>3</sup></li> <li>• Under 20 and financial responsibility of Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) in foster home or group home with foster parent;</li> <li>• Medicaid for Youth Transitioning Out of Foster Care; or</li> <li>• Member of family receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families</li> </ul>
<b>Consideration of parental income for eligibility of a minor</b>	N/A	No	No	No	No	Yes

<sup>3</sup> MAO means an individual who qualifies financially for Medicaid but who does not receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments

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<b>Individual annual maximum cost</b>	202% of the institutional average Resource Utilization Group (RUG) value	50% of the institutional average RUG value <sup>4</sup> as of August 31, 2010  For cost limits see: <a href="http://www.dads.state.tx.us/handbooks/cm-mdcp/">http://www.dads.state.tx.us/handbooks/cm-mdcp/</a>	\$114,736	\$114,736	Cost limit is based on the individual's level of need (LON): - \$167,468 for LON 1 (intermittent); LON 5 (limited); and LON 8 (extensive) - \$168,615 for LON 6 (pervasive) - \$305,877 for LON 9 (pervasive plus)	\$17,000
<b>Services available in all LTSS waivers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adaptive aids (AA)</li> <li>• Employment assistance (EA)</li> <li>• Financial management services (FMS)<sup>5</sup></li> <li>• Minor home modifications (MHM)</li> <li>• Respite</li> <li>• Supported employment (SE)</li> </ul>					
<b>Services available in all LTSS waivers except MDCP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dental</li> <li>• Nursing</li> <li>• Professional therapies<sup>6</sup></li> <li>• Support consultation<sup>7</sup></li> <li>• Unlimited prescriptions</li> </ul>					
<b>Services unique to a single LTSS waiver</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adult foster care</li> <li>• Emergency response services (ERS)</li> <li>• Home delivered meals</li> <li>• Personal assistance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flexible family support</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Auditory integration therapy</li> <li>• Continued family services</li> <li>• Support family services</li> <li>• Prevocational habilitation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chore</li> <li>• Intervener</li> <li>• Orientation/mobility</li> <li>• Residential services                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1 to 3 person home</li> <li>- 4 to 6 person home (licensed assisted living)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Residential services                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 3 person home supported home living</li> <li>- 4 person home/residential support services</li> <li>- host home</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community support services (CSS)</li> </ul>

<sup>4</sup> For MDCP, Texas calculates nursing facility rates by RUG due to differences in individual acuity levels, resulting in 34 different cost limits (MDCP rates do not include add-ons related to ventilator use)

<sup>5</sup> FMS is a requirement of the Consumer Directed Services (CDS) option and is only available to individuals participating in the CDS option

<sup>6</sup> Professional therapies include occupational, physical, speech, hearing and language therapies

<sup>7</sup> Support consultation is only available under the CDS option and is only available to individuals participating in CDS

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	services (PAS)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Specialized therapies include:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Aquatic therapy</li> <li>Hippo therapy</li> <li>Massage therapy</li> <li>Music therapy</li> <li>Recreational therapy</li> <li>Therapeutic horseback riding</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	facility or ALF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>companion care</li> <li>Social work</li> <li>Supported home living</li> </ul>	
<b>Services offered in two or more LTSS waivers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assisted living</li> <li>Cognitive rehabilitation therapy (CRT)</li> <li>Transition assistance services (TAS)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TAS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Behavioral support services</li> <li>Case management</li> <li>CRT</li> <li>Dietary services</li> <li>Residential habilitation</li> <li>TAS</li> <li>Unlimited prescriptions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assisted living</li> <li>Audiology</li> <li>Behavioral support services</li> <li>Case management</li> <li>Day habilitation</li> <li>Dietary services</li> <li>Residential habilitation</li> <li>TAS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Audiology</li> <li>Behavioral support services</li> <li>CRT</li> <li>Day habilitation</li> <li>Dietary services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Audiology</li> <li>Behavioral support services</li> <li>Day habilitation</li> <li>Dietary services</li> </ul>
<b>Where LTSS waiver services may be provided</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult foster care home</li> <li>ALF</li> <li>Community<sup>8</sup></li> <li>Family home</li> <li>Individual's home</li> <li>Integrated employment setting</li> <li>Respite only:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult foster care home</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community</li> <li>Day care setting</li> <li>Family or foster care home</li> <li>Individual's home</li> <li>Integrated employment setting</li> <li>Respite only:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accredited camps</li> <li>Host families' residence with</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community</li> <li>Day habilitation site</li> <li>Family home</li> <li>Individual's home</li> <li>Integrated employment setting</li> <li>Respite only:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adult foster care home</li> <li>ALF</li> <li>Camp</li> <li>Individual's home</li> <li>ICF/IID</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 to 3 person group home</li> <li>ALF (4-6 person)</li> <li>Community</li> <li>Day habilitation site</li> <li>Family home</li> <li>Individual's home</li> <li>Integrated employment setting</li> <li>Respite only:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 to 3 person group home</li> <li>ALF (4-6 person)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3 or 4 person group home</li> <li>Community</li> <li>Day habilitation site</li> <li>Family home</li> <li>Host home /companion care setting</li> <li>Individual's home</li> <li>Integrated employment setting</li> <li>Respite only:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Camp</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community</li> <li>Day habilitation site</li> <li>Family home</li> <li>Individual's home</li> <li>Integrated employment setting</li> <li>Respite only:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Camp</li> <li>Group respite facility</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<sup>8</sup>Examples include a doctor's office, grocery store, church, therapist office

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ALF</li> <li>- Individual's home</li> <li>- NF</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DFPS licensure</li> <li>- Individual's home</li> <li>- Licensed child care setting</li> <li>- Medicaid certified hospital</li> <li>- NF</li> <li>- Specialty care facility</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- NF</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Camp</li> <li>- ICF/IID</li> <li>- Individual's home</li> <li>- Private residence of respite provider</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Group respite facility operated by an HCS provider</li> <li>- Host home/Companion care</li> <li>- Individual's home</li> <li>- Respite provider's home</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>operated by an HCS provider</li> <li>- HCS group home</li> <li>- HCS host companion care home</li> <li>- Individual's home</li> <li>- Respite provider's home</li> </ul>
<b>LTSS services that may be provided by a legal guardian or relative<sup>9</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AA</li> <li>• Assisted living</li> <li>• CRT</li> <li>• Dental</li> <li>• EA</li> <li>• ERS</li> <li>• Medical supplies</li> <li>• MHM</li> <li>• Nursing</li> <li>• Professional therapies</li> <li>• Respite</li> <li>• SE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AA</li> <li>• EA</li> <li>• Flexible family supports</li> <li>• MHM</li> <li>• Respite</li> <li>• SE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued family services (relative only)</li> <li>• CRT</li> <li>• EA</li> <li>• MHM</li> <li>• Residential habilitation</li> <li>• Respite (relative only)</li> <li>• SE</li> <li>• Support family services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AA</li> <li>• Chore services</li> <li>• Day habilitation</li> <li>• EA</li> <li>• Intervener</li> <li>• MHM</li> <li>• Nursing</li> <li>• Residential habilitation</li> <li>• Respite</li> <li>• SE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Day habilitation</li> <li>• Dental</li> <li>• CRT</li> <li>• EA</li> <li>• Host/companion care</li> <li>• MHM</li> <li>• Nursing</li> <li>• Professional therapies</li> <li>• Respite</li> <li>• SE</li> <li>• Supported home living</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CSS</li> <li>• Day habilitation</li> <li>• Dental</li> <li>• Dietary</li> <li>• EA</li> <li>• MHM</li> <li>• Nursing</li> <li>• Professional therapies</li> <li>• Respite</li> <li>• SE</li> </ul>
<b>Case management/ service coordination</b>	Managed care organization	DADS	Contracted case management agency	Provider agency	Local intellectual and developmental disability authority (LIDDA)	LIDDA

<sup>9</sup> Relative means a person who is related by blood or marriage; additional restrictions may apply regarding the provider of services (e.g., in TxHmL CSS and respite cannot be provided by relatives or a guardian who lives with the individual); spouses and parents of minor children are considered to have a legal responsibility to provide care and are not eligible for reimbursement as a service provider in any of the programs listed above.

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<b>Services for which the consumer-directed services (CDS) option is available<sup>10</sup></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EA</li> <li>• CRT</li> <li>• Nursing</li> <li>• PAS</li> <li>• Professional therapies</li> <li>• Respite</li> <li>• SE</li> <li>• Support consultation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EA</li> <li>• Flexible family support services</li> <li>• Respite</li> <li>• SE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nursing</li> <li>• Professional therapies</li> <li>• Residential habilitation</li> <li>• Respite</li> <li>• SE</li> <li>• Support consultation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EA</li> <li>• Intervener</li> <li>• Residential habilitation</li> <li>• Respite</li> <li>• SE</li> <li>• Support consultation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CRT</li> <li>• EA</li> <li>• Nursing</li> <li>• Respite</li> <li>• Support consultation</li> <li>• SE</li> <li>• Supported home living</li> </ul>	All services
<b>Licensure/certification</b>	Licensed by DADS for services provided: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ALF</li> <li>• Home and community support services agency (HCSSA)</li> </ul>	Licensed by DADS as a HCSSA	Licensed by DADS as a HCSSA (direct service agency only)	Licensed by DADS for services provided: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ALF</li> <li>• HCSSA</li> </ul>	Certified by DADS	Certified by DADS
<b>Additional Resources</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acute care services: <a href="http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/contract/529130042/docs/Attachment-B-1.pdf">http://www.hhsc.state.tx.us/contract/529130042/docs/Attachment-B-1.pdf</a></li> <li>• DADS interest lists: <a href="http://www.dads.state.tx.us/services/interestlist/archive/index.html">http://www.dads.state.tx.us/services/interestlist/archive/index.html</a></li> <li>• DADS program enrollment: <a href="http://www.dads.state.tx.us/news_info/budget/dadspocketguide12-2012.pdf">http://www.dads.state.tx.us/news_info/budget/dadspocketguide12-2012.pdf</a></li> <li>• Mutually exclusive LTSS: <a href="http://www.dads.state.tx.us/handbooks/appendix/res/apx12.pdf">http://www.dads.state.tx.us/handbooks/appendix/res/apx12.pdf</a></li> </ul>					

<sup>10</sup> The CDS option is available only to individuals who live in their own home or family home. Individuals who choose the CDS option must also use FMS.