

What Medical Problems Are Covered?

CCS does not cover all medical problems, although CCS covers many problems that are physically disabling or that need to be treated with medicines, surgery or rehabilitation.

Some examples include:

- congenital heart defects
- cancers, tumors
- hemophilia, sickle cell anemia
- diabetes, thyroid problems
- serious chronic kidney problems
- liver or intestine diseases
- cleft lip/palate
- spina bifida
- hearing loss
- cataracts
- spastic cerebral palsy
- uncontrolled seizures
- rheumatoid arthritis
- muscular dystrophy
- AIDS
- severe head, brain or spinal cord injuries
- certain fractures
- severe burns
- problems caused by premature birth

If you have more questions about whether your child or youth has a CCS eligible condition, please contact us at
(916) 875-9900



Commonly Asked Questions

Q. If my child or youth already has Medi-Cal, why is CCS needed?

A. CCS manages specialty care for medically eligible conditions that your Medi-Cal plan may not cover. Medi-Cal covers primary care and any specialty care not covered by CCS.

Q. What if my child has an HMO?

A. Children and youth with HMOs and/or PPOs may be eligible for CCS if the requested services are not a benefit of their HMO/PPO. Children and youth with HMOs/PPOs who have an eligible diagnosis will qualify for medical therapy services.

Q. Are there any fees for CCS services?

A. There are no fees for children and youth who have full-scope Medi-Cal insurance. Other families may need to pay a small fee based on family size and income.

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What is CCS?

CCS is a state public health program for children and youth with certain diseases, injuries or health problems. Through this program, children and youth from birth to 21 years old can get the health care and services they need.

CCS will connect you with doctors and other experienced health care providers who know how to care for your child or youth with special health care needs.

How can CCS Assist?

CCS can help you find and pay for medical services for CCS eligible conditions which may include the following:

- Hospital care and doctor appointments
- Surgery
- X-ray and laboratory services
- Medical supplies and equipment
- Medications
- Home health care
- Physical and occupational therapy



How are Children Referred to CCS?

Most often a referral to CCS is made by your child's or youth's health care provider or medical insurance plan. However, any concerned person, such as a parent, teacher, or social worker may refer a child to CCS.

Eligibility for CCS is Based on:

- **Age** (birth to 21)
- **Residency** in Sacramento County
- **Diagnosis** (some serious conditions requiring special care)
- **Income:**
 - Full-scope Medi-Cal
 - Families with adjusted gross income (AGI) under \$40,000.
 - Families with AGI over \$40,000 may be eligible under certain circumstances.
 - No income requirements for Medical Therapy Program services

How do I Apply?

Please call **(916) 875-9900** for more information on how to apply for CCS Case Management and/or Medical Therapy Program services for your child or youth.

Case Management Program

Each CCS client is assigned to a registered nurse that is your medical case management nurse (MCMN). MCMNs work as part of a CCS care team including clerical staff, doctors, administrative staff, and occupational and physical therapists.

Your CCS nurse helps to coordinate and advocate for your child's or youth's medical care. Your CCS clerical staff determine financial and residential eligibility as well as provide information and guidance for Medi-Cal issues. In addition, CCS can help you access other agencies that can assist you in caring for your child or youth.

Medical Therapy Program (MTP)

The MTP provides occupational therapy and physical therapy services to children and youth with certain long term physical disabilities that meet the State's eligibility criteria.

Medical Therapy Units are school-based clinics where physical and occupational therapy services are provided. Services are provided by a staff of skilled physical and occupational therapists.

