

## PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

### The Physically Handicapped Children's Program (PHCP)

The PHCP provides financial assistance for medical care and support services for children who have severe, long-term health problems and chronic disabilities. The program helps income eligible families pay for medical bills not covered by their private insurance.

### How is Eligibility Determined?

In order to be considered for financial assistance, a child must be:

Under the age of 21

A resident of Clinton County

Medically eligible

Financially eligible

Not Medicaid eligible

Have private insurance

### What is Medical Eligibility?

A physician's diagnosis report and medical data are reviewed by PHCP staff to determine medical eligibility. Some of the conditions covered include:

Birth defects

Cancer

Cerebral palsy

Congenital abnormalities (such as cardiac disease or spina bifida)

Convulsive seizures

Hearing disorders

Orthopedic conditions

### What is Financial Eligibility?

If your child meets the medical requirements, and your family is seeking financial support, your financial situation will be reviewed to determine the amount of assistance that can be provided to you. All reviews are kept confidential. By law, private insurance must be used before PHCP funds can be issued.

### What Services Might be Covered with PHCP?

Some of the services PHCP might pay for include: Hearing aids and the co-pays for physician's office visits, medications and medication supplies. All services covered by PHCP must have prior approval from the PHCP staff.

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