



Resource Guide

For

Oklahoma's Children & Youth
And Their Families



State Agencies and Major Programs

Families & Services Together in Oklahoma

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This Resource Guide is not a complete listing of all available resources. It is meant only as a starting point for finding services for families. If you need additional information for family members with a developmental disability or special health care need, call Sooner SUCCESS toll free at 1-877-441-0434 between the hours of 8 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday – Friday. A coordinator can help you find the resources you need. You can also search for services by accessing the online resource database at:

<http://soonersuccess.ouhsc.edu>

click on Searchable Directory

If your agency or program is listed in the Resource Guide or the Online Search Directory and the information is inaccurate or out of date, please contact Sooner SUCCESS at 1-877-441-0434.



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EDUCATION

LATINO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

420 SW 10
OKC, OK 73109

405-236-4667

<http://lcdaok.org>

The purpose of this program is to enhance the quality of life in the Latino Community through education, leadership, services and advocacy; to work towards enhancing children's physical, cognitive, social, and emotional development; to assist parents in their role as caregivers and first teachers of their children; and to help parents meet their own goals, including economic independence.

OKLAHOMA PARENTS AS TEACHERS

2500 N Lincoln
OKC, OK 73105

405-521-3346

<http://ok.gov/sde/early-childhood-and-family-education#OPAT>

OPAT provides parent education for expectant parents and parents of children birth to age three in participating school districts to strengthen the capacity of parents to be effective first teachers and give their children the best possible start in life. Services can include: personalized home visits, support groups, developmental screenings, and a referral network. To enroll, parents should contact their local school district.

OKLAHOMA PARENTS CENTER

PO Box 512
Holdenville, OK 74848

877-553-4332

<http://oklahomaparentscenter.org/>

The Oklahoma Parents Center is the statewide parent training and information (PTI) center serving parents of children with disabilities. Our goal is to educate and support parents, families and professionals in building partnerships that meet the needs of children and youth with the full range of disabilities ages' birth to 26.

OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

3300 Gibson
Muskogee, OK 74403

877-229-7136

<http://osb.k12.ok.us/>

Both day and residential components serve children birth through age 21. Outreach services are also available which include evaluations and consultation for visually impaired and blind students. There are no fees.

OKLAHOMA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

1100 E Oklahoma Ave
Sulphur, OK 73086

888-685-3323

<http://www.osd.k12.ok.us/>

OSD provides regular elementary, secondary and vocational programs, early education for ages 2-6, regional preschool programs, student assessment and outreach, parent education and lending library, sign language classes, and a transitional living center in Oklahoma City.



OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

2500 N Lincoln
OKC, OK 73105

405-521-3301

<http://www.ok.gov/sde/>

Special Education Services:

405-521-3351

The State Department of Education funds and supervises the implementation of a number of programs including:

- Oklahoma Parents as Teachers (see below)
- SoonerStart, Early Childhood Intervention Program (see below)
- Professional assistance in developing appropriate educational services
- Oversight and monitoring of school districts or local education agencies

SMART START OKLAHOMA

421 NW 13
OKC, OK 73103

1-866-283-0987

<http://smartstartok.org/>

Smart Start is Oklahoma's statewide early childhood initiative and serves as the state's Early Childhood Advisory Council. Smart Start Oklahoma seeks to provide better opportunities to the children and families in Oklahoma. Mission is to lead Oklahoma in coordinating an early childhood system focused on strengthening families and school readiness for all children.

SOONERSTART EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION PROGRAM

2500 N Lincoln
OKC, OK 73105

405-521-4880

<http://ok.gov/sde/soonerstart>

SoonerStart is Oklahoma's early intervention program designed to meet the needs of infants and toddlers up to age 3 with disabilities and developmental delays.

TARC

2516 E 71
Tulsa, OK 74136

1-800-688-8272

<http://www.ddadvocacy.net>

TARC is committed to ensuring a high quality of life for Oklahomans with developmental disabilities and their families through education, empowerment, support and advocacy.



HEALTH

CHILD STUDY CENTER

1100 NE 13
OKC, OK 73117

405-271-5700

<http://www.oumedicine.com/csc>

The OU Child Study Center provides evaluation, treatment, and services for children with special needs who have a wide range of developmental disabilities including environmental and behavioral problems.

THE CHILDREN'S CENTER

6300 NW 39
Bethany, OK. 73008

405-789-6711

<http://www.tccokc.org>

The Children's Center offers specialized medical and rehabilitative care to children with diagnoses such as: congenital defects, complications at birth, and traumatic brain and spinal cord injuries.

JD McCARTY CTR. FOR CHILDREN WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

2002 E Robinson
Norman, OK 73071

800-777-1272

<http://www.jdmc.org/>

The J.D. McCarty Center specializes in providing in-patient and out-patient care, training, education and physical and mental rehabilitation to Oklahoma children up to age 21 with developmental disabilities.

OKLAHOMA HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

2401 NW 23 Suite 1A
OKC, OK 73017

405-522-7300

Medicaid 800-987-7767

Toll Free 800-522-0310

<http://www.okhca.org/>

The OHCA is responsible for administering the Oklahoma Medicaid Program and oversight of all state purchased health care. Eligibility for Medicaid is determined by the county OKDHS offices.

OU CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

1200 N Children's Ave
OKC, OK 73014

405-271-4700

<http://www.oumedicine.com/childrens>

The Children's Hospital works to provide a child-and family-friendly atmosphere, in every way. The doctors, nurses and staff are trained in pediatrics, the medical treatment of children, so they can understand and support each child's physical, emotional and social needs, while in the hospital.

OU CHILDREN'S PHYSICIANS

1200 N Children's Ave
OKC, OK 73104

405-271-2222

<http://www.oumedicine.com/ouphysicians/child-specialties>

OU Children's Physicians has over 150 specialists committed to the care of children. The majority of OU Children's Physicians are board-certified in children's specialties. Many provide pediatric-specific services unavailable elsewhere in the state.



OU MEDICAL CENTER

405-271-4700

700 NE 13
OKC, OK 73104

<http://www.oumedicine.com/>

- General Pediatric & Family Care Clinics
- Orthopedic Surgical & Rehabilitative Services
- Mental Health Services
- Oklahoma Infant Transition Program
- Critical Care Facility
- Medi-Flight Emergency Transport System
- Specialty Treatment Clinics

OU PHYSICIANS

405-271-2222

825 NE 10
OKC, OK 73014

<http://www.oumedicine.com/ouphysicians>

OU Physicians is the state's largest physician group and encompasses almost every adult and child specialty. Many OU Physicians have expertise in the management of complex conditions that is unavailable elsewhere in the state, region or sometimes even the nation.

OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

405-271-5600

1000 NE 10
OKC, OK 73117

800-522-0203

<http://www.ok.gov/health/>

The county health departments can provide Child Health and Guidance Clinics as well as:

- Developmental Screenings and Therapy
- Family/Child Counseling
- Genetic Counseling
- Treatment of Sexually Transmitted Disease
- Parenting Skills Education
- WIC Infant Formula and Food Vouchers
- Speech, Language and Audiological Services
- Nutritional Counseling
- Family Planning
- Immunizations
- TB Testing and Treatment
- Medical Treatment Clinics
- Prenatal Care
- Well Baby and Child Check-Ups
- Breast & Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program

Available services may differ between local Health Departments.



MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE ABUSE

CENTER ON CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT

940 NE 13 Suite 4900
OKC, OK 73014

405-271-8858

<http://www.oumedicine.com/ccan>

The Center for Child Abuse and Neglect offers assessment and treatment for children who have been abused or neglected, adolescent sex offenders, and women and the children of women who used inappropriate substances during pregnancy. They provide assessments for children at high-risk for abuse or neglect.

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES

PO Box 35277
OKC, OK 73152

405-522-3908

800-522-9054

<http://ok.gov/odmhas/>

Call the Reach Out Hotline at 800-522-9054 for the location of your local Community Mental Health Center which may provide the following services:

- Chemical Dependency Counseling
- Evaluation
- Domestic Violence Shelters
- *Systems of Care* Wraparound Services
- Individual and Group Counseling
- Family Counseling
- Crisis Intervention

NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

4200 Perimeter Center Dr. Suite 150
OKC, OK 73112

800-583-1264

<http://www.nami.org>

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness. NAMI advocates for access to services, treatment, supports and research and is steadfast in its commitment to raising awareness and building a community of hope for all of those in need.

OKLAHOMA FEDERATION OF FAMILIES FOR YOUTH & CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH

1692 E. Redbud Pl.
Washington, OK. 73093

1-866-837-9122

<http://www.okfederation.org>

The Oklahoma Federation of Families for Youth and Children's Mental Health provides education, information and support to families and caregivers of children and youth with emotional, behavioral or other mental health related issues.



SOCIAL SERVICES & FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES DIVISION

PO Box 25352
OKC, OK 73125

405-521-6267

866-521-3571

<http://www.okdhs.org/divisionsoffices/visd/ddsd/>

DDSD provides services to persons ages 3 and older who have an intellectual disability (IQ of 70 or below). Persons served may also have other developmental or physical disabilities.

EASTER SEALS

701 NE 13
OKC, OK 73104

405-239-2525

<http://www.eastersealsoklahoma.org/>

Easter Seals provides services to ensure children and adults with disabilities or special needs and their families have equal opportunities to live, learn, work and play in their communities.

OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCIES

605 Centennial Blvd
Edmond, OK 73013

405 949-1495

<http://okcaa.org>

Community Action Agencies are locally controlled non-profit organizations that work to improve the lives of low-income individuals by creating opportunities for increased self-sufficiency and greater participation in the community. In Oklahoma, Community Action Agencies serve all 77 counties.

OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

PO Box 25352
OKC, OK 73125

405-521-3646

<http://www.okdhs.org/>

The following services are available through OKDHS county offices.

- Medicaid or Medical Assistance
- Foster Care
- Child Support Enforcement
- Children with Special Health Care Need Program
- Child Welfare
- SSI-Disabled Children's Program
- Developmental Disabilities Services
- Food Stamps
- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
- Aid to the Aged, Blind and Disabled
- Adoption
- Child Care Assistance



OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, con't

RESPIRE VOUCHERS FOR CAREGIVERS

Aging	800-211-2116
DDSD State Office	800-521-3571
DDSD Area 1	800-522-1064
DDSD Area 2	800-522-1075
DDSD Area 3	800-522-1086
Oklahoma DHS Adoptions	405-521-3832

This is a voucher respite payment program for caregivers caring fulltime for children or adults with developmental disabilities. The program funds respite vouchers paid directly to a provider for a temporary break, rest or relief from full time care for a fulltime caregiver of an individual with developmental disabilities. A yearly application is required including the most recent federal income tax return, and an assessment/evaluation dated within the past 12 months. Respite care providers must be over age 18 and must live in residence separate from the respite caregiver and care receiver. The family income cannot exceed \$60,000 per year. Respite care receivers cannot be receiving DDSD Waivered Services.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

800-772-1213

2615 Villa Prom
OKC, OK 73017

<http://www.ssa.gov>

This agency is responsible for administering all Social Security Disability and Income Security programs including the SSI (Supplemental Security Income) program. Contact the national toll-free number or visit their website to find a local Social Security office.



SOCIALIZATION

CAMP BARNABUS

901 Teas Trail 2060
Purdy, MO 65734

417-476-2565 (Camp office)
417-886-9800 (Springfield office)
<http://www.campbarnabas.org>

Any person who would not be able to participate in the activities at a typical summer camp without adaptation would probably qualify for Camp Barnabas. This includes people with medical, physical or intellectual disabilities and children with syndromes, rare diseases or any serious chronic illness.

CAMP PERFECT WINGS

Falls Creek
6714 NW 77D
Davis, OK. 73030

405-942-3800

<http://www.bgco.org/specialneeds>

Special needs camp where campers will learn of God's plan for their lives and gain a heart for God and other through outdoor activities, horseback riding, crafts, interactive worship, bible studies, music, fishing, talent shows, etc.

For children (age 17 & under) and adults (age 18 and older).

MAKE PROMISES HAPPEN

One Twin Cedar Lane
Guthrie, Oklahoma 73044

405-282-2811
800-299-2811

<http://www.centralchristiancamp.org>

Make Promises Happen is one of the nation's largest camping and outdoor recreational programs for persons with disabilities and serious illnesses.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS OKLAHOMA

6835 S Canton Ave
Tulsa, OK 74136

1-800-722-9004

<http://www.sook.org/>

Special Olympics provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.



SUPPORT & ADVOCACY

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION SYSTEM

877-521-6677

1915 N Stiles Suite 305
OKC, OK 73105

<http://www.oscn.net/static/adr/default.aspx>

Mediation of special educational issues and family and divorce issues by a third party can be arranged through local Early Settlement Centers. Cost is minimal.

AUTISM SOCIETY OF AMERICA

1-800-328-8476

4340 East-West Hwy. Suite 350
Bethesda, Maryland 20814

<http://www.autism-society.org>

Increase public awareness about the day-to-day issues faced by people on the spectrum, advocating for appropriate services for individuals across the lifespan, and providing the latest information regarding treatment, education, research and advocacy.

BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION OF OK

1-800-444-6443

PO Box 88
Hillsdale, OK 73743

<http://www.braininjuryoklahoma.org/>

Oklahoma's foremost advocacy organization for survivors of brain injury. As a non-profit organization, they strive to educate survivors, family members, professionals, and the public about all matters related to brain injury.

CENTER FOR LEARNING AND LEADERSHIP

405-271-4500

PO Box 26901 ROB 342
OKC, OK 73126-0901

800-627-6827

<http://www.ouhsc.edu/thecenter>

The Center provides networks, training and information regarding disabilities and interdisciplinary education and training opportunities.

DOWN SYNDROME ASSOCIATION OF CENTRAL OK

OKC - 405-330-5025

720 W Wilshire Blvd Suite 112
OKC, OK 73116

<http://www.dsaco.org/>

Tulsa – 918-496-1873

<http://www.dsat.org/>

The association's programs include parent and educator workshops, an annual conference, new parent visitation and support, monthly parent to parent meetings, D.A.D.S group and an intern program for college students interested in working with children with disabilities.



MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY

706 Haddonfield Road
Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

1-800-344-4867

<http://www.msaa.com/>

Multiple Sclerosis Association of America offers a variety of programs and services in all 50 states: Helpline consultations, equipment distribution, MRI diagnostic funding, resource assistance, and public awareness campaigns. MSAA also provides valuable information on the disease and symptom management through its award-winning literature and educational videos.

OFFICE OF DISABILITY CONCERNS

2401 NW 23 Suite 90
OKC, OK 73107

800-522-8224

405-521-3756

<http://www.ok.gov/odc/>

The ODC provides information on government policy and programs, employment development for persons with disabilities, advocacy, information and assistance, legislative hotline and newsletter, technical assistance about barrier free design, information regarding ADA compliance, and client assistance program (CAP) for the Department of Rehabilitative Services.

OKLAHOMA AUTISM NETWORK

1200 N Stonewall
OKC, OK 73117

1-877-228-8476

<http://www.okautism.org/>

The Oklahoma Autism Network is committed to improving the outcomes and quality of life for individuals with autism and their families through education, professional development, advocacy, and systems change while respecting individual preferences, adhering to research and best practices, and promoting community inclusion.

OKLAHOMA CASA ASSOCIATION

5905 N Classen Ct. Suite 302
OKC, OK 73118

800-742-2272

<http://www.oklahomacasa.org>

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) are trained community volunteers who are appointed by a juvenile or family court judge to make recommendations in the best interest of deprived children who are brought before the court.

OKLAHOMA CHILD CARE RESOURCE & REFERRAL ASSOCIATION

4200 Perimeter Dr Suite 235
OKC, OK 73112

888-962-2772

405-942-5001

<http://www.oklahomachildcare.org/>

The OCCRRA is an organization devoted to serving communities statewide in ways that enhance Oklahoma's child care resources. Information is available on training, as well as listings of licensed child care facilities, with links to local child care resource and referral agencies.



OKLAHOMA DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL

800-836-4470

2401 NW 23 Suite 74
OKC, OK 73107

<http://www.okddc.ok.gov/>

The Council promotes systemic change by helping build community capacity in order that persons with developmental disabilities may live, work, and learn in the community of their choice. The Council accomplishes this by planning and implementing innovative service or support models, funding research, and through training of self-advocates, family members, caregivers and by educating policymakers.

OKLAHOMA DISABILITY LAW CENTER

TULSA: 800-226-5883

2915 Classen Blvd Suite 300
OKC, OK 73106

OKC: 800-880-7755

<http://www.oklahomadisabilitylaw.org>

ODLC is a statewide program, providing free civil legal services to children and adults with disabilities or mental illness, to promote equality, full inclusion in society, and independence by providing quality legal services that protect and advance rights.

OKLAHOMA FAMILY NETWORK

405-271-5072

PO Box 21072
OKC, OK 73156

877-871-5072

<http://www.oklahomafamilynetwork.org/>

The Oklahoma Family Network is Oklahoma's Parent to Parent mentorship network for those raising children with special medical needs, developmental delays or a disability. OFN provides support to families through parent to parent mentorship and educational training.

OKLAHOMA FAMILY SUPPORT 360 CENTER

405-271-4511

PO Box 26901 ROB 342
OKC, OK 73126-0901

<http://www.ouhsc.edu/thecenter/partnerships/ofs360.asp>

The Oklahoma Family Support 360° Center (360° Center) assists families whose children have developmental disabilities and are Medicaid-eligible. It primarily serves Spanish-speaking families, assisting them in navigating service systems.

OKLAHOMA INSTITUTE FOR CHILD ADVOCACY

405-236-5437

3909 N Classen Blvd Suite 101
OKC, OK 73118

<http://www.oica.org/>

The OICA creates awareness, takes action and changes policy on behalf of children through projects, initiatives and legislative advocacy. Projects include:

- Children's Information Network
- Annual Fall Forum on Children's Issues
- Teen Pregnancy Prevention
- Oklahoma KIDS COUNT
- Fit Kids Coalition
- Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies



OKLAHOMA PEOPLE FIRST

405-602-2704

4405 NW 4
OKC, OK 73107

<http://oklahomapeoplefirst.org/>

People First is a statewide self-advocacy group run by, and for, people with developmental disabilities.

Sooner SUCCESS

1-877-441-0434

940 NE 13 Suite 4900
OKC, OK 73104

<http://www.oumedicine.com/soonersuccess>

The Sooner SUCCESS program provides services and assistance for individual children and youth with special health care needs and their families.

UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY

1-800-827-2289

10400 Greenbriar Pl., Suite 101
OKC, OK 73159

<http://www.ucp.org/>

UCP educates, advocates and provides support services to ensure a life without limits for people with a spectrum of disabilities.



TRAINING, EMPLOYMENT AND REHABILITATION

DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SERVICES

800-845-8476

Vision and Vocational Rehabilitation
3535 NW 58 Suite 500
OKC, OK 73112

<http://www.okrehab.org/>

- Vocational Rehabilitation & Supported Employment
- Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing
- Visual Services
- Schools for the Deaf and Blind
- Oklahoma Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped

GEORGE NIGH REHABILITATION CENTER

918-756-9211

900 E Airport Road
Okmulgee, OK 74447

<http://gnrc.ouhsc.edu>

GNRC provides inpatient physical rehabilitative services, as well as skilled nursing services and comprehensive outpatient programs for both adults and children with disabling illness or injury.

NATIONAL RESOURCE CENTER FOR YOUTH SERVICES

918-660-3700

University of Oklahoma – Tulsa Campus
Schusterman Center
4502 E 41st Bldg. 4W
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74135

<http://www.nrcys.ou.edu/>

This program provides resources, and training for Oklahoma youth servicing professionals, paraprofessionals, and volunteers in public and private child welfare, youth service, juvenile justice, and prevention services.

NEW VIEW OKLAHOMA

405-232-4644

501 N Douglas
OKC, OK 73106

<http://www.newviewoklahoma.org/>

New View is the leading employer of the blind and visually impaired in Oklahoma, and the only private agency offering specialized services for people living with vision loss.

OKLAHOMA ABLE TECH

1-888-885-5588

Seretean Wellness Center OSU Campus
1514 W Hall of Fame
Stillwater, OK 74078

<http://www.ok.gov/abletech/>

ABLE Tech connects Oklahomans with disabilities to assistive technology through the four activities of device demonstration, device short-term loans, device re-utilization and state financing activities.



OKLAHOMA ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY CENTER (OATC)

1600 N Phillips Avenue
Oklahoma City, OK 73104

405- 271-3625

TDD 405- 271-1705

<http://www.theoatc.org/contact.asp>

To develop and implement an assistive technology program for teachers, support staff, and related service providers which will increase the knowledge of school personnel in the provision of assistive technology services to students with disabilities and will assist Oklahoma public schools in meeting the assistive technology requirements of IDEA.

OKLAHOMA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY COMMISSION

2401 N Lincoln Blvd
OKC, OK 73015

888-980-9675

http://www.ok.gov/oesc_web/

The OESC, through the Work Investment Act (WIA) and statewide Workforce centers, administers programs to help Oklahomans receive training and to enter the labor market.

HOTLINES & HELPLINES

Abuse and Neglect (Children and Adults)	1-800-522-3511	
Gambling	1-800-522-4700	
HIV/AIDS	1-800-535-AIDS	1-800-232-4636
Information/Referral to Health & Human Services	2-1-1	
Missing and Exploited Children	1-800-THE-LOST	
Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline	1-800-QUIT-NOW	
Poison Control	1-800-222-1222	
REACHOUT (Mental Health/Substance Abuse)	1-800-522-9054	
Rx for Oklahoma	1-877-RX4-OKLA	
SAFELINE (Rape and Domestic Violence)	1-800-522-SAFE	
Senior Information Line	1-800-211-2116	
SoonerCARE (Medicaid)	1-800-987-7767	
Suicide Hotlines	1-800-SUICIDE	1-800-273-TALK

State Assistance Programs

Many of the State Assistance Programs can be accessed and applied for online here <http://www.okdhs.org/>.

Advantage Waiver Program

This program provides funding for in-home services to older Oklahomans and adults with physical disabilities who are medically and financially eligible to receive nursing facility care under Medicaid guidelines. It is administered through the Oklahoma Department of Human Services (OKDHS) Aging Services and the Long-Term Care Authorities of Tulsa and Enid. Services can include adult day care, home delivered meals, comprehensive home care, case management, skilled nursing care, medications, specialized equipment and supplies, environmental modifications, and other supportive assistance. Eligibility requirements include an assessment by OKDHS nurses to determine level of care.

Child Care Assistance

This is a program of the OKDHS that helps to pay for all or part of the cost of child care for children up to age 13 while the parent(s) work or go to school. Assistance may also be available for children older than 13 who have a disability. Child care must be provided by a licensed provider. Eligibility for the program is based on income. Application for the program is made through the local county OKDHS Family Service Center. Applicants need to provide information about work or school schedule in addition to proof of income.

Developmental Disability Support Services

Family Support Assistance Program

This program provides cash payments ranging from \$250 to \$400 per month, depending on the number of children under 18 years old with developmental disabilities living in the home. To qualify, the family must be headed by natural or adoptive parent(s) or a legal guardian (adoptive parents cannot also receive an adoption subsidy); have an adjusted gross income of no more than \$45,000 per year and live in Oklahoma. The child must be under 18 years old, a diagnosis of a developmental disability as defined by Oklahoma law; and live in the family home. **Families cannot receive the Family Support Assistance payment if they are already receiving waiver services.** Application for this program is available at the local county OKDHS office or one of the Developmental Disability Services Division (DDSD) area offices. Families who qualify are served in chronological order, based on the date of their application, as funds allow.

Home and Community Based Waiver

This program offers a variety of services so that individuals with a developmental disability can live at home. The waiver provides services such as in-home paraprofessional supports, respite care, specialized therapy, counseling, family training, adaptive equipment, architectural modifications to the home, skilled nursing, transportation, and habilitation training. To be eligible for this program, the person or child must: 1.) be a resident of the State of Oklahoma; 2.) be determined to have a disability, with a diagnosis of mental retardation, by the Social Security Administration or the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, Level of Care Evaluation Unit; 3.) be three years of age or older; 4.) be determined by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, Level of Care Evaluation Unit, to meet the ICF/MR Institutional Level of Care requirements; 5.) be determined financially eligible through the DHS Family Support Services Division; 6.) not be enrolled in any other Medicaid waiver program; and 7.) not be residing in a hospital, nursing facility, or ICF/MR (Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded). There is a waiting list for this program. Although children are eligible at age three (3), families are encouraged to apply as early as possible. Applications are available at local OKDHS Family Service Centers, area DDSD offices.

In Home Supports Waiver

In this program, families and individuals can choose the service(s) they need. Those eligible may receive services up to a specific amount each year. All services are provided through agencies which contract with DDS. Services include respite, habilitation training, environmental accessibility adaptations, family training, adaptive equipment, and specialized medical supplies. Other services are available to children through the Medicaid EPSDT program and the SSI-Disabled Children's Program. Eligibility includes meeting requirements for the Home and Community Based Waiver. The individual must reside in the family's home or his or her own home, and have critical support needs that can be met through a combination of non-waiver and Medicaid State Plan resources available to the individual, and within the per capita waiver allowance. There is a waiting list for this program. Application is through the local county OKDHS Family Service Center or one of the area DDS offices.

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

OKDHS, in cooperation with the federal government, provides seasonal assistance to low-income households to assist with winter heating bills, and to provide help for some families who have received utility cut-off notices. Applications are taken in the local OKDHS Family Service Centers. LIHEAP program application periods are dependent on available funding. Heating assistance applications are usually taken for two weeks beginning the first Monday in December. Crisis assistance applications are usually taken for two weeks starting March 15th or the first Monday following March 15th. Summer Cooling assistance applications are usually taken for two weeks starting July 15th or the first Monday following July 15th.

Medicaid

This program is also known as Title XIX (19). Services range from preventive medical care for children and adults to nursing care and alternative homebound care. It is not necessary for a medical condition to exist before applying for services. Eligibility for Medicaid is determined by federal and state regulations. Applicants must meet financial and other eligibility conditions to qualify for services. Those who might be eligible include: someone who is aged (age 65 or older), blind (as determined by Social Security Administration), disabled (as determined by Social Security), pregnant, a child under the age of 19, and adults who have children under the age of 19 whose primary place of residence is with the adult. You may also request an application by phone or mail. This form may be completed and sent to your local county office. Appointments may be scheduled for your convenience.

TEFRA

(Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982) gives states the option to make Medicaid benefits available to children with physical or mental disabilities who would not ordinarily be eligible for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits because of their parent's income or resources. This option allows children who are eligible for institutional services to be cared for in their homes. This option went into effect in Oklahoma October 1, 2005. Application can be made at any OKDHS office.

Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT)

Persons under 21 who are receiving Medical Benefits / Medicaid may receive health and dental screenings and follow-up treatment for certain conditions. Providers include physicians, health departments, schools and some local health clinics. These exams are available on a periodic schedule based on the age of the individual.

State Supplemental Payment (SSP)

This state funded program provides financial assistance to low income, aged, blind and disabled populations who have been determined financially eligible. These individuals also receive Medicaid Services. Application is made through the local OKDHS Family Service Center.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program SNAP (Food Stamps)

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly the Food Stamp program is a federally funded program that provides benefits to households who meet eligibility requirements established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). The monthly benefit is determined by the income and size of the household and is used to purchase food. The food stamp benefit in most instances is intended to supplement other income. Anyone can apply for food stamps at the OKDHS Family Service Center in the county where he/she lives.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

The SSI program is administered by the Social Security Administration and provides monthly income to people who are blind or disabled, or age 65 and older, and have limited income and financial resources. To qualify for SSI, a child must be blind or disabled *and* financially needy. In determining a child's financial eligibility, the parents' or step-parents' income and resources are considered. Determining disability eligibility is done by the state's Disability Determination Unit using SSA rules. Generally Social Security considers a child disabled if the child has "marked and severe functional limitations" from a physical or mental condition and if the condition has lasted or is expected to last at least 12 months or will result in the child's death. Apply for SSI at local Social Security offices.

Supplemental Security Income - Disabled Child Program (SSI-DCP)

This program assists children from birth to age 18 who receive a Supplemental Security Income Disability Payment (SSI) to receive assistance in obtaining needed equipment and services. This includes adaptive equipment, specialty formula from birth to age 18, diapers from age 4 to age 18, and other services. Application should be made through the local county OKDHS Family Service Center.

Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)

TANF is a cash assistance program available for families who have children deprived of support because of a parent's death, incapacity, absence, or unemployment. The purpose of this federal program is to provide **temporary** support in meeting basic needs, training leading to employment, employment services, and day care assistance for qualified families with children. While receiving cash assistance, the adult recipients are required to work or participate in activities geared toward work and achieving self-sufficiency. Recipients also receive Health Benefits (Medicaid). Persons receiving TANF also receive child support collection services from Child Support Enforcement. Applications are made at the OKDHS Family Service Center in the county where the family lives.

Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Nutrition Program

WIC is a federal program administered by the Oklahoma State Department of Health. The program provides food, formula, nutritional screening, and information. Those eligible include women who are pregnant, breastfeeding or who have recently given birth, as well as infants and children to five years of age. Income guidelines apply. Applications are available at a local WIC clinic or county health department.

Frequently Used Abbreviations / Terms & Acronyms

AAP	American Academy of Pediatrics	NAMI	National Alliance for the Mentally Ill
ADA	American's with Disabilities Act	NICHCY	National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities
APRC	Area Prevention Resource Center	NICU	Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
ADD	Attention Deficit Disorder	OATC	Oklahoma Assistive Technology Center
ADHD	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder	OAYS	Oklahoma Association for Youth Services
ARC	Assoc. for the Rights of Citizens with Disabilities	OCCY	Oklahoma Commission on Children & Youth
BIA	Bureau of Indian Affairs	ODC	Office of Disability Concerns
CAP	Client Assistance Program	ODDC	Oklahoma Developmental Disabilities Council
CCAN	Center for Child Abuse and Neglect	ODLC	Oklahoma Disability Law Center
CASA	Court Appointed Special Advocates	OESC	Oklahoma Employment Securities Commission
CMHC	Community Mental Health Center	OHCA	Oklahoma Health Care Authority
CHO	Children's Hospital of Oklahoma	OKAPSE	Oklahoma Association for Persons in Supported Employment
CMS	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services	OICA	Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy
CSHCN	Children with Special Health Care Needs	OJA	Office of Juvenile Affairs
DDSD	Developmental Disabilities Services Division	OPAT	Oklahoma Parents as Teachers
OKDHS	Department of Human Services	OPC	Oklahoma Parents Center
DMHSAS	Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services	ORRN	Oklahoma Respite Resource Network
DRS	Department of Rehabilitative Services	OSDE	Oklahoma State Department of Education
EI	Early Intervention (SoonerStart)	OSDH	Oklahoma State Department of Education
EPSDT	Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment	OT	Occupational Therapy / Occupational Therapist
FAPE	Free and Appropriate Public Education	OUHSC	University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
FERPA	Family Education Rights and Privacy Act	PCP	Primary Care Provider/Physician
FFY	Federal Fiscal Year (Oct. – Sept. 30)	PT	Physical Therapy
HHS	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	PTA	Parent Teacher Association
HMO	Health Maintenance Organization	SDE	State Department of Education
HTS	Habilitation Training Specialist	SEA	State Education Agency
ICF/MR	Intermediate Care Facility for the Mentally Retarded	SED	Severely (Serious) Emotional Disturbance
IDEA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act	SFY	State Fiscal Year (July 1 – June 30)
IEP	Individualized Education Program	SLP	Speech-Language Pathology/Pathologist
IFSP	Individualized Family Service Plan	SPAN	Special Parents Access Network
IP	Individualized Plan (formerly Individualized Habilitation Plan - IHP)	SSA	Social Security Administration
IHS	Indian Health Service	SSI	Supplemental Security Income
LEA	Local Education Agency	SSDI	Social Security Disability Insurance
LRE	Least Restrictive Environment	SSI-DCP	Supplemental Security Income – Disabled Children's Program
MCH	Maternal and Child Health	TANF	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
NASW	National Association of Social Workers	TDD	Telecommunication Device for the Deaf
		UCEDD	University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities
		WIC	Women, Infants and Children



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