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QUESTION: How many waivers active from 2014-2022 offered opportunities for self direction?

Total number of waivers: 121



83 waivers gave an option for self-direction



38 waivers did not give an option for self-direction

Number of waivers that provided opportunities for self-direction (2014-2022)



The State of the States in Intellectual and Developmental **Disabilities Project** is a national longitudinal comparative study of financial and programmatic trends in spending on supports and services for people with IDD in the United States. The project is funded by the U.S. Administration on Community Living as a Longitudinal Data Project of National Significance.

To provide an answer to the question, the project performed a **preliminary analysis** of the **active HCBS waivers** between **2014-2022** across the states to see how many **waivers listed self-directed as an option**.



Source: Tanis, E.S., et al. (2022). The State of the States in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Life Span Institute, University of Kansas. www. stateofthestates.org

Total number of HCBS waivers: 83





15 waivers only allowed employer authority

0 waivers only allowed budget authority



68 waivers allowed both authorities

HCBS waivers authority breakdown (2014-2022)

Out of the 83 waivers who said yes to self-direction, 15 utilized only employer authority, 0 utilized only budget authority, and 68 utilized both authorities.

Self-Direction: Personal control over waiver/state plan services, including how the services are provided.

Employer Authority: Decision-making authority over workers who provide waiver services.

Budget Authority: Decision-making authority over a budget for waiver services.



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= States that do not have 1915(c) waivers

We sourced our **preliminary waiver data** from **48 states**, with the exception of **Arizona**, **Rhode Island**, and **Vermont**.



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