



# The Individual and Family Support Program

## IFSP-Funding Update February 3, 2023

### Important information about the current IFSP-Funding cycle

Over the past few months, DBHDS has worked to make critical enhancements to this program. These enhancements include the design of a new application that is now part of the WaMS system (the Virginia Waiver Management System), and new emergency regulations and guidelines that have been approved.

IFSP released an official Funding announcement via our email list on January 10th. This announcement contained information about important dates, training materials, and registration links to online training sessions. If you are not subscribed to our email list, you can read this announcement in our IFSP-Funding Announcement Archives on our My Life, My Community Funding page at <https://tinyurl.com/mlmc-funding>.

Our Funding page also contains links to other materials you can use to help you apply, such as our Program Guidelines and Frequently Asked Questions, our Portal User Guide, and training video recording. We encourage everyone to review these materials before reaching out to your CSB, support coordinator, the My Life, My Community helpline, or IFSP staff.

We appreciate your interest in IFSP-Funding as we work towards improving this process for individuals and families on the waitlist.

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**Any updates about the Funding Portal and application process will be posted to the My Life, My Community website and emailed via the IFSP email list.**

Once an update is made, we will notify you via our IFSP email list. We will also feature the update on the My Life, My Community webpage and on our social media pages.

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## IFSP-Funding Reminder

IFSP encourages you to check out the links below for additional resources or supports that you can use to learn about IFSP and prepare for future IFSP-Funding cycles:

- Sign up for our [IFSP email list](#) to get updates and notifications via email.
- Review the [IFSP First Steps document](#).
- Watch the IFSP informational [YouTube video](#).
- Like our [IFSP Facebook page](#) to stay updated.
- Visit the [My Life, My Community](#) website for information about the IFSP program.
- Connect with [other families in your community](#) by participating in your IFSP Regional Council.
- Find [other resources to get assistance](#).

Thank you,  
IFSP Staff

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