



If you can't find
what you are looking for, call the
Waisman Resource Center at
1-800-532-3321

www.waisman.wisc.edu/cshcn/

Waisman Resource Center is home to the Southern Regional Center for CYSHCN, one of five Wisconsin Regional Centers for CYSHCN that are a part of a statewide network providing free and confidential information and assistance to parents of children and youth with special health care needs and the professionals who work with them. Wisconsin Regional Centers are dedicated to meeting families' needs through information, referral and follow-up, parent-to-parent support and service coordination, through local Public Health Departments and other community agencies.



2009
Resource Roadmap
Southern Regional Center for Children and
Youth with Special Health Care Needs
(CYSHCN)



Childcare and Respite:

Childcare resource and referral agencies are located throughout the Southern Region. Supporting Families Together Association will direct you to the closest program in your area.

Respite care provides families with a qualified caregiver and a break from 24 hour care responsibilities and is a needed resource for most families with children and youth with special health care needs.

Public Health:

Public Health services include prenatal care coordination, local immunization clinics and home visits by public health nurses. Some local Public Health Departments provide school health nursing consultation, family planning services, home care, environmental health and the WIC nutrition program for pregnant and breastfeeding women and their children under 5 years of age.



Special Education:

Special Education is a set of school programs that have been developed to meet the educational needs of children with learning or emotional disabilities. Usually the school will determine if a child needs special education during the Individual Education Program (IEP) process. Each school district will have a designated Special Education contact person. Contact your district with questions.

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Recreation:

Many children and adults with disabilities benefit from sports and recreational activities. Families frequently seek out recreation that they can enjoy with all members of their family. A variety of organizations provide recreation activities and are listed on the other side.

Transportation:

Families can receive help with transportation for medical and non-medical destinations. Sometimes a family must pay privately and sometimes this is publicly funded depending on each individual situation, location, insurance and the transportation service's policy.

**24 -Hour Information
Hotlines:
Wisconsin First Step
1-800-642-7837**

www.mch-hotlines.org/firststep.html
A statewide 24-hour information and referral service with trained parents of children with special health care needs and professional counselors who are available to talk over concerns, answer questions and identify resources to meet a caller's needs. Some topic areas include housing, recreational activities, community centers, transportation, domestic violence, energy assistance and support groups.

Health Care Coverage:

In Wisconsin there are various ways to meet eligibility criteria for Medicaid (Medical Assistance) programs such as BadgerCare Plus, SSI and Katie Beckett. These programs help pay for medical care for eligible children and youth with special health care needs. Each eligibility category has different criteria; some are based on parent income and assets and others are based on the child's unique needs and the level of care required to live at home.

Infants and Young Children:

Early intervention services, through the Birth to 3 Program, are available in every Wisconsin county for children who meet eligibility criteria. Birth to 3 professionals work in partnership with parents to help children with developmental delays grow, learn and communicate. Services include evaluation and assessment, special instruction, therapy services and family centered service coordination. Birth to 3 staff work with parents to develop an Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) which is based on priorities and goals for the child and family.

**Planning
for Adulthood:**

Youth ages 14 to 21 with disabilities and their families can receive help with planning for the transition to adulthood. Activities include moving from pediatrician to adult health provider and exploring opportunities in education, work and community living. Examples of these include WI Division for Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR), Department of Public Instruction (DPI) and Independent Living Centers (ILCs).

Advocacy and Parent Training:

State and local agencies provide information and assistance for families looking for information on how to best understand, protect and advance the legal, human and service rights of children and youth. Examples include legal assistance, help with an IEP and health benefits counseling. Parent training groups help parents learn about resources and how to be a good advocate for their children.

**Other Community
Resources:**

Many organizations are geared to a specific special need or are inclusive of all children. For examples see "Dodge County Resources" on the back side of this document.

County Human Services Department:

Dodge County Human Services department provides access to long-term supports and services for eligible children and adults experiencing cognitive, physical and emotional disabilities. Programs include case management, respite services and other in-home, after-school and out-of home supports.

Resource Roadmap for Dodge County is supported by the Southern Regional Center for CYSHCN and the Dodge County Human Services and Health Department. Concept originally developed by the FOR U staff at the Chippewa County Health Department.

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Wisconsin Statewide Resources

ABC for Health, Inc. - benefits counseling and legal services for families with children who are having problems financing healthcare www.safetyweb.org	1-800-585-4222
The ARC-Wisconsin Disability Association - advocacy, support groups, training, information and referral for persons with cognitive disabilities www.arc-wisconsin.org	1-877-272-8400
Birth to 3 - Wisconsin's Early Intervention (IDEA-part C) program for children with special needs under age 3 http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/bdds/birthto3/index.htm	1-800-642-7837
(CAP) Client Assistance Program - information and assistance to individuals who have a dispute with DVR www.dwd.state.wi.us/dvr/cap.htm	1-800-362-1290
(CESA) Cooperative Educational Service Agency - provides training to families and assists districts http://dpi.wi.gov/cesa.html	1-800-441-4563
(DRW) Disability Rights Wisconsin - provides protection and advocacy for persons with disabilities in Wisconsin www.disabilityrightswi.org/ (voice/TTY) 1-800-928-8778	
(DPI) Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction: Special Education Team - information on public education for children with special needs http://dpi.state.wi.us/ call 1-800-441-4563 and ask to be connected to local district's number	
(DVR) Wisconsin Division of Vocational Rehabilitation - state employment training program for individuals with disabilities living in the community. Eligible individuals may receive vocational evaluation and training and job placement assistance www.dwd.state.wi.us/dvr/	1-800-442-3477 / TTY 1-888-877-5939
(FACETS) Wisconsin Family Assistance Center for Education, Training and Support - provides free information and assistance to families concerning parent and student rights and opportunities in education www.wifacets.org/	1-877-374-4677 / TDD: 414-374-4635
Family Support Program - Provides information about services and resources, limited funding and linking with other families http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/bdds/fsp.htm	1-800-642-7837
Family Voices of Wisconsin – A statewide grass roots training, information and advocacy network of families whose children have disabilities or special health care needs www.wfv.org/fv/	1-888-835-5669
(ILCs) Wisconsin Independent Living Centers - consumer-driven services to promote full participation in society of persons with disabilities. Services include: health benefits counseling, assistive technology, peer support and advocacy http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/disabilities/Physical/ILCs.htm	1-800-642-7837
Legal Action of Wisconsin - non-profit agency providing legal representation to low-income people and others www.legalaction.org	1-800-362-3904
Head Start/ Early Head Start - child-development program for children (0-6) of low-income families, 10% of children enrolled have special needs www.whsaonline.org	1-608-442-6879
(NAMI) National Alliance on Mental Illness- Wisconsin – provides crucial information to persons affected by mental illness and their families and serves as their advocate on a state and national level http://www.namiwisconsin.org/	1-800-236-2988
Parent to Parent of Wisconsin - provides the one-to-one connection for parents new to having a child with special needs, experiencing a time of stress or simply seeking support, resources and information with another parent who has been there www.p2pwi.org/	1-888-266-0028
Respite Care Association of Wisconsin - promote, support and expand quality respite care resources across the lifespan for families www.respitecarewi.org/	1-866-702-7229
Social Security - financial benefits for children meeting income and asset eligibility criteria www.ssa.gov	1-800-772-1213
Supporting Families Together Association, formerly (CCR&R). – network of community-based child care resources and referral agencies www.supportingfamilies.together.org/	1-888-713-5437
(WATI) Wisconsin Assistive Technology Initiative – maintains lending library of assistive technology devices; provides training and consultation; provides evaluation of students related to assistive technology www.wati.org/	1-800-565-8135
Wisconsin Developmental Disabilities Board, formerly (WCDD) - provides training and advocacy resources www.wcdd.org/	1-608-266-7826
Wisconsin Family Ties – network of Family Advocates who provide support groups, peer-mentoring, training, advocacy, information and referral for families that include children and youth with mental, emotional, behavioral or substance abuse disorders www.wifamilyties.org/	1-800-422-7145
Wisconsin First STEP – 24-hour information and referral service to assist Wisconsin families who have children with special needs www.mch-hotlines.org	1-800-642-7837
Wisconsin Regional Centers for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) - a network of information and assistance services so all families of children and youth with disabilities or special health care needs and providers have access to complete and accurate information: http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/children/resourcecenters/index.htm	1-800-642-7837
(WSPEI) Wisconsin Statewide Parent Educator Initiative - parent liaisons that work with families, educators and school districts through the CESA's to promote positive partnership and free consultation to families of children with special educational needs http://dpi.wi.gov/sped/parent.html	1-877-844-4925
HEALTH COVERAGE	
ACCESS – quick and easy way to see if you might be able to get help through Wisconsin's health & nutrition and other programs https://access.wisconsin.gov/access/	
Katie Beckett - a way to obtain Medicaid for children not eligible for other Medicaid programs because of income/assets requirements http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/bdds/kbp/index.htm	1-608-266-3236
Medicaid (Medical Assistance, M.A., Title 19, BadgerCare Plus, Katie Beckett, SSI, HealthCheck) Recipient Hotline – information about eligibility, rights, covered benefits, providers, problems with bills, etc. for those with Medicaid	1-800-362-3002
Medicaid Ombudsmen – assistance with appeals, complaints, billing problems etc. for Medicaid HMO enrollees.....	1-800-760-0001
WIC Nutrition Program – food and education for pregnant and nursing women; food/formula for young children; breastfeeding support http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/wic/	1-800-722-2295

Dodge County Resources for Children with Special Health Care Needs

County Government Resources

Dodge County HS & HD – Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRRC).....	920-386-3580
(Transportation).....	920-386-3832
Dodge County Child Support Agency	920-386-3640
Dodge County Housing Authority	920-386-2866
Dodge County HS & HD – Birth to 3	920-887-4282
Dodge County Family Support Program	920-386-3500
Dodge County HS & HD – Clinical Services (Mental Health & AODA Services)	920-386-3500
Dodge County HS & HD (after hours)	920-386-3726
Community Support Program (CSP)	920-386-3500
Dodge County HS & HD – Economic Support (W-2 Program, Employment Program, Energy Assistance, Food Share, BadgerCare Plus, Daycare Asst.)	920-386-3760
Dodge County Hearing Impaired TDY Voice	920-386-3883
Dodge County HS & HD – Public Health (General Information and Intake)	920-386-3670
WIC	920-386-3680
University Extension	920-386-3790
Dodge County HS&HD Toll Free Number.....	800-924-6407

County Public Education Resources

Beaver Dam Unified School District	920-885-7300
Bethany Lutheran School.....	920-349-3244
Central Wisconsin Christian School (K-8)	920-324-2721
Central Wisconsin Christian School (HS)	920-324-4233
Consolidated Catholic Schools (Lomira).....	920-269-4326
Consolidated Catholic Schools (Theresa).....	920-488-4543
Dodgeland School District.....	920-386-4404
Faith Christian School (Randolph)	920-326-6090
Herman School District No. 22.....	920-387-3902
Horicon School District	920-485-2898
Hustisford School District	920-349-3261
Immanuel Lutheran School.....	920-387-2158
Lomira School District.....	920-269-4396
Mayville School District.....	920-387-7963
Neosho Country Christian School.....	920-625-3322
Neosho Public School.....	920-625-3531
Randolph Christian School.....	920-326-3320
Randolph School District.....	920-326-2427
Saylesville Consolidated School (Rubicon)	262-673-2920
St. John's Christian Day School (Juneau).....	920-386-4644
St. John's Lutheran Church School (Fox Lake).....	920-928-3296
St. John's Lutheran School (Mayville).....	920-387-4310
St. John's Lutheran School (Lomira).....	920-269-4514
St. Mary's School (Mayville).....	920-387-2920
St. Stephan's Lutheran School (Horicon).....	920-485-6687
St. Stephan's Lutheran School (Beaver Dam).....	920-885-6484
Theresa School District.....	920-488-2181
St. Katherine Drexel (B.D.- 4-8).....	920-885-5558
St. Katherine Drexel (B.D.- K-3).....	920-885-4814
Watertown Unified School District	920-262-1460
Waupun School District.....	920-324-9341
Wayland Academy.....	920-885-3373

State and Federal Resources

Social Security (Toll Free).....	800-772-1213
Fond du Lac Office.....	920-921-7561

Portage Office.....	608-742-8817
West Bend Office.....	262-338-6182
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR).....	800-442-3477
Waisman Center (Katie Beckett).....	800-532-3321

Transportation Resources

Johnson School Bus Service.....	920-485-2223
La Vigne Bus Company (Fort Atkinson).....	877-510-9009
Mayville Taxi.....	920-349-5321
Shared Ride Taxi.....	920-885-4800
S & R Taxi.....	920-885-4477
Watertown Transit.....	920-261-7433
Waupun Taxi.....	920-324-2426

Other Community Resources

Access to Independence.....	800-362-9877
Audiologists	
Michael Stippich	920-885-9776
Melodie Willinganz.....	920-887-0509
Bethesda Country Store.....	920-485-4113
Catholic Charities.....	920-887-9546
Central Wisconsin CAC.....	920-885-9559
CESA 6.....	920-485-0538
Church Health Services, Inc.....	920-887-1766
Clothes for Kids.....	920-887-7308
Dodge County Food Pantry.....	920-885-6971
Energy Assistance.....	800-506-5596
Epilepsy Center – South Central.....	800-657-4929
Family Support Services (DCHS&HD).....	920-386-3500
Goodwill Industries.....	920-821-0082
Green Valley Enterprises (Special Olympics).....	920-887-4282
Hartford Community Development	262-673-8215
Head Start - Beaver Dam.....	920-885-7431
Head Start – Fox Lake.....	920-928-6100
Head Start–Portage Office(Renewal Unlimited)....	800-344-7543
Hospitals	
Beaver Dam Community Hospital.....	920-887-7181
Children's Hospital of Wisconsin.....	414-266-2090
St. Mary's Hospital – Madison.....	800-824-8924
UW-Hospital – Madison.....	800-323-8942
Watertown Area Health Services.....	920-261-4210
Waupun Memorial Hospital.....	920-324-5581
Dodge County Lifespan Respite Network.....	866-356-9870
Lutheran Social Services.....	920-887-3172
NAMI.....	920-344-4452
New Beginnings Homeless Shelter.....	920-885-3999
Parent Resource Place	920-887-7503
PAVE (People Against a Violent Environment).....	920-887-3785
Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin.....	920-885-3528
Resolve Though Sharing.....	920-262-4267
SHARE (food program).....	920-885-0509
St. Vincent de Paul.....	920-885-6971
Salvation Army.....	920-324-4000
UMOS (United Migrant Opportunity Services).....	920-887-9524
United Cerebral Palsy.....	608-273-4434
Watertown Area Cares Clinic.....	920-206-7797
Watertown Family Center	920-261-2450

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