

Children's Medical Services (CMS)

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

AGE:

Birth to 21 years of age.

RESIDENCY:

Georgia residency established with intention to reside indefinitely in the state.

MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

Chronic Conditions.

Eligible Conditions:

Amblyopia	Disorders, including cerebral palsy
Benign tumors	Disorders, including epilepsy
Burns	Gastrointestinal disorders
Cardiac conditions	Genitourinary disorders
Chronic lung disease	Glaucoma
Congenital or traumatic amputations of limbs	Hearing disorders, including congenital or acquired conditions
Craniofacial anomalies, including cleft lip and palate	Hydrocephalus
Cystic fibrosis	Myelomeningocele (spina bifida)
Diabetes mellitis - type 1	Orthopedic and/or neuromuscular

Eligible Conditions: (continued)

Rheumatoid arthritis
Scoliosis

Strabismus
Visual disorders, including cataracts

Excluded Conditions:

Cancer treatment - Radiation, Chemotherapy
Immunodeficiency disorder
Kidney dialysis
Malignancies
Transplantation

FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

General Financial Eligibility:

**Financial Eligibility Criteria Maximums
JULY 1, 2000 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2001**

CMS is a public health program providing medical care to income-eligible children (from birth to 21) with specified chronic conditions or diseases. Medical evaluations, treatment plans, nursing and medical follow-up, hospitalization and surgery, as required, are covered for eligible children. Families at or below 150% of poverty level may receive services at no charge. Families with incomes above 150% of poverty, but below the maximums for CMS Eligibility, (236% of poverty) qualify for CMS but will be asked to pay \$180 cost participation annually. The cost participation is eliminated when the child is enrolled in PeachCare.

FAMILY SIZE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8 *
Yearly	26,166	27,788	31,500	37,890	44,280	50,700	57,090	63,480
(base) ¹	7,740	10,360	12,980	15,600	18,220	20,840	23,460	26,080
Monthly	2,180	2,315	2,625	3,157	3,690	4,225	4,757	5,290
(base)	623	836	1,050	1,263	1,476	1,690	1,955	2,174

* For family units of more than 10 members, add \$2,820 to annual income figure. The base is calculated on 100% of the Federal Poverty Level Guidelines according to the Federal Register.

Financial Eligibility for Initial Screening:

Same as "General Financial Eligibility".

Family Co-Payment or Financial Participation Requirements:

Cost participation is based upon 10% of the difference between the gross family income and the base (100 % of FPL). Family size may be adjusted if more than one person with a disability lives in the home or when families are presented with extenuating circumstances. Cost participation is met through a spend-down process once financial eligibility has been established.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

SERVICES:

Eligible Services:

None specifically listed. Contact the Program directly for more information.

Excluded Services:

ADHD
Allergies (in the absence of involvement of other CMS eligible systems/conditions)
Cancer treatment (Radiation, Chemotherapy)
Cosmetic surgery
Injuries requiring ER care
Kidney dialysis
LD
Primary/Preventive health care (in the absence of other CMS eligible conditions)
Transplantation

HOW/WHERE SERVICES ARE PROVIDED:

A combination of (1) direct services through community based clinics conducted by public health personnel and staffed by physicians from the private sector, and (2) consultation and/or office visits conducted in private offices.

Specialty Clinics/Programs.

Amputee	Genito-urinary	Plastic Surgery
Burn	Hearing	Seizure
Cardiac	Hemophilia/HIV	Sickle Cell
Chronic Lung	Maxillo-facial	Scoliosis
Cystic Fibrosis	Myelomeningocele	Vision
Diabetes	Neurosurgery	Genetics
Gastroenterology	Orthopedic	

Out-of-State Services:

Only if the service is not available in Georgia and with the approval of the CMS director. Reimbursement may be capped depending upon the cost.

COORDINATION OF FINANCIAL BENEFITS AND SERVICES:

Coordination of Financial Benefits:

CMS is a payor of last resort; program does coordinate benefits with private insurance and coordinates available services with MEDICAID, TRICARE & HMO/PO.

Coordination of Services:

Medical case management is provided.

SPECIALIZED OR UNIQUE SERVICES, SPECIAL GRANTS, WORKSHOPS, ETC.:

None listed. Contact the Program directly for more information.

STATUTORY/REGULATORY AUTHORITY:

Advisory Councils/Boards:

Parent Advisory Board - Provides parental in-put to local CMS Programs.

Legislatively Mandated:

None.

Consumer Involvement:

Yes - on the Parent Advisory Board and in the Allocation Committee Process.

Priorities/Procedures for Development:

Services have not been prioritized.

AIDS-HIV Coverage:

CMS staff provides care coordination statewide. Part of the Georgia Ryan White Title IV Project.