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## Community Access Services

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# Objectives

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- Clarify the three distinct categories of Community Access Service
- Review the separate definitions and specifications of the covered services for each distinct category.

# NOW and COMP Part III Chapter 1700

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## Sections 1701 and 1705

- Clarifies the three types of Community Access Services:
  - Community Access Group
  - Community Access Individual
  - Community Access Participant Directed Activity
- Provides separate definitions and specifications of covered services for three types of Community Access Services



# NOW and COMP

## Part III Section 1701: General

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- **Community Access Group**
  - Provided to groups of individuals, with a staff to individual ratio of one to two or more but no more than one (1) to ten (10)
  - Actual staff to individual ratio based on individual need level of the participants in the group
  - Designed to provide oversight, assist with daily living, socialization, communication, and mobility skills building and supports in a group

# NOW and COMP

## Part III Section 1701: General

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- **Community Access Group (con't)**
  - May include programming to reduce inappropriate and/or maladaptive behaviors
  - Provided in a facility or a community as appropriate for the skill being taught or specific activity supported



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## Part III Section 1701: General

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- **Community Access Individual**

- Provided with one-to-one staff to participant ratio
- Directly linked to goals and expectations of improvement in skills and teaching and coaching in nature
- Increased skills, increased natural supports, and/or less paid supports



# NOW and COMP

## Part III Section 1701: General

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- **Community Access Individual**
  - Assistance in acquiring, retaining, or improving:
    - Socialization and networking
    - Independent use of community resources
    - Adaptive skills required for active community participation outside the participant's place of residence
  - May include programming to reduce inappropriate and/or maladaptive behaviors
  - Are not facility-based

# NOW and COMP

## Part III Section 1701: General

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- **Community Access Participant Directed Activity**
  - (CA-PD) services are for individuals who are participant directed and participate in authorized community activities as outlined in Section 1705—Covered Services in order to address functional impairment and/or therapeutic needs of the waiver participant.





# NOW and COMP

## Part III Section 1705: Covered Service

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### □ **Community Access Group**

1. Services in facility-based and community-based settings outside the participant's own or family home or any other residential setting.
2. Provision of oversight and assistance with daily living, socialization, communication, and mobility skills building and supports in a group.



# NOW and COMP

## Part III Section 1705: Covered Service

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### □ **Community Access Group**

- Assistance in acquiring, retaining, or improving:
  - Self-help
  - Socialization
  - Adaptive skills for active community participation and independent functioning outside the participant's own or family home, such as assisting the participant with money management, teaching appropriate shopping skills, and teaching nutrition and diet information.

# NOW and COMP

## Part III Section 1705: Covered Service

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### □ **Community Access Individual**

1. Services in non-facility, community-based settings that take place outside the participant's own or family home or any other residential setting.
2. Teaching and coaching a participant how to participate in and take advantage of community social and recreational activities.



# NOW and COMP

## Part III Section 1705: Covered Service

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- **Community Access Individual (con't)**
  - Assistance in acquiring, retaining, or improving:
    - Socialization
    - Adaptive skills for active community participation and independent functioning outside the participant's own or family home, such as assisting the participant with money management, teaching appropriate shopping skills, using public transportation, and teaching nutrition and diet information.



# NOW and COMP

## Part III Section 1705: Covered Service

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### □ **Community Access Participant Directed Activity**

1. Services for individuals who are participant directed and participate in community activities designed to address functional impairment and/or therapeutic needs of the waiver participant, which include therapeutic camp programs, therapeutic support groups, and physical fitness and weight reduction programs.
2. Services are tied to an ISP goal.



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## Community Access Questions?

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