**Special Services At Home (SS@H)**

**What is Special Services at Home?**

Special Services at Home is a program designed to provide a variety of supports to those who are caring for a child with a developmental and/ or physical disability. SS@H can be used in a variety of ways to best meet the needs of each unique family. Support can be provided either in the home, or in a variety of community settings

The program is funded by the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services

**Some of the ways SS@H can provide your child with support are:**

* 1:1 Support Worker to support your child in working toward their own unique goals.
* 1:1 Support Worker to provide families with a short break from the demands of caring for their child
* Participation in recreational programs
* The purchase of a variety of other individualized supports and services for your child based on current Ministry guidelines hyperlink to Ministry guidelines <http://www.children.gov.on.ca/htdocs/English/specialneeds/specialservices/guidelines.aspx#EligibleAndIneligibleSupports>

With careful thought and planning, your SS@H funds can be used to support a wide range of meaningful activities which will increase a child's experiences and opportunities to work on their individual goals.

**Who is eligible for the Special Services at Home Program?**

* Children/youth 0-18 years of age
* Children/youth with a physical and/or developmental disability verified by a physician.

**What can I expect?**

Lansdowne Children's Centre can assist in completing your SS@H application form. Once your child’s eligibility has been determined, and the Ministry has issued your child an SS@H contract, a Program Supervisor will meet with you to discuss how your funding can be best utilized to meet the unique needs of your child and family.

For further information about Special Services at Home at Lansdowne Children's Centre, or to initiate a referral, please contact:

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519-753-3153 ext. 206

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