WAC 388-828-1020 What definitions apply to this chapter? The following definitions apply to this chapter:

"AAIDD" means the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

"Acuity Scale" refers to an assessment tool that is intended to provide a framework for documenting important assessment elements and for standardizing the key questions that should be asked as part of a professional assessment. The design helps provide consistency from client to client by minimizing subjective bias and assists in promoting objective assessment of a person's support needs.

"Administration" means the developmental disabilities administration of the department of social and health services.

"Adult family home" or "AFH" means a residential home in which a person or entity is licensed to provide personal care, special care, room, and board to more than one but not more than six adults who are not related by blood, adoption, or marriage to a provider, entity representative, resident manager, or caregiver who resides in the home. An adult family home may be licensed to provide care to up to eight adults if the home receives approval under chapter 388-76 WAC.

"Agency provider" means a business that is licensed, certified, or both, and that is contracted with the department or a county to provide DDA services.

"Algorithm" means a numerical formula used by the DDA assessment for one or more of the following:

(1) Calculation of assessed information to identify a client's relative level of need; and

(2) Assignment of a service level to support a client's assessed need.

"Authorization" means DDA approval of funding for a service as identified in the person-centered service plan or evidence of payment for a service.

"CARE" refers to the comprehensive assessment reporting evaluation assessment per chapter 388-106 WAC.

"Client" means a person who has a developmental disability as defined in RCW 71A.10.020 who also has been determined eligible to receive services by the administration under chapter 71A.16 RCW.

"Collateral contact" means a person or agency that is involved in the client's life such as legal guardian, family member, care provider, or friend.

"Companion home" is a DDA contracted residential service that provides 24-hour training, support, and supervision, to one adult living with a paid provider.

"Contracted provider" means an individual provider contracted with the department, individual provider employed by the consumer directed employer, or an individual or agency who is one or more of the following: Licensed, certified, or contracted by the department to provide services to DDA clients.

"DDA" means the developmental disabilities administration of the department of social and health services.

"Department" means the department of social and health services (DSHS).

"DCYF" means the department of children, youth, and families.

"Group home" or "GH" means a licensed adult family home or assisted living facility contracted and certified to provide residential services and support to adults with developmental disabilities.

"Home visit" means viewing a client's living quarters with the client present.

"ICF/IID" means a medicaid-certified facility operating under Title XIX of the Social Security Act in 42 C.F.R. 440-150 to furnish health or rehabilitation services.

"ICF/IID level of care" is a standardized assessment of a client's need for ICF/IID level of care per 42 C.F.R. Sec. 440 and 42 C.F.R. Sec. 483. In addition, ICF/IID level of care refers to one of the standards used by DDA to determine whether a client meets minimum eligibility criteria for one of the DDA HCBS waivers or the community first choice program.

"Legal guardian" means a person/agency, appointed by a court, who is authorized to make some or all decisions for a person determined by the court to be incapacitated. In the absence of court intervention, parents remain the legal guardians for their child until the child reaches the age of 18.

"Legal representative" means a parent of a client if the client is under age 18 and rights have not been terminated or relinquished, a court-appointed guardian if a decision is within the scope of the guardianship order, or any other person authorized by law to act for the client.

"Living quarters" means the client's bedroom and main living area(s).

"LOC score" means a level of care score for answers to questions in the support needs assessment for children that are used in determining if a client meets eligibility requirements for ICF/IID level of care.

"Panel" refers to the visual user-interface in the DDA assessment computer application where assessment questions are typically organized by topic and you and your respondents' answers are recorded.

"Person-centered service plan (PCSP)" is a document that identifies your goals and assessed health and welfare needs. Your person-centered service plan also indicates the paid services and natural supports that will assist you to achieve your goals and address your assessed needs.

"Raw score" means the numerical value when adding a person's "frequency of support," "daily support time," and "type of support" scores for each activity in the support needs and supplemental protection and advocacy scales of the supports intensity scale (SIS) assessment.

"Residential habilitation center" or "RHC" is a state-operated facility under RCW 71A.20.020.

"Respondent" means the adult client or another person familiar with the client who participates in the client's DDA assessment by answering questions and providing information. Respondents may include DDA contracted providers.

"Service provider" refers to a department contracted agency or person who provides services to DDA clients. Also refers to state operated living alternative programs (SOLA).

"Significant change assessment" means a DDA assessment completed any time a change is reported in a client's support needs, such as an increased need for medical or behavioral supports.

"SIS" means the supports intensity scale developed by the American Association of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD).

"SOLA" means a state operated living alternative program for adults that is operated by DDA.

"State supplementary payment" or "SSP" is the state paid cash assistance program for certain DDA eligible Social Security income clients per chapter 388-827 WAC.

"Supported living" or "SL" refers to residential services provided by DDA certified residential agencies to clients living in homes that are owned, rented, or leased by the clients or their legal representatives.

"Waiver respite care" means short-term intermittent relief for persons normally providing care to individuals who are authorized to receive services available in the individual and family services (IFS), children's intensive in-home behavioral support (CIIBS), basic plus, and core waivers per chapter 388-845 WAC.

"You" and "your" means the client.

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