ABOUT CARE FOR KIDS

Childhood is the foundation for a healthy life. Care for Kids promotes healthy lifestyles by making sure all children in Montgomery County have access to affordable behavioral, medical, dental and vision care. Care for Kids is a program available to children of low-income families who live in Montgomery County and are not eligible for state or federal health programs and cannot afford private insurance.

Care for Kids provides:

- Behavioral health care
- Routine well-child visits
- Sick visits
- Immunizations
- Discounted lab and radiology services
- Medicines
- Dental services
- Vision care
- Specialty care (with pre-approval)

Care for Kids does not provide:

- Emergency room visits
- Hospitalization
- After hours care

HOW TO APPLY

To apply for Care for Kids, or renew your membership, bring these documents to the Office of Eligibility and Support Services (OESS) nearest to your home. You do not need to make an appointment:

- Proof of income (e.g. four weeks of pay stubs, tax return, a letter from your employer)
- Proof of address (e.g. lease, utility bill)
- Parent's proof of identity (e.g. driver's license, passport, state ID card)
- Child's proof of identity (e.g. birth certificate, passport)

OESS LOCATIONS

Germantown Health Center

12900 Middlebrook Road, 2nd Floor Germantown, MD 20874 (240) 777 - 3591

Rockville Health Center

1401 Rockville Pike, 1st Floor Rockville, MD 20850 (240) 777 - 3120

Silver Spring Health Center

8630 Fenton Street, 10th Floor Silver Spring, MD 20910 (24) 777 - 3066

Care for Kids is a partnership between the Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the School Health Program, nonprofit clinics, private health care providers, Kaiser Permanente, and the Primary Care Coalition. The program is funded by Montgomery County and supplemented by grants secured by the PCC, donated services, and private donations.

Care for Kids is not an insurance program.



primary care coalition

8757 Georgia Ave. 10th Floor Silver Spring, MD 20910 PrimaryCareCoalition.org

Caring for the Whole Child

by supporting every child's emotional needs

Care for Kids can help your child deal with the stress in their lives.

Ask your child's primary care provider about Caring for the Whole Child.









Stress, depression, and anxiety can happen to anyone, even children and teens.

Tell your child's primary care provider if your child often:

- Feels sad
- Feels worried
- Has stomach pains
- Has trouble in school
- Has nightmares and difficulty sleeping
- Has scary memories
- Has relationship problems
- Misuses alcohol or drugs

Your medical provider can refer you to a counselor if your child seems to have a lot of stress or is struggling with relationships.

Poor emotional health can affect people in different ways. Sometimes it can be hard to see the warning signs, so it is important to talk to your medical provider about a behavioral health screening at every visit, even if that is not the reason for your visit.

Take your child for a wellchild visit or check-up once a year and ask for a behavioral health screening at the visit.

It is important to follow the recommended schedule for well-child visits to keep an eye on your child's emotional and mental well-being, as well as physical health.