

New Jersey

Special Child, Adult, and Early Intervention Services (SCAEIS)

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

AGE:

Birth to 21 years of age.

RESIDENCY:

New Jersey residents. No durational requirement.

MEDICAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

New Jersey residents under age 21 with special health care needs, such as chronic illnesses, or who are at risk for developing handicapping conditions.

Eligible Conditions:

Medical eligibility is not based on a list of specific eligible conditions.

Excluded Conditions:

While there are no expressly excluded conditions, some services are not covered. Please see "Excluded Services". Otherwise, SCAEIS's goal is to ensure all children in the state have access to programs and services for their special health care needs and handicapping conditions.

FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

General Financial Eligibility:

Families must submit a socioeconomic statement to be eligible for reduced fees for services or financial assistance for appliances and equipment.

Financial Eligibility for Initial Screening:

Initial screenings and diagnostic services are provided on a reduced fee basis, according to family participation requirements below.

Family Co-Payment or Financial Participation Requirements:

Families are required to share in the cost of services if their means allow. The amount of family participation required is calculated based on where their adjusted income falls on the SCAEIS Financial Eligibility Table below. Recommended monthly participation based on family income which takes into account all living costs except shelter.

Family Members

Adjusted Gross Income	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
366 - 400										
401 - 433										
434 - 466										
467 - 516										
517 - 566										
567 - 616										
617 - 658	12									
659 - 699	15									
700 - 741	18									
742 - 783	21									
784 - 824	25									
825 - 866	28	20								
867 - 899	32	23								
900 - 933	38	28								
934 - 966	43	32								
967 - 999	48	37								
1,000 - 1,033	54	42	30							
1,034 - 1,066	61	48	35							

Family Co-Payment or Financial Participation Requirements: (continued)

Family Members

Adjusted Gross Income	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1,067 - 1,099	68	55	41							
1,100 - 1,149	76	62	47							
1,150 - 1,224	84	69	54							
1,225 - 1,308	94	78	61	49						
1,309 - 1,399	105	88	70	57						
1,400 - 1,483	119	114	100	68						
1,484 - 1,566	134	121	104	79	69					
1,567 - 1,649	150	129	108	92	81					
1,650 - 1,749	165	143	121	105	94	76				
1,750 - 1,849	187	163	140	123	111	88				
1,850 - 1,949	210	185	160	142	130	105	60			
1,950 - 2,083	242	210	183	164	150	123	71			

SCOPE OF SERVICES

SERVICES:

SCAEIS provides identification, evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment. This includes, where appropriate, follow-up care, appliances, and other medically necessary services and equipment. Financial assistance for hospitalization is provided through a Charity Care Fund.

Excluded Services:

Those services which are not available through New Jersey hospitals, such as some organ transplants.

HOW/WHERE SERVICES ARE PROVIDED:

SCAEIS provides partial support to a network of highly specialized regional and subregional care centers which must make services available and accessible to all children in need.

Specialty Clinics/Programs:

Child Evaluation Centers
Early Intervention Programs
Genetic Counseling Centers
Hemophilia Program
Hereditary Disorders Program

Newborn Hearing Screening Program
PKU Treatment Centers
Regional Cleft Palate Centers
Regional Family Centered HIV Treatment Centers
Three Tertiary Centers for Pediatric Subspecialty Care

Out-of-State Services:

No out-of-state coverage.

COORDINATION OF FINANCIAL BENEFITS AND SERVICES:

Coordination of Financial Benefits:

SCAEIS is the payor of last resort after family participation requirements are met and funds from private insurance or other governmental agencies are exhausted.

Coordination of Services:

Through county based case management units, SCAEIS provides family centered, community based, coordinated care. Health care professionals, social workers, and parents work together to develop an individualized service plan and follow-up program for children with special health care needs and handicapping conditions.

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

SCAEIS has had a statewide county based network of case management services in effect since 1982. It also administers a birth defects/special needs registry which serves as an entry point into the SCAEIS statewide system.

STATUTORY/REGULATORY AUTHORITY:

N.J. Stat. Ann. § 9.13 et. seq.
N.J. Stat. Ann. § 9.14B
N.J. Stat. Ann. § 26:2-119, 26:2-11, 26:2H5
N.J. Stat. Ann. § 26:5B-1, et. seq.
N.J. Stat. Ann. § 26:2-90
N.J. Stat. Ann. § 26:8-40.20