

Louisiana Developmental Screening Guidelines: 0-5 years

Autism Resources

This guide provides suggested referrals and services for a child with a positive screen for Autism.

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Family Resources

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Families Helping Families: Peer support and resource linkage for families, Orleans fhfneworleans.org (504) 943-0343, Jefferson fhfjefferson.org (504) 888-9111.

Head Start/Early Head Start: Promotes preschool and school readiness for low-income families. Eligibility and enrollment information for Louisiana can be found at benefits.gov/benefits/benefit-details/1913

Positive Autism Screen Resources

- **EarlySteps:** Intervention services for children 0-3 providing screening, assessments, and therapies. Contact at dzteamfsrc@bellsouth.net (337) 475-3831 or (866) 494-8900
- **Specialist/Subspecialist Referral:** May be indicated per primary care provider assessment; provider locator tools are available on the Medicaid Healthy Louisiana website at myplan.healthy.la.gov/home
- **McNeese Autism Center:** Functional analysis and assessments, family training, social skill groups (337) 562-4246
- **Regional Resource Guides** provide a comprehensive listing of pediatric and adolescent services and programs for each region of the state. Download them from the Children's Special Health Services website at ldh.la.gov/cshs
- **Developmental screening and care coordination technical assistance** is available at no charge for clinics serving children 0-5 years. For more information:
 - Visit ldh.la.gov/developmentalscreening or
 - E-mail CSHSprogram@la.gov or
 - Call the Bureau of Family Health's Children's Special Health Services program at (504) 568-5055

Public School System Resources

- **Department of Education:** "Child Search" educational assessments and screenings for ages 3 and older. Contact information by parish below:

Allen Parish
(337) 639-2996

Beauregard
(337) 463-4534

Calcasieu
(337) 217-4300

Cameron
(337) 775-5784

Jefferson Davis
(337) 824-1357

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Family Wellness & Environmental Resources

This guide provides suggested referrals and services for the family of a child with a positive screen for environmental risk or caregiver depression.

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General Family Resources

Partners for Family Health: Website that helps all users find the Louisiana health resources and websites that are most relevant to them at partnersforfamilyhealth.org

Project LAUNCH: Parent and provider resources to support healthy physical and emotional development for children 0 - 8 years old louisianalaunch.org

VROOM: Free phone app designed to provide families with tools to turn everyday moments into brain building activities for children 0-5. Available on Google Play, the Apple App Store or at joinvroom.org

WIC: Women, Infant, and Children Program Nutrition Support: 1-800-251-BABY (2229)

Care Coordination Resources

Developmental screening and care coordination technical assistance is available at no charge for clinics serving children 0-5 years.

Ways to enroll in the program:

- Visit ldh.la.gov/developmentalscreening to access a fillable PDF of the form
- Email CSHSprogram@la.gov to request an electronic Technical Assistance form
- Call the Bureau of Family Health's Children's Special Health Services program at (504) 568-5055

Families may also benefit from Medicaid enrollment and Healthy Louisiana Behavioral Health services. Find provider locator tools at myplan.healthy.la.gov/choose.

Family Wellness Referrals

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- **Louisiana Warm Line:** Non-crisis phone line with certified peer support specialists Wednesday-Sunday, 5-10 PM, (800) 730-8375
- **National Suicide Prevention Hotline:** Available 24/7, (800) 273-8255
- **Alcoholics Anonymous:** Southwest LA hotline, (337) 502-9833, aa-swla.org.
- **State Reporting Hotline for Childhood Abuse/Neglect:** Child neglect/abuse investigations, (855)-452-5439
- **Department of Children and Family Services:** Food stamps/support services/emergency funds, (888) 524-3578
- **United Way Southwest LA:** Supports and service linkage including crisis assistance, 211 or (337) 433-1088.
- **Poison Control:** Louisiana's Poison Control Center 24/7 Hotline (800) 222-1222
- **Domestic Violence Hotline:** Louisiana's 24/7 Statewide Hotline (888) 411-1333
- **Operation Save a Life:** Free smoke alarms – Office of State Fire Marshal (225) 925-1716
- **Smoking Cessation:** Free help to quit smoking at quitwithusla.org or (800) QUIT-NOW (784-8669)
- **Child Care Assistance Program:** Child care assistance for children under 13 or children under 18 with a disability, financial criteria (877) 453-2721

Imperial Calcasieu Human Service Authority

Please refer to the numbers below to locate behavioral health, mental health, and addictive disorder treatment options in your area.

Beauregard
(337) 462-1641

Allen/Oberlin
(337) 639-3001

Calcasieu
(337) 475-8022

Jefferson Davis/Jennings
(337) 246-7325

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General Development Resources

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Families Helping Families of Southwest Louisiana: Peer support and resource linkage for families at fhfswla.org (337) 436-2570

Head Start/Early Head Start: Promotes preschool and school readiness for low-income families. Eligibility and enrollment information for Louisiana can be found at benefits.gov/benefits/benefit-details/1913C

Care Coordination Resources

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Social & Emotional Resources

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Care Coordination Resources

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- **Medicaid/Healthy Louisiana Behavioral/Mental Health Services:** Provider locator tools at myplan.healthy.la.gov/choose
- **Tulane Infant Mental Health Services:** Consultative services for primary care providers and more (504) 988-9184.
- **Specialist/Subspecialist Referral:** This may be indicated per primary care provider assessment.
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CSHS REGIONAL RESOURCE GUIDE – REGION 5

Allen - Beauregard - Calcasieu – Cameron - Jefferson Davis

Organization	Contact	Services/Information	Eligibility	Physician Referral
Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Programs (CYSHCN) www.ldh.la.gov/cshs www.ldh.la.gov www.ldh.la.gov/ehdi www.ldh.la.gov/genetics www.ldh.la.gov/lead	Children’s Special Health Services (CSHS) 337-478-6020	Regional sub-specialty medical clinics & care coordination	Eligibility criteria Birth–21 years	Specialty clinics- dx from MD
	Family Resource Center 504-896-1340	Children’s Hospital Rm 2020	All LA families	
	Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) 504-568-5028	NB Hearing Screens info	All newborns	No
	Genetic Diseases 504-568-8254	NB Heel Stick Screening Genetic Diseases Resources	All newborns	
	Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention 504-568-8254	Information and resources	All LA families	
Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) www.louisianabelieves.com	Toll free 877-453-2721	Child care assistance for children under 13	Financial criteria	No
Dental Services Medicaid Dental Services (MCNA) www.mcnala.net/en/home/	Main - toll free 800-494-6262	Dental Care	Medicaid eligible * benefit info online	No
Department of Children and Family Services (Food Stamps-SNAP) www.dcf.la.gov	DCFS 855-452-5437	Abuse/neglect investigation	Birth – 17 years	No
	Family Support Service 888-524-3578	24 hour hot line – SSI, WIC, Medicaid, emergency funds	Financial criteria	
	Food Stamps 888-524-3578	Supplemental nutrition	Financial criteria	
Developmental Disabilities Services Imperial Calcasieu Human Service Authority www.ldh.la.gov/ocdd Central Louisiana Resource Center on Developmental Disabilities www.ldh.la.gov	Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD) 337-475-8045 800-631-8810	WAIVER Registry, EarlySteps PT/OT/ST; Mental Health; DD Training; Transition; Supported Living; cash subsidy	Has developmental disability (i.e. Autism, MR; Severe CP & Epilepsy)	No Schedule appt MD signs enrollment forms
Resource Center at Pinecrest 318-487-5395 800-584-8511				
Early Intervention Services EarlySteps www.ldh.la.gov/earlysteps	Main Toll free 337-475-3831 866-494-8900	Developmental screening/evals; early intervention; ST/OT/PT; special instruction	Birth -3 years	No
Educational Assessments Dept. of Education Child Search - Pupil Appraisal www.doe.state.la.us	State Toll free Allen Beauregard Calcasieu Cameron Jefferson Davis 877-453-2721 337-639-2996 337-463-4534 337-217-4300 337-775-5784 337-824-1357	Special Education; Preschool; Developmental Screening; ST, OT, PT	Ages 3 - 21 years Developmental Screening 3 – 5 years	No
Emergency/Disaster American Red Cross www.swla-redcross.org United Way www.unitedwayswla.org Department of Family Services www.dcf.la.gov	Red Cross 800-229-8191 337-478-5122	Emergency Relief Vietnamese/Spanish Evacuation guides	No out of pocket cost	No
	United Way 211 337-433-1088	Community resource link	Demonstrated need	
	DCFS 888-524-3578	24 hr hot line - SSI; WIC; Medicaid; Food Stamps	Financial Criteria	
Family/Peer Support Families Helping Families of SWLA www.fhfwla.org Bayou Land FHF Information Center www.blfhf.org Hands and Voices/Guide By Your Side www.lahandsandvoices.org	FHF Main Toll free 337-436-2570 800-894-6558	Information & Referral; Education & Training; Peer to peer support	No out of pocket cost	No
	Family2Family Info Center 800-331-5570			
	Guide Jill Guidry 337-515-5774	Family peer support for children who are deaf/hard of hearing		

MEDICAL HOME CARE COORDINATION RESOURCES - Region 5

Allen – Beauregard – Calcasieu – Cameron - Jefferson Davis

Organization	Contact		Services/Information	Eligibility	Physician Referral
Legal Assistance Advocacy Center www.advocacyla.org	Toll free Spanish/Vietnamese	800-960-7705	Legal Services Advocacy/outreach/training Education/Voting/Access	Persons with disabilities and elderly no cost to client	N/A
Medicaid Insurance Helplines Medicaid/Healthy LA Plans www.myplan.healthy.la.gov Aetna Better Health Healthy Blue AmeriHealth Caritas LA HealthCare Connections United HealthCare	Medicaid Info Line Aetna Healthy Blue AmeriHealth LA HealthCare United HealthCare	855-229-6848 855-242-0802 844-521-6941 888-756-0004 866-595-8133 800-587-5187	Information on Medicaid – online provider locator tool Assistance with service approvals, prior auths, denials and complaints	Medicaid Eligible	No
Mental Health Services Imperial Calcasieu Human Service Authority www.ldh.la.gov	Beauregard Allen/ Oberlin Calcasieu Jeff Davis/ Jennings LA 24 hour crisis	337-462-1649 337-639-3001 337-475-8022 337-246-7325 800-272-8367	Mental/Behavioral Health & Addictive Disorders	Call for eligibility screening Financial criteria Self-Refer Ages birth – adult	No
Mental Health Support Louisiana Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health www.laffcmh.org	Main Parent Line Toll Free	225-293-3508 800-224-4010	Information & Referral; Education, training and family mentoring for BH issues; Peer to peer mentoring thru 24 years	Parent, Caregiver & children/youth with emotional, BH/MH issues	No
Personal Care Services PCS Medicaid EPSDT www.ldh.la.gov	EPSDT Main Toll free	225-342-0555 877-455-9955 Ext 2	In-home, non-waiver, personal care services	Medicaid eligible birth to 21 years, medical criteria	MD submits form 90-L & rx
Prescription Assistance Partnership for Prescription Assistance www.pparx.org CENLA (CMAP) Wal-Mart walmart.com	PPA CENLA local area store	888-477-2669 888-443-7494 Call store	Prescription Assistance Low/no cost Prescription Assistance \$4-5/30 day supply	Financial criteria Financial criteria generic formulary open to all	No No
Shriner's Hospitals for Children www.shrinershospitals.org	Main Number	318-222-5704	Orthopedic conditions; Surgery; Therapy; Equipment	No out of pocket cost, *must keep	Diagnosis from MD
Social Security SSI www.ssa.gov	SSA Toll free	800-772-1213	Benefits for children with qualifying disability *Reapply if denied - benefit re- determined at age 18	Medical Criteria	Diagnosis from MD
Transportation - Medical Appointments Medicaid/Healthy LA Plans www.ldh.la.gov	Medicaid Aetna Amerigroup/Healthy Blue AmeriHealth Caritas LA HealthCare United HealthCare	855-325-7565 877-917-4150 866-430-1101 888-913-0364 855-369-3723 866-726-1472	Non-emergency medical transport to/from medical visit-parent/child *Must schedule 2 days before appointment	Medicaid Eligible	No
Vocational Rehab Services Louisiana Rehab Services (LRS) www.laworks.net	Regional Office Lake Charles	337-475-8038	Vocational rehab/work support for persons with disabilities, voc counseling & referrals	Eligibility assessment	No
WIC-Nutrition Support Women Infants and Children (WIC) www.fns.usda.gov Partners for Healthy Babies-website http://1800251baby.org/	Allen Beauregard Calcasieu Cameron Jefferson Davis National Babyline Bureau of Family Health online resource	318-335-1147 337-463-4486 337-478-6020 337-775-5368 337-824-2193 800-251-2229	Food and formula vouchers nutrition education breastfeeding support * Note: call for clinic hours Links Louisiana moms and babies to resources	*Must keep medical appointments	Yes MD signs app