

Children's Special



Health Care Services

Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) is a program for children with an eligible chronic health condition. The program may also cover a few chronic diseases for adults such as cystic fibrosis, hemophilia and some other clotting disorders. CSHCS will pay the medical bills for these persons to see specialty providers and pay for care related to their condition. This care may include surgery, medications, equipment and hospitalizations. CSHCS can also help provide or cover transportation costs to these appointments.

There are more than 2,700 medical conditions that may qualify children for coverage including diabetes, epilepsy, cerebral palsy, hearing loss, cystic fibrosis and blood disorders. Any condition where a child needs to see a specialist for care (like a doctor at the University of Michigan or Toledo Hospital) may qualify.

Eligibility does **not** depend on income. Families of all incomes can join as well as those with private health insurance. Some families pay a fee to join that is based on a sliding scale. Children with an approved diagnosis who have Medicaid or MI Child may also qualify for CSHCS at no cost.

Who Can Join CSHCS?

- ❖ Children and some adults with certain chronic health conditions.
- ❖ Families of every income. Financial factors do not matter. The child's medical condition, not income, determines who qualifies. Some families pay a fee to join based on their income.
- ❖ Families with private insurance. CSHCS can provide extra help to families with private insurance.
- ❖ Children with Medicaid or MIChild may also qualify.

For more information about this program, please call the
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