

Children with Special Health Care Needs

University of Illinois at Chicago – Specialized Care for Children

OVERVIEW
<p>This program provides care coordination and access to resources and research to assist Illinois families and children with special health care needs. Services are available for children who have impairments that are expected to be chronic; involve multiple physical defects, disabilities or handicaps; are amenable to treatment; have a need for long-term, highly specialized medical care; and have life expectancy sufficient to realize benefit from the treatment.</p>
WHO IS SERVED?
<p><i>Population(s)/Age Group:</i></p>
<p>Children ages birth to 21 years of age (0-21)</p>
<p><i>Eligibility Criteria and Screening Tools:</i></p>
<p>In order to be eligible for UIC's Division of Specialized Care for Children Core program, children must be under 21 years of age and medically eligible. In order to be considered medically eligible, conditions must be chronic, amenable to treatment, require long-term specialized treatment and conform to the following categories of impairment: orthopedic, nervous system, cardiovascular, hearing, speech, eye, urinary system, certain congenital anomalies (e.g., cleft lip/palate), and inborn errors of metabolism, cystic fibrosis, or hemophilia.</p>
HOW ARE SERVICES DELIVERED?
<p><i>Local Service System:</i></p>
<p>The Title V program for Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) is operated by the University of Illinois at Chicago's Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC).</p>
<p><i>Referrals into Program:</i></p>
<p>Families are referred via UIC's Specialized Care for Children website: http://dsc.c.uic.edu/how-we-help/refer-a-family/</p>
<p><i>Data Systems Used:</i></p>
<p>Children's Health Information Management System (CHIMS) Efforts to Outcomes (ETO)</p>
STATE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR OR CONTACT
<p>Division of Specialized Care for Children, University of Illinois at Chicago (800) 322-3722 Program Website: http://dsc.c.uic.edu/</p>