

What is the **Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) Program?**

CSHCN is a federally and state-funded program offered through Cowlitz County Health Department. It provides:

- Linkages and coordination of services for all children with special needs
- Limited funding for equipment and supplies to those families that meet financial and other program eligibility requirements.



Who is eligible for services?

- Children birth to 18 years of age
 - ...who have, or are at risk of having a serious physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional condition;
 - ...who require health and related services of a type and amount beyond what is generally required

There is no charge for consulting with a CSHCN Coordinator, regardless of family income.

What are some examples of chronic or risk conditions?

Asthma, cancer, autism, depression, anxiety, post-traumatic stress disorder, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, cleft lip and/or palate, cystic fibrosis, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, prematurity, speech/language delay, sickle cell anemia, diabetes, arthritis, blindness, hearing loss, gross and/or fine motor delay, neonatal abstinence syndrome, etc.

What services are offered?

Public Health Nurse Care Coordination telephone consultation services are offered to families in Cowlitz County *regardless of income* to:

- Assess a child's needs
- Refer a child to services
- Work with agencies to help provide services for a child
- Help families help each other through parent support organizations
- Help with concerns such as feeding, nutrition, growth, development and behavior





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How do I make a referral?

Referrals can be made by families, schools, medical and service providers, and other concerned people. Please contact our office if you know of a child you think might benefit from CSHCN services.

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Referrals:

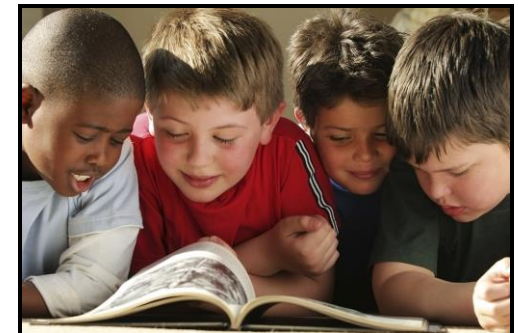
Fax: 360.425.7531

Questions:

**Call CSHCN Coordinator:
360.414.5599 x 6437**

**CSHCN Outreach Worker
360.414-4499 x6424**

Need more information? Call the **Family Health Hotline** at: **1.800.322.2588**
or visit their website at: **parenthelp123.org**



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