



Access Information & Referral for Developmental Services

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Regional offices can answer questions and help you access programs such as the Special Services at Home (SSAH) and Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities (ACSD) programs.

Funding offered by MCCSS for Children with Developmental Disabilities:

Program & Description:	Eligibility:	What you need at time of Application:	Website/Link for Application:
<p>Special Services at Home (SSAH)</p> <p>Funding for Community Participation Activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has a developmental and/or physical disability Lives in Ontario Under the age of 18 Needs more support than you can provide Lives at home with you, or is not living at home with you and is not being helped by other residential services 	<p>At time of Referral (AIR will facilitate this):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Custody Agreement if Applicable Child's Ontario Photo Health Card <p>At time of Application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diagnostic documentation 	<p>Apply via self-administration: https://www.app.grants.gov.on.ca/indiv/#/</p> <p>Apply through Transfer Pay Agency – Inquire through AIR or KidsAbility for a referral</p> <p>More Information: https://www.ontario.ca/page/special-services-home#section-0</p>

<p>Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities (ACSD)</p> <p>Income dependent funding supplement for families</p>	<p>Child Must be under 18 years old.</p> <p>Your eligibility and the amount of assistance you receive is based on a combination of factors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • your household income • size of your family • severity of your child’s disability • extraordinary costs related to your child’s disability <p><u>Income eligibility</u> You may be eligible if your total household income is \$74,760 or less. You must also meet other factors of eligibility.</p>	<p>Complete all sections of ACSD Application. Submit with the following documentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of your Canadian citizenship or immigration status in Canada • Copy of your child’s Canadian citizenship or immigration status in Canada • Copy of your & your child’s health card • Copy of child’s diagnostic documentation • Copy of 2022 Notice of Assessment (showing line 15000) for yourself (if single), or for you & your spouse (if married or in a common-law relationship even if \$0 amount) • Copy of 2022 Canada Child Benefit (CCB) Notice for the period July 2021 – June 2022. • SIN Number for you & your spouse • Bank information or a void cheque for direct deposit 	<p>Apply Online: https://www.app.grants.gov.on.ca/indiv/#/</p> <p>More Information: https://www.ontario.ca/page/assistance-children-severe-disabilities-program</p>
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<p>Assistive Devices Program (ADP)</p> <p>Assistance for people with long-term physical disabilities pay for customized equipment, like wheelchairs and hearing aids, specialized supplies, such as those used with ostomies.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be an Ontario resident • have a valid Ontario health card • have a disability requiring the equipment or supplies for six months or longer <p>We do not consider your income.</p> <p>*See website for who does not qualify*</p>	<p>Application process varies by needs. Please see website for more details</p>	<p>https://www.ontario.ca/page/assistive-devices-program</p>
<p>Ontario Autism Program (OAP)</p> <p>Funding and resource support to all eligible families of children and youth on the autism spectrum</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under age 18 • Currently live in Ontario • Have a written diagnosis of autism from a qualified professional 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASD Diagnostic documentation • Birth Certificate, or • Valid Passport, or • Valid Permanent Resident Card or Permanent Resident Card expired not more than five years • Child’s school report card or transcript, or • Your valid Ontario Driver’s license 	<p>Create an account on AccessOAP: https://accessoap.ca/</p> <p>Register for funding through your AccessOAP account.</p> <p>For support with AccessOAP, call 1-833-425-2445 (M-F 8:30am-5:00pm)</p> <p>Have documentation scanned onto computer ready to upload into application.</p> <p>Central Resource Team: Questions specific to your OAP Funding can be directed to 1-888-444-4530</p>
<p>Enhanced Respite/Medically Fragile and/or Technically Dependent (MFTD)</p>	<p>Be under 18 years of age</p> <p>Live at home</p>		<p>For more information call your local regional office MCCSS Tel: 905-567-7177 or visit https://www.ontario.ca/page/family-support-and-</p>

<p>Children who have an MFTD designation are eligible for additional respite funding along with their Special Services at Home.</p>	<p>Need intensive care and constant monitoring on a 24-hour basis</p> <p>Be medically fragile and/or technology dependent, meeting one of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relies on medical and technological equipment, such as mechanical ventilators, apnea monitors, renal dialysis, urinary catheters, colostomy bags • Is administered drugs intravenously • Relies on tracheotomy tube care, suctioning, oxygen support or tube feeding 		<p>respite-children-and-youth-special-needs#section-2</p> <p>To inquire about receiving an MFTD Designation, call Home and Community Care and Support Services (Central Region) Contact Information: Phone: 310-2222 – no area code required Email: info.referral@hccontario.ca Website: https://healthcareathome.ca/getting-started/</p>
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Incontinence Support (Ministry of Health)

Program & Description:	Eligibility:	What you need at time of Application:	Website/Link for Application:
<p>Easter Seals Incontinence Grant</p> <p>Annual grant that supports families with the cost of incontinence supplies</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resident of Ontario between the age of 3-18 years old • Valid health care • Chronic physical or developmental disability resulting in irreversible incontinence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health card • Contact information • Custody documentation • Signed application from medical professional 	<p>https://services.easterseals.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/Incontinence-Supplies-Grant-Application-2021.pdf</p> <p>*Medical Practitioner needs to complete portion of Application to further determine eligibility</p> <p>**Keep all receipts</p>

Canadian Government Offers Tax Credit/Benefit Programs:

Program & Description:	Eligibility:	What you need at time of Application:	Website/Link for Application:
<p>Canada Disability Tax Credit (CDTC)</p> <p>A non-refundable tax credit that helps persons with disabilities or their supporting persons reduce the amount of income tax they may have to pay</p>	<p>Approval of Form T2201</p> <p>Impairment in physical or mental functions that is severe and prolonged, resulting in a marked restriction</p>	<p>A medical practitioner has to certify that the person has a severe and prolonged impairment and provide the effects of that impairment using the T2201 Form</p>	<p>Printable Application T2201 - https://www.canada.ca/content/dam/cra-arc/formspubs/pbg/t2201/t2201-21e.pdf</p> <p>*Take Application to Medical Practitioner</p>
<p>Child Disability Benefit (CDB)</p> <p>**If family already is getting the CDTC, they will get this automatically**</p> <p>A tax-free monthly payment made to families who care for a child under age 18 with a severe and prolonged impairment in physical or mental functions</p>	<p>If you are already getting the CCB for your child who is eligible for the CDTC, you do not need to apply for the CDB. You will get it automatically.</p>		<p>https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/child-family-benefits/child-disability-benefit.html</p> <p>Tel: 1-800-387-1193</p>

Savings Planning:

Program and Description:	Eligibility:	Who to Contact:
<p>Henson Trust:</p> <p>A trust set up by families for individuals that does not have any influence over their government payments</p>	<p>Diagnosis of Developmental Disability</p>	<p>The first thing to do would be to contact a lawyer/Financial Planner who has experience establishing Henson Trusts.</p> <p>Contact: https://www.guelphfinancial.com/our-team-link</p> <p>Partners for Planning: 290 Carlaw Ave Suite 207 Toronto, ON M4M 3L1 416.232.9444 info@p4p.ca</p> <p>For more information: https://www.planningnetwork.ca/resources/henson-trust</p>
<p>Registered Disability Savings Plan:</p> <p>A long-term savings plan to help Canadians with disabilities and their families save for the future</p>	<p>The beneficiary is the person who will receive the money in the future. They must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be under 60 years of age (if you are 59, you must apply before the end of the calendar year in which you turned 59) • be a Canadian resident • be eligible for the Disability Tax Credit, and • have a Social Insurance Number (SIN) 	<p>Your local Bank Branch, or for more information call Partners for Planning at 416.232.9444</p> <p>https://www.planningnetwork.ca/resources/intro-to-the-rdsp</p>

Passes that Allow Support Persons to Enter for Free or Discounted Cost:

Program/Card Name:	Info:	Application:
<p>Access2Entertain Card</p> <p>Allows individuals who require assistance of a support person to access venues at no cost</p>	<p>Fee: \$20 for 3 years \$30 for 5 years</p> <p>Section C: must be completed by approved health care professional</p>	<p>https://access2card.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Access-2-Card-Application-Form-2020-EN-1.pdf</p>
<p>Personal Assistance for Leisure (PAL) Card</p> <p>Allows individual with a disability to be accompanied by support worker at no additional cost</p>	<p>You need 2 references to verify that the applicant has a disability</p> <p>The references must be 2 individuals who know the applicant and meets the criteria</p>	<p>https://guelph.ca/wp-content/uploads/PAL-cardApplication.pdf</p>

Community Supports - Children

Program/ Agency	Description	Registration Link
KidsAbility	<p>Offers variety of programs and services for children with developmental diagnosis</p> <p>Ages 4-21: Referrals for children and youth are made through KidsAbility</p> <p>Ages 0-4: Referrals for preschool children are done through Growing Great Generations</p>	<p>Growing Great Generations- https://www.growinggreatgenerations.ca/en/parents-and-caregivers/child-development.aspx</p> <p>KidsAbility - https://gccrm-kaccd.goldcareonline.net/kaccdcrmlive/</p>
Hopewell Children's Homes	Daytime, evening, and/or overnight respite, residential and recreational services for individuals of all ages	AIR Service Coordinator will make referral if applicable

Sunbeam Kids Hub	Short-term respite for children with Developmental Disabilities or are medically fragile or technologically dependent	https://sunbeamcommunity.ca/respite-care/
Kerry's Place Autism Services	Offers group services, respite services, behavioural services for individuals with autism only	AIR service coordinator will connect with Intake or you may self-refer via their website Website: https://www.kerrysplace.org/welcome-to-our-services-and-supports/
CMHA – Canadian Mental Health Association	Funding for recreation and parent relief – Special Services at Home	AIR Service coordinator will make referral if applicable

Respite Info

Respite Service Providers (Private)	
Barrantes & Associates: Website: https://barrantesinc.com/	Agency will provide worker
Anchor Support Services: Website: https://www.anchorrss.com/	Agency will provide worker
Bartimaeus: Website: https://www.bartimaeus.com/	Agency will provide worker
Respite Services.com: Website: https://www.respiteservices.com/ For more information or support you may contact respite@cmhaww.ca	Workers post their resume and family can hire individuals privately
For OAP providers, the families can go to: https://www.oaproviderlist.ca/ and enter their city to find Behaviour Therapists in their area.	