

Agencies	Eligibility	Income Requirements	Services
FRC Special Connections (831) 464-0669 SPIN (831) 722-2800	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All families and/or caregivers of special needs children residing in Santa Cruz County • Ages 0 up to 3 years • Ages 3 up to 22 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No income limits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent to parent support for families of children with special health and developmental needs • Free information and referral services • Quarterly newsletter • Resource library • Training & Advocacy
Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) See reverse side for individual SELPA #s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ages 0 up to 22 years • Children and youth eligible for Regional Center and/or Mental Health services • Children with other health or sensory impairments, and/or learning disabilities • Early Start eligible: Solely Low Incidence (SLI) hearing, visual and orthopedic impairments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No income limits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistive devices/services • Audiology services • Family training, counseling, home visits (Early Start only) • Some health services • Diagnostic services • Nursing assessments • OT & PT • Psychological services • Respite (Early Start only) • Special instruction • Speech/language services • Transportation • Vision services • Others as needed
San Andreas Regional Center (408) 374-9960	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Span • Developmental disabilities including retardation, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism • Early Start eligible (see below) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No income limits • Co-pay required on respite, daycare and camping services for families over 400% of Federal Income Guidelines (FIG) [also known as Federal Poverty Level, or FPL] and whose children are ages 3 up to age 18. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Intervention services (see column below) • Non-medical services, mostly case-management • Family support, respite, crisis intervention, special living arrangements, community integration • Interpreter/translator, advocacy, transportation vouchers • Assessment, rehabilitation and training, treatment, therapy, prevention, special equipment (usually as payer of “last resort”)
Early Start Early Intervention Program (831) 728-1781)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 up to age 3 • At risk for developmental disabilities • Developmentally delayed • Diagnosed physical or mental condition that has a high probability of resulting in a developmental delay • Solely Low Incidence (SLI): hearing, visual and orthopedic impairments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No income limits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assistive devices/services • Audiology services • Case management • Family training, counseling, home visits • Some health services • Diagnostic services • Nursing • Nutritional counseling • OT & PT • Psychological services • Respite • Social work services • Special instruction • Speech/language services • Transportation • Vision services • Others as needed
County Mental Health (800) 952-2335	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life Span • Children/Youth with full scope Medi-Cal (0 up to age 21) • Children/Youth in Healthy Families Program (0 up to age 19) • Special education referrals from schools (0 up to age 22) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medi-Cal or Healthy Families income limits • No income limits if referred by school system 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outpatient assessment or psychological evaluation & referral to community practitioners • All services required of an IEP including day & residential treatment as necessary • Psychological emergency services (for a fee, if not covered by insurance)
California Children Services (CCS) (831) 454-2540	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0 up to age 21 • Children and youth with physical injuries, illness, or disabilities (see CCS diagnoses below) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For diagnostics, PT & OT: no income requirements • For coverage of CCS condition, income less than \$40,000 • If medical expenses greater than 20% family income 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diagnostic services • High Risk Infant Program • All services which apply to condition: doctors, hospital, surgery, PT, OT, lab tests, x-rays, orthopedic & medical equipment, case management including transportation and maintenance

CCS Diagnoses:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heart conditions • Neoplasms • Blood disorders (hemophilia, sickle cell anemia) • Respiratory system disorders (cystic fibrosis, chronic lung disease) • Endocrine, nutritional & metabolic disorders (PKU, thyroid problems or diabetes) • Genito-urinary system disorders (serious kidney problems) • Gastrointestinal system disorders (biliary artesia) • Serious birth defects (cleft lip/palate, spina bifida) • Nervous system disorders (cerebral palsy, uncontrolled epilepsy) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sense organ disorders (hearing loss, loss of vision due to glaucoma or cataracts) • Musculoskeletal & connective tissue disorders (muscular dystrophy, JRA) • Severe disorders of the immune system (HIV) • Disabling injuries & poisonings requiring intensive care or rehabilitation (severe brain, spinal cord injuries & burns) • Complications of premature birth requiring an intensive level of care • Skin & subcutaneous tissue disorders (severe hemangioma) • Medically handicapping malocclusion |
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