

Wait List Elimination Initiative

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CLTS Wait List Elimination Initiative Makes Remarkable Progress in Just Two Years

Together, state and local governments have made remarkable progress over the past two years toward the goal of eliminating the wait list for CLTS Waiver Program access. This has given more children with disabilities and their families the opportunity to live their best lives. The CLTS Waiver is a Medicaid program that provides care services and supports to children under age 22 with long-term disabilities or complex medical needs so they can remain living in their home or community.

Number of Children Waiting Decreased



Today there are just over 1,000 children waiting for help from the CLTS Waiver Program supports and services.

Over 6,000 New Children Served



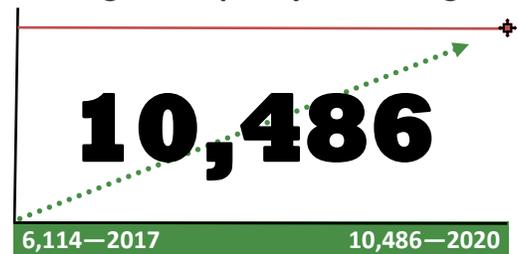
Families who may have been reluctant or discouraged by the wait list times are now reaching out for services. (👤 = 1,000 children)

Program Wait Time Shortens



The statewide average children spent waiting to enroll for services went from 876 to 190 days.

Program Capacity Increasing



The number of children the program serves at any point in time increased from approximately 6,000 in 2017 to over 10,000 in

Data as of February 29

Wisconsin is Now Within Reach of the Finish Line!

INCREASED CAPACITY

The initiative began in 2017 when the 2017-2019 state budget reduced gaps between available funds and demand for services. County waiver agencies were able to hire more staff and streamline procedures to move children through the enrollment process faster than ever before.

QUICKER ACCESS

The stress, challenges, and significant barriers families of children with special needs face has been lessened with quicker access to the program's supports and services.

ADDITIONAL FUNDING

Governor Evers' 2019-2021 biennial budget adds more funding. Wisconsin is now within reach of the initiative's goal.

