



New York State Fiscal Year 2027–28

BUDGET PRIORITY IN FOCUS: 3.4% Targeted Inflationary Increase

FUND THE FULL CARE SYSTEM.

Adjust rates for inflation to keep the system from slipping backward.



2027–28 BUDGET PRIORITIES

for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities

↗ **Keep funding in step with rising costs · 3.4% TII**

👤 **Give frontline staff a lasting raise · Careforce Wage Investment**

💖 **Ease rising health insurance costs · Healthcare Enhancement**

COSTS KEEP RISING. RATES MUST KEEP PACE.

To sustain services, rates must be adjusted to cover inflation every year.

INFLATION SINCE 2006 **+55.3%**

TII/COLA RATE
INCREASES SINCE 2006 **+27.1%**

13 years without increases created this gap. Five straight increases under the Hochul administration are closing it.

WHAT THE 3.4% TII DOES

3.4%
inflationary increase

The TII adjusts provider rates for inflation, based on July 2026 CPI-U, so funding keeps pace with the rising cost of delivering services.

Learn more at thearcny.org/budget

WHY THE TII MATTERS

3.4% IS THE BARE MINIMUM.

A 3.4% increase simply maintains the status quo: it corrects rates for *this year's* inflation, so the gap between rates and current costs doesn't grow. **It doesn't make progress. It keeps the system from slipping backward.**

THE STATE SETS THE RATES.

IDC providers are funded through Medicaid, at rates set by New York state. If those rates don't cover rising costs, **providers can't sustain services, pay fair wages, maintain facilities or ensure quality care.**

IT FUNDS THE FULL COST OF CARE.

The full spectrum of care for people with disabilities includes food, transportation, utilities, insurance, medical supplies, home maintenance and more. **These costs continue to rise, and rates must increase to meet them.**

THE TII HELPS STAFF.

Providers invest the majority of TII funding in staff, by increasing wages and benefits to cover their rising cost of living. In the past 5 years, **17.5% in increases helped providers raise DSP starting wages about 30%.**

THE TII AND CAREFORCE WORK TOGETHER.

3.4% TII

Adjusts for all increased costs

Careforce

Directly enhances wages

The TII adjusts the full cost of care, including wages, to correct for this year's inflation. The Careforce Investment makes lasting wage progress for staff.

CARE MANAGEMENT CAN'T BE LEFT BEHIND.

TII eligibility must be restored for Care Coordination Organizations. Critical Care Management staff have been excluded from the TII since 2024.

**INVEST IN PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.
INVEST IN STAFF. INVEST IN EQUITY.**

INVEST IN
us!