

## Eligibility for the Direct Funding Program

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The Direct Funding Program enables adults with physical disabilities to become employers of their own attendants. Eligible Ontarians with disabilities receive monthly funding to hire attendants who assist with routine activities including dressing, grooming and bathing.

Administered by the Centre for Independent Living in Toronto, all adult Ontarians with physical disabilities may apply to the program.

Applicants must:

- Be 16 years of age or over
- Be a resident of Ontario
- Require attendant services due to a permanent physical disability
- Able to hire (and fire, if necessary), train and supervise one or more attendant workers
- Meet all the legal requirements associated with being an employer
- Capable of managing and accounting for funding according to program guidelines.

Interested Ontarians with disabilities are encouraged to contact their local Independent Living Resource Centre or apply directly at [www.dfontario.ca](http://www.dfontario.ca).