



CSS MISSION

To ensure that children and youth with special health care needs in Arkansas receive the services and support necessary to achieve their greatest potential.

CSS assists families of children and youth with conditions that require support and services beyond those of their typically-developing peers. Eligible conditions include chronic medical conditions in addition to developmental or behavioral health conditions.

HERE TO HELP

In addition to their need for supportive services based on their condition, children and youth with special health care needs have the same needs as typically-developing children - opportunities to learn and grow, to interact socially with peers, and to develop a sense of self in their community.

GET IN TOUCH

WITH QUESTIONS & TO APPLY

Call

501-682-2277

Address

Children's Special Services (CSS)
Arkansas Department of Human Services
Division of Developmental Disabilities
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CHILDREN'S SPECIAL SERVICES (CSS)





THE PROGRAM

The CSS program provides case management to support families of eligible 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.

PROGRAM GOALS

- Assist families in accessing community-based health care services
- Assist families with transition from pediatric to adult systems of care

OUR SERVICES

- Identify children with disabilities and/or chronic health conditions
- Assist families in accessing community-based health care services
- Assist families by providing coordination of services
- Make referrals to specialists (for example: geneticists, sign language instructors, nutritionists)
- Link families to programs, services, and resources in the community to meet family goals and interests
- Establish a medical home for the child
- Assist families in obtaining medical equipment related to their child's special needs
- Assist families in coordinating payment for their child's special health care needs
- Transition from pediatric to adult health care systems

HOW TO REFER

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.

Once CSS 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.

REFERRAL #: **501-682-2277**

