

What is Disabled Children's Home care?

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Disabled Children's Home Care (DCHC) (sometimes referred to as Katie Beckett) is a program in Vermont that allows children under 19 with long-term disabilities or complex medical needs to qualify for Medicaid regardless of family income, by considering only the child's income and resources. This enables children to receive high-level care at home from their families, rather than in hospitals or residential centers.

Eligibility for DCHC

A child or youth must:

- Meet financial requirements of having under \$2000 in income or countable resources monthly.
- Be under 19 years of age.
- Be a Vermont resident.
- Meet the Vermont Medicaid requirements pertaining to citizenship and immigration status.
- Meet [medical requirements](#) of needing a higher level of care.



Applying for DCHC

You can [apply online](#) through the Department of Vermont Health Access (DVHA) website or call 1-855-899-9600.

Application Assistance

You can get help with the application by finding a [trained Assister](#). Or you could reach out to a CSHN Care Consultant by emailing AHS.VDHCSHN@vermont.gov.