

House Bill 2008 Frequently Asked Questions

What is House Bill 2008?

[House Bill 2008](#) requires the Developmental Disabilities Administration to stop using intelligent quotients, or IQ, to determine DDA enrollment. The law passed in June 2022, and we have until June 2025 to make this change.

What is happening?

Starting October 7, 2024, we will stop using IQ to determine DDA enrollment. We are not adding a new requirement or a different measure. We will rely on diagnosis and adaptive functioning only.

What other changes related to DDA enrollment are happening?

Along with removing IQ from DDA enrollment, we are expanding the following:

- Enrollment to include all qualifying conditions up to age four.
- Age of onset before age 18 for **all** qualifying conditions.
- The list of people who can make a diagnosis.
- The list of accepted adaptive assessments.

Who can I talk to if I have questions?

For more information, please contact the regional coordinator for your area.

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