WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

To be eligible for the program, a person must meet all of the following:

- 1. Must be disabled, blind, or age 65 or older.
- 2. Unable to live **safely** at home without help.
- 3. Meet financial need requirement.

WHAT IS FINANCIAL NEED?

Persons who receive SSI/SSP meet the program's financial need requirement. Others may also be eligible but may need to pay a portion of the cost for services.

HOW TO APPLY?

To apply for In-Home Supportive Services call the Orange County Social Services Agency. A social worker will talk to you about what costs, if any, you may need to pay for the services. The social worker conducts a "needs assessment" on the initial home visit.



WHAT IS A NEEDS ASSESSMENT?

The social worker makes an assessment of what your need for in home care is based on your medical condition, your living arrangement, and what assistance you may be getting from your family, friends or available community services. The needs assessment will determine which services are paid for. Your doctor may be consulted to verify your medical condition.

WHAT SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE?

In-Home Supportive Services includes a wide range of services to meet individual need and assure you can live safely at home. These services may include house cleaning, shopping, cooking, laundry and personal care.

WHO PROVIDES THE SERVICES?

In Orange County you will hire and supervise your own provider. Your social worker must authorize services and process the needs assessment. The actual provider payments are issued by the State of California directly for the provider.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY



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THE IN-HOME **SERVICES PROGRAM**

There are aged, blind or disabled persons who are limited in their ability to care for themselves and cannot live safely at home without help. This includes those who would be able, with help, to return to their home from a hospital, nursing home or a board and care home. This help may be provided to eligible persons through the In-Home supportive Services Program. (IHSS).

This pamphlet describes the IHSS Program. It tells who is eligible and how to apply. If you need additional information, contact your county social services agency.

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