

Screening Process

- Contact the GIHN Access Department to request a pre-screen for the CWP.
 - Be prepared to describe your child's needs, their functional limitations, the in-home and community-based supports and services you are requesting, and your family's income and resources (including private insurance and Medicaid eligibility)
- Completed pre-screens are submitted to MDHHS for scoring via the Priority Weighing Scale.
- Pre-screens must be updated every six months while waiting for an invitation to apply to the program.
- When an opening occurs on the CWP, an invitation to apply is issued to the child with the highest priority status score that meets all eligibility requirements at that time.
- If your child receives an invitation to apply, you will be contacted to make sure you still want supports and services through the Children's Waiver Program.



Hours of Service

Monday and Wednesday

8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Emergency Services Available

24/7

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Childrens Waiver



Program

The Children's Wavier Program (CWP) provides home and community-based services to children with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities who also have challenging behaviors and/or complex medical needs. This waiver provides services to support the family so that the child can remain at home.

What Is the Children's Waiver Program?

The Children's Waiver Program is administered by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. This program is designed to provide in-home and community based services and supports to Medicaid eligible children, when viewed as a family of one, with intellectual/developmental disabilities who would otherwise be at risk of out-of-home placement into an Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities (ICF-IDD).



Eligibility Requirements To Apply For The CWP

- The child must have an Intellectual/Developmental Disability (I/DD) as defined by Michigan state law or have substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following areas
 - Self-care (bathing grooming dressing, toileting, eating)
 - Expressive and receptive language
 - Learning
 - Mobility
 - Self-direction
 - Capacity for independent living
 - Economic self-sufficiency
- The child must have identified needs for specialized in-home and community based treatment services that are directed toward the acquisition and/or maintenance of skills and behaviors necessary for the child to function with as much independence as possible.
- The child must live with birth or legally adoptive parent or with a relative who has been named the legal guardian by the court (and who is not paid to provide foster care to the child).
- The child must meet Medicaid eligibility when viewed as a family of one (the parent's income is waived).
- Other program requirements can be found in the Children's Waiver Program section of the Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual.

What Services Are Available Under The Children's Waiver Program

- **Community Living Supports**
- **Enhanced Transportation**
- **Environmental Accessibility Adaptions**
- **Family Training**
- **Non-Family Training**
- **Fencing**
- **Fiscal Intermediary Services**
- **Respite Services**
- **Specialized Medical Equipment and Supplies**
- **Specialty Services (e.g., Music, Recreation, Art, Massage Therapies)**
- **Overnight Health and Safety Supports**

Service definitions may be found in the Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual at: <https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs>

*** Excludes payment for services that are the responsibility of another agency as well as services covered by insurance (Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurances).**