

## Roads to Community Living

### Overview

DSHS' Developmental Disabilities Administration Roads to Community Living program supports adults and children who want to move back into the community from institutions. RCL starts transition services while the person is still in the institution and continues for one year after they move into the community. RCL team members are community transition experts and support the people and their families who decide to make this move. After the RCL year, a Home and Community Based waiver provides services.

### Authority

[WAC 388-106-0250](#), What is the roads to community living demonstration project and who is eligible?

[WAC 388-106-0255](#), What services may I receive under RCL?

[WAC 182-513-1235](#), Roads to community living

### Budget

The federal Money Follows the Person grant funds Roads to Community Living.

Since the grant began in 2008, we have helped almost 1,200 people make successful moves from facilities to new homes in the community. This includes 407 individuals from state operated residential habilitation centers.

### Oversight

DDA Regional Quality Assurance and Improvement visits and reports are completed three times during the first year after the move.

The DDA transition team members follow the person's transition from the institution and through their first year in the community.



### Eligibility

Participants must be DDA clients who have lived in an institution for 60 consecutive days or longer.

Qualifying institutions include:

- State Residential Habilitation Centers.
- Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities.
- Medical hospitals.
- Children's Long-term Inpatient Program residences.
- Skilled nursing facilities.

Participants must be Apple Health eligible within 30 days of discharge.

### Partners

- Clients and their families.
- DSHS' Home and Community Services Division.
- Supported Living providers.
- Washington State Developmental Disabilities Council.
- The Arc of Washington State.
- County human services departments.

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