

CHILDREN'S SERVICES PROGRAMS: CROSS COMPARISON

This chart explains key features of three programs the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) operates for children with disabilities or exceptional needs and their families. These programs work with families and children to meet their health care needs and increase access to their community. The eligibility criteria for the three programs are similar. Children who qualify can enroll in any or all three of the programs at the same time. Please note that there are different rules on which services are covered through each program when using these programs together or with other health benefits.

INITIAL STEPS

What is it?

Children's Long-Term Support (CLTS) Program	Katie Beckett Medicaid	Children's Community Options Program (CCOP)
<p>The CLTS Program supports children with disabilities and their families through supports and services that help children grow and live their best lives in their home and community.</p> <p>Each child and family works with a support and service coordinator to identify supports and services they need to meet their goals. Funding can be used to access a range of services based on an assessment.</p>	<p>Katie Beckett Medicaid provides access to Wisconsin Medicaid services for children whose parents' income makes them ineligible for other Medicaid programs.</p> <p>The child can receive medically necessary services and equipment through Katie Beckett.</p>	<p>CCOP can pay for a range of supports and services not covered by other insurance or Medicaid.</p> <p>It can pay for a one-time need or can build on other supports and services, including the CLTS Waiver Program.</p>

Who should I contact?

Contact the county agency (www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/clts/contact.htm) where you live and let them know you are interested in services for the child.	Contact Katie Beckett staff by calling 888-786-3246 or email them at DHSKatieBeckett@dhs.wisconsin.gov . Do not email confidential information.	Contact the county agency (www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/clts/contact.htm) where you live and let them know you are interested in services for the child.
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How do I apply?

The first step is to contact the person or agency in the "Who should I contact" section above to start the process of learning what the child is eligible for. There are two parts to determining eligibility:

- **Functional eligibility.** Someone from the program will schedule a time to meet with you, typically in your home. During the visit, information will be gathered for a screening tool used to determine whether the child is "functionally eligible" for any of the programs listed here. You don't need to know what program you are interested in yet. The functional screen results will show what programs the child is eligible for. The results of the screen and options will be shared with you.
- **Financial eligibility.** Each program has different income limits, which will be discussed with you when you apply.

Who is eligible?

Children's Long-Term Support (CLTS) Program

- Under age 22
- Wisconsin resident
- United States citizen or acceptable immigration status
- Long-term disability, such as a developmental, physical, and/or severe mental health condition
- Live in a home or community setting

Katie Beckett Medicaid

- Under age 19
- Wisconsin resident
- United States citizen or acceptable immigration status
- Long-term disability, such as a developmental, physical, and/or severe mental health condition
- Disability determination by the U.S. Social Security Administration (SSA)
- Live in a home or community setting

Children's Community Options Program (CCOP)

- Under age 22
- Wisconsin resident
- Long-term disability, such as a developmental, physical, and/or severe mental health condition
- Live in a home or community setting

Will the child get Medicaid?

Yes, participation in the CLTS Program can provide eligibility for Medicaid if they are not already enrolled in Medicaid.

Yes, Katie Beckett Medicaid helps families whose income is normally too high for Medicaid. The child must have a disability determination. The Katie Beckett team can help families get a disability determination if they need assistance.

No, this is not a Medicaid program and the child does not need to be currently enrolled in a Medicaid program to qualify for CCOP.

You can access Medicaid separately if desired.

What services are available?

- Medical and hospital services, including BadgerCare Plus covered services (www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/badgercareplus/services.htm) as part of Medicaid
- Key program services include:
 - Service coordination
 - Community supports
 - Respite (short term breaks for families)

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- Community supports expanded to meet family-specific needs. Services available in each county may vary.
- Key program services include:
 - Community and family supports
 - Equipment

Are there fees or costs?

- **Medicaid services:** Depending on the child and/or parent income, you may be expected to pay for a portion of the cost of services. This is called a premium, deductible, or cost share.
- **CLTS services:** Depending on family income, you may be expected to pay for a portion of the cost of services. This is called parental payment liability.

No, there is no copay or cost share.

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