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Your Link to Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

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Save Money and Time with Unique Benefits

If you haven't been to New Employee Orientation in a while, you might not know about all the unique benefits Children's offers employees, even part-time ones. Over the next few weeks, we will highlight a few of these lesser-known benefits in a series of articles on Careforce Connection, so you can take full advantage (and maybe save time and money).

You probably know that we offer an [Employee Assistance Program \(EAP\)](#), but are you familiar with the different ways it can help you? EAP is best known as a resource for finding counseling, but it's also available for legal, financial, child care, elder care and academic support.

Financial and Legal Consultation

If you are trying to plan for the future, save for college or manage debt, EAP can support you. The EAP offers a free phone consultation with a Certified Financial Planner or other financial experts. These professionals can assist with many financial issues, including the following:

- Debt consolidation
- Investment options
- Repairing your credit history
- Identity theft prevention and repair
- Budgeting

The EAP also offers a free 30-minute consultation with a local attorney to discuss legal matters, such as personal injury, family law, estate planning or contract law. If your issue can't be resolved during the free visit, you will receive a 25 percent discount off the lawyer's standard hourly rate. Also included, at no cost, are simple wills, document review, and making an advocacy phone call or writing a brief letter if it will resolve a legal matter.

Child Care, Academic Resources and Elder Care

The EAP's Child Care Specialists help parents explore child care options and provide referrals for all types of prescreened child care, schools and camps. They even contact them to verify immediate openings and to confirm the appropriateness of the referral, saving you this important step.

The EAP also can provide referrals to tutors for children needing academic assistance or customized profiles of K-12, military and boarding schools, and colleges. Are you beginning a college search? EAP can help facilitate the college search process for both college-bound children, as well as the working individual in search of furthering their educational needs.

If you are seeking elderly care for a loved one, EAP can help you locate resources, facilities and care that match your needs.

Adoption Services

EAP provides information regarding adoption, as well as resources to help those seeking birth parents. Additionally, the EAP counselors offer referrals for adoption agencies, attorneys, support groups and post adoption counselors.

Pet Care

EAP even provides a customized listing of veterinarians, kennels, sitters, groomers, walkers, breeders and pet publications.

Professional Counseling

If you or a loved one has personal, family or work concerns, EAP offers up to six free face-to-face counseling sessions. If you need immediate access, counselors are available live by phone 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. All EAP services are confidential.

To learn more about the expansive EAP offerings at Children's, visit [Careforce Connection's EAP page](#) or contact EAP Consultants directly at 770-951-8021 or 800-869-0276 .