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Topic: Medical Benefits

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Message: Children with disabilities can be found eligible for Medicaid and in-home services through one of two programs offered by the Department. The first program is the Medically Fragile Children's Unit which determines eligibility and enrolls children for Medicaid and in-home care through a Title XIX Waiver program. These cases are coded with a MFW case descriptor and the parent's income and resources are not considered in the eligibility determination. The second program for children is the Children's Intensive Behavior Title XIX Waiver program; these cases are coded with a DDB case descriptor, parental income and resources are not considered in the eligibility determination. Applications and eligibility determinations are made centrally by the Children's, Adults and Family (CAF) Section of DHS and once determined eligible the case is transferred to the county of residence for the child.

All disability determinations are made prior to the case transfer and each case is determined categorically eligible and is opened as a D4 case. Case management for these children is provided by field offices for medical transportation and general OHP questions and issues. Those coded with a DDB case descriptor can be enrolled in managed care while those coded a MFW will be on an open card regardless of location. Each case will be reviewed annually for changes in private health insurance and for financial and non-financial requirements for the child only; parent income and resources are not reviewed. Children in these programs may not be SSI eligible due to parental income and resource deeming, however they are Medicaid eligible as waived clients.

If you have any questions about this information, contact:

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