

# Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) Program

A statewide network that offers support to families and works to ensure children and youth are identified early, receive high quality and integrated care

## CYSHCN Program

### Priorities:

- Medical Home
- Youth Transition
- Family Leadership

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/cyshcn/index.htm>



**ABC FOR HEALTH**  
A Wisconsin-based nonprofit public-based law firm which ensures health care access for children and families with special needs or who are at risk



**GENETICS SYSTEMS INTEGRATION HUB**  
Integrates genetics with public health systems in order to support individuals with genetic disorders, their families, and the professionals who work with them



**WISCONSIN NEWBORN SCREENING**  
Identifies babies through hearing, blood and pulse oximetry testing who may have a condition that needs early treatment



**FAMILY VOICES OF WISCONSIN**  
A network of families with special health care needs and/or disabilities that provide training and leadership opportunities and informs parents on how to be partners in their child's care



**PARENT TO PARENT WISCONSIN**  
Provides a one-to-one connection with another parent who has a child with similar needs



**WISCONSIN MEDICAL HOME INITIATIVE (WisMHI)**  
Promotes concepts of medical home with clinicians, families and service providers throughout Wisconsin



**Wisconsin Regional Centers**  
Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs

**FIVE REGIONAL CENTERS (CYSHCN)**  
Provides families with children and youth with special needs and their providers with free and confidential services; referral information, parent support, insurance coverage information, transition planning and connection to community resources

**TRIBAL HEALTH CENTERS**  
Implements components of medical home and youth transition



**WISCONSIN FIRST STEP**  
Provides an online resource directory and a 24-hr information and referral hotline (1-800-642-7837) serving families of children and youth with special needs and other community members and professionals



**WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC) CYSHCN/BIRTH DEFECTS: NOURISHING SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK**  
A network of WIC dietitians/nutritionists trained in identifying and caring for the nutritional needs and feeding challenges of CYSHCN



**YOUTH HEALTH TRANSITION INITIATIVE**  
Supports youth, families and providers around transition from pediatric to adult health care



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