

**County of Orange Social Services Agency  
Family Self-Sufficiency & Adult Services**

**Program/Area:** In-Home Supportive Services  
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**POLICY**

Individuals who qualify for Institutional Deeming are deemed or considered eligible for institutionalization; therefore, their parent's or spouse's income and resources are disregarded when determining their Medi-Cal eligibility and share of cost. Institutionally deemed children who are approved for the DDS-HCBS Waiver are those who are under the age of eighteen, living at home, not currently eligible for zero share-of-cost Medi-Cal and who meet the target criteria set forth in the DDS-HCBS Waiver.

In-Home Operations administered by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) offers services in the home or in the community to Medi-Cal beneficiaries who would otherwise receive care in a skilled nursing facility. The level of care per DDS-HCBS participant is determined by the Medi-Cal beneficiaries medical need and substantiated by a physician via a completed Plan of Treatment and a home evaluation.

DDS-HCBS Waiver consumers who apply for IHSS must meet all PCSP eligibility requirements. The provider may not receive direct advance payment. The parent of a minor child recipient may not be paid as the provider of services for PCSP. The parent shall be given the option of hiring another (non-parent) provider so the child may become eligible for PCSP. A non-parent provider may provide PCSP services even if a parent is present in the home.

Services authorized through the DDS-HCBS waiver may include services that are also authorized through the IHSS program. The recipient may choose to receive an authorized service from either In Home Operations (IHO) or IHSS, but not from both programs. There may not be any duplication of services.