

# CMS

Children's Medical Services is a Georgia Department of Public Health program that works with health care providers and community partners to make sure children and youth with chronic medical conditions can easily access affordable health care services.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE CMS PROGRAM?

- Children and youth, birth to 21st birthday, who
- Have a chronic medical condition including but not limited to asthma, cystic fibrosis, diabetes, Down syndrome, epilepsy, hearing loss, spina bifida or sickle cell
  - Live in Georgia
  - Meet income requirements

## IS THERE A COST FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY CMS?

There is no cost to the family for services provided.

## WE MAY BE ABLE TO HELP YOU WITH:

- Diagnostic testing
- Durable medical equipment
- Genetic counseling
- Inpatient/outpatient hospitalization
- Medications and supplies
- Specialty appointments
- Travel assistance



For more information about CMS:  
[dph.georgia.gov/CMS](http://dph.georgia.gov/CMS)



# CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES

**Support • Care • Transition**

Ages 0-21 years



# SUPPORT PROVIDED BY CMS

## FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES:

- A care coordinator who assists the family with their child's specific health care needs
- Linkage to pediatric specialists and primary care providers in your community
- Connections to community resources
- Assistance with health care services not covered by health insurance

**“The CMS coordinator helped us every step of the way in my child’s health care journey.”**

— NICOLE CMS PARENT



**“CMS makes the process easy, which relieves a lot of stress on our family”**

— CMS PARENT

## SPECIALTY CARE CLINICS

There are ten CMS Specialty Care Clinics (Albany, Athens, Columbus, Dalton, Dublin, Gainesville, LaGrange, Macon, Valdosta and Waycross) that provide clinical services in the following specialty areas:

- Cardiac
- Developmental
- Endocrinology
- Genetic
- Nephrology
- Neurology
- Orthopedic
- Pulmonology
- Sickle Cell

# TRANSITION SERVICES

## FROM PEDIATRIC TO ADULT HEALTH CARE

- Teaching youth about their medical condition
- Helping youth feel comfortable speaking with their doctors
- Preparing youth to become responsible for their health care
- For more information about health care transition [dph.georgia.gov/childrens-health/transitioning-youth-adult-care](https://dph.georgia.gov/childrens-health/transitioning-youth-adult-care)

## LOCATION

CMS services are offered statewide in 20 community-based offices. To find the nearest CMS office, log on to [dph.georgia.gov/CMS](https://dph.georgia.gov/CMS). Use the Women and Children Service Finder and enter your zip code or county.

