**Developmental Disabilities Waivers’ Priority Criteria Checklist**

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**Priority Status:** Click here to enter text.

**For all categories, it is essential to determine and document that if offered a slot, the individual would accept it within 30 days. The following is a means of “triaging” current needs; however, it is recognized that an individual in any of these categories could present for services at any time due to changes in needs/circumstances.**

Priority One:

It is anticipated that the individual will need waiver services *within one year*and the individual meets one of the following criteria:

An immediate jeopardy exists to the health and safety of the individual due to the unpaid primary caregiver having a chronic or long-term physical or psychiatric condition or conditions that significantly limit the ability of the primary caregiver or caregivers to care for the individual; there are no other unpaid caregivers available to provide supports.

There is immediate risk to the health or safety of the individual, primary caregiver, or other person living in the home due to either of the following conditions:

The individual's behavior or behaviors, presenting a risk to himself or others, cannot be effectively managed by the primary caregiver or unpaid provider even with support coordinator/case manager-arranged generic or specialized supports; **or**

There are physical care needs or medical needs that cannot be managed by the primary caregiver even with support coordinator/case manager-arranged generic or specialized supports;

The individual lives in an institutional setting and has a viable discharge plan; OR

The individual is a young adult who is no longer eligible for IDEA services and is transitioning to independent living. After individuals attain 27 years of age, this criterion shall no longer apply.

Priority Two:

It is anticipated that the individual may require waiver services*in one to five years*and the individual meets one of the following criteria:

The health and safety of the individual is likely to be in future jeopardy due to

* The unpaid primary caregiver or caregivers having a declining chronic or long-term physical or psychiatric condition or conditions that significantly limit his ability to care for the individual;
* There are no other unpaid caregivers available to provide supports; and
* The individual's skills are declining as a result of lack of supports;

The individual is at risk of losing employment supports;

The individual is at risk of losing current housing due to a lack of adequate supports and services; or

The individual has needs or desired outcomes that with adequate supports will result in a significantly improved quality of life.

Priority Three:

Priority Three shall be assigned to individuals who meet one of the following criteria and will need a waiver slot in five years or longer as long as the current supports and services remain:

The individual is receiving a service through another funding source that meets current needs;

The individual is not currently receiving a service but is likely to need a service in five or more years**;** or

The individual has needs or desired outcomes that with adequate supports will result in a significantly improved quality of life.