

# GEOH'S STRUCTURED FAMILY CARE GUIDE

*Everything you need to know for the new  
changes in Structured Family Care*



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Learn about frequently asked questions over the new Structured Family Care changes.

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# 1

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## PREPARING FOR CAREGIVERS

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# WHO IS A LEGAL REGISTERED INDIVIDUAL (LRI)?

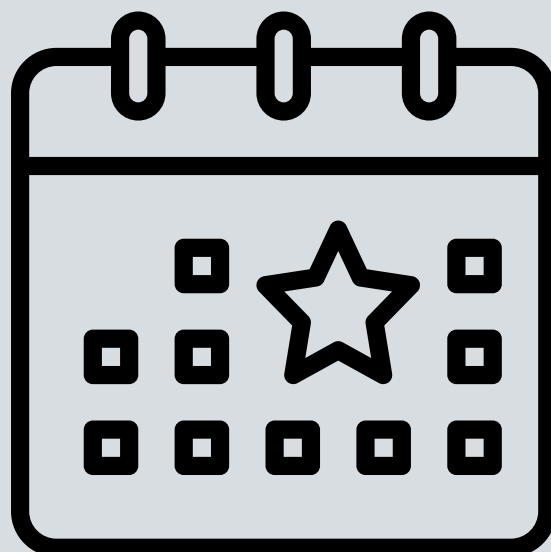
LRI is anyone who is a parent, legal guardian, or spouse of legal guardian.



# Question 1

## **WHEN CAN INDIVIDUALS WHO BENEFIT FROM A WAIVER OF STRUCTURED FAMILY CAREGIVING SERVICE OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY WAIVERS START RECEIVING SERVICE?**

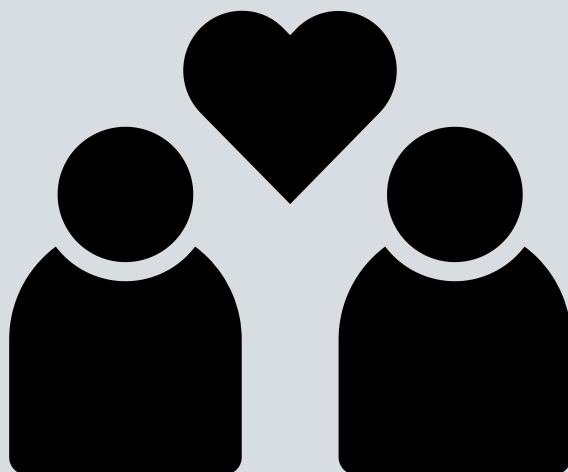
It has been approved by CMS to be July 1, 2024. Families should contact their care manager for more information. Agencies should tell families to contact their care managers



## Question 2

**WHEN CAN A WAIVER RECIPIENT WHO IS RECEIVING SUPPORT FROM A SPOUSE START RECEIVING THE STRUCTURED FAMILY CAREGIVING SERVICE ON THE HEALTH AND WELLNESS, PATHWAYS, AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY WAIVERS?**

Wavier recipients whose spouse will provide Structured Family Caregiving can work with their care manager at anytime to consider including this service in their service plan





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WHAT LEVEL OF SCF  
DO YOU QUALIFY  
FOR?

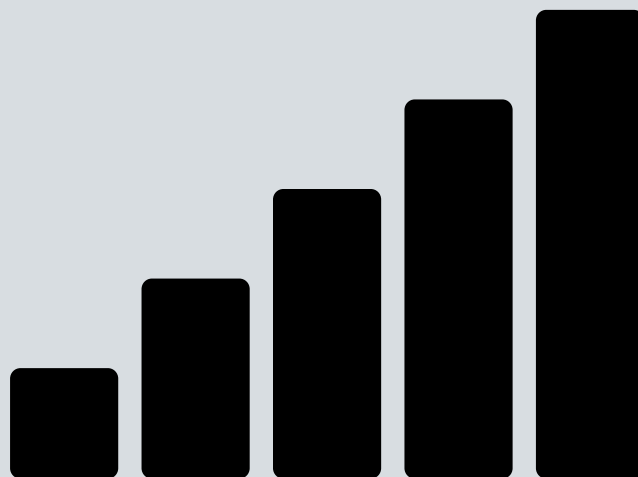
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# Question 3

## HOW DO I FIGURE OUT WHAT LEVEL OF STRUCTURED FAMILY CARE THE WAIVER RECIPIENT RECEIVES?

For individuals who are 18 years or older, the care manager will decide on the level depending on the individual's needs. Individuals under 18 years-old will be given a level of SFC. From now until July 1, 2024, the SFC levels will be based on the hours of attended care since May 1, 2024.



# SCF LEVELS



**1 - 20 hours per week**



**21 - 40 hours per week**



**41 + hours per week**



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## FAMILY CAREGIVERS RECIIEVING COMPENSATION

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**CAN A FAMILY CAREGIVER  
RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR  
PROVIDING STRUCTURED  
FAMILY CAREGIVING WHILE THE  
INDIVIDUAL UNDER THEIR CARE  
IS ALSO RECEIVING ADDITIONAL  
WAIVER SERVICES ON THE SAME  
DAY?**

Yes, a member can assist in other Medicaid services or waivers along with SFC, unless they duplicate what's already provided by the SFC. We encourage members to explore more services to complement their existing SFC benefits.



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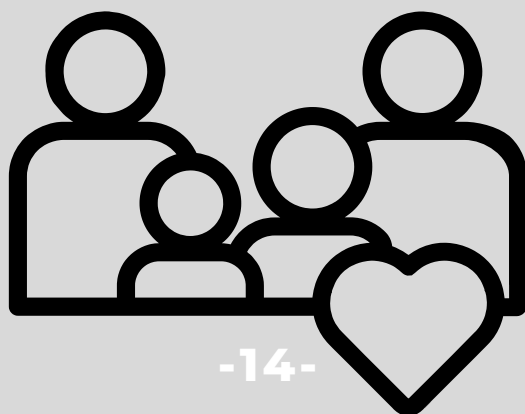
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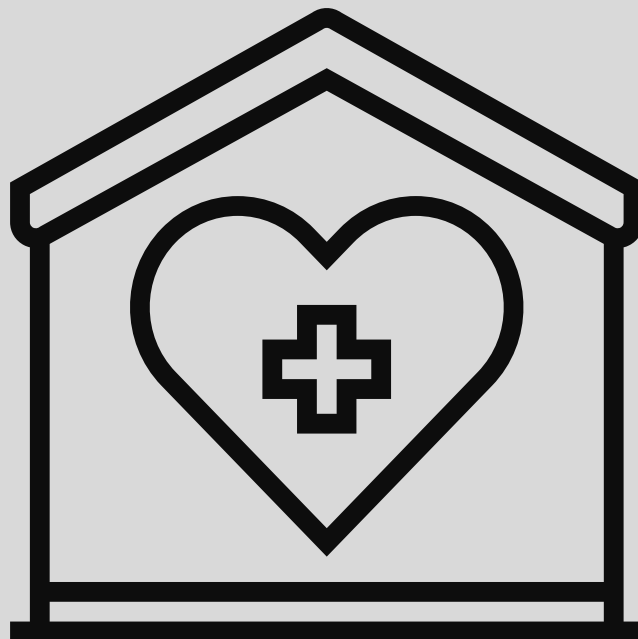
# DOES SFC INCLUDE RESPITE?

- a. Consider Respite as a temporary support system that offers caregivers reprieve while ensuring the ongoing needs of the members are taken care of during this break.
- b. Non-specialized Respite is a part of the comprehensive framework of Structured Family Caregiving.
- c. The SFC service accommodates up to 15 days of non-specialized respite care annually. It is imperative for the member and their caregiver to liaise with their preferred SFC provider to leverage this respite care. From July 1 onwards, it becomes the responsibility of SFC providers to manage and deliver the non-specialized respite care included in this service.



# WHAT DOES UNSKILLED RESPITE CARE ENTAIL?

Unskilled respite care refers to services that are intermittently delivered in place of the usual caregiver. These services, which aid the recipient in performing daily life activities, need not be provided by licensed professionals. They could be offered by a direct service worker, who might be a family member, friend, or even a neighbor. Your SFC provider agency could employ or contract these workers. This type of respite can happen in a home or community-based environment



We hope you find these tips  
and printables helpful for  
running your agency! We have  
hope that great things are in  
store for your agency, and if  
you ever need help remember  
we here at GEOH are here for  
you!

- The GEOH team





**"There is nothing impossible  
to they who will try.**

Alexander the Great



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