

Fact Sheet:

Programs for Children with Cardiac Conditions



CARDIAC CARE FOR CHILDREN

Provides an initial examination by a participating pediatric cardiologist and routine tests for children with cardiac conditions in Bismarck, Fargo, Grand Forks and Minot. The program ensures comprehensive and coordinated care through linkage and referral to other services and programs, and through care coordination as needed. Health care and financial information is available to families and professionals upon request.

Any child, birth to twenty-one years of age, who lives in North Dakota, may participate in this program. Third party payers such as private insurance and Medicaid are billed when available.

The Cardiac Care for Children program covers an initial examination by a participating pediatric cardiologist and routine tests to support the cardiac assessment, such as:

- Chest X-Ray
- Echocardiogram
- Electrocardiogram
- Select Laboratory Tests

If more extensive diagnostic services or treatment are needed, a separate application for one of the following programs is recommended.

DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES

To confirm or rule out a diagnosis, this program pays for more extensive cardiac tests in addition to the above service. An application through county social services is necessary. No financial eligibility is required. Third party payers such as private insurance and Medicaid are billed when available. Covered tests may include:

- Diagnostic Heart Catheterization
- Ambulatory Electrocardiogram Monitoring (Holter Monitor)
- Stress Test

TREATMENT SERVICES

Payment for treatment of cardiac conditions for children is available for families who meet financial eligibility guidelines. An application through county social services is necessary. Third party payers such as private insurance and Medicaid are billed when available. Covered services may include:

- Periodic Electronic Monitoring of Cardiac Pacemaker
- Surgery
- Cardiologist Office Visits
- Hospitalization
- Medication

For more information, call Children's Special Health Services at 701.328.2436, toll-free at **800.755.2714**, or your local county social service office.