

PURPOSE

The purpose of Bridgeback is to provide a mechanism for an individual with a mental disability to temporarily re-access Day Services per diem funding where employment is terminated or where Follow-Up services become so intensive they no longer meet criteria.

OBJECTIVES

To re-establish the person in employment.

PROCESS

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Bridgeback can only be utilized by an individual who was eligible for a Day Service per diem prior to their current employment placement.
2. Bridgeback is limited to a maximum of 130 days.
3. Funds for Bridgeback are to be identified within the Region's Day Services Allocation and will be dependent upon the financial resources available.

APPLICATION

1. Bridgeback requests can be submitted as needed using the Bridgeback Funding Request form (see Appendix A). Dependent on available resources and individual circumstances, initial Bridgeback requests will be approved for up to 65 days. An extension of up to 65 additional days may be available provided that employment remains a realistic objective.
2. The agency/supplier will forward completed original application forms to the individual's Community Service Worker (CSW) who will review the request and make recommendations. A recommended application is forwarded to the Regional Program Manager for approval and authorization of funds. Where an application is declined the CSW shall inform and discuss the decision with the agency/supplier.
3. Following approval and authorization of funds by the Regional Program Manager, a copy of the authorizing documents will be forwarded to the agency.

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