CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES NEED SUPPORTS FAST...

It can make all the difference in the world for a child facing a disability diagnosis. Our commitment to promoting independence and inclusion for people with disabilities starts, literally, at birth. Early supports for children can create a future where, as adults, they have all the tools there are to be more independent, and lead a safe, healthy, meaningful life.

...AND SO DO PARENTS

It's not just children with disabilities that need support, but parents as well. A disability diagnosis for a child can mean years of work and difficulty for a parent. However, parents don't need to forge this path alone.

From economic supports, connections to support groups, to respite care, DSD Children's Services can make *your* future more positive as well.

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DISABILITIES SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS

DSD Disabilities Services Division

A Division of the Department of Health & Human Services

A set of supports for children with disabilities and their caregivers.

BIRTH-TO-THREE SERVICES

If your child is two years and nine months of age or younger, and you are concerned he or she may be developing more slowly than expected, or have a disability affecting early development, Milwaukee County DHHS's Birth to Three Program may be able to:

- Screen your child to identify potential developmental delays
- Provide you with information about, and referrals to, important resources in our community
- Provide early childhood intervention services

Your evaluation team will talk with you about your child as well as text his or her abilities in the areas of:

- Learning
- Moving
- Seeing
- Hearing
- Self-help
- Communicating
- Understanding
- Responding to and developing relationships with others.

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 resideing 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.

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, are eligible.

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CHILDREN'S LONG-TERM SUPPORT (CLTS) WAIVER

The Children's Long-Term Support (CLTS) Waiver Program is a Medicaid Home and Community-Based Waiver program that provides services for children with severe disabilities.

The waiver program allows Wisconsin to use Medicaid funding for community-based services.

The program is administered in Milwaukee County by the Milwaukee County Department of Health & Human Services' Disabilities Services Division.

Services funded through the CLTS waiver are based on the child's assessed needs and the outcomes for the child that are developed with the family/caregiver.

Examples of services could include:

- Home modifications for a child with a physical disability.
- Respite care.
- Therapeutic services
- Adaptive aids