

Northern Virginia Lags Rest of State in ID Waivers

The handout materials for the first Work Group meeting included a regional summary of those with ID waivers and those on the ID waiting list. For all regions except Region II, Northern Virginia, there were far fewer people on the ID waiting list than those with ID waivers; the number of people on the waiting list was between 60% and 71% of those with ID waivers. However, this pattern reversed for NoVA: there were far more people on the ID waiting list than those with ID waiver slots (see Table 1 below). This means that there were far fewer placements available, percentage-wise, to meet the demand for ID waiver services in NoVA than in the rest of the state.

Table 1 shows that 639 more people would have to be on ID waiver in NoVA for Region II to resemble the pattern for the rest of the State. This would be a 40% increase in the number with ID waiver.

Table 1. Those with ID Waivers or on ID Waiting Lists by Region

ID Population Segment	Region III SWVTC	Region I CVTC	Region V SEVTC	Region IV None	Region II NVTC	Region II Forecast
On ID Waiver	2,083	2,436	2,585	2,440	1,584	2,223
ID Wating List	1,370	1,473	1,798	1,725	2,121	1,482
Community ICF/ID	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	
Training Center	4%	8%	6%	0%	3%	
ID Waiver and W.L.	3,453	3,909	4,383	4,165	3,705	3,705

Note that in four Regions, the number on ID waiver is consistently more than the number on waiting lists by similar ratio.

To reflect this pattern for the rest of Virginia, Region II would have to have 639 more individuals with ID waivers, which is 40% more than have ID waivers today.

This illustrates the difficulty of those in Northern Virginia to obtain ID waiver slots. Note that NVTC also has a smaller percentage of the NoVA population with ID than do other regions with Training Centers.

Providers and the NoVA Community Service Boards have made it clear that the NoVA supplement to Virginia's waiver is insufficient and that they cannot find affordable housing.