

# Asthma Resource Booklet





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#### Disclaimer

The content within this booklet is for informational purposes only. It is not intended to be a substitute for professional medical advice. Families are encouraged to discuss the information in this booklet with their child's doctor or other health care providers.

### **Specialty Health Services**

Asthma is a chronic, treatable disease that causes narrowing of the airways, making breathing difficult at times. More than 24 million people in the United States have asthma, including 6 million children younger than 18, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). For some children with asthma, evaluation by an experienced team of professionals is necessary for an accurate diagnosis and optimal treatment planning. Families are an essential partner to the team as they are the principle caregiver and the center of strength and support for the child. The following link contains guidelines for the care of children with asthma: <a href="https://nih.gov/health-topics/guidelines-for-diagnosis-management-of-asthma">nhlbi.nih.gov/health-topics/guidelines-for-diagnosis-management-of-asthma</a>.

#### **Asthma Clinics and Specialists**

Asthma clinics are held in Bismarck and Telemedicine-Dickinson. Special Health Services (SHS) supports the regional asthma clinics in Bismarck, which provide multidisciplinary team evaluations where families have an opportunity to see many different providers in one place at one time. Each clinic visit includes an updated Asthma Action Plan to help direct care for the coming year. All children who might benefit are eligible to attend with no direct cost to the family. For more information, review the following link:

https://www.health.nd.gov/sites/www/files/documents/Files/HSC/SHS/SHS\_Clinic\_Directory.pdf?ver=2

The site and contact information for the asthma clinic is listed below.

#### **Bismarck**

UND Center for Family Medicine 701 East Rosser Avenue Bismarck, N.D. 58501 701-530-8538 or 701-530-8200

#### **Dickinson (Telemedicine)**

CHI St. Alexius 2500 Fairway Street Dickinson, N.D. 58601 701-530-8538 or 701-530-8200



## **SHS Specialists**

If your child's asthma is difficult to control, your physician may refer your child to an **allergist** or a **pulmonologist**. For a list of SHS participating specialists, contact SHS at 800-755-2714 or visit <a href="https://www.health.nd.gov/sites/www/files/documents/Files/HSC/SHS/SHS Clinic Directory.pdf?ver=2">https://www.health.nd.gov/sites/www/files/documents/Files/HSC/SHS/SHS Clinic Directory.pdf?ver=2</a> If needed, a board certified pediatric allergist, immunologist, and pulmonologist is available at:

Sanford Southpointe Clinic Sanford Allergy Clinic Trinity Health Center 2400 32nd Ave. S. 715 E. Broadway Ave 400 E. Burdick Expwy Fargo, N.D. 58103 Bismarck, N.D. 58501 Minot, N.D. 58701 701-234-2660 701-323-8982 701-857-7387 sanfordhealth.org/locations/sanford-allergy-and-asthma

A <u>Certified Asthma Educator</u> is a health professional who is certified to provide asthma education.

- This includes asthma education to patients, families and health care providers according to the national standards.
- Counseling to patients and families regarding environmental and emotional triggers for asthma.
- Coordination care with other health care providers to improve quality of life for all patients and families.

To locate a Certified Asthma Educator, visit the following website: <u>naecb.com</u>.

#### **Asthma Action Plan**

The North Dakota Asthma Action Plan is a tool to help asthma patients and medical professionals manage and prevent asthma exacerbations (symptoms) while providing information that is crucial to those who come in contact with or care for people with asthma.

The N.D. Asthma Action Plan is available at the following website:
<a href="https://www.aafa.org/asthma-treatment-action-plan/">https://www.aafa.org/asthma-treatment-action-plan/</a>

# **Genetic Services**

Genetic testing is used to identify DNA changes associated with specific medical conditions. Genetic testing can help determine whether a person has a genetic disease, whether it has been inherited, and the chance for future children or other family members to have the same condition.

#### Sanford Children's Broadway Clinic

737 N. Broadway Fargo, N.D. 58102 Phone: 701-234-2362

sanfordhealth.org/medical-services/genetics



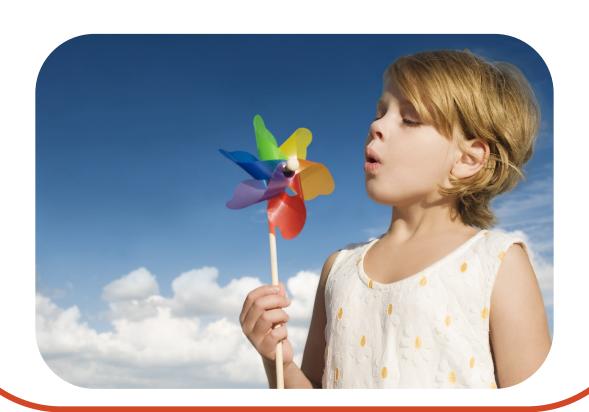
#### **Sanford Health Genetic Counseling**

209 North 7th St. Bismarck, N.D. 58501 Phone: 701-323-8030 Women's Medical Center 414 North 7th St. Bismarck, N.D. 58501 701-323-5870

sanfordhealth.org/medical-services/genetics/genetic-counseling

#### InformedDNA Telephone Genetic Counseling

Phone: 800-975-4819 informeddna.com



# **Additional Resources**

#### **Anne Carlsen Center**

The Anne Carlsen Center offers a rich tradition of empowering individuals with disabilities and their families. Their experienced staff provides compassion, training, services and support in homes and communities across North Dakota. On the Jamestown campus, they meet the educational, residential and therapeutic needs of children and young adults with autism, behavior disorders, medical fragility and other developmental disabilities. They also provide services in the home through customized support for individuals from birth to age 21. In addition, through their community-based services (i.e., in-home supports and community day support), Anne Carlsen accommodates individuals of all ages, including adults. For more information about services in the Dickinson location, call 701-934-1144 or visit: annecarlsen.org.

**Bismarck** (also covering Dickinson) 1929 N. Washington St., Suite GG Bismarck, N.D. 58501 701-751-3732 800-201-8672

#### **Fargo**

4152 30th Ave. S., Suite 102 Fargo, N.D. 58104 701-364-2663 800-201-8672

#### **Grand Forks**

2016 South Washington St. Grand Forks, N.D. 58201 701-757-4200 888-815-3770

#### **Devils Lake**

218 4th St. NW Devils Lake, N.D. 58301 Bottineau, N.D. 58318 701-662-6324

#### **Jamestown**

701 3rd St. NW Jamestown, N.D. 58402 701-252-3850 800-568-5175

#### Minot

1408 20th Ave. SW, Suite 7 Minot, N.D. 58701 701-858-0009

#### **Bottineau**

1 Winter Park Road 701-263-4556



#### **Early Intervention (Infant Development)**

This is a service designed to help families with children from birth to age three with disabilities and/or developmental delays. The goal of this program is to support the child and their family in gaining skills and fully participating in their natural environment. By partnering with families, ND Early Intervention provides them with the tools and support they need to help their child be successful. Qualifying families have access to a wide array of therapeutic professionals, as well as a Service Coordinator (DD Program Manager) and an experienced parent. Anyone, including family members, can refer a child for a free developmental evaluation, with eligibility based on the following criteria:

- Displays a 50 percent delay in any area of development (cognition, communication, motor, self-help or social emotional skills).
- Displays a 25 percent delay or more in any two areas of development.
- Has a diagnosis or disability that impairs typical development.
- Has a significant health condition that puts them at high risk for developmental delays.

Another component to ND Early Intervention is Right Track. Right Track provides a variety of services to families, which include developmental screenings, referrals to community resources, serving as a resource to parents, etc. To make a referral, or to learn more, call the Developmental Disabilities Division at 800-755-8529 or visit: nd.gov/dhs/services/disabilities/.

#### **Supplemental Security Income (SSI)**

SSI provides monthly payments for children who meet disability and financial eligibility requirements. For more information, contact the Social Security Administration at 800-772-1213 or visit <a href="mailto:ssa.gov">ssa.gov</a>.

#### Women, Infants and Children (WIC)

WIC provides nutritious foods, offers information about how to feed your family, and helps you participate in other important health programs. Pregnant women, breastfeeding women and children up to age 5 who meet WIC's liberal income guidelines are eligible to participate. For more information, contact 800-472-2286 or your county WIC office as listed in the phone book. Visit <a href="mailto:ndhealth.gov/wic">ndhealth.gov/wic</a> for additional details.

# **Family Support Services**

#### **Child Care Assistance Program**

This program provides financial assistance to low-income families for child care costs.

North Dakota Department of Human Services

600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325, Bismarck, N.D. 58505

Phone: 701-328-2332 Toll-Free: 800-755-2716

nd.gov/dhs/services/financialhelp/childcare.html

#### **Child Care Aware**

Child Care Aware provides assistance locating child care and other related services. Call Child Care Aware at 800-997-8515 or visit <u>ndchildcare.org</u> for more details.

**Bismarck:** 701-530-2525 **Fargo:** 701-476-6820

**Grand Forks:** 701-787-7755 **Jamestown:** 701-252-0350 **Minot:** 701-418-1430

#### **Developmental Disabilities Division**

The Developmental Disabilities Division within the ND Department of Human Services provides services to North Dakota citizens of all ages with developmental disabilities.

**Developmental Disabilities Division** 

Phone: 800-755-8529

nd.gov/dhs/services/disabilities



#### Family Voices of North Dakota

Family Voices of ND is a health care information and education center, which includes the Parent to Parent Project, a program that offers emotional support to families. For more information, call 701-493-2634 or 888-522-9654, or visit <a href="mailto:fvnd.org/site/">fvnd.org/site/</a> for more details.

#### ND Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health

Federation of Families provides support and advocacy for children's mental health. Call 701-222-3310 or visit <a href="mailto:ndffcmh.org">ndffcmh.org</a> for more information.

#### **Legal Services of North Dakota**

Legal Services of ND provides legal assistance for a variety of matters to low income and elderly North Dakotans.

418 East Broadway, #7 Bismarck, N.D. 58501

Phone: 701-258-4270 or 800-634-5263

<u>legalassist.org</u>

#### National Alliance on Mental Illness North Dakota

This organization offers meetings and training opportunities throughout North Dakota that focus on education and support for consumers, families and friends.

2242 Springbrook Ct. Grand Forks, N.D. 58201 Phone: 701-746-5380

https://www.nami.org/Find-Your-Local-NAMI/Affiliate?state=ND

#### Center for Parent Information & Resources (CPIR)

CPIR is an information clearinghouse that provides free information about disabilities and disability-related issues. For more information, call 973-642-8100 or visit <u>parentcenterhub.org</u>.



#### **Pathfinder Services of ND**

Statewide parent training is offered and information provided to help families of children and youth with learning difficulties.

Town and Country Center 1015 S. Broadway, Suite 42 Minot, N.D. 58701 Phone: 701-837-7500 or 800-245-5840 pathfinder-nd.org

#### Protection and Advocacy Project (P&A)

P&A advocates for the legal rights of North Dakotans with disabilities.

400 East Broadway, Suite 409 Bismarck, N.D. 58501 Phone: 701-328-2950 or 800-472-2670

Fax: 701-328-3934 ndpanda.org

#### Regional Center for Independent Living (RCIL)

RCIL provides services that help young people with disabilities with transition from home and school to the work place and independent living. Visit <u>rcil.org</u> for more information.

#### Dakota Center for Independent Living

3111 East Broadway Bismarck, N.D. 58501 701-222-3636 or 800-489-5013

#### **Freedom Resource Center**

2701 9th Ave. S., Suite H Fargo, N.D. 58103 701-478-0459 or 800-450-0459

#### Dakota Center for Independent Living

26 First St. E Dickinson, N.D. 58601 701-483-4363

#### Independence Inc.

2000 E. Burdick Expressway Minot, N.D. 58701 701-839-4724 or 800-377-5114

#### **Ronald McDonald House Charities**

Ronald McDonald House Charities provides a temporary residence near the medical facility where family members can sleep, eat, relax and find support from other families in similar situations. In return, families are asked to make a donation, but if that isn't possible, the stay is free.

#### **Bismarck**

609 North 7th St. Bismarck, N.D. 58501 701-258-8551 rmhcbismarck.org

#### **Fargo**

1330 18th Ave. S. Fargo, N.D. 58103 701-232-3980 rmhcfargo.org

### **Information and Referral Services**

#### **Special Health Services (SHS)**

The mission of the Division of Special Health Services is to promote a system of care and services that improves the health and well-being of individuals with special health care needs and their families. Cross-cutting implementation strategies at the heart of all SHS programs include:

- Care Coordination
- Collaboration
- Data-informed Decisions
- Information and Education

#### **Programs and Services**

Coordinated Services: Provides services and resources that support coordinated management of specific chronic health conditions.

Financial Coverage Program: Helps families pay for medical services for eligible children, youth, and young adults who require specialty care to diagnose and treat their chronic health conditions.

Newborn Screening and Follow-up Program: The goal of this program is to identify conditions at an early age when treatment and intervention can prevent health problems, support early development, and save lives.

Children with Special Health Care Needs System Enhancement: Improves health outcomes of Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) by advancing a quality, comprehensive system of care that promotes the healthy development and well-being of children and their families.

North Dakota Department of Health State Capitol – Judicial Wing 600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 301 Bismarck, N.D. 58505 Phone: 701-328-2436

Toll-free: 800-755-2714 Relay TDD: 800-366-6888

https://www.health.nd.gov/Youth/special-health-services

#### **Human Service Zones**

Human Service Zones, formerly County Social Services, administer economic assistance and social service programs. To inquire about assistance, please contact your local Human Service Zone, or visit <a href="mailto:nd.gov/dhs/locations/countysocialserv">nd.gov/dhs/locations/countysocialserv</a>.

#### **Pediatricians and Family Doctors**

All children benefit from a medical home. A medical home is not a building, but rather an approach to providing comprehensive medical care. In a medical home, a physician or other medical provider works in partnership with the family/patient to assure that the medical and non-medical needs of the child/youth are met. Through this partnership, medical providers can help families access and coordinate specialty care, educational services, out-of-home care, family support and other public and private community services that are important to the overall health of the child and family. Contact SHS at 701-328-2436 for a list of pediatric doctors who practice in North Dakota.

#### **Public Health**

Local public health units provide a variety of services such as immunizations, tobacco use prevention, high blood pressure screening, injury prevention screening, blood lead screening, Early and Periodic Screening Diagnosis & Treatment, home visits, high-risk infant follow-up, general child health services, community wellness programs, and school health screenings. Visit <a href="mailto:ndealth.gov/localhd">ndealth.gov/localhd</a> for details.

# **Organizations Statewide**

#### **American Heart Association, North Dakota Affiliate**

The American Heart Association (AHA) provides comprehensive information for parents of a child with a congenital heart defect. The AHA helps prepare parents for the medical and surgical treatments their child may require.

1005 12th Ave. SE Jamestown, N.D. 58401 800-437-9710 heart.org

#### ND Chapter - March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation

March of Dimes fights for the health of all moms and babies by supporting research lead programs and providing education and advocacy so that every baby can have the best possible start.

1712 Main Ave., Suite 101 Fargo, N.D. 58103 Phone: 701-235-5530

marchofdimes.org/northdakota



#### **ND Center for Persons with Disabilities (NDCPD)**

NDCPD provides service, education, and research which empowers communities to welcome, value and support the well-being and quality of life for people of all ages and abilities.

Minot State University 500 University Ave. W. Minot, N.D. 58707 Phone: 800-233-1737 ndcpd.org



#### **Project HERO**

Project HERO provides unused medical supplies and donated durable medical equipment to those in need. Project HERO works with several agency and healthcare partners to redistribute viable medical products to the medically fragile and financially challenged.



#### **Easter Seals Goodwill ND, Inc.**

Easter Seals Goodwill services include, but are not limited to, respite, or relief care; personal care services and domestic homemaker services; equipment loan; advocacy for individuals with disabilities; and information and referral. Visit <a href="mailto:esgwnd.org">esgwnd.org</a> for more information.

#### **Dickinson**

2125 Sims St. Dickinson, N.D. 58602 701-264-1060 866-895-1587

#### **Fargo**

3333 7th Ave. N. Fargo, N.D. 58102 701-237-9908 866-895-1588

#### **Grand Forks**

3651 South Washington St. Grand Forks, N.D. 58201 701-772-0704 866-876-1015

#### **Bismarck-Mandan**

1031 Interstate Ave. Bismarck, N.D. 58503 701-751-0863 800-247-0698

#### **Jamestown**

402 14th Ave. NE #1 Jamestown, N.D. 58401 701-251-1446 866-897-6004

#### Mandan

211 Collins Ave. Mandan, N.D. 58554 701-663-6828

#### **Minot**

800 12th Ave. SW Minot, N.D. 58701 701-839-4121 866-895-1589





#### **North Dakota Assistive**

Services include information and referral, training, technical assistance to systems and individuals, equipment loan library, outreach activities, a link between state and private entities, resource development, alternative loan program and dissemination of assistive technology materials based on consumer input. Visit <a href="mailto:ndassistive.org">ndassistive.org</a> for more information.

#### Fargo

3240 15th St. S., Suite B Fargo, N.D. 58104 701-365-4728 or 800-895-4728

#### Mandan

2401 46th Ave. SE, Suite 203 Mandan, N.D. 58554 701-258-4728 or 800-895-4728

#### **Shriners Hospitals for Children—Twin Cities**

Shriners Hospitals for Children provides care for children (age 17 and younger) with orthopedic problems and burns. Evaluation clinics are offered throughout North Dakota.

Shriners Hospital for Children –Twin Cities

Phone: 612-596-6100

Patient referral line: 800-237-5055

shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/minneapolis



#### The Arc of North Dakota

The Arc is a member and volunteer-driven nonprofit organization that offers advocacy, education and family support to children and adults with intellectual disabilities and related developmental disabilities and their families.

#### **Bismarck**

The Arc of Bismarck 1500 E. Capitol, Suite 203 Bismarck, N.D. 58501 Phone: 701-222-1854 thearcofbismarck.org

#### **Dickinson**

The Arc of Dickinson, Inc. 653 19th St. W Dickinson, N.D. 58601 Phone: 701-483-4272 arcdickinson.org

#### **Fargo**

The Arc of Cass County 215 North University Drive Fargo, N.D. 58102 Phone: 701-293-8191

<u>arccassnd.org</u>

#### **Grand Forks**

The Arc, Upper Valley, Inc. 2500 DeMers Ave. Grand Forks, N.D. 58201 Phone: 701-772-6191 thearcuppervalley.org

#### **Valley City**

The Arc of Barnes County 141 2nd St. NE Valley City, N.D. 58072 Phone: 701-845-4189

#### **Bowman**

Little Missouri Arc 403 2nd Ave. SE Bowman, N.D. 58623 Phone: 701-523-3330



For people with intellectual and developmental disabilities

# Libraries

#### **FirstLink of North Dakota**

Phone: 701-235-7335 or 2-1-1

Textline: Text your zip code to 898211 Youth Line: text ND4ME to 898211

https://myfirstlink.org/

#### **North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities**

500 University Ave. W, Minot, N.D. 58707 Phone: 701-858-3580 or toll-free 800-233-1737 ndcpd.org/

#### **North Dakota State Library**

604 East Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, N.D. 58505 Phone: 701-328-4622 or toll-free 800-472-2104 <u>library.nd.gov</u>

#### **Pathfinder Services of North Dakota Library**

Phone: 701-837-7500 or toll-free 800-245-5840 pathfinder-nd.org \*Click on Resources link on top right of page

#### **Prevention Resource and Media Center**

Topics in mental health, substance abuse, aging and disabilities. 1237 W Divide Ave., Suite 1D, Bismarck, N.D. 58501



# **Education**

#### **Head Start**

Head Start and Early Head Start are comprehensive child development programs. Regular Head Start programs are for children ages three and four. Some communities offer a program specifically for families with children younger than three and pregnant women. A variety of services are provided through Head Start programs including health, education, parent involvement, family literacy, social services and services for children with disabilities.

Head Start State Collaboration Office

Phone: 701-328-1640

https://www.nd.gov/dpi/education-programs/early-childhood-education/head-start

#### **School Nursing**

The purpose of school nursing is to support the educational process by contributing positively and significantly to the health, health attitudes and health behaviors of today's children, and consequently, tomorrow's adults. Contact the North Dakota Department of Health at 701-328-2436 or more details.

#### **Special Education**

It is important to locate and identify children who are in need of special services as early as possible. Screening and assessment opportunities offered at school help identify possible areas of difficulty that could interfere with a child's learning or academic performance. Some children with disabilities may require special education services to address their unique educational needs. Contact the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction at 701-328-2277 or your local special education unit. Visit nd.gov/dpi for more information.

#### Pathfinder Services of ND

Pathfinder Services of North Dakota provides statewide parent training and information to help families of children and youth with learning difficulties.

1015 S. Broadway, Suite 42 Minot, N.D. 58701

Phone: 701-837-7500 or 800-245-5840

pathfinder-nd.org

# **Health Care Coverage Options**

#### **Medical Coverage**

Medicaid provides comprehensive medical, dental and vision coverage to North Dakota children and adults through a variety of coverage programs and waivers.

600 East Boulevard Ave., Dept. 325

Bismarck, N.D. 58505

Phone: 701-328-7068 or 800-755-2604

Email: <a href="mailto:dhsmed@nd.gov">dhsmed@nd.gov</a>

nd.gov/dhs/services/medicalserv/medicaid



#### **Children with Disabilities Medicaid Coverage**

This program allows qualifying children with disabilities to buy into Medicaid. The program provides comprehensive coverage through Medicaid, including dental and mental health coverage, in return for a premium. Apply at your local Human Service Zone office.

#### **Children and Family Coverage**

Coverage is available to children younger than 21, pregnant women, and adult caretakers of deprived children. Most receive full coverage; however, some with higher income may be required to pay for a portion of their care. Apply at your local Human Service Zone office.

#### **Children's Hospice Services Waiver**

The Children's Hospice Waiver provides support to families so they can care for their children (from birth through age 21) in their homes as long as possible, avoiding lengthy stays and delaying or avoiding institutional care. The child must have a diagnosis and not be expected to live longer than one year. The program also allows families to access treatments that focus on curative and comfort care for their children.

Phone: 701-328-4630

#### **Children with Medically Fragile Needs Medicaid Waiver**

This Medicaid Waiver is designed to assist qualifying medically fragile children between ages three and 18 years. The child must be living at home, be Medicaid eligible, be able to meet Level of Care criteria for a nursing home, and meet criteria based on the Level of Need.

Phone: 701-328-4630

#### **Home and Community-Based Services Waiver**

Alternative services are provided for individuals with disabilities who are at least 18 years of age and individuals older than 65 who are eligible for the Medicaid Program and have medical needs that would qualify them to enter a nursing facility. The waiver allows North Dakota to pay for services needed for these individuals to remain in their own homes or community settings. Recipients may be required to pay for a portion of their care based on income. Apply at your local Human Service Zone office.

#### **Medicaid Expansion Provides Coverage**

Coverage is available to individuals under age 65 with household income up to 138 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). Individuals eligible for Medicare or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) are not eligible for coverage under Medicaid Expansion. Visit <a href="mailto:nd.gov/dhs/eligibility">nd.gov/dhs/eligibility</a> for more information.

#### Intellectual Disabilities/Developmental Disabilities Waiver

This waiver assists eligible individuals with intellectual disabilities and developmental disabilities to remain living at home and in the community. This serves individuals through their lifespan (both children and adults). Services offered under the waiver include Developmental Disabilities Program Management; Infant Development (for children from birth to age 3); In-Home Supports; Assistance with cost of equipment, supplies, and environmental modifications; and Adult Services such as day services, job coaching, and residential services. Apply by contacting the Developmental Disabilities Unit at one of the regional human service centers found online at <a href="mailto:nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc.">nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc.</a>

#### **Workers with Disabilities Medicaid Coverage**

This coverage allows some individuals with disabilities who want to work, or who are already working and want to increase their earnings, to do so without fear of losing their Medicaid coverage. It allows qualifying individuals to buy into Medicaid. The program provides comprehensive coverage through Medicaid, including dental and mental health coverage, in return for a premium. Apply at your local Human Service Zone office.

#### **Healthy Steps**

This is a benefit program for eligible North Dakota children up to age 19 who do not have a source of health care coverage. The program offers comprehensive medical, dental and vision coverage.

Phone: 877-KIDS-NOW or 877-543-7669

#### **Special Health Services Financial Coverage Program**

Helps families pay for medical services for eligible children, youth, and young adults who require specialty care to diagnose and treat their chronic health conditions.

Phone: 800-755-2714 or 701-328-2436

https://www.health.nd.gov/youth/special-health-services/SHS-Financial-Coverage-

#### **Health Insurance Marketplace (HIM)**

The Health Insurance Marketplace enables individuals to find quality health coverage. It can help if you or your child(ren) don't have coverage now, or if you have it but want to look at other options. It is designed to provide coverage that meets your needs, fits your budget, as well as options for qualifying for free or low-cost coverage through Medicaid or Healthy Steps/Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

Phone: 800-318-2596

<u>healthcare.gov</u> <u>ndcpd.org</u>

# **Comprehensive Health Association of North Dakota (CHAND)**

CHAND provides comprehensive health insurance to residents of North Dakota who

have been denied health insurance or are considered high risk.

Phone: 844-363-8457

chand.org



#### **Student Health Plans**

These plans are available for purchase by students who don't have health insurance through a parent's health insurance policy or who have limited coverage due to network service areas. Student plans are sold by an insurer that has contracted with a college to offer coverage to its students. In general, these plans have more limited benefits and more exclusions than traditional health insurance plans. Contact an insurance agent to inquire about student health plans.

healthcare.gov/young-adults/college-students/

#### **Vision Coverage**

#### **InfantSEE®**

This is a public health program designed to ensure early detection of eye conditions in babies. Member optometrists provide a comprehensive eye and vision assessment for infants within the first year of life regardless of a family's income or access to insurance coverage.

Phone: 888-396-3937

<u>infantsee.org</u>

#### **New Eyes for the Needy**

New prescription eyeglasses are available through a voucher program for children and adults in the U.S. who cannot afford glasses on their own.

Phone: 973-376-4903

new-eyes.org

#### **Vision USA**

Vision USA provides basic eye health and vision care services free of charge to uninsured, low-income people and their families.

Phone: 701-258-6766 www.ndeyecare.com

#### VSP Sight for Students

VSP is a charity that provides free vision exams and glasses to low-income, uninsured children.

Phone: 888-290-4964 sightforstudents.org



#### **Prescription Coverage**

#### **Prescription Connection**

This is a program of the North Dakota Insurance Department that connects kids and families with free and discounted prescription drugs direct from the pharmaceutical manufacturer.

Phone: 888-575-6611 or 701-328-2440

rxconnectnd.org

#### **ND Prescription Drug Repository Program**

The repository collects and distributes donated medications from hospitals, hospices and other facilities so that pharmacies and physicians can dispense them to those who struggle paying for prescriptions regardless of insurance coverage. The medications and supplies are unopened and secure but cannot be resold to patients. Visit <a href="mailto:nodakpharmacy.com">nodakpharmacy.com</a> for more information.

#### **NeedyMeds**

NeedyMeds offers a database of medications that can be obtained free or at low cost by uninsured, low-income patients, usually through manufacturer programs.

Phone: 800-503-6897

needymeds.org

#### **Partnership for Prescription Assistance**

A single point of access is available to more than 475 public and private patient assistance programs. It is funded by pharmaceutical companies.

Phone: 888-477-2669

https://medicineassistancetool.org/

#### **RX Assist**

RX Assist provides consumer information, resources, news and a directory of patient assistance programs that offer affordable or free medications.

Email: info@rxassist.org

rxassist.org

#### **Dental Coverage**

Safety Net Dental Clinics are programs that usually see patients who do not have other access to dental care. The patients typically are covered by Medicaid or the clinic offers sliding fee schedules or reduced fees.

#### **Bridging the Dental Gap**

This is a nonprofit community dental clinic serving low-income and uninsured individuals in the Bismarck-Mandan area.

Phone: 701-221-0518

dentalgap.org

#### **Family Healthcare Center Dental Clinic**

This is a federally qualified community health center serving low-income and uninsured individuals within the Fargo/Red River Valley Region.

Phone: 701-271-3344 famhealthcare.org

#### **Northland Community Health Center Dental Clinic**

This clinic is part of a federally qualified community health center serving low-income, uninsured, and insured individuals of all ages in central North Dakota.

Phone: 701-255-4242 northlandchc.org

#### **Red River Valley Dental Access Project**

This project serves low-income, uninsured, and Medicaid-eligible individuals who have urgent dental pain and do not have access to a dentist in Fargo-Moorhead.

Phone: 218-790-7790 rrdentalaccess.com

#### **Valley Community Health Center Dental Clinic**

This is a federally qualified health center that serves low-income, uninsured, and insured individuals of all ages in the Northern Red River Valley.

Phone: 701-757-2100

valleychc.org

#### **North Dakota Donated Dental Services**

This is a network of volunteer dentists who provide dental care to the state's most vulnerable people: disabled, elderly, or medically compromised individuals who cannot afford necessary treatment nor get public aid.

Phone: 866-201-5906

dentallifeline.org/north-dakota

#### Jerene's Wish

Jerene's Wish is a program that provides orthodontic treatment at minimal costs to eligible children. For more information, contact Warford Orthodontics.

Phone: 701-255-1311

E-mail: info@warfordorthodontics.com

jereneswish.com

#### **Smiles Change Lives**

This program promotes and provides access to essential orthodontic treatment for children from low-income families.

Phone: 888-900-3554 smileschangelives.org

#### The Ronald McDonald Care Mobile

This is a mobile dental clinic on wheels that delivers urgently needed dental care to underserved children from birth through age 21 in their own neighborhoods in the western half of North Dakota. The Ronald McDonald Care Mobile treats children who do not have a regular dentist and who have not seen a dentist within the past two years.

Phone: 701-258-8551

rmhcbismarck.org/caremobile



#### **Health Care Programs**

#### **Shriners Hospitals for Children**

Shriners Hospitals for Children provides care for children (age 17 and younger) with orthopedic problems and burns. Evaluation clinics are offered throughout North Dakota.

Phone: 800-237-5055

shrinershospitalsforchildren.org

#### **Community Health Centers (CHC)**

CHC's serve all patients regardless of their ability to pay for services. CHCs are located in Beulah, Bismarck, Bowbells, Center, Fargo, Grafton, Grand Forks, Hazen, Killdeer, Larimore, McClusky, Minot, Northwood, Rolette, Rolla, Turtle Lake, and West Fargo.

Phone: 701-221-9824

#### North Dakota Association for the Disabled (NDAD)

NDAD may provide help with financial assistance for individuals with disabilities.

Phone: 800-532-6323

ndad.org

#### **United Health Care Children's Foundation**

This foundation supports the concept of facilitating access to health-related services that have the potential to significantly enhance either the clinical condition or the quality of life of the child and that are not fully covered by an available commercial health benefit plan. The Foundation provides financial assistance toward the family's share of the cost of medical services.

Phone: 855-698-4223

uhccf.org

#### **Indian Health Service (IHS)**

IHS provides health services to American Indians and Alaskan Natives who belong to federally recognized tribes. The IHS administers health services through IHS facilities, through tribally-operated facilities and by contracting for health services. Visit <a href="https://example.com/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instance/instanc

Service Organizations such as the Elks, Kiwanis, Sertoma, Lions and Quota may offer assistance with medical-related expenses. Check the local phone book for contact numbers.

This is not an all-inclusive list of health care coverage options.

# Military Resources

#### Medical

**Tricare** 

Phone: 877-988-9378

tricare.mil

#### **Exceptional Family Member Program**

The Air Force's Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) is designed to provide support to military family members with special needs. EFMP is comprised of three components which work together to support military members and their families.



#### **Minot Air Force Base**

Phone: 701-723-5527

#### **Grand Forks Air Force Base**

Phone: 701-747-5591

#### **Military OneSource**

Military OneSource offers policy and programmatic information, helpful resources, products, articles and tips on numerous topics related to military life. Confidential services are available 24 hours a day by telephone and online. In addition to the website support, Military OneSource offers a confidential call center and online support for consultations on a number of issues such as spouse education and career opportunities, issues specific to families with a member with special needs, health coaching, financial support, and resources.

Phone: 800-342-9647 militaryonesource.mil

# **Statewide Tribal Programs**

Fort Berthold Indian Reservation - Three Affiliated Tribes mhanation.com		
Elbowoods Memorial Health	.701-627-4750	
Community Health Representative    New Town MandareeParshall Twin ButtesWhite Shield	.701-421-4188 .701-898-8532 .701-898-1273	
<b>Standing Rock Indian Reservation</b>		
<ul><li>standingrock.org</li><li>Public Health Service Hospital</li><li>Community Health Representative</li></ul>	.701-854-3831	
Fort Yates      Cannonball      Tribal Health      Early Childhood Tracking	.701-854-9926 .701-854-7206	
Fort Totten Indian Reservation - Spirit Lake Nation spiritlakenation.com		
Spirit Lake Health Center      Tribal Health	.701-766-1600	
Community Health Representative     Early Childhood Tracking	.701-766-4236	
Trenton Indian Service Area mytisa.org		
Trenton Community Clinic	.701-774-0461	
Community Health Representative Coordinator     Tribal Health		
Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation tmchippewa.com		
<ul> <li>Quentin Burdick Health Facility701-477-6111 or</li> <li>Community Health Representative701-477-6111</li> </ul>	.701-477-5696	
Tribal Health		

# Websites

#### **Condition-Specific Websites**

American Lung Association lung.org

American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology aaaai.org

Allergy and Asthma Network allergyasthmanetwork.org

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention <a href="cdc.gov/asthma">cdc.gov/asthma</a>

**Mayo Clinic** 

mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/asthma/symptoms-causes/syc-20369653

National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute nhlbi.nih.gov

North Dakota Department of Health ndhealth.gov/asthma

Starlight Children's Foundation starlight.org

# Additional Websites for Families of Children with Special Health Care Needs

American Academy of Pediatrics aap.org

Bright Futures brightfutures.org

CDC Parent Information <a href="mailto:cdc.gov/parents">cdc.gov/parents</a>

Dr. Greene's House Calls drgreene.com

Early Intervention nd.gov/dhs/services/disabilities/earlyintervention

Family Village thevillagefamily.org

**Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare** starlight.org gillettechildrens.org

**Got Transition** gottransition.org

Healthy Children healthychildren.org

Institute for Child Health Policy (ICHP) ichp.ufl.edu

Mayo Health Clinic mayoclinic.org

Medical Home Portal medicalhomeportal.org

National Center for Medical Home Implementation medicalhomeinfo.aap.org

National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD) rarediseases.org

ParentsPlace parentsplace.jfcs.org

**Social Security Administration** <u>ssa.gov</u>

Starlight/Starbright Children's Foundation starlight.org

University of Minnesota Masonic Children's Hospital mhealth.org/childrens

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