

Children's Special Health Care Services

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- **SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST**

- **Save the date for our family fun day!**
- **Family 2 Family Website.**
- **Take our surveys!**
- **Check out our Facebook page.**
- **Playgroups in your area.**
- **Contact our great staff!**

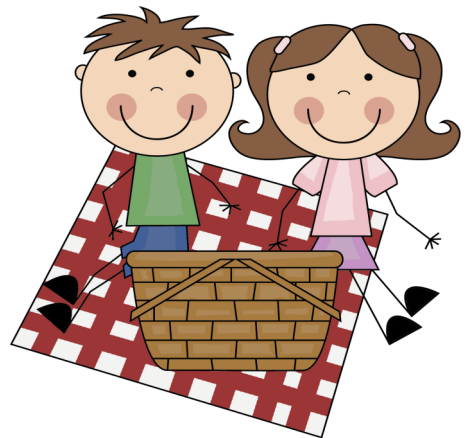


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CSHCS FAMILY FUN DAY PICNIC

SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date for our 3rd annual CSHCS Family Fun Day Picnic. Join us for games, prizes, pizza, face painting, community resource information, door prizes and more! It's an afternoon of **FREE** family fun!



Saturday June 4, 2016

11:30am - 3:00pm

Ithaca High School Football Complex

We want to hear from YOU!

The CSHCS staff invites you to go online and fill out a short survey to help us plan for the 2016 Family Fun Day and Picnic. We value your input! Please visit the link below or simply scan the QR code from your smartphone!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XCKLJ66>

If you would like to volunteer at the Family Fun Day event, please contact Amanda, our parent liaison at (989)831-3637 or ashaffer@mmdhd.org





Playgroups consist of small groups of parents with their babies to preschoolers and a parent educator.



CSHCS is on Facebook!



MMDHD now has a CSHCS parent support Facebook page for our families. It features many aspects of CSHCS and is a place to ask questions. The page and all its posts are private, to keep our families privacy in mind. All we need is an e-mail address to be able to send an invite to you, and then we can add you to our page. Please contact your county representative or our Parent Liaison, Amanda Shaffer, at ashaffer@mmdhd.org if you are interested in being added to the group.

Early On and Great Start Playgroups

Clinton County:

Children ages Birth to Five
Playgroups are held at CCRESA Ed Center
4179 S. U.S. 27, St. Johns
Phone: 989-224-6831 x2130

Monday: 5:30—6:30 pm

April 11, 18, 25

Tuesday: 10:00-11:00 am

April 12, 19, 26

Wednesday: 10:00-11:00 am

April 13, 20, 27

Montcalm County:

Children ages Birth to Four
Playgroups are held at MACC
1550 W. Sidney Rd., in Sidney
Phone: 616-225-6146 to register

Thursdays: 9-10:30 am or 1-2:30 pm

April 14, 21, 28

May 5 (11 AM only), 12, 19 (11 AM only), 26

Gratiot County:

Children ages Birth to three
Playgroups are held at Westgate School
840 W. Cheesman Rd., St. Louis
Phone: 989-875-5101 x2351

Wednesday: 9:30-11:00 am

April 6,13,20,27

May 4,11,18



Michigan Family 2 Family Health Information Center

The Michigan Family to Family Health Information Center (MI F2F) is an information and resource website for families of children and youth with special health care needs. IM F2F also works with health and other professionals to better serve families facing disability and health issues. The site is staffed by family members who have experienced raising a child with special health care needs. The website provides information including:

- Resources for parents and providers
- Event calendars, newsletters and webinars
- Tips for working with health care providers and health plans
- Transitioning to adulthood planning



For more information, visit: <https://f2fmichigan.org>

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What is Children's Special Health Care?

Children's Special Health Care is a plan to find, diagnose and treat children with a chronic illness or disease. It provides medical advocacy and financial assistance to children with qualifying medical conditions.

Children under 21 and some adults with certain medical conditions are identified by a CSHCS doctor. Families of all incomes are eligible to join, even if you have other health insurance. For some families, there is a fee, but you can always contact us to see if it is beneficial for your family.

CSHCS can pay specialty medical bills, cover co-pays and deductibles from private insurance—helping you to keep your private insurance. It can help with transportation costs for medical care and help find specialists.

For more information, contact your county representative on page 4!

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Reminder for parents...

Please inform the Health Department and the Department of Health and Human Services if you have any changes in phone number and/or address!



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How are we doing?

We value your opinion of our CSHCS and other health department services! Please take a few minutes to complete our Client Satisfaction Survey by visiting the link below or scanning the QR Code on your smart phone.



https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CHED_CSS

Additional information and support for parents, caregivers and guardians is available through the Family Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs. Call 1-800-359-3722 to reach The Family Phone Line at the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, or visit www.michigan.gov/cshcs for more information.