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**Adult IDD Waiver Redesign Stakeholders:  
Draft Service & Coverage Standards**  
*Community & Personal Engagement*

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# Community and Personal Engagement

## Service Specifications

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### Definition

Community & Personal Engagement includes supports for individuals to develop and implement personal goals and aspirations within typical community settings. supports result in for volunteer work, civic involvement, relationships with typical community members, social capital, self-advocacy, and learning opportunities.

### Covered Services

Community & Personal Engagement includes:

1. Activities of choice that promote interaction with others such as unpaid friends, companions of choice, or newly encountered community members.
2. Facilitation and modeling of social skills, communication, group interaction, and collaboration within community settings.
3. Development of community member relationships with the intent of building social capital that results in the expansion of opportunities to explore personal interests.
4. Assisting the person in acquiring, retaining, and improving self-help, socialization, self-advocacy, and adaptive skills necessary for community living.
5. Support for integrated and meaningful learning opportunities and informed choice for community involvement including volunteering, self-advocacy, learning opportunities, private and public boards, advisory groups, commissions, and other choices defined by the individual.
6. Learning opportunities in understanding health and safety issues.
7. Learning opportunities in child and infant care for participants.
8. Support from peers who share experiences, modeling, and advice.
9. Activity fees.

### Limitations & Exclusions

1. While this service is commonly provided between 8am to 5pm; however, it is not restricted to those hours of the day. The service's time(s) or day(s) of provision should be based on the member's natural rhythms, preferred activities, or preferred schedules and not the provider's convenience.
2. Community and Personal Engagement services are to be used within the maximum units established for the member's support level.
3. If the member is to exceed maximum units, the additional units must be justified by supporting documentation, approved by the case manager, and budgeted within the service plan authorization limit or individualized budget limit.
4. This service may be delivered in Colorado and in states contiguous to Colorado.

5. Excluded are services that are vocational in nature (i.e., for the primary purpose of producing goods or performing services).
6. Excluded are services or activities that are solely diversional or recreational in nature.

### **Service Requirements**

1. Services are provided on a basis as specified in the Service Plan.
2. Services must be provided in a non-institutional, community-based setting.