



# Transportation

## *What Transportation Options Are Available?*

Being able to get to work and to go other places in the community is a big part of living independently. One of the ways that ELARC fosters this independence is by favoring the use of public transportation by adults with developmental disabilities.

While transportation to and from a person's day program or work site may be provided by the service provider who operates the program, many consumers are able to live fuller and more active lives with the help of "mobility training," which may include training in the use of public transportation, use of transfers, street safety, and walking in the community to particular destinations.

## *ADA Paratransit Eligibility and ACCESS Services*

The ADA Paratransit is a federally-mandated part of the public transit system and shares funding with mainstream public transit, which includes the bus system and trains. A functional evaluation to determine ADA Paratransit Eligibility is required for all original certifications. Recertifications are reviewed every three years.

Access Services strictly interprets the ADA guidelines. Functional Evaluations are required for all Access Paratransit riders and provide a thorough assessment to determine an individual's functional ability to use mainstream public transportation (buses and trains). Only individuals with a disability-related condition that prevents them from independently getting to a bus stop or that prevents them from being able to independently ride the bus are eligible for ADA Paratransit. Eligibility for Access Paratransit is determined after an individual participates in a functional evaluation of their transit skills to determine to what extent, if any, their disability prevents them from using accessible fixed route transit.

For more information about transportation and mobility training services, please speak with your Service Coordinator. ELARC's policies for transportation and mobility training services may be found on the Consumers & Families page of our website under Purchase of Service Guidelines. ELARC follows these Guidelines when authorizing service requests for consumers and families.

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# 交通

## 有哪些交通方式？

可以去上班，可以去社區的其他地方，這是獨立生活的重要一環。ELARC提升這種獨立性的方式之一是支援患有發育障礙的成人使用公共交通工具。

雖然執行日間計畫的服務供應商可以為相關人士參與該計畫或到工作場所提供所需的來回交通，但許多消費者可以在『行動訓練』的幫助下，生活得更充實更積極。這類幫助可能包括針對公共交通工具使用，換乘工具使用，路上安全，以及在社區裡步行到某個地方的培訓。

## 享受ADA輔助公交的條件與ACCESS服務

ADA輔助公交是聯邦政府規定的公共交通系統的一部分，與主流公共交通系統一起接受政府資助。此類系統包括巴士與列車。要求針對所有原始憑證進行功能評估，確定是否可以享受ADA輔助公交。每三年重新評估認證。

ACCESS服務嚴格遵循ADA指引。要求針對所有ACCESS輔助公交乘用人進行功能評定，並進行徹底評估，確定相關人士使用主流公共交通工具（巴士與列車）的功能性能力。ADA輔助公交乘用人只限於那些因為障礙類狀況而無法獨自去公交站，或者無法獨自乘坐巴士的人士。將讓相關人士參加公共交通工具乘坐能力的功能性評估，確定此類障礙（如有）在多大程度上讓他們無法使用可用的固定路線交通服務，從而確定他們能否享受ACCESS輔助公交服務。

如需詳細瞭解交通與行動訓練服務，請與您的社工聯絡。您可以在ELARC網站『服務採購指引』部分的『消費者與家庭』頁面找到交通與行動訓練服務政策。ELARC在為消費者及其家人採購服務時遵循此類指引。

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