

DDS OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR THE AUTISM WAIVER WILL BE HELD

OCTOBER 15th – OCTOBER 30st, 2021

Applications and information on the Autism Waiver are now available on the [DDS/Autism division website](#) and the [MAC website](#). Any enrollment forms submitted previously will be discarded. ***Families must apply again during this open enrollment period to remain on the waitlist.***

Applications MUST be postmarked or emailed between October 15th and 30st 2021

Important information on the Waiver:

- ❖ This crucial program allows MassHealth eligible children with autism to access intensive treatments and services in their homes and communities.
- ❖ The program is limited to children between the ages of 0-8 who are MassHealth eligible and at risk of residential placement now or at some point in the future.
- ❖ Eligible children are chosen for Autism Waiver services on a lottery basis and once chosen, receive intensive in-home therapies, services and supports for 3 years, or until the child reaches the age of 9. After 3 years the child is eligible for less intensive step-down services until age 9. The waiver also provides related support services such as community integration activities and respite.
- ❖ For the application go to: [DDS Autism Waiver Service Program \(AWP\) Open Interest Period 2021 | Mass.gov](#) Or MAC's website:
- ❖ Click this link to find your local Autism Center to get help filling out the application: [Autism support centers list | Mass.gov](#)

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