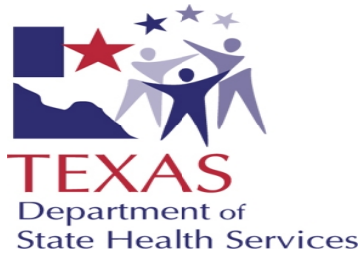


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Acknowledgement:

It is with great pride that Uniting Parents brings you the eighth edition of our resource handbook. The goal of this guide is to provide family members, parents, medical staff, service providers and anyone who advocates on behalf of families of children and youth with disabilities concise information of local, regional, state and federal programs available to individuals with disabilities. I hope this guide will be a reference that you can use over and over again. We can enrich the lives of many families of children and youth with disabilities by using this guide and other resources available in our community.

Uniting Parents is a program funded through a grant from the Department of State Health Services. Our sponsoring agency is the Coalition of Health Services, Inc.. Uniting Parents utilizes a parent case management model where the case managers are or have been the parents of a child with disabilities and/or a chronic health condition. The case managers are trained and are passionate in providing a wealth of information to families and to the community. The parent case managers utilize their experiences and knowledge to help guide families with their own children with disabilities through an array of services that can be unfamiliar and sometimes frustrating. Families and parent case managers become partners through our case management process and families have access to the following services: education, training, social networking events, advocacy, and respite.

There are many programs in our area and they change names and numbers over time. This guide is as accurate as of the day it went to print. Please help me better serve you by sending any comments regarding this resource guide to my email or my phone number found inside the pages of this resource guide and my sincere gratitude to my staff that helped me make this guide a possibility.

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Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

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Texas Attorney General-Child Support Division	806.252.8014
Teaching and Mentoring Community	806.763.4187
The Hope and Healing Place	806.371.8998
Therapy 2000	806.553.7780
Touch of CLASS	806.467.1700
Turn Center	806.353.3596
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Accolade Home Health Care - Dumas	806.934.2000
ADVO Companies, Inc.	806.342.0600
Amarillo ABA	806.367.9358
Amerigroup	800.600.4441
Angels of Care Pediatric Home Health	806.353.2700
Angel Community Services, LLC	877.2271077
ASCI Day Program—TX Panhandle Centers	806.383.1253
Baptist St. Anthony's Health System	806.212.2000
Bethesda Ministry Center	806.381.0361
Caprock Home Care	806.463.7051
Castro County Hospital District	806.647.2191
Catholic Charities	806.376.4571
Children's Medical Center of Dallas	844.424.4537
City of Amarillo	806.378.3000
City of Lubbock	806.775.3000
Childress Regional Medical Center	940.937.9100
Coalition of Health Services, Inc.	806.337.1700
Collingsworth General Hospital	806.447.2521
Community Options of Amarillo	806.379.6901
Coon Memorial Hospital	806.244.4571
Cornerstone Outreach	806.381.2131
DynaVox Technologies	800.344.1778
Epic Health Services	806.353.2101
Family Support Services	806.342.2500
FirstCare Health Plans	806.584.5311

Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services
Child Abuse & Neglect Hotline
800.252.5400 www.dfps.state.tx.us

Texas Education Agency Parent Information line 800.252.9668
[http://tea.texas.gov/Curriculum and Instructional Programs/
Special Education/](http://tea.texas.gov/Curriculum%20and%20Instructional%20Programs/Special%20Education/)

Texas Hands and Voices 936.463.8948
www.txhandsandvoices.org

Texas Health Steps Client Helpline 877.847.8377
www.txhealthsteps.com/cms

TexasLawHelp.org www.texaslawhelp.org

Texas Parent to Parent 866.896.6001
www.txp2p.org

Texas Runaway Hotline (Peer Counseling) 800.989.6884
www.dfps.state.tx.us

Texas Tech Therapeutic Riding Center 806.742.2805
www.depts.ttu.edu/afs/ttrc/

Think College www.thinkcollege.net

United Cerebral Palsy 800.872.5827
www.ucp.org

United Healthcare Children's Foundation
1-855-MY-UHCCF (1-855-698-4223) www.uhccf.org/

Wrightslaw www.wrightslaw.com



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greatest trip on earth.**

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Tomorrow**

Adolescent & Adult Programs

Amarillo City Transit

Amarillo

806.378.3095

www.ci.amarillo.tx.us

- Adult \$.75
- Children (ages 6 - 12) \$.60
- Children under 6 with paying adult – FREE
- Student - Middle/High School with ACT Transit card - \$.60
- Senior Citizens 65 and older with Medicare and City Transit ID card only - \$.35
- Medicare Card holder - \$.35
- People with Disabilities - \$.35 with ACT I.D. Card.

Spec-Trans Services:

- Individuals need to apply for this service.
- Individuals with disabilities who can not navigate the fixed route buses.
- Fares are \$1.50 for one-way trips

A public transportation providing demand responsive CURB-TO-CURB service for certified mobility-impaired citizens of Amarillo who cannot physically use accessible fixed route buses. The service is operated by Amarillo City Transit Monday through Saturday, except holidays, between 6:15 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Goodwill Industries of Northwest TX

Amarillo

806.331.6890

Plainview

806.293.1055

Lubbock

806.744.8419

www.goodwillnwtexas.org/

- Placement & Support Services
- Rehabilitation Programs
- Resources for Farmers & Ranchers with Disabilities
- Thrift Stores

Provides vocational evaluations and training, personal and social development, sheltered employment, job placement, and independent living classes for adults with disabilities. Thrift stores available with affordable clothing and household items.

Horse Play at Mesquite Ranch

806.356.7457

www.horseplayatmesquiteranch.com/

Immunization Shot Line

888.963.7111

www.dshs.state.tx.us/immunize/default.shtm

International Dyslexia Association Dallas Branch

972.233.9107 x222

www.Dyslexiaida.org

Learning Disabilities Association of Texas

www.ldat.org

Lupus Foundation of America - Lone Star Chapter

866.205.2369

www.lupus.org/lonestar

Mission Amarillo

806.322.2654

www.missionamarillo.org

Morgan's Wonderland

877.495.5888

www.morganswonderland.com

National Alliance for the Mental Illness (NAMI)

800.950.6264

www.nami.org

National AIDS Hot Line

www.thebody.com

PACER Center

800.537.2237

www.pacer.org/directions.asp

PALS Developmental Center

806.771.7257

www.palsdc.com

Panhandle Children's Foundation

806.935.5598

www.panhandlechildrensfoundation.org/

Refuge Services

806.748.7202

www.refugeservices.org/

Speak-Up Texas

877.325.8789

www.speakuptexas.com

Spina Bifida Association

800.621.3141

www.spinabifidaassociation.org

Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities

800.262.0334

www.tcdd.texas.gov

Texas Day Care Information

800.862.5252

www.dfps.state.tx.us/child_care/search_texas_child_care

Texas Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

800.628.5115

www.hhsc.state.tx.us/dhhs/index.shtml

Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs

800.525.0657

www.tdhca.state.tx.us

Additional Web Addresses & Phone Numbers

7 Star Therapeutic Riding Center	806.355.4773 www.7starhorsetherapy.org/
Aging and Disability Resource Centers	800.642.6008 www.prpc.cog.tx.us/Programs/Aging/default.html
Adult Protective Services Hotline	800. 647.7418 www.dfps.state.tx.us
Americans with Disabilities Act	800.514.0301 www.ada.gov
American Cancer Society	800.227.2345 www.cancer.org
Arthritis Foundation	800.442.6653 www.arthritis.org/texas
Autism Society of America	800.328.8476 www.autism-society.org
Brain Injury Association of Texas	800.444.6443 www.biausa.org/Texas
Corporate Angel Network (CAN)	866.328.1313 www.corpangelnetwork.org
Children with Hyperactivity and Attention Deficit Disorder (CHADD)	800.233.4050 www.chadd.com
Coalition of Texans with Disabilities	512.478.3366 www.cotwd.org
Council for Learning Disabilities	913.491.1011 www.cldinternational.org
Crisis Hotline (TPC)	800.692.4039 www.texaspanhandlecenters.org/
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation	800.344.4823 www.cff.org
Family Voices	888.835.5669 www.familyvoices.org
Foster Care and Adoption Inquiry Line	800.233.3405 www.dfps.state.tx.us/Adoption and Foster Care/children in our care.asp
Got Transition	202.223.1500 www.gottransition.org/

Legal Aid of Northwest Texas

Amarillo	Lubbock	Plainview
806.373.6808	806.763.4557	806.293.8491
Toll Free	Toll Free	Toll Free
800.955.6808	800.933.4557	800.955.8491
Hotline - 888.529.5277		www.lanwt.org

- Legal Services
- Counseling Services

Provides free civil legal services to low income residents. Free general clinics include: Power of Attorney, Adoption, Directive to Physicians, housing issues, etc.

LIFE/RUN Center for Independent Living Lifetime Independence for Everyone (LIFE) Rural Utilization Network (RUN)

Lubbock	Toll Free	
Phone & TTY 806.795.5433	800.429.4371	ww.liferun.org

- Advocacy
- Information & Referral
- Peer Support
- Independent Living Skills Training
- Home By Choice Nursing Home Relocation Program
- Deaf & Hard of Hearing Program

LIFE/RUN Centers provide individuals with disabilities the information and skills necessary to become independent and to achieve full inclusion in every aspect of their communities. Services are provided regardless of disability, age, gender, race, or ethnicity. Life Inc. consist of three independent living centers: LIFE/RUN in Lubbock, Not Without Us in Abilene, and Disability Connections in San Angelo.



Panhandle Independent Living Center (PILC)

Amarillo

806.374.1400

www.panhandleilc.org

- Employment Assistance
- Housing Assistance
- Transportation Services
- Independent Living Skills
- Peer Counseling and Support
- Programs for Youth & Adults (YES & CAN)
- Computer Training
- Recreation and Social Opportunities

PILC stimulates and promotes a growing sense of personal dignity and responsible community participation of individuals with disabilities through training, community development, advocacy, direct services to meet unmet needs, and evening transportation services.

Second Chance Foundation

Amarillo

806.212.7645

www.secondchanceama.org

- Grant Funds
- Individuals with a TX ID or TX Driver's License
- Requires equipment/services in order to be independent
- Must have exhausted all other resources

Provides grants for a wide array of needs to individuals who have a disability. The Second Chance Foundation assists those with disabilities, giving them the opportunity to lead more active and productive lives. Our goal is to extend a helping hand ... to give a second chance at life.



Texas Lions Camps - Kerrville, TX

830.896.8500

www.lionscamp.com

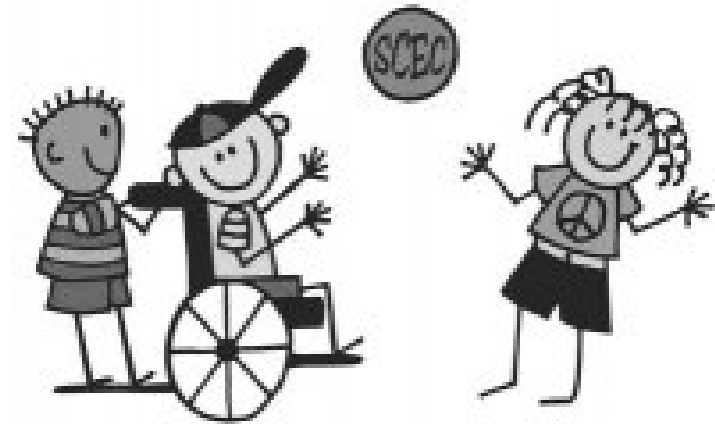
Free summer camps for children ages, 4-12 with physical disabilities, type 1 diabetes, Down Syndrome and cancer. Call your local Lions Club for dates and applications. Transportation available in some areas.

Texas Special Needs Camps and Programs

877.242.9330

www.kidscamps.com/camps/texas-specialneeds-camps.camp

This is a website that includes camps from across Texas for children with disabilities. Go to the website to do searches based on disabilities, different areas of Texas and interest.



Sea Camp - Galveston, TX**409.740.4525****www.tamug.edu/seacamp**

Marine adventure camp for children with disabilities ages 10-18 years. Call to discuss your child's needs with staff at Texas A & M University in Galveston.

Spike 'n' Wave Camp**Toll Free 888.548.9716****www.eftx.org/camp.htm**

This camp in Houston is for children with epilepsy, ages 8 to 14 and it is sponsored by the Epilepsy Foundation.

Special Olympics Texas**Amarillo
806.374.7171****Lubbock
806.788.1540****Toll Free
800.876.5646****www.specialolympicstexas.org**

Offers year-round training and competition in a variety of Olympic type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Competition is open to anyone ages eight and up. The Young Athletes Program begins at age 2.

Summer Work Experience and Empowerment Program**Project SWEEP -****Amarillo
806.351.3870****Lubbock
806.783.2930****Toll Free
800.687.7010****www.hhsc.state.tx.us**

High school graduates who are visually impaired from Abilene, Amarillo, Midland/Odessa, Wichita Falls, and Lubbock area are eligible. Students are housed at Texas Tech and receive job skills training.

Texas Asthma Camp - Tyler, TX**903.877.7000****www.texasasthmacamp.com**

This one week camp in June is for children with asthma, ages 7-14. There is a cost for this camp but scholarships are available.

Texas Elks Camp - Gonzales, TX**830.875.2425****www.texaselkscamp.org**

Children ages, 7-15 with special needs must function independently. Financial aid available. Six different sessions starting in June until first of August.

**Vocational Rehabilitation Program
(formally provided by DARS)****Amarillo
806.351.3878****Lubbock
806.783.2930****Austin
800.628.5115****Toll Free
800.687.7010****Toll Free
800.687.7032****www.twc.state.tx.us/partners/vocational-rehabilitation-providers-resources**

- Eligibility is based on individual's needs.
- Texas Resident
- Rehabilitation Services & Independent Living Services

Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program helps people with disabilities prepare for, find, and keep jobs. Services are individualized and may include counseling, training, medical treatment, assistive devices, job placement assistance, and other services. There must be the presence of a physical or mental disability that results in a substantial impediment to employment.

WorkForce Solutions Panhandle**Amarillo
806.372.5521****Lubbock
806.765.5038****www.wspanhandle.com****Toll Free
877.967.5228****Toll Free
866.765.5038**

- Resume Building
- Job Training
- Job Matching & Referrals
- Career Counseling
- Job Readiness Classes
- Community Resource Information
- Childcare Services
- Veteran Services
- Youth Services
- Career Placement & Development

Workforce Solutions Panhandle is proud to provide employment and childcare services to residents throughout the Texas Panhandle. They assist area employers in finding and hiring employees, while helping residents develop the necessary skills for obtaining the jobs of today.

Advocacy and Education

Amarillo College Disability Services

Amarillo

806.371.5436

www.actx.edu/disability

- Personalized Academic Advising & Accommodations
- Specialized Testing & ADA Classroom Accommodations
- Student Success Class
- LITE Scholarship

Works with students, faculty, and agencies to provide a smooth transition into college while providing appropriate academic accommodations. Provides funding through the Living Independently Through Education (LITE) Scholarship program, available during the Spring semester.

Arc of Texas

Austin

512.454.6694

Toll Free

800.252.9729

www.thearcoftexas.org

- Information & Referral Services
- Advocacy & Education
- Legislative Training
- Master Pooled Trust

Arc of Texas is committed to expanding opportunities for people with intellectual disabilities and other developmental disabilities. The Arc teaches individuals and their families to effectively advocate.

Burkhart Center for Autism Education and Research

Texas Tech University -Lubbock

806-742.4561

www.depts.ttu.edu/burkhartcenter

- Applied Behavioral Analysis Training (ABA)
- Family Resource Support Line
- Burkhart Transition Academy
- Project CASE: Connections for Academic Success & Employment

The Burkhart Center provides ABA training and consultations, postsecondary educational transition program for people with ASD; helps parents find resources in the community and provides both educational and social events for families.

Girl Scouts of Texas Oklahoma Plains, Inc.

Toll Free

800.582.7272

www.gs-top.org/

Many different camps are offered for girls who are already in scouts or who are interested in becoming scouts. Call your local Girl Scout office for dates of camps.

Kamp Kaleidoscope - Anna, TX

888.548.9716

www.cookchildrens.org/ForPatientsFamilies/Programs/Camps/kampkaleidoscope/Pages/default.aspx

This camp is open to teens, ages 15-19, with a primary diagnosis of epilepsy. Kamp Kaleidoscope is usually the 2nd or 3rd week in July.

Muscular Dystrophy Association Summer Camp

Ceta Canyon Methodist Camp, Happy, TX

Amarillo

806.359.3141

Lubbock

806.793.5632

www.mdausa.org

Camp for youngsters ages 6-21 who are affected by any of the 40 plus neuromuscular diseases in MDA's program and who are registered with MDA are eligible to apply. Applications are considered on a "first come, first served" basis. There is no cost to families to send their children to camp. Application forms are available at your local MDA office.

NF Family Camp - Burton, TX

972.868.7943

www.texasnf.org/camp

This camp is for families who have a child with Neurofibromatosis. NF Camp is for every member of the family, including parents, patients, siblings, extended family & caregivers.

SKY Camp - Amarillo, TX

Amarillo

806.372.7696

Toll Free

800.572.6365

www.gentivahospicefoundation.org/?nd=b_camps

Camp for students who have experienced a recent death or loss. Ages, 7-17. Held at Ceta Canyon the last week-end in June. This camp cannot accommodate physical disabilities.

Special Friends Camp - Panfork Baptist Church-

Contact: Joburta Helms at 806.681.9734

Camp for individuals, ages 14 & up who are diagnosed with intellectual disabilities and who have self-help skills. Camps begin the second week in June.

Camp Neuron 888.548.9716
www.cookchildrens.org/ForPatientsFamilies/Programs/Camps/campmda/Pages/default.aspx

Camp Neuron is for young people ages 8-14 with Epilepsy. Children & teens with Epilepsy can feel accepted, understood, & unafraid. They will explore nature, learn new skills, try new activities & make new friends.

Camp New Day 806-414-9796
www.dfhp.org

This camp held at Ceta Glen provides fun activities and support to children with Type 1 Diabetes. Children also learn skills to care for their diabetes.

Camp Sanguinity - Fort Worth, TX 682.885.7989
www.cookchildrens.org/ForPatientsFamilies/Programs/Camps/campmda/Pages/default.aspx

Camp for children with cancer, ages 6 to 16. Sponsored by Cook Children's Medical Center, Fort Worth, TX.

Camp Summit, Inc. - Argyle, TX 972.484.8900
www.campsummittx.org

Camp Summit provides a residential camping experience for children, youth and adults with disabilities in the Dallas area.

Camp Sweeney - Gainesville, TX 940.665.2011
www.campsweeney.org

Camp Sweeney is provided for children and youth with diabetes, ages 6 to 18 that live near Gainesville, TX.

Camp TLC - Meridian, TX 972.238.8755
www.cookchildrens.org/ForPatientsFamilies/Programs/Camps/camptlc/Pages/default.aspx

Camp TLC is held in early June for children & teens ages 8-15 with Spina Bifida. Children get self-esteem that comes from the fun & independence of summer camp.

Camp X-Treme - Burton, TX 713.797.5997
www.campxtreme.com

This camp is for children 8-21 years with physical disabilities. Camp X-Treme is held at Camp For All in the Houston area.

Disability Rights Texas

Amarillo/Lubbock Area
806.765.7794

State Toll Free Number
800.252.9188

www.disabilityrightstx.org

- Information & Referral Services
- Advocacy
- Legal guidance related to special education

Disability Rights Texas (DRTx) protects and advocates for the rights of people with disabilities. They provide legal assistance, educate and inform policy makers, family members & the community about the rights of people with disabilities, and make referrals to programs and services.

High Point Village

Lubbock
800.698.0015

www.highpointvillage.org

- Youth & Adults with Disabilities
- Educational Center

High Point Village provides enrichment activities including Reach High, a day program for adults, Afternoon Enrichment classes, a Special Olympics team, summer camps, and various social parties during the year.

National Lekotek Center

Toll Free
800.366.7529

www.lekotek.org

- Support & Information to families
- Toy Lending Library
- Play Sessions & Playgroups
- Training for Professionals & Parents

The National Lekotek Center, a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, provides an array of services to improve the lives of children with special needs through the utilization of toys and play. It features libraries of toys, adaptive equipment, electronic materials, and books for families to borrow.

National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD)

Toll Free
800.999.6673

<https://rarediseases.org>

- Available Nationwide
- Clearinghouse of Information
- Education & Advocacy
- Patient Assistance Services

Provides a clearinghouse of literature on rare disorders and offers networking, support, and education to families with children having similar disorders. Provides advocacy and support to providers.

Navigate Life TX

www.navigatelifetexas.org

- Web Based Statewide Support & Information
- Created for Parents by Parents
- Available in Multiple Languages

Features information and resources for families based on disabilities, ages, topics, blogs, and connects parents to local organizations. This web based site is created for parents by parents.

Partners Resource Network

Parent Education Network (PEN)

Lubbock Regional Office Toll Free
806.762.1434 **877.762.1435** www.penproject@sbcglobal.net

- Training for Parents
- Information & Referral Services
- Available Statewide
- Emotional Support

PEN is a grant project of the Partners Resource Network. The purpose of PEN is to empower parents of children and youth with disabilities in their roles as parents, decision-makers, advocates for their children and federally funded Parent Education & Information Center

Region 16 & 17 Education Service Centers (ESC)

Amarillo ESC 16

806.677.5200

www.esc16.net

Lubbock ESC 17

806.792.4000

www.esc17.net

- Education & Training Opportunities for Professionals and Parents
- Technical Assistance & Information
- Non-Educational Community Based Services for Children at Risk of Placement

The Special Education departments of Region 16 and 17 provide professional development and technical assistance in the areas of assistive technology, auditory impairments, autism, behavior, evaluation, low-incidence populations, parent coordination/involvement, Preschool Programs of Children with Disabilities, progress in the general curriculum, speech-language pathology, statewide assessment, transition, and visual impairments. Direct services within districts is provided in the areas of orientation and mobility, teacher of the visually impaired, and auditory impairments.

Camp Broncho

682.885.4048

www.cookchildrens.org/ForPatientsFamilies/Programs/Camps/CampBroncho/Pages/default.aspx

Camp Broncho is a week long for children ages 7-12 who have mild or severe asthma. Camp provides asthma education & management skills along with promoting self-care, self-image, & independence for children with asthma sponsored by Cook Children's Hospital.

C.A.M.P. (Children's Association for Maximum Potential) Center

Point, TX

830.634.2267

www.cookchildrens.org/ForPatientsFamilies/Programs/Camps/campcamp/Pages/default.aspx

Residential camping sessions are available for people with disabilities, ages 5 to 21, and their siblings. Residential camping sessions are available for people with disabilities, ages 5 to 21, and their siblings.

Camp Challenge - Belton

254.702.7296

www.campchallenge.org

This camp is for older academic students ages 12-16 to explore a variety of intensive mental & physical recreational challenges within a supportive environment. All participants must have the physical & social ability to participate in the intense & demanding program. Each student participating in Camp Challenge remain at TSVI until the final ceremony & reception are over.

Camp Courage

682.885.5872

www.cookchildrens.org/ForPatientsFamilies/Programs/Camps/campcourage/Pages/default.aspx

This camp is for sibling of patients with a chronic illness or a life changing injury. There are two camps; a day camp for siblings ages 6-12 & a week-end retreat for those ages 13-18.

Camp El Tesoro - Fort Worth, TX

817.831.2111

www.campfirefw.org

This camp is for children with mild physical and mental disabilities, grades 1 to 12. It is sponsored by Camp Fire USA First Texas Council in Fort Worth.

Camp MDA - Meridian, TX

888.548.9716

www.cookchildrens.org/ForPatientsFamilies/Programs/Camps/campmda/Pages/default.aspx

Camp MDA is for children ages 7-17 with Muscular Dystrophy. For a whole week during the summer, kids & teen can experience new things & meet other kids with MD.

Recreational/Leisure Services

Boy Scouts of America

806.358.6500

www.goldenspread.org

Boy Scouts of America South Plains Council

806.747.2631

www.southplainscouncil.org

Camp and after school opportunities are offered for registered Cubs and/or Scouts. Contact your local group for registration information.

Camp Agape - Montezuma, New Mexico

806.881.8106

www.campagapeamarillo.com/

El Porvenir Christian Camp is for students 10 and older who have intellectual disabilities and are ambulatory and capable of basic self-help skills. Individuals are matched with camp counselors for a positive experience. Registration fee.

Camp Agape—Talon Point Channing, TX

806.881.8106

www.campagapeamarillo.com/

Camp Agape at Talon Point is a free camp for adults with disabilities.

Camp Teen Agape at the Point is a free camp for 13 to 20 year olds with a disability and their families.

Camp Junior Agape at the point is a free camp for 3 to 12 year olds with a disability and their families.

Camp Alphie - Ceta Canyon Retreat Center

www.campalphie.org

This free camp is available to children 7-14 years of age who have or have had cancer and their siblings. Parents can also enjoy Parents' Camp at the same time.

Camp Aurora

Dallas

817.332.7110 ext. 6110

www.diabetes.org/in-my-community/diabetes-camp/camps/arora.html

Diabetes Day Camp is a week long for children with diabetes, ages 6 to 12. Sponsored by Diabetes Association, Inc..

Lubbock

806.794.0691



Texas Home Visiting

Amarillo

806.337.1700

www.cohs.net/THVP-Home-Page

Toll Free

888.892.2273

www.cohs.net

- Early Head Start/Region 16
- Parents as Teachers
- Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPIY)

The program is available in more than 40 counties in Texas and available in Potter, Randall & Lubbock counties to help good people be great parents. The program matches families with a trained home visitor who comes to your home or a convenient location. This program is for expectant parents and parents with children five years old and under. Parent topics include: learning new ways to keep children happy and healthy, getting children ready for school, and understanding how important parents are to a child's learning and well-being, etc....

Uniting Parents

Administrative Office –

Amarillo

806.337.1700 ext. 212

888.892.2273

www.cohs.net/Uniting-Parents

Dumas Sub-office

806.935.8687

800.442.7893

Lubbock Sub-office

806.785.5818

877.488.9068

www.cohs.net

- Parent Case Management Services
- Information & Referral Services
- Education & Advocacy
- Transition to Adulthood
- Post Secondary Scholarships

This program offers a network of support to families caring for children with chronic illnesses and/or disabilities under the age of 21 across 32 TX Panhandle counties at no cost. Families are linked to trained parents who have experience in raising a child with a disability or chronic illness. The parent case managers help families and/or young adults with disabilities find the resources they need. Uniting Parents is one of several programs at the Coalition of Health Services, Inc., a non profit agency.

Where The Learning Continues (WTLC)

Canyon

806.651.2037

www.wtamu.edu/academics/eod-where-the-learning-continues.aspx

- Provides a Post-High School Education for high functioning young adults with intellectual disabilities
- Four-year program reinforces subjects learned in high school, like math and vocabulary, and further builds skills for independence
- Students attend class Monday through Thursday from 8 am to 11 am on the WT campus during the fall and spring semesters.

WTLC provides a post-high school educational experience. After completing 8 semesters students participate in the WTAMU commencement ceremonies earning a certificate of completion. The WTLC program is not eligible for academic credit.



Learning Knows No Bounds

Texas Panhandle Centers (TPC)

Respite Services

Amarillo

806.351.3212

www.texaspanhandlecenters.org/

- Must Have Intellectual Disabilities (IQ below 70) or Related Condition
- All Ages Accepted
- Must Complete Screening/Intake Process
- Medicaid, Private Insurance, or Sliding Scale Fees Apply

Services include: on-site facility respite program, short term respite services, and 24 hour per day placement designed to provide relief to consumers and their families.

***Respite services are also available under some of the Medicaid Waiver Programs found on pages 25-27.*



Families' Respite Program

Uniting Parents

Amarillo	Dumas Sub-office	Lubbock Sub-office
806.337.1700 ext. 212	806.935.8687	806.785.5818
888.892.2273	800.442.7893	877.488.9068
www.cohs.net/Uniting-Parents		www.cohs.net

(32 Texas Panhandle counties including Lubbock area)

- Respite Reimbursement
- Camp Scholarships
- Post Secondary Scholarship
- Parent Networking Opportunities
- Ages 0-21

Support can be found by providing respite reimbursement to give family members a break from the daily care of a loved one with disabilities. Activity scholarships are available for the inclusion of children with disabilities in the community. Families' Respite is one of several programs at the Coalition of Health Services, Inc.

Non-Educational Community-Based Support Services

Region 16 Special Education Services - Amarillo
806.677.5210 www.esc.16.net

Region 17 Special Education Services - Lubbock
806.792.4000 www.esc17.net

- Eligible Students with Disabilities
- Respite Care
- Attendant Care
- Funds for Non-Educational Needs
- Offered Statewide Through Educational Service Center & CRCG's

Funds are used for eligible students with disabilities who, without the provision of non-educational community-based support services, would remain or would have to be placed in residential facilities for education reasons. The intent of the state legislation is for LEAs to provide services that are unallowable purchases with education funds, to help families of this population care for their students, and to enable families to better cope with having an individual with a disability at home.

Family Support Programs

Arc of Potter & Randall County

Fax 816-371-9245

susanstokes@suddenlink.net

- Support, Information & Financial Assistance
- Residents of Potter & Randall Counties

Limited services are available to families of children and adults with special health care needs. Families receiving services from the Arc of Potter/Randall Counties Chapter must not be receiving funding from another source.

Better Understanding of Down Syndrome (BUDS)

Lubbock

210.426.2121

www.budsonline.net

- Lubbock & Eastern New Mexico Area
- Advocacy Services for people with Down Syndrome
- Support, Information & Referral Services

This organization provides education, information and support to families who have loved ones with Down Syndrome including support and encouragement to new parents of babies with Down Syndrome. Organizes educational and social opportunities for individuals with Down Syndrome and their families to encourage social and physical development.

Children Miracle Network (CMN)

806.331.6939 **806.331.6938** **www.cmnamarillo.org/home.html**

- Life saving equipment for rural hospitals
- Family Grants to help pay for medical services
- Child Life Specialists programs at BSA & NWTN

CMN is dedicated to promoting and improving the quality of children's healthcare. These partnerships help local kids receive the best medical care in Amarillo by partnering with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Amarillo to purchase equipment for their Pediatric department & recruiting more sub specialty pediatric doctors to Amarillo.

Compassionate Friends

Toll Free

877.969.0010

www.compassionatefriends.org

- Available Nationwide
- Support & Information

Compassionate Friends is a national self-help, non-denominational organization offering friendship and understanding to bereaved parents, grandparents, and siblings.

Early Childhood Intervention Programs (ECI)

Region 16 ESC ECI

20 Northern Counties

806.677.5228

www.esc16.net

Central Plains Center ECI-

Plainview

806.291.4419

www.clplains.org

- Available Statewide
- Children younger than 3 years old
- Developmental Delay or Qualifying Diagnosis
- Case Management Services

Provides a variety of home based services including: case management, therapies, evaluations, support, guidance, and other support services to families in order to help in the development and well-being of their baby.

Epilepsy Foundation of Texas

Amarillo

806.352.5426

Lubbock

806.785.1171

Toll Free

888.548.9716

www.eftx.org

- Services Adults & Children
- Public and Professional Education & Awareness Program
- Camp & Recreation Programs for people

Services are provided in the twenty-six counties of the Texas Panhandle and the fourteen counties of the South Plains. Education & consultation services and specialized medical care are provided.

Respite Resources

Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) Respite Services

Region 16 ESC/ECI

20 upper counties of the TX Panhandle

806.677.5220

www.esc16.net/default.aspx?name=ECI.Services

Toll Free

800.250.2246

Texas Panhandle Centers ECI

Potter & Randall Counties

806.358.8974

www.texaspanhandlecenters.org/early-childhood-intervention.html

Plainview area Central Plains Centers ECI

806.291.4416

www.centralplains.org/services/eci

Lubbock area ECI - DEBT Program

806.219.0500

www.lubbockisd.org/pages/Lubbock_ISD_TX/Top_Navigation-Folders_Docs_Li/Staff/Departments/Central_Office_Departments__A/ECI_-_DEBT

www.dars.state.tx.us/ecis/index.shtml

- Respite Care for Children, Birth to 3 Years Old
- Infants with Developmental Delays
- Enrolled in the ECI Program
- Limited Funding

Children enrolled in the ECI program can access respite services. Caregivers for this service are chosen by parents to provide respite care. Reimbursement for respite services is provided through the ECI program and arranged through the parents and their case worker.



Texas Home Living Program (TxHmL)

www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/TxHmL.html

- Must Have an Intellectual Disability
- Medicaid Eligible
- On HCS Interest List
- Live in Their Own Home or With Their Family

Once on HCS interest list individuals are pulled at the state level according to interest list status and meanwhile continue to be on HSC interest list while receiving TxHmL services. Parents cannot place their child on this waiting list. Eligible persons must already have Medicaid to qualify for this program. This is an option for families who are waiting for HCS services. Services include: therapies, home modification, adaptive aids, respite, community support, behavior support, nursing, employment supports, etc.

Please refer back to HCS on page 26 for further information.

Youth Empowerment Service (YES Waiver)

Texas Panhandle Centers (TPC) -Amarillo area

806.351.3212

www.txpan.org

[www://www.dshs.texas.gov/mhsa/yes/](http://www.dshs.texas.gov/mhsa/yes/)

- Must Have Serious Emotional Disturbance
- Ages 3 to 18 Years of Age
- Provides Comprehensive Home & Community-Based Mental Health Services
- Meet the Criteria to be in a Psychiatric Hospital

The YES Waiver not only provides flexible supports and specialized services to children and youth at risk of institutionalization up to the age of 19 and/or out-of-home placement due to their serious emotional disturbance, but also strives to provide hope to families by offering services aimed at keeping children and youth in their homes and communities.



Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC)

Amarillo 806.376.7214	Lubbock 806.744.7632	Toll Free 806.252.9330	www.hhsc.state.tx.us
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- Legal Resident of the United States
- Based on Family Income & Resources
- Ages vary based on programs available

HHSC assists eligible families with food stamps (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), CHIP, Medicaid, Medicaid Buy-In, medical services for pregnant women & children, etc.

Make-A-Wish Foundation North Texas

Amarillo 806.358.9943	Lubbock 806.785.9474	Toll Free 800.242.7167	www.ntx.wish.org
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- Children under 18 years old
- Life-Threatening Illness
- Child's Physician determines eligibility

Make-A-Wish will grant any child with a life-threatening illness a wish of his/her dreams to enrich the human experience with hope, strength, and joy.

Panhandle Community Services (PCS)

Amarillo 806.372.2531	Toll Free 800.676.4727	www.pcsvcs.org
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- Section 8 Rental Assistance (HUD)
- Transportation
- Weatherization
- Utility Assistance

A non-profit community action center serving the needs of people with low income, individuals with disabilities, and elderly in the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle through case management services and other programs such as Family Development Program.



Panhandle Down Syndrome Guild (PDSG)

Amarillo

806.670.1568

www.panhandledsg.org

- Community Awareness
- Education & Networking
- Social Events
- Texas Panhandle
- All Ages Welcomed

The Panhandle Down Syndrome Guild increases public awareness about Down syndrome to assist families in addressing the needs of children born with this genetic condition and to sponsor community events. Works with the NDSS to dispel the myths associated with Down Syndrome, while helping people with Down Syndrome achieve their full potential in community life. PDSG develops and disseminates current information materials, as well as plans activities to increase an acceptance of people with Down Syndrome.

Ronald McDonald House

Amarillo

806.358.8177

www.rmhcofamarillo.org/web

Dallas

214.631.7354

www.rmhdallas.org

Lubbock

806.744.8877

www.rmhcsouthwest.com

Houston

713.795.3500

www.rmhhouston.org/

- Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. – 7 p.m.
- Funding: Private Contributions
- Temporary Lodging
- Transportation to Nearby Hospitals

Affordable lodging for families with a critically ill child being treated at a local medical facility. Cost is affordable and there is a Share a Stay program to assist families in financial need.

Home and Community-Based Services (HCS)

Intakes at the following centers:

Texas Panhandle Centers (TPC) -Amarillo area

806.351.3212

www.txpan.org

Star Care -Lubbock area

806.740.1421

www.lubbockmhmr.org

Central Plains Centers –Plainview area

806.293.2636

www.clplains.org

www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/hcs.html

- Available Statewide
- Persons with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism
- All ages

Provides individualized services and supports to persons with intellectual disabilities who are living with their family, in their own home, in other community settings, or group homes with less than 4 residents. Services include case management, therapy services, habilitation, residential assistance, nursing, dental treatment, supported employment, adaptive aids/supplies, and home modifications.

Medically Dependent Children's Program (MDCP)

Toll Free

877.438.5658

www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/mdcp.html

- Available Statewide
- Meet disability criteria for Social Security or Medicaid
- Meet criteria for admission into a nursing home
- Younger than 21

MDCP provides a variety of services to qualified children allowing them to live at home, such as respite services, home modifications, adaptive aids, homemaker services, and supports to enable eligible children to participate in childcare, post secondary education, or increase a person's independence.

Medicaid Waivers

Traditionally waives income guidelines. Children with disabilities become eligible for Medicaid based on their own income and not their parent's income and their disability. Services may not be available right away so you will be put on an interest list and contacted when services become available.

Community Living Assistance and Support Services (CLASS)

Toll Free

877.438.5658 www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/class.html

- Diagnosed with a Related Condition Before Age of 22.
- In need of Habilitation and Case Management Services.
- Must Live in Your Own or Your Family's Home.

Provides home and community-based services to people with related conditions as a cost-effective alternative to an intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability or related conditions (ICF/IID) such as: respite care, nursing services, adaptive aids/supplies, home modifications, case management, attendant care, specialized therapies, and other related services.

Deaf-Blind Multiple Disabilities Program (DBMD)

Toll Free

877.438.5658 www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/dbmd.html

- Individuals Who are Deaf-Blind & Have Another Disability
- Diagnosed by the Age of 22
- Must Meet Level of Care Criteria for Placement in an ICF/IID.

Provides home and community-based services to consumers to communicate and interact with their environment. It is a cost-effective alternative to an intermediate care facility for individuals with an intellectual disability or related conditions (ICF/IID). Services include: respite care, nursing services, adaptive aids/supplies, home modifications, case management, attendant care, orientation & mobility services, specialized therapies, assistive living, chore provider, and other related services.

Specialized Telecommunications Assistance Program (STAP)

Lubbock

806.795.5433 ext. 121

www.liferun.org

- Available Statewide
- Low-Income Individuals
- Provides Economic Equipment

STAP is a voucher program that provides financial assistance to Texans with disabilities that interfere with access to the telephone networks for the purchase of specialized assistive equipment or services. STAP services are available to any Texan with a disability of any kind. LIFE/RUN's STAP Specialist will identify, certify, and assist consumers in applying for specialized telecommunications devices in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains Region.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

Amarillo

877.803.6318

Lubbock

866.467.0460

www.ssa.gov

- Available Statewide
- Children with Disabilities may Qualify
- Based on Family Income & Resources

Provides Medicaid coverage and monthly income assistance to eligible individuals who meet the strict criteria in the areas of disability, citizenship, finances, and resources.

Texas Department of Insurance

Toll Free

800.578.4677

www.tdi.state.tx.us

- Available Statewide
- Information & Advocacy

Assists families including parents of children with disabilities with problems they encounter with their insurance company.

Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Austin

512.454.8631

Toll Free

800.872.5273

www.tsbvi.edu/

- Special Public School
- Ages 6 through 21
- Blind, Deaf-blind, or Visually Impaired

They have three programs (Outreach, Short-Term Programs, Comprehensive K-12 Programs) delivering services throughout Texas. TSBVI works within a statewide network as partners with local school districts, educational service centers and related agencies. They offer a range of options to provide support to local educational teams when they request assistance in educating their students.

**Texas Panhandle Centers (TPC)
Autism Program**

Amarillo
806.358.1681 www.texaspanhandlecenters.org/autism-program/

- Intensive Interventions for Children with Autism
- Education & Skills Development
- Children ages 18 months to 10 years

The focus of the Autism Program is to provide individualized and group treatment that will teach children the necessary skills to function appropriately within their families and community. Program staff will work closely with parents to instruct them on using Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) procedures to help their children achieve their maximum level of functioning. Texas Panhandle Centers Autism Program is based on a sliding scale. Insurance and private pay also accepted.

**Texas Panhandle Centers (TPC)
Child and Adolescent Services**

Amarillo Toll Free
806.354.2191 800.692.4039 www.texaspanhandlecenters.org/childrens-services/

Lubbock Toll Free
806.740.1421 800.687.7581 www.lubbockmhmr.org

Plainview
Central Plains Center
806.293.2636 www.clplains.org

Whiteaker Youth Center
806.291.4470

- Sliding Scale Fee, Insurance or Medicaid
- Services for Children at Risk
- Ages 3-17

Services available for individuals diagnosed with mental disorders, emotional disturbances, at risk of placement, or whose daily functioning is significantly impaired.



The Pavilion Hospital - Northwest Texas Healthcare System
Amarillo Toll Free
806.354.1810 800.537.2585 www.pavilionnwtexashealthcare.com

- 24 Hour Emergency Assessments
- Intensive Outpatient Program
- Aftercare Groups
- Addiction Treatment
- First Responder/Military Services Groups

Call Access at the above phone number to access confidential mental health assessments. It is now possible to go directly to the Pavilion in case of an emergency or non-emergency for an assessment instead of the emergency room to save time and ensure privacy. Public school services available through the Pavilion as well as veteran services. In case of an emergency call 911.



Shriners Hospital

Houston
713.797.1616
Toll Free
800.853.1240

Galveston
409.770.6600
Toll Free
888.215.3109

www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org

- Children younger than 18
- Children who need orthopedic, burn, or cleft palate services
- No Cost

Children up to age 18 with orthopedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, and cleft lip and palate are eligible for care at Shriners Hospitals for Children and receive all services regardless of the patients' ability to pay.

Star Kids

www.hhs.texas.gov/services/health/medicaid-and-chip/programs/star-kids

- Children who are 20 or younger that have a disability
- Covered by Medicaid
- SSI or/and Medicare, MDCP, YES, ICF/IID or nursing facility, Medicaid Buy-In, or gets services through DADS and IDD waiver programs

STAR Kids is a new Texas Medicaid managed care program that will provide Medicaid benefits, as of November 2016, to children & adults 20 & younger who have disabilities. Managed care means that you will pick a health plan that will provide the health services you need through a network of doctors, specialists, and other providers. Those enrolling in the STAR Kids program will choose a health plan and a primary care physician or clinic who will provide basic medical services.

Star +Plus Program

www.hhs.texas.gov/services/health/medicaid-and-chip/programs/starplus

- 21 or Older Receiving SSI & Medicaid
- With a Disability or
- Receiving Medicaid through the Social Security Exclusion Programs or
- Residing in a Nursing Home & on Medicaid or
- Star +Plus Home and Community Based Waiver Service

STAR+PLUS is a Texas Medicaid managed care program for people who have disabilities or are age 65 or older. People in STAR+PLUS get Medicaid health-care and long-term services and support through a medical plan that they choose. Another feature of STAR+PLUS is service coordination. A STAR+PLUS staff member works with the member, the member's family, and the member's doctors and other providers to help the member get the medical and long-term services and support they need.

Texas Panhandle Centers (TPC)

Services to At Risk Youth and their Families (STAR)

Amarillo 806.359.2005	After Hours 866.358.1681	Borger 806.274.2297	
Dalhart 806.244.7297	Hereford 806.363.7695	Pampa 806.662.9666	Perryton 806.435.3601

www.texaspanhandlecenters.org/services-to-at-risk-youth-star-program/

- No Cost
- Ages 0-17
- Children who have Runaway, Been Truant, Delinquent, or have Experienced Family Conflict

Services provided to families and children include: counseling, crisis resolution/interventions, anger management, prevention of child abuse and neglect, emergency residential placement, parent education, and case management.

Texas Panhandle Centers (TPC)

Suicide and Crisis Center

Amarillo 806.359.6699	Toll Free 800.692.4039	www.texaspanhandlecenters.org/saving-lives/
Lubbock 806.740.1414	Toll Free 800.687.7581	
Plainview	800.687.1300	www.lubbockmhm.org www.clplains.org

- 24 hour Crisis Line
- Resident of the Top 32 Counties of Texas
- No Cost

24-hour source of emergency assistance for suicide and crisis situations, information and referral, and educational presentations for youth and adults on stress management and suicide prevention.

Texas Parent to Parent (TxP2P)

Toll Free
888.896.6001

www.txp2p.org

- Matching Parent Program
- Parent Listservs in 10 Different Areas Statewide
- Annual Parent Conference
- Online Resource Directory

A statewide non-profit created by parents for parents of children with disability. Provides support, information, & education to families of children with disabilities. TxP2P provides services to families of children of all ages.

Texas Scottish Rite Hospital

Toll Free
800.421.1121

www.tsrhc.org

- Younger than 18 & who needs Orthopedic Care
- Ages 5 to 14 with Learning Disabilities/Dyslexia
- No Cost
- Requires a Doctor's Referral
- Texas Resident

Provides free medical care for orthopedic problems, neuromuscular disorders such as muscular dystrophy, palsies, and spinal muscular atrophy, and learning disorders and dyslexia.

Texas State Library's Talking Book Program

Austin
512.463.5458

Toll Free
800.252.9605

www.tsl.texas.gov/tbp/gstarted.html

- Books & Magazines in Large Print, Braille, or Tape
- Special Equipment
- Quarterly Newsletter

Provide free library service to Texans of all ages who can not read print materials due to visual, physical, or permanent disability. Our books & magazines are available in different formats, cassette, in recording, writing in relief & large print. Best of all, books are delivered right to your door & you can return by mail free of charge.

Texas Technology Access Program (TTAP)

Toll Free
800.828.7839

www.techaccess.edb.utexas.edu

Amarillo/Located at Specialized Therapy Service 806.468.9400

- Demonstration on the different types of tools
- Loan Program - Tools or Grants
- Recycle & Reuse Program

Assistant Technology is a tool or service used by individuals with disabilities to help improve their quality of life and increase their independence. The TTAP Program works to improve access, advocacy, and awareness of assistive technology to meet the needs of Texans with disabilities.

Medicaid Buy-In for Children

Amarillo
806.376.7214

Lubbock
806.791.7502

Toll Free
211

www.yourtexasbenefits.hhsc.texas.gov/programs/health/child/buy-in

- Child younger than 18 & not married
- Meet the SSI disability rules
- U.S. citizen and/or TX legal resident

Medicaid Buy-In for Children can help pay medical bills for children with disabilities. This program helps families who need health insurance, but make too much money to get traditional Medicaid. Families "buy in" to Medicaid by paying a monthly premium. This program pays for many health-care services for children.

Medical Transportation Program (MTP)

Toll Free
877.633.8747

www.dshs.texas.gov/cshcn/mtp.shtm

- Available Statewide
- Medicaid or Children with Special Health Care Needs recipients
- Children & Adults on Medicaid

MTP sets up non-emergency rides for people who have no other way to get to their Medicaid health-care visits. This includes people on Medicaid, children who get services through the CSHCN program, and people in the Transportation of Indigent Cancer Patients program. The program can pay back (reimburse) someone who uses their personal car to drive a Medicaid or CSHCN client to their appointment.

Personal Care Services (PCS)

Canyon
806.655.7151

Lubbock
806.791.7502

Toll Free
888.2076.0702

www.dshs.texas.gov/Caseman/PCS.shtm

- Physical or mental disability and/or health problem
- Medicaid Eligibility
- Children under the age of 20
- Physician Statement Required

PCS is a Medicaid benefit that helps clients with everyday tasks. These tasks are called activities of daily living (ADLs) and instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs) such as: bathing, eating, going to the toilet, dressing, walking, laundry, light housework & fixing meals.

**Health Insurance Premium Payment Program
(HIPP - Medicaid) OR
Insurance Premium Payment Assistance
(IPPA- CSHCN)**

**Toll Free
800.440.0493**

www.gethipptexas.com

- Available Statewide
- Medicaid Eligible
- Child covered under employer based insurance

HIPP or IPPA is a Texas Medicaid program that pays for the cost of medical premiums for Medicaid recipients and CSHCN. The program reimburses clients or employers for payment of private health insurance when a person is eligible for Medicaid, covering costs such as co-pays and co-insurance costs.

Health and Human Services (HHS)

Amarillo	Lubbock	Toll Free	
806.376.7214	806.791.7502	211	www.hhs.texas.gov

- Legal Resident of the United States
- Based on Family Income & Resources
- Ages vary based on programs available

HHSC assists eligible families with food stamps (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), CHIP, Medicaid, Medicaid Buy-In, medical services for pregnant women & children, etc....

Medicaid Buy-In for Adults

Amarillo	Lubbock	Toll Free
806.376.7214	806.791.7502	211

www.yourtexasbenefits.hhs.texas.gov/programs/health/disability-or-65plus/buy-in

- Adults who are working
- Have a physical, intellectual, developmental, or mental disability.
- Don't live all the time in a nursing home, state hospital, or intermediate care facility for people with intellectual disabilities.

Medicaid Buy-In for Adults can help pay medical bills for adults with disabilities. This program helps adults who need health insurance, but make too much money to get traditional Medicaid. Adults "buy in" to Medicaid by paying a monthly premium. This program pays for many health-care services for adults.

Uniting Parents

Administrative Office –

Amarillo	Dumas Sub-office	Lubbock Sub-office
806.337.1700 ext. 212	806.935.8687	806.785.5818
888.892.2273	800.442.7893	877.488.9068
www.cohs.net/Uniting-Parents		www.cohs.net

- Parent Case Management Services
- Information and Referral Services
- Education & Advocacy
- Transition to Adulthood
- Post Secondary Scholarships

This program offers a network of support to families caring for children with chronic illnesses and/or disabilities under the age of 21 across 32 TX Panhandle counties at no cost. Families are linked to trained parents who have experience in raising a child with a disability or chronic illness. The parent case managers help families and/or young adults with disabilities find the resources they need. Uniting Parents is one of several programs at the Coalition of Health Services, Inc., a non profit agency.

Vocational Rehabilitation Program

Amarillo	Lubbock	Austin
806.351.3878	806.783.2930	800.628.5115
Toll Free:	Toll Free:	
800.687.7010	800.687.7032	www.twc.state.tx.us/

- Available Statewide
- For individuals who are Blind and/or Visually Impaired

Assists blind or visually impaired individuals and their families with training and services, depending upon their goals and needs.



Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC)

Amarillo 806.371.1119	Dumas 806.935.4494	Plainview 806.293.0182
Lubbock 806.907.0080	Toll Free 800.942.3678	www.dshs.state.tx.us/wichd/

- Available Statewide
- Pregnant Women & Postpartum Women
- Children Under the Age of 5

Provides prenatal and postpartum care for women and their newborn. Also, provides pediatric well baby services, immunizations, food and formula distribution, & nutrition education for low-income families with children younger than 5.

WorkForce Solutions Panhandle - Child Care Services

Amarillo/Texas Panhandle 806.372.5521	Lubbock/South Plains 806.744.3572
Toll Free 800.658.2662	Toll Free 800.658.6284
www.wspanhandle.com	www.spworkforce.org

- Financial assistance for child care
- Serves children from birth to 13 years of age
- Special funding for children with disabilities; must have doctor's note stating disability

Texas Workforce Commission provides financial assistance for child-care services in different settings to families that meet eligibility requirements. Also, provides training, support, and technical assistance for child-care providers.



Medical Programs

Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

Toll Free
211 www.chipmedicaid.org

- Available Statewide
- Ages, 0-18
- Must not have Medicaid or Private Insurance

Children in Texas without health insurance may be able to get low cost or free health coverage from the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). This program covers office visits, prescription drugs, dental care, eye exams, glasses, and much more. Premiums are based on income, expenses, and number of family members.

Children With Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN SP) Department Of State Health Services - Region 1

Canyon 806.655.7151	Lubbock 806.783.6452	Toll Free 800.252.8023
www.dshs.state.tx.us/cshcn		www.dshs.state.tx.us/cshcn

- Texas Resident
- CSHCN Coverable Condition
- Younger than 21 or any age with Cystic Fibrosis
- Income Requirements

Medical services include and mirror those of the Medicaid program such as medical, dental, mental health, prescriptions, durable medical equipment, therapies, case management, transportation, Family Support Services (FSS), Insurance Premium Payment Assistance (IPPA), etc. CSHCN applicants must apply for Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and send copies of determination to the regional DSHS office.

Community First Choice (CFC)

Toll Free
877.541.7905
www.hhs.texas.gov/services/health/medicaid-and-chip/programs/community-first-choice

- Medicaid Eligible
- Need help with activities of daily living
- Need an institutional level of care.

CFC is a program that enables Texas Medicaid to provide the most cost effective approach to basic attendant and habilitation service delivery. The services available in CFC are: personal assistance services, habilitation services, emergency response services, and support management.