

**Examples of High-Risk Diagnoses and Conditions for Guiding Auto-Eligibility  
for DD Program Management Determination  
for Infants and Toddlers**

The following are **examples** of high-risk conditions. This list is **not** exhaustive and is merely to illustrate the kinds of conditions that are considered to place a child at high risk of becoming developmentally delayed as outlined in North Dakota Administrative Code section 75-04-06-04(2)(b)(1).

At the time of eligibility determination, the child must:

- continue to have the diagnosis, or
- the condition has not been corrected, or
- if corrected the child continues to have difficulty interacting with individuals or objects in their environment.

1. Craniofacial Conditions (head, face, ears, eyes, nose, throat):

Examples:

- Cleft lip and/or palate
- Microcephaly
- Hydrocephaly
- Macrocephaly
- Permanent hearing loss
- Blindness
- Congenital cataract
- Retinopathy of prematurity
- Anophthalmia
- Coloboma of eye
- Injury to the middle and inner ear

2. Pulmonary/Respiratory Conditions (lungs or breathing):

Examples:

- Bronchopulmonary dysplasia
- Congenital pulmonary anomalies
- Bronchopulmonary dysplasia with chronic lung disease
- Tracheoesophageal fistula

3. Cardiovascular Conditions

Examples:

- Critical Congenital Heart Disease
- Arrhythmias

4. Gastrointestinal (GI) Conditions:

Examples:

- Imperforate anus
- Gastroschisis

- Omphalocele
  - Cystic Fibrosis
5. Urinary/Renal Conditions:  
Examples:
    - Renal agenesis/hypoplasia
    - Chronic nephrosis/nephritis
  6. Genital/Reproductive Anomalies:  
Examples:
    - Adrenogenital Syndrome
    - Ambiguous genitalia
  7. Musculoskeletal Conditions:  
Examples:
    - Arthrogryposis
    - Arthritis
    - Severe Burns
    - Loss of or Deformed Limbs
    - Osteogenesis imperfecta
    - Congenital dislocation of hip
  8. Skin Conditions:  
Examples:
    - Severe burns
    - Epidermolysis Bullosa
    - Sturge Weber Syndrome
    - Neurofibromatosis
  9. Blood Disorders:  
Examples:
    - Hemoglobinopathies
    - Anemias (i.e. Sickle Cell Anemia)
    - Immune deficiencies
  10. Neurologic Disorders:  
Examples:
    - Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA)
    - Injuries from birth
    - Cerebral Palsy
    - Seizure Disorders/Epilepsy
    - Neuromotor/Muscle Disorder
    - Muscular Dystrophy
    - Myotonic Dystrophy
    - Head or spinal cord trauma with residual neurological deficits

- Malignancy or congenital anomaly of brain/spinal cord
- Central nervous system disorders
- Communication disorders
- History of gestational and early developmental events suggestive of biological insults
- Wilson's disease
- Dystonia Musculorum Deformans
- Addiction at Birth
- Lead Poisoning
- Myelination Disorders
- Leigh's disease
- Kernicterus
- Tuberous Sclerosis

#### 11. Adjustment Disorders or Behavioral Health Disorders

Examples:

- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Attention Deficit Disorder
- Disorders of Attachment

#### 12. Disorders Identified through Newborn Screening:

Examples:

- Inborn Errors of Metabolism
- Hemoglobinopathies (e.g., sickle cell anemia)
- Galactosemia
- Cystic Fibrosis
- Endocrine disorders (e.g., hypothyroid, congenital adrenal hyperplasia)

#### 13. Chronic Medical Illness (medical needs associated with the condition are long-term or lifelong)

Examples:

- Early childhood cancers (e.g., leukemia)
- Immune Deficiencies
- Failure to thrive
- Storage disorders (e.g., leukodystrophies, gangliosidoses)

#### 14. Congenital Infectious Disease:

Examples:

- Congenital CMV
- AIDS or HIV (child)
- Congenital Rubella
- Syphilis

## 15. Genetic/Syndromic Conditions

Examples:

- Down Syndrome
- Fragile - X Syndrome
- Turner Syndrome
- Fetal Alcohol Syndrome/Alcohol and Related Neurological Disorders
- Treacher-Collins Syndrome
- Noonan Syndrome
- Cri-Du-Chat Syndrome
- Klinefelter's Syndrome
- Trisomy 13
- Trisomy 18
- Pierre Robin
- Triple X Syndrome
- Zellweger Syndrome
- Wardenberg Syndrome
- Rubenstein-Taybi Syndrome
- Prader-Willi Syndrome
- Werdnig-Hoffman Syndrome
- Sturge-Weber Syndrome
- Chromosomal deletions and duplications

## 16. Degenerative Disease

Examples:

- Myelination Disorders
- Leukodystrophies
- Gangliosidoses
- Leigh's disease
- Kernicterus
- Paralysis
- Neurofibromatosis
- Tuberous Sclerosis

17. Complications of Prematurity:

Children less than one year of age must have a history of two of the following:

- Very Low Birth Weight (less than 1,500 grams)
- Interventricular Hemorrhage
- Ventilator dependent for 72 hours or more
- Asphyxiation
- Have had ECMO
- Respiratory Distress Syndrome
- Gestational age less than 32 weeks
- Intrauterine Growth Restriction
- Periventricular Leukomalacia

18. A parent is eligible for DD Program Management