

Services Available through PerformCare Regardless of Care Management Organization involvement

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Why should I apply for DD eligibility for my child under the age of 18?

PerformCare, together with CSOC are responsible for determining eligibility for developmental disability services, provided by the State, for youth under the age of 18.

There are many valuable services available to your child who is DD eligible:

- Respite
- Camp
- Intensive In-home services/ABA
- Individual Support Services
- Family Support Services
- Educational advocacy
- Assistive technology

How do I get Family Support Services (FSS)?

- These services are independent of Care Management services
- To access services a youth must be deemed DD eligible and reside in the community
- DD eligibility makes a youth *eligible* for services. Actual service provision is based on availability and appropriateness for a youth
- Services available through FSS include:
 - Respite
 - Assistive Technology
 - Educational Advocacy which is a service provided to I/DD eligible youth and their families when the youth necessitates in-depth help with education-related needs

Respite...What types and how many hours do I get?

Types of Respite:

1. **Agency-hired** is a respite worker provided by an agency and **Self-hired** is an individual identified by the family and linked to a respite agency. These services are limited to 60 hours per 90 day period
2. **Agency After-School Care** is provided in the community by an agency to afford recreational and social experiences with each agency having specific criteria including age and supervision needs
3. **Overnight Respite** allows your child to stay overnight in a safe, short-term alternate living arrangement. Each youth may attend up to 6 days in a rolling 365-day period, based on availability. Services must be provided in a licensed facility with round-the clock supervision and care. Families can utilize time as needed within a rolling 365-day period

Assistive Technology... What tools may be accessible to you?

- *Assistive Devices* are used to increase, maintain, or improve functional capabilities of youth;
 - *Assistive technology* cannot be solely therapeutic.
 - Examples of assistive technology include travel chairs, walkers, and positioning systems.
- *Vehicle Modifications* including motorized lifts and ramps
- *Environmental Modifications* such as removable/minor structural modifications to the private residence of the youth or his/her family that are necessary to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the youth or that enable the youth to function with greater independence in the home.
 - Examples of environmental modifications include widening of doorways, ramps and/or grab-bars, and their installation. Equipment provided in this category is subject to a maximum limit per child, per three-year cycle.

Camps...Do you demonstrate financial need?

- Camp assistance available through PerformCare is based on financial need
- A list of qualified camp providers is made available each year in the month of March on the PerformCare website and linked to from the BergenResourceNet
- Camp vacancies are limited and applications should be submitted through PerformCare to determine if assistance is available immediately following the qualified provider list posting