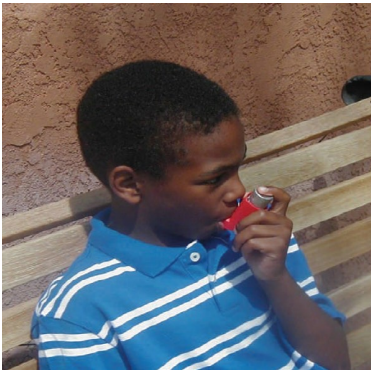


What is

Children's Medical Services?

Children's Medical Services (CMS) program provides services for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of disabling conditions in children. It is a statewide program within the Department of Health, Public Health Division. CMS serves children from birth to 21 with chronic illnesses or medical conditions that require surgical or medical treatment.

Children/youth are medically eligible based on a diagnosis from a doctor.



Who is eligible:

Children under 21 years who:

- Are residents of New Mexico
- Have a chronic illness or disability covered by the CMS Program
- Are within financial guidelines (for CMS payment/coverage only)

Examples of covered conditions:

Cancer
Congenital Heart Disease
Cardiology
Hydrocephalus and other brain anomalies
Diabetes
Chronic Rheumatic conditions
Epilepsy
Cystic Fibrosis
Asthma
Most eye disorders
Renal disease
Cleft lip and palate
Congenital anomalies
Genetic and Metabolic disorders
Hearing Loss
Chronic ear/throat/sinus infections
Blood disorders
Thyroid disorders and other endocrine disorders
Neurological disorders (cerebral palsy, transverse myelitis, spina bifida)
Long term effects of severe burns
Chronic, severe skin disorders
Chronic liver, gallbladder, pancreas or Gastro Intestinal (GI) disorders

**The conditions listed above are not a complete list. If you have questions about a specific diagnosis, contact a CMS Social Worker*

What Services are Available?

CMS offers medical coverage, multidisciplinary pediatric specialty clinics, information and referral, and care coordination.

Medical Coverage

Services may include payment for diagnostic services, hospitalizations, physician's services, and some therapies. Children must be both medically and financially eligible (except for diagnostic services.) To learn more about the financial eligibility process, call your local CMS office.



Multidisciplinary Pediatric Specialty Clinics

CMS sponsors community-based asthma, cleft palate, neurology, metabolic, nephrology, genetic and endocrinology clinics throughout the state. There are no financial requirements for these services, but insurers of clients not financially covered by CMS are billed for clinic services.