

Developmental Services Trailer Bill Language (TBL)

[AB 162](#) (Committee on Budget)

AB 162 is this year's developmental services "Trailer Bill." A top-level summary of this year's TBL is provided here, with each individual section being addressed sequentially. In general, these changes came into effect as soon as the bill was signed by the Governor (July 2, 2024).

1. [Government Code \(GC\) §95004](#) – Removes Family Cost Participation Program (FCPP) reference.
2. [GC §95020](#) – Remote Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) meetings are permitted, but there has to be in-person contact at least once in 6 months. DDS to do additional review by 2026.
3. [Welfare and Institutions Code \(WIC\) §4512](#) – Clarifies the processes for infants and toddlers to be assessed for Early Intervention, Lanterman, and provisional eligibility.
4. [WIC §4519.10](#) – The last step of the service provider rate increases will be January 1, 2025.
5. [WIC §4580](#) & [WIC §4581](#) – The Master Plan for Developmental Services is intended to improve accessibility, quality, and equity for all people served. Now it is law, with annual reports due March 2026 through 2036.
6. [WIC §4620.3](#) – Removes old reference to FCPP, Annual Family Program Fee (AFPF).
7. [WIC §4646](#) – Remote Individual Program Plan (IPP) meetings are permitted, but there has to be in-person contact at least once in 12 months. DDS to do additional review by 2026.
8. [WIC §4648.13](#) – DDS and RCs can use statistical sampling when doing providers' fiscal audits.
9. [WIC §4684](#) – Cut old reference to how some benefits would impact FCPP.
10. [WIC §4685.7](#) – Cut old reference to FCPP in the Self-Directed Services Program.
11. [WIC §4688.22](#) – Mandates created related to what RCs' policies on social rec and camp can be. Each RC to have a contact for info on those services by October 1, 2024. Trainings for some RC staff on all this due by March 1, 2025, with materials shared publicly.
12. [WIC §4699.3](#) – DSP internship program will continue, but only if there's money in the Budget.
13. [WIC §4783](#) – Ends the FCPP. Hence "old references," above.
14. [WIC §4785](#) – Ends the AFPF. Hence "old references," above.
15. [WIC §4785.1](#) – Deletion of old reference to FCPP, AFPF.
16. [WIC §4785.2](#) – Deletion of old reference to FCPP, AFPF.

Sections 17-19 – 17 and 19 are technical things related to how a bill is to be implemented. They are not policy changes affecting the developmental disabilities service system. 18 is funding for ongoing work by DDS related to federal funds. This is also not a policy change.