



Division of Developmental Disabilities Website Guide

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Self-directed supports are a way for adults receiving DD services to have more control about how they spend service funding. In addition to setting their own goals and deciding their own schedule, individuals will hire their own support staff and manage their service budget.

With self-directed supports, the individual receiving services is the boss. They will find, hire, train, and supervise their own support staff. This includes deciding how much to pay support staff and firing them if needed.

How to find it:

1. Go to the Menu on the left side of the website.
2. Select "[Services for Adults.](#)"
3. A new sub-menu will show up under "Services for Adults."
4. Select "[Self-Directed Supports.](#)"

What you will find:

1. Overview of what self-directed supports are.
2. What Goods and Services are.
3. Resources to learn more about self-directed supports.
4. Forms for Direct Support Professionals (DSP)

Link to page: <https://bhddh.ri.gov/developmental-disabilities/services-adults/self-directed-supports>

DD Service Providers

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Adults with I/DD can get DD services from licensed DD service providers. A **licensed DD service provider** is a company the State of Rhode Island approves to give DD services.

Adults with I/DD have the right to choose where they go to get services. For a list of service providers, visit the [DD Service Provider webpage](#).

For a printable list of providers, review the [licensed DD service provider document \(PDF\)](#).

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1. Go to the Menu on the left side of the website.
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3. A new sub-menu will show up under "Services for Adults."
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5. Select "[DD Service Provider webpage](#)" for a web list. Or select "[licensed DD service provider document \(PDF\)](#)" for a handout.

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DD Service Provider List

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There are many DD service providers adults with I/DD can choose from. To help people find the right service provider for them, they can explore this webpage.

The screenshot shows a webpage titled "DD Service Provider List". At the top, there is a paragraph explaining that there are many DD service providers and that the webpage helps users find the right one. Below this, there is a dropdown menu with "All Services" selected, and a search bar labeled "Search for agency...". The main content is a table with the following columns: Agency Name, City/Town, Address, Phone Number, Website, Services, and Language Support. The table lists one provider: ACCESSPOINT RI, located in Cranston, RI, with a center-based day program service.

Agency Name	City/Town	Address	Phone Number	Website	Services	Language Support
ACCESSPOINT RI	Cranston	111 Comstock Parkway, Cranston, RI	Phone: 401-941-1112 Fax: 401-633-0070	www.accesspointri.org	• Center based day program service	

The [DD Service Provider List webpage](https://bhddh.ri.gov/dd-service-provider-list) has a table that lists the DD service providers. The table lists the provider contact information and the services offered.

Use the dropdown menu or search bar to search for a service. After choosing a service, the table will update and only show the providers that offer that service.

Link: <https://bhddh.ri.gov/dd-service-provider-list>

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DD Community Forums

BHDDH holds virtual DD Community Forums every three months. The forums are free and open to anyone interested in joining.

At the community forums, individuals will learn BHDDH news and updates from Director Kevin Savage and other members of the team. This is also a great event for BHDDH to learn more from the community. BHDDH welcomes feedback from the community.

The forums take place on Zoom and are hosted by [Advocates in Action](#) [↗]. There is an option to join online or call into the forum. All forums are recorded, and American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters are present at the event.

How to find it:

1. Go to the Menu on the left side of the website.
2. Select "[Events and Forums](#)."

What you will find:

1. Details about upcoming DD Community Forums.
2. Past events.
3. Community events.

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1. Go to the Menu on the left side of the website.
2. Select "[News and Updates Newsletters.](#)"

What you will find:

1. Newsletter sign-up link.
2. Past newsletters.
3. Community news.

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Contacting the Division of Developmental Disabilities

Have a question, comment, or concern for the Division? Please contact us by phone, fax, or email. For key contact information, review the list below:

Main phone line	(401) 462-3421
Spanish phone	(401) 462-3014
TDD	(401) 462-3226
Fax line	(401) 462-2775
Email	✉ BHDDH.AskDD@bhddh.ri.gov
Report abuse	(401) 462-2629
Behavioral Health Link (BH Link)	(401) 414-5465

How to find it:

1. Go to the Menu on the left side of the website.
2. Select "[Contact Us](#)."

What you will find:

1. Main Division phone number, fax, and email.
2. Hotline number to report abuse.
3. Behavioral Health (BH) Link number for mental health support.
4. List of all Division staff by Unit name.

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Division of Developmental Disabilities Communications Team

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