

# Eligibility for County Boards of Developmental Disabilities Services

## THE INDIVIDUAL MUST MEET ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

1. The individual must **reside or** plan to reside **in the county** where the application for services is made. (NOTE: Eligibility cannot be finalized until individual is a resident.)
2. The individual must have a **documented qualifying diagnosis of a developmental disability** made by a **qualified professional**.
3. The individual must have a **physical or mental impairment other than mental illness**.
4. The **onset of the disability** must be **documented** as **occurring prior to the age of 22**.
5. The individual's disability must be **likely to continue indefinitely**.
6. **After the above criteria are met, the COEDI or OEDI must be completed by a trained C/OEDI rater.**

COEDI=CHILDREN'S OHIO ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION INSTRUMENT  
OEDI = OHIO ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION INSTRUMENT

The **COEDI** and **OEDI** are screening instruments used to determine if an individual has **at least three areas of substantial functional limitation in the major life activity areas of:**

### COEDI

#### Ages: 6 to 15

- self care
- receptive and expressive language
- mobility
- learning
- self direction
- capacity for independent living

### OEDI

#### Ages: 16 and over

- self care
- receptive and expressive language
- mobility
- learning
- self direction
- capacity for independent living
- economic self-sufficiency

If the person has three (3) areas of substantial functional limitations, then the person has met the eligibility requirements for the County Board of DD. The individual or legal guardian is notified of the eligibility status.

County Boards of DD may re-determine eligibility at their discretion. Examples of required re-determination are when an individual turns 3, 6, and 16 years old. It may also be done when qualifying diagnosis changes, functional skills change, within a year of high school graduation, following an extended "break" in services or as the team feels warranted.

If you move to another county in Ohio, your eligibility status may be re-determined. You will maintain your current eligibility status until the re-determination occurs in the new county of residence.

If you have any questions, please call **Shelby County Board of DD** at 937-498-4229 or **The Ohio Department of DD** at 1-877-464-6733.