## How Do I Know If I'm Eligible for Adult Developmental Disability (DD) Services?

In order to apply for adult developmental disability (DD) services, you must first meet financial eligibility criteria. To meet financial eligibility criteria, you must be determined financially eligible for Medical Assistance as described in the 'Rules Governing Eligibility for Aid to the Aged, Blind and Disabled (AABD)'.

Your financial eligibility for Medicaid is verified when the Bureau of Developmental Disability Services receives your application for adult DD services. If it is determined you are not financially eligible for Medicaid, you will be referred to the Self-Reliance Program to apply.

In addition to financial eligibility, you must also meet medical disability criteria in order to be eligible for DD services. To meet medical disability criteria, your disability must:

- Be chronic; and
- Appear before the age of twenty-two (22) years of age; and
- Be caused by impairments such as intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, or another condition found to be closely related to, or similar to one of these impairments that requires similar treatment or services; or be caused by dyslexia resulting from one or more of the above described impairments; and
- Substantially limit your ability to function in at least three (3) of the following major life activities:
  - Self-care;
  - Receptive and expressive language;
  - Learning;
  - Mobility;
  - Self-direction;
  - Capacity of independent living; or
  - o Economic self-sufficiency.
- Reflect the need for a combination and sequence of special, interdisciplinary, or generic care, treatment or other services; and
- Require services which are of lifelong or extended duration; and
- Require services that must be individually planned and coordinated.