**Self-Direction Pilot: Basic Purchase Requirements**

In the Self-Direction Pilot for the Section 17 Waiver, you purchase items to meet the goals in your person-centered Individual Service Plan (ISP). When working with your support broker to identify items to purchase, the item MUST MEET ALL TEN OF THE CRITERIA BELOW:

1. DIRECTLY related to a specific goal on your Individual Service Plan (ISP) AND

2. REQUIRED to maintain or increase wellness and/or independence and/or community participation and/or productivity AND

3. REQUIRED solely because of the direct effects of your mental health support needs AND

4. DOES NOT replace existing voluntary support system and resources AND

5. DOES NOT replace other government benefits (Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, MaineCare, Supplemental Security Income) AND

6. DOES NOT provide for **basic needs** of food, shelter, clothing AND

7. COST- EFFECTIVE use of public resources AND

8. NEVER a cash payment to you, family, or friends AND

9. NEVER for activities that are purely recreational AND

10. NEVER for services delivered outside of the U.S. or its territories.