

Developmental Services Ontario (DSO)

Developmental Services Ontario (DSO) is the access point for adult developmental services. When child developmental services will come to an end, you will have to apply for services through DSO to receive adult Ministry funded supports.

To receive support your son/daughter will have to be 18 years of age. You can start the application process when your son/daughter turns 16 years old.

[Developmental Service Ontario \(DSO\) Central East](#)

Phone: 1-855-277-2121

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Eligibility

To be eligible for DSO, you must be at least 18 years old, live in Ontario, and have a developmental disability confirmed by a psychological assessment, which is defined as significant limitations in cognitive and adaptive functioning that were present before the age of 18.

Required Documents

- Proof of identity: a government-issued ID, such as a health card
- Proof of residency: health card or a lease agreement
- Other document: a statement of direct deposit or bank account documents can also be used as proof of residency

Step 1: Confirm Eligibility

Step 2: Complete the Application Package

Step 3: Linking you to services and supports