Home Modifications 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)



Home Modifications 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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Home Modifications



Helping people live better lives

What is a Home Modification?

Home Modifications are physical adaptions to the participant's home. This includes their family home, when they live with their family. Home modifications are necessary to ensure the health, welfare, and safety of the participant, or necessary to enable the participant to live with greater independence in their own home.

HCBS Waivers do not cover home modifications considered to be of general utility, standard housing obligations of the participant or homeowner, and are not of direct medical or remedial benefit.

Benefits of Home Modifications

- Enhances independence and self-reliance
- Improves communication and learning opportunities
- Increase accessibility in your home
- Boosts confidence and quality of life





Types of Home Modifications

1. **Entrance and Exits:**
   - Ramps & Threshold Ramps
   - Widened Doorways
   - Automatic Door Openers
   - Lever-Style Door Handles
2. **Living Spaces**
   - Lowered Light Switches & Thermostats
   - Smart Home Technology
3. **Bathroom Accessibility**
   - Walk-In or Roll Showers/Tubs
   - Raised Toilets & Grab Bars
   - Non-Slip Flooring
   - Touchless Faucets & Handheld Showerheads
4. **Kitchen Modifications**
   - Lowered Countertops & Sinks
   - Pull-down Shelving
   - Side-opening Ovens & Front
   - Lever-Handled or Touchless Faucets

Who can Benefit?

- Individuals facing **mobility or health challenges.**
- **Seniors** with physical, sensory, or cognitive disabilities.

Accessing Home Modifications

Home Modifications requires 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, determining the provision of appropriate home modification for the participant, and the need for the modification to ensure cost-effectiveness.
- **Health care and Rehabilitation Centers:** Consult therapists (Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Speech Therapists) for recommendations.

