

WHAT IS THE CHILDREN'S COMMUNITY OPTIONS PROGRAM (CCOP)?

Children's Community Options Program is a funding source to purchase services and/or equipment for severely disabled children residing with their biological parent(s), adoptive parent(s), or legal guardian.

The goal of CCOP is to prevent out-of-home placement for severely disabled children. Services or items acquired are short-term or one-time supports.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR CCOP?

Children, age birth to 21, with a severe physical, emotional, or developmental condition which is diagnosed through use of medical, behavioral, or psychological criteria and is characterized by the need for individually-planned and coordinated care treatment, vocational rehabilitation, or other services.

The condition is likely to result in substantial limitations in a child's ability to function in three or more of the following areas:

- Self-care
- Receptive and expressive language
- Learning
- Mobility
- Self-direction
- Capacity for independent living
- Economic self-sufficiency

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CHILDREN'S COMMUNITY OPTIONS PROGRAM



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Building a community
of support for children
with disabilities
and their families in
Milwaukee County

HOW CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION OR MAKE A REFERRAL?

Referrals can be made from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, by calling **(414) 289-6799** (English and Spanish).

As a provider, you may not make a referral on behalf of someone or their family. You can support someone in making a phone call to our information and referral line, but an interested family member needs to be the primary participant on the call.

The Purpose of the Milwaukee County DHHS Disabilities Services Division:

Empowering safe, healthy, meaningful lives by connecting individuals with disabilities to resources that promote independence and inclusion.



HOW IS ELIGIBILITY FOR CCOP DETERMINED?

The Milwaukee County DHHS Disabilities Services Division (DSD) administers the Children's Community Options Program (CCOP).

A comprehensive assessment is completed by a DSD Children's Service Coordinator for each child referred to CCOP. This involves a home visit and an interview with the family regarding the child's and family's needs.

School and medical records are reviewed to verify disability status and condition. The family's financial situation is also reviewed.

A State-required functional screen is completed for each child and this provides the eligibility determination. If the child is determined eligible for CCOP, a service plan is developed with the family. The service plan identifies items and services to be acquired to benefit the child and family. The plan generally covers a calendar year.

The following criteria must be met:

- Child meets functional eligibility
- Child meets financial eligibility



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WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A PLAN IS IMPLEMENTED?

When the plan is complete, the child's case will be closed for CCOP funding. If the child has new needs in the future, the parent can call us for a referral.

