

Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Center (CYSHCN) - Southern Region

The regional CYSHCN Center provides free and confidential assistance to parents of children with special health care needs. Specialists provide callers with information and referrals on a full range of services and programs for children with special needs, birth to 21. The network also includes the Wisconsin First Step Hotline, **800-642-7837**, which is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

ELIGIBILITY

Is My Family Eligible?

The services of the Southern Regional Center for CYSHCN and the Hotline are available free to all residents of Iowa County (as well as residents of Adams, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Grant, Green, Juneau, Lafayette, Richland, Rock, Sauk and Vernon Counties).

BENEFITS

What Does The Center Offer?

The specialists at the CYSHCN Center can direct parents to books and articles, videos and websites pertaining to a child's special needs. The specialists can also supply information about parent support groups and training, as well as resources and services available in Iowa County. In addition, the network includes the 24-hour Wisconsin First Step Hotline: **800-642-7837**.

PARTICIPATION

For more information call 800-532-3321 or 608-265-8610. The Center's office is located in the Waisman Center at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Visit www.waisman.wisc.edu for more information. Those in need of information can also contact the Iowa County Health Department at 608-930-9871 or at their office, 303 W Chapel St, Ste 2200, Dodgeville, WI 53533. Visit www.iowacounty.org, click on Department, then click on Health Department. **The number for the First Step Hotline is: 800-642-7837.**