Vehicle Modification services are available in the following Home and Community-Based Services Waivers:

Intermediate Care Facility Level of Care

- Family Support Waiver (FSW)
- Developmental Disabilities Adult Day (DDAD) Waiver
- Comprehensive Developmental Disabilities (CDD) Waiver

Nursing Facility Level of Care

- Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Waiver
- HCBS Waiver for Aged and Adult and Children with Disablities (AD)



Vehicle Modification information is found in Nebraska Administrative Code:

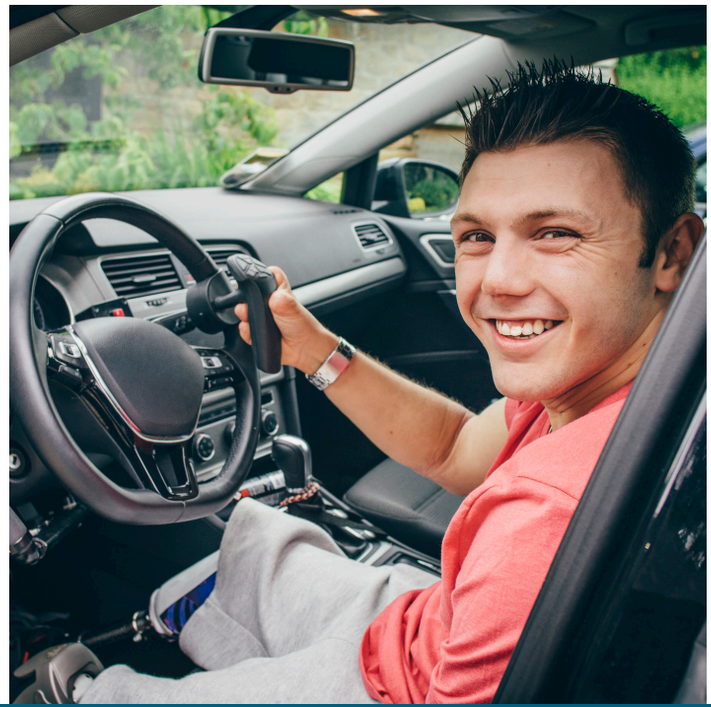
- Title 403 NAC Chapters 4, 5 and 6
- Title 480 NAC Chapters 5 and 6

For more information visit:
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Vehicle Modifications



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What is a Vehicle Modification?

Vehicle modifications are adaptations or alterations to an automobile or car that is the participant's primary means of transportation to accommodate the special needs of the participant. Vehicle modifications are specified by the service plan to enable the participant to integrate more fully into the community and to ensure the health, welfare, and safety of the participant.

HCBS Waivers do not cover vehicle modifications considered to be of general utility, standard vehicle obligations of the participant or vehicle owner, or are not direct medical or remedial benefit. Nor does it assist with the purchase or lease of a vehicle.





Types of Vehicle Modifications

1. **Driving aids and Adaptive controls**
   - **Hand controls:** Operate brakes and acceleration with your hands.
   - **Steering aids:** Spinner knobs, palm grips, and reduced-effort steering.
   - **Foot pedal modifications:** Left-foot accelerators and pedal extensions.
2. **Wheelchair and Scooter accessibility**
   - **Wheelchair lifts & Ramps:** Hydraulic and electric options for easy access.
   - **Lowered floor conversions:** More interior space and a lowered entrance.
   - **Transfer seats & Swivel seating:** Assist with easy vehicle entry and exit.
3. **Vehicle entry and Accessibility Enhancements**
   - **Power Sliding doors:** Easier access for passengers with mobility challenges.
   - **Remote-Controlled Systems:** Open doors, deploy ramps, and more with a push of a button.
   - **Automated tie-downs & restraints:** Secure Wheelchair without manual effort.

Benefits of Vehicle Modifications

- Enhances independence and self-reliance.
- Increase accessibility to your vehicle and community.
- Boosts confidence and quality of life.

Who can Benefit?

- **Anyone** needing adaptive solutions for safe and comfortable transportation.
- **Individuals** with physical, or cognitive disabilities.
- **Seniors** facing mobility or health challenges.

Accessing and Funding Vehicle Modification

- Vehicle modifications require an **Environmental Modification Assessment**.
- A functional evaluation with the participant will be completed to ensure the **health, welfare, and safety** of the participant.
- An **on-site assessment** of the environmental concern includes an evaluation of the functional necessity, the determination of the provision of appropriate vehicle modification for the participant, and the need for the modification to ensure cost-effectiveness.