



Cedar Family Centers

For children and youth with special health care needs and their families

What are Cedar Family Centers?

A Cedar Family Center is a site that provides evolving, family-centered, intensive care management and coordination in order to assist families in reaching their full potential and thrive in their own communities.

A Cedar can assist you with:

- ✓ Obtaining clinical services
- ✓ Referrals to community and social supports
- ✓ Health Promotion (i.e. education and prevention)
- ✓ Screenings for physical and mental health
- ✓ Transitional Care (between levels of service)
- ✓ Family advocacy

Who is eligible for Cedar Services?

- Families of children birth to age 21 having two or more chronic conditions or have one chronic condition and are at risk of developing a second
- Children having a severe mental illness or severe emotional disturbance

Who would benefit from using a Cedar Family Center?

Families who require intensive care management and coordination services related to Behavioral Health, Social development, and/or Medical intervention.

How do I access Cedar Family Services?

You do not need a referral to receive services. You can contact a Cedar Family Center at any time. In addition, you may also speak to your current provider about making a referral on your behalf.

Is there a cost involved in going to a Cedar?

If your child has Medical Assistance coverage (Medical Assistance, RIte Care or RIte Share), there will be no out-of-pocket expense for the services that you and your child receive from Cedar.

What should I expect from Cedar?

- Cedar staff are experienced professionals who will work closely with you to complete a current needs assessment and develop an action plan with goals you have for your child and family. If it is determined Cedar Services are not required, Cedar staff may assist the family in identifying alternatives.
- Cedar enrollment can be short or long-term. Once you have been linked to the services and supports identified, or you have achieved your goal and have no unmet needs, you can be successfully discharged from Cedar.
- Families are able to return to Cedar Family Centers after completion of services for readmission as needed.
- Cedar Family Center services are available statewide. Families can meet with a Cedar staff in their home, community, or at the Cedar Center.

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