

How to apply:

Families can make a referral for their child, or referrals can be made by medical professionals, therapy providers, early intervention professionals, early childhood educators, school district staff, or other programs or organizations.



501-683-5687

Once CHC receives a referral, the program will contact the family to answer questions about the program, learn about their child's and family's unique strengths and needs, and guide the family through the process.

Children with Chronic Health Conditions (CHC) Program Requirements:

1. When applying, verification of income, such as current pay stubs must be provided. When a parent is self-employed, the most current year's income tax forms can be used for income verification.
2. All decisions regarding eligibility are determined by (CHC) administration.
3. A new application is required each year.
4. Medical insurance (if any) must be used to help defray cost of treatment and equipment.
5. Direct services must be pre-authorized by (CHC) registered nurse service coordinators.

About the Children with Chronic Health Conditions (CHC) Program:

The Children with Chronic Health Conditions (CHC) program supports families of children and youth with developmental conditions that require services beyond those required of a typically developing child.

Arkansas' CHC program's goals are:

- to assist families in accessing sufficient health care services
- to assist families with transition from pediatric to adult systems of care



The CHC program provides case management to support families of children and youth in accessing community-based, family-centered, culturally sensitive services which will assist the child with special health care needs to reach their maximum potential.

CHC's direct services are limited and are designed to fill an unmet need, such as providing special diet assistance, paying for summer camps for the medically and developmentally disabled, and assisting families with purchases of durable medical equipment and respite services.

Children with Chronic Health Conditions (CHC) Eligibility:

Parents or legal guardians of a child who has a condition that requires support and services beyond that of his/her typically developing peers may be potentially eligible for CHC case management services.

Other CHC requirements include:

- Child/youth has not reached his/her twenty-first birthday
- Child/youth is residing at home (non-institutional setting)
- Is not currently receiving case management services through another program
- Is Medicaid eligible (SSI, TEFRA, ARKids A & B, etc.)

(CHC) is program within the Division of Developmental Disabilities of the Arkansas Department of Human Services and is funded by state appropriations and the Title V Maternal and Child Health Block Grant.

A child can be eligible for both Medicaid and (CHC). Each program has certain exclusions that the other program may provide.

CHC is not to be confused with Arkansas Children's Hospital (ACH), in Little Rock or Northwest, private non-profit tertiary care hospital for children.

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**or toll free: 1-800-482-5850
extension 22277 or 22270**



Sometimes FRIENDS NEED HELP



CHILDREN with CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS

Children and youth with special health care needs have the same needs as typically-developing children in addition to their need for other types of supports based on their condition and individual and family needs.

**If you have questions, call us –
Children with Chronic Health Conditions
Toll Free No. 1-800-482-5850
Extension 22270 Or 22277**

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