The Division of Children’s Special Health Services (CSHS) provides services for children with special health care needs and their families. CSHS promotes family-centered, community-based, coordinated services and systems of health care.

**Programs within the division include:**

**Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Database** – CSHS administers an ASD database that includes records of all reported cases of ASD in North Dakota.

**Care Coordination Program** – CSHS supports community-based programs to help families who have children with special health care needs access services and resources. County social service staff that help administer CSHS programs are primary partners. Staff also provide care coordination services for children and their families who contact the state office.

**Children with Special Health Care Needs Service System** – CSHS supports initiatives that lead to a community-based system of services for all families, children, and youth with special health care needs. Activities focus on screening, transition, medical home, family partnership and satisfaction, adequate insurance, and community-based service systems.

**Information Resource Center** – CSHS provides health care resource information to families and service providers.

**Metabolic Food** – CSHS provides medical food and low-protein modified food products to individuals with phenylketonuria and maple syrup urine disease.

**Multidisciplinary Clinics** – CSHS funds and administers clinics that support coordinated management of 10 different types of chronic health conditions. Clinics provide access to pediatric specialty care and enable families to see many different medical providers and health care professionals in one place at one time.

- Cleft lip/palate
- Metabolic disorders
- Cerebral palsy
- Developmental
- Myelodysplasia
- Diabetes
- Neurorehabilitation
- Asthma
- Autism
- Cardiac program

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**Mission:**

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**Russell Silver Syndrome Program** – CSHS pays for growth hormone treatment and medical food for individuals with Russell-Silver syndrome.

**Specialty Care Diagnostic & Treatment Program** – CSHS helps families pay for medical services for eligible children, including health care visits and tests to diagnose chronic health conditions early and specialty care needed for treatment.

**State Systems Development Initiative (SSDI)** – CSHS administers the State Systems Development Initiative (SSDI) grant. The purpose of SSDI is to develop, enhance, and expand State Title V Maternal and Child Health (MCH) data capacity. Improved data capacity supports effective, efficient and quality programming for women, infants, children and youth, including children and youth with special health care needs in North Dakota.