Caring Companions
Consumer Directed Services

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GETTING PAID TO CARE FOR DAD · PART 3 · FREE PRINTABLE

Getting Started with CDS: the Steps

There's a lot of waiting in the middle. That's normal. Write down the dates so you always know where things stand.

STEP	DONE	DATE
Check that CDS fits (two-minute check at caringcds.com, or call us)		
Referral to the state, by us or by you		
The state assessment: talk about the hard days, not the best ones		
The plan of care arrives: the tasks, and how many hours		
Sign the enrollment packet (on your phone or on paper)		
Become the employer on paper: two tax numbers, and they're yours		
Caregiver registers with the Family Care Safety Registry (one-time fee, about $16)		
Caregiver watches the Attendant Orientation (8 short videos, about an hour)		
Orientation at home: the 8 topics, with a checklist		
Onboarding call and a practice run for clocking in		
First paid shift		

The hard days to mention at the assessment

Remember: paid care starts only after the state approves the hours and the caregiver is enrolled. Call us any time you're not sure where things stand: (417) 218-2888.

Approved Consumer Directed Services are paid for through Missouri Medicaid. There is no charge to the consumer for services and hours authorized by the state. General education for families, not legal or tax advice.