

Division of Special Health Services

Screening, Evaluation & Treatment for Hearing Loss

Financial Coverage Program – Helps families pay for medical services for eligible children, youth, and young adults, from birth to 21 years of age who require specialty care to diagnose and treat their chronic health conditions.

Services include:

- **Diagnostic Testing and Evaluation** – Provides coverage for services that promote early diagnosis of eligible medical conditions.
 - Eligibility can begin as early as when the birth hearing screen results in a “refer” (did not pass) until a diagnosis is confirmed or ruled out
 - Approval is not dependent on financial eligibility (family may apply regardless of income or insurance status)

- **Treatment** – Provides coverage for services to children with chronic health conditions who meet medical and financial eligibility criteria.
 - Eligibility is from diagnosis of hearing loss forward
 - Financial eligibility requirement
 - Eligibility is 185% of the Federal Poverty Level (Example: \$47,638 annually for family of 4); however,
 - Families that are over income guidelines can still be eligible with a cost-share
 - Expenses can be used to spend down a family’s cost-share amount (i.e. travel costs, insurance premiums, out of pocket medication expenses for other family members, etc.)
 - To view the most recent Federal Poverty Level, visit:
https://www.health.nd.gov/eligibility_chart

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