

Medical-Legal Partnership Project

Improving Children's Health Outcomes

Resources for Hartford Area Pediatric Providers

BIG 6 Questions

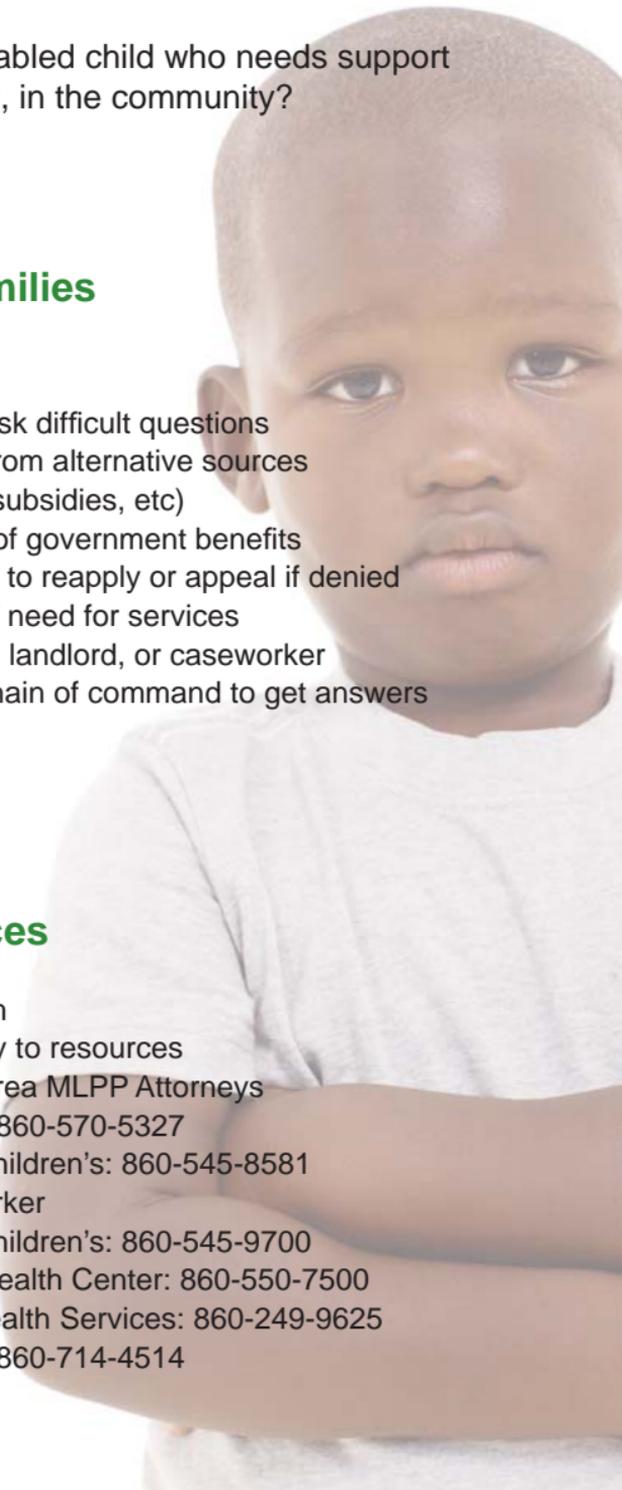
- 1.** Do you have enough food?
- 2.** Is your housing safe?
- 3.** Do you have enough money for basic needs?
- 4.** Do you have problems getting your health insurance to pay for services and medication?
- 5.** Is your child getting an appropriate education?
- 6.** Do you have a disabled child who needs support at home, in school, in the community?

Help Eligible Families Get Benefits

- Don't be afraid to ask difficult questions
- Maximize income from alternative sources (food stamps, fuel subsidies, etc)
- De-stigmatize use of government benefits
- Encourage families to reapply or appeal if denied
- Document patients' need for services
- Contact the school, landlord, or caseworker
- Use an agency's chain of command to get answers

Refer Patients who Need Services

- Identify the problem
- Refer family directly to resources
- Refer to Hartford-area MLPP Attorneys
 - Saint Francis: 860-570-5327
 - Connecticut Children's: 860-545-8581
- Refer to Social Worker
 - Connecticut Children's: 860-545-9700
 - Charter Oak Health Center: 860-550-7500
 - Community Health Services: 860-249-9625
 - Saint Francis: 860-714-4514



2016 Annual Federal Poverty Level (FPL) Guidelines

Number in Household	100%	138%	150%	200%	250%
1	11,770	16,242	17,655	23,540	29,425
2	15,930	21,983	23,895	31,860	39,825
3	20,090	27,724	30,135	40,180	50,225
4	24,250	33,465	36,375	48,500	60,625
5	28,410	39,205	42,615	56,820	71,025
6	32,570	44,946	48,855	65,140	81,425
7	36,730	50,687	55,095	73,460	91,825
8	40,890	56,428	61,335	81,780	102,225

Tips for Immigrant Families

- Citizens and eligible non-citizens may get Food Stamps if meet income/resource guidelines
- Food stamps and health insurance will not affect family's immigration status
- Legal immigrant children with mental retardation or victims of domestic violence are eligible for HUSKY immediately (no 6 month waiting period)
- All families <185% FPL (Federal Poverty Level) eligible for WIC regardless of immigration status

Letters Requesting Services

Be sure to include:

1. Medical condition, treatment, and prognosis
2. Specific nature of the problem
3. The rule, law, or requirement that applies
4. How 2 and 3 relate to the patient's condition
5. Request for action

Sample Letter:

Dear Principal Overwhelmed,

I am writing to request that you address the education needs of Patricia Patient, daughter of Mother Patient, who is a fourth grade student at Can't Educate our Students Elementary School.

According to my review of Patricia's records, her educational performance has fallen far below the expected level for a child in the fourth grade, and as a result, we believe that Patricia is a student who requires intensive educational and academic supports.

We kindly request that the school institute a Planning and Placement Team (PPT) meeting to begin the process of testing and evaluating Patricia for eligibility for special education services.

We look forward to working with you and are happy to provide the school with medical records necessary to support the goal of providing appropriate educational services to Patricia at this time.

Please contact me at xxx-xxx-xxxx if you have questions. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Pat Pediatrician

Resources

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Legal Services

AIDS Legal Network for Connecticut
541-5000

Center for Children's Advocacy
860-570-5327 kidscounsel.org

CT Fair Housing Center
860-247-4400 ctfairhousing.org

CT Legal Rights Project
860-496-9018 clrp.org

Greater Hartford Legal Aid
860-541-5000 ghla.org

Medical-Legal Partnership Project kidscounsel.org/mlpp
Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center: 860-570-5327
Connecticut Children's Medical Center: 860-545-8581
Yale-New Haven Hospital: 203-688-0113

Statewide Legal Services
860-344-0380 or 800-453-3320 slsct.org

UConn Law School Asylum & Legal Rights Clinic
860-570-5205

law.uconn.edu/academics (type "asylum clinic" in search box)

Advocacy Services

Connecticut Children's Medical Center
Government Relations / Advocacy Coordinator
860-837-5557 or 860-545-8561
connecticutchildrens.org/resources/about-us/advocacy

Office of the Child Advocate
860-566-2106 or 800-994-0939 ct.gov/oca

Office of the Victim Advocate
860-550-6632 or 888-771-3126 ct.gov/ova

Asthma and Lead

Connecticut Children's Medical Center
Healthy Homes - Primary Care 860-837-6241
connecticutchildrens.org/community-child-health/lampp-green-healthy-homes-project

Easy Breathing 860-837-5333
connecticutchildrens.org/community-child-health/asthma/easy-breathing-asthma

Hartford Environmental Health 860-757-4700
hartford.gov/hhs/environmental-health

Child Abuse and Trauma

Aetna Foundation Children's Center
Saint Francis Hospital
860-714-5052 aetna-foundation.org

Connecticut Children's Medical Center
SCAN Program 860-837-5890
connecticutchildrens.org/our-care/child-abuse-and-neglect

Connecticut Children's Medical Center
Child Protection Team 860-545-9700
connecticutchildrens.org/patients-and-families/child-family-support-services/child-protection-team

Center for Children's Advocacy
Medical-Legal Partnership Project
860-570-5327 or 860-545-8581 kidscounsel.org/mlpp

Department of Children and Families
Child Abuse Hotline 800-842-2288

Emergency Mobile Crisis
211 empst.org

Interval House Domestic Violence Services/Shelter
860-527-0550 intervalhousect.org

Village for Families and Children - Counseling
860-236-4511 thevillage.org

Child Care Resources and Referrals

Care-4-Kids
888-214-5437 ctcare4kids.com

Child Care Info Line (United Way)
211 search.211childcare.org

Child Support

Department of Social Services
Bureau of Child Support Enforcement
860-723-1002 or 855-626-6632

Connecticut Women's Education and Legal Fund
860-247-6090 cwealf.org

Attorney General's Office
860-808-5540 ct.gov/ag

Disability and Developmental Delay

ATCAMP (African-Caribbean American Parents
of Children with Disabilities
860-548-9959 afcamp.org

Connecticut Children's Hospital
Special Kids Support Center 545-9230

Saint Francis Hospital Pediatrics
860-714-4931

Hartford Health Department - Maternal Child Health Division
860-757-4769

Help Me Grow Child Development Hotline
211 211bigbend.net/help-me-grow.html

Office of Disability Issues (Discrimination)
860-297-4300 ct.gov/opapd

Padres Abriendo Puertas
860-297-4391 or 800-842-7303
padresabriendopuerta.wix.com

Spina Bifida Association
860-832-8905 spinabifidaassociation.org

Department of Developmental Services
860-418-6000 ct.gov/dd

Office of Protection and Advocacy
860-297-4300 ct.gov/opapd

United Cerebral Palsy Association of Greater Hartford
860-236-6201 ucphartford.org

Social Security Administration
800-772-1213 ssa.gov

Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Injury Prevention

Asian Family Services 860-951-8770
crtct.org/en/need-help/m-health/asian-family-services

Catholic Charities Family Service
860-522-8241 ccaoh.org

Connecticut Children's Hospital Injury Prevention Center
860-837-5318
connecticutchildrens.org and type "violence" in search box

Saint Francis Hospital Violence and Injury Prevention Program
860-714-4000
saintfranciscare.com and type "violence" in search box

Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence
24 Hour Hotline
888-774-2900(English) or 844-831-9200(Spanish)

Families in Crisis - Service for Batterers
860-236-3593 familiesincrisis.org

Hartford Interval House
860-527-0550 or 888-744-2900 intervalhousect.org

Village for Families and Children
860-236-4511 thevillage.org

Wheeler Clinic Domestic Violence Intervention
888-793-3500 or 800-793-3588
wheelerclinic.org/community-justice

YWCA Crisis Line
888-999-5545 (English) or 888-568-8332 (Spanish)

Connecticut Alliance to End Sexual Violence
860-282-9881 endsexualviolencect.org



Education

Hartford Public Schools
860-695-8000(English) or 860- 695-8444(Spanish)
hartfordschools.org

Connecticut Department of Education
860-713-6543 sde.ct.gov

Special Education/Advocacy

African-Caribbean American Parents of Children with Disabilities
(AFCAMP) 860-548-9959 afcamp.org

Capitol Region Education Council
860-247-2732 crec.org

Hartford Director of Special Education
860-695-8550
hartfordschools.org/family-resources/special-education

Learning Disabilities Association
860-560-1711
ldaamerica.org/lda-chapters/connecticut

Padres Abriendo Puertas (Special Needs)
860-297-4391 or 800-842-7303
padresabriendopuerta.wix.com

Special Education Resource Center
860-632-1485 ctserc.org

Connecticut Office of Protection and Advocacy
800-842-7303 ct.gov/opapd

Connecticut Department of Education
Special Education 860-713-6910

Food and Nutrition

Catholic Charities Basic Needs Program 860-522-8241
ccaoh.org.qts.arvixevps.com/services/basic-needs/

Connecticut Children's Medical Center
Breastfeeding Education 860-545-8950
connecticutchildrens.org/healthinfo/parents

Department of Social Services - Food Stamps
860-723-1000 ct.gov/snap

End Hunger Connecticut
860-560-2100 endhungerct.org

Foodshare
860-286-9999 foodshare.org

Healthy Start 860-757-4817
hartford.gov/hhs/maternal-child-health/ct-healthy-start

Hispanic Health Council - Breastfeeding
860- 527-0856 hispanichealth.com

Meals on Wheels 860-560-5828
crtct.org/en/need-help/senior-services/meals-on-wheels

Women, Infants and Children (WIC)
860-757-4780 hartford.gov/hhs and type "WIC" in search box

Fuel and Utility Assistance

Catholic Charities
860-522-8241 ccaoh.org

Hands on Hartford
860-246-6757 handsonhartford.org

Operation Fuel
INFOLINE - 211 operationfuel.org

Health Insurance

HUSKY Health Infoline
877-CT-HUSKY (877-284-8759) huskyhealth.com

Connecticut Insurance Department
860-297-3812 or 800-203-3447 ct.gov/cid

Office of the Healthcare Advocate
866-HMO-4446 ct.gov/oha

Housing

Connecticut Fair Housing Center (discrimination information)
860-247-4400 ctfairhousing.org

Hartford Housing Authority
860-275-8400 or 860-723-8400
hartfordhousing.org

Hartford Licenses and Inspection (conditions)
860-757-9200 or 860-757-9219
hartford.gov/licenses-and-inspections

Housing and Urban Development (CT Directory)
860-240-4800 hud.gov

Housing Education Resource Center
860-296-4242 herc-inc.org

Independence Unlimited
860-523-5021 independenceunlimited.org

Jewish Family Services of Greater Hartford
860-236-1927 jfshartford.org

La Casa de Puerto Rico
860-522-5222 hispanichartford.org



Subsidized Rental Housing

Community Renewal Team
Housing Rental Assist Prog, Sec. 8
800-560-0128 crtct.org

Shelter Plus Care
860-418-6942 ct.gov/dmhas

Eviction Prevention Program 211
uwc.211ct.org/eviction-prevention-programforeclosure-
prevention-program

Imagineers
860-247-2318 imagineersllc.com
Inter-Community Mental Health
Shelter Plus Care 860-895-3015

J. D'Amelia & Associates
Sec. 8 / Rental Assistance Program (RAP)
203-757-1138 jdamelia.com

Mercy Housing and Shelter - Supportive Housing
860-724-7998 mercyhousingct.org

YWCA Shelter Plus Care
860-525-1163 ext 4

Marshall House- Salvation Army
860-543-8430 ctri.salvationarmy.org/SNE/MarshallHouse

Immigrant and Refugee Resources

Catholic Charities Resettlement Assistance
860-548-0059 ccaoh.org

International Institute of Connecticut
860-692-3085 iiconn.org

Jubilee House
860-247-3030 jubileehouse.org

UConn Law School Human Rights Clinic
860-570-5205
law.uconn.edu/academics/clinics-experiential-
learning/asylum-human-rights-clinic

US Department of Immigration
800-432-4800 uscis.gov/

Yale Legal Clinic
203-432-4800 law.yale.edu

Job Resources and Training

American Red Cross (Child Provider Training)
800-REDCROSS redcross.org/ux/take-a-class

Connecticut Puerto Rican Forum
860-247-3227 ctpfrf.org

Connecticut Works
860-256-3700 ctworksjobs.org

Department of Labor
860-256-3700 ctdol.state.ct.us

Department of Administrative Services
Employment Info-line
860-713-5205 or 800-528-7442

Job Corp
800-763-JOBS jobcorps.gov

Our Piece of the Pie
860-761-7300 opp.org

Hartford Neighborhood Centers
860-251-6517 hnci.org

Supported Employment - Disability

Chrysalis Center
860-263-4400 chrysaliscenter.org

Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center
203-754-5141 easterseals.com

Goodwill Industries
860-278-5890 goodwill.org

Child Healthcare

Adolescent & Young Adult Health - St. Francis Hospital
860-714-4335
stfranciscare.org/Programs_and_Services/Pediatric_Services/
Adolescent_and_Young_Adult_Health_Program.aspx

Asylum Hill Family Practice Center - St. Francis Hospital
860-714-4212 asylumhillfamilymedicine.org

Burgdorf/Bank of America Health Center
860-714-2140 uchc.edu and type "Burgdorf" in search box

Saint Francis Pediatrics Primary Care Clinic
860-714-4332 stfranciscare.org

Connecticut Children's Medical Center - Primary Care Center
860-545-9000 or 860-837-6800 connecticutchildrens.org

Charter Oak Health Center
860-550-7500 thecharteroak.org

Community Health Services
860-249-9625 chshartford.org

Comadrona
860-527-0856

Maternal Infant Outreach Program
860-757-4769 hartford.gov/hhs

Protective Services

DCF Abuse and Neglect Hotline
800-842-2288 ct.gov/dfc

Kidsafe Child Advocacy Team
860-872-1918 kidsafect.org



Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Hospitals and Services

DCF Voluntary Services
800-842-2288 ct.gov/dcf

Klingberg Family Center
860-243-4416 klingberg.org

Institute of Living
860-545-7200 harthosp.org/InstituteOfLiving

Saint Francis Care Behavioral Health
860-714-4000 or 877-STFRANCIS

Wheeler Clinic
800-793-3588 wheelerclinic.org

Pregnancy - Testing, Counseling, Termination

Asylum Hill Family Practice Center
860-714-4212 asylumhillfamilymedicine.org

Charter Oak Health Center
860-550-7500 thecharteroak.org

Catholic Charities
860-522-8241 ccaoh.org

Community Health Services
860-249-9625 chshartford.org

Hartford Hospital Women's Health Service
860-972-2884 hartfordhosp.org

Institute for Hispanic Families (Prenatal Drug Education)
860-493-1983 jcyj.com

Planned Parenthood
800-230-PLAN (7526) plannedparenthood.org

Clinica Atabex
860-953-6201 or 860-728-0203

Saint Francis Maternal Fetal Medicine
860-714-4595 stfranciscare.org

Adolescent Pregnancy

Connecticut Children's Medical Center
Adolescent Services 860-545-9300

Hartford Hospital Women's Ambulatory Clinic
860-972-4054
harthosp.org/women/RelatedServices/WomensAmbulatory-HealthServices

Family Life Education
860-231-7744 familylifeedu.org

Salvation Army
Young Parents Program 860-543-8417

Substance Abuse and Smoking Cessation

Hartford Hospital
860-545-5000 hartfordhosp.org

St. Francis Hospital
Detoxification Services 800-251-6474

Catholic Charities
860-522-8241 ccaoh.org

Catholic Charities (Bilingual)
860-527-1124

Community Substance Abuse Center
860-247-8300 csachelp.com/Hartford.htm

Charter Oak
860-550-7550 thecharteroak.org

Community Health Service
Chemical Dependency Program 860-249-9625

Covenant House
Crisis Line 800-RUNAWAY covenanthouse.org

Hartford Behavioral Health (Bilingual)
860-727-8703 hbh1.org

Institute of Living Inpatient / Outpatient Rehab
860-545-7000 harthosp.org/InstituteOfLiving

Latinos Community Services
860-296-6400 lcs-ct.org

Federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
877-746-3764

Urban League of Greater Hartford
860-527-0147 ulgh.org

Wheeler Clinic Outpatient
860-793-3850 or 888-793-3500 wheelerclinic.org



Substance Abuse (Youth)

Community Renewal
860-560-5600 crtct.org

Governor's Prevention Partnership
800-422-5422 preventionworksct.org

Hispanic Health Council
860-527-0856 hispanichealth.com

Infoline (United Way)
211 or 800-203-1234 211ct.org

Institute of Living (IOL)
860- 545-7200 or 800-673-2411
harthosp.org/InstituteOfLiving/ChildAdolescentServices

New Beginnings Family Center
860-244-2181 nbfcfamily.com

Methadone Programs

Hartford Dispensary
860-525-9376
ct.gov/dmhas/cwp/view.asp?q=335226



Teen Resources

Counseling

Catholic Charities
860-522-8241 or 860-527-1124 ccaoh.org

Connecticut Children's Medical Center Child & Family Support
860-545-9700
connecticutchildrens.org/patients-and-families/child-family-support-services/family-support/

Children and Families Mental Health
860-550-6683

Hartford Behavioral Health
860-548-0101 or 727-8703 hbh1.org

Institute of Living (IOL)
860-545-7020 or 860-545-7200 or 800-673-2411

Salvation Army - Young Parents
860-543-8417

Village for Families and Children
860-236-4511 thevillage.org

LGBTQ

Center for Children's Advocacy
860-570-5327 speakupteens.org

True Colors
888-565-5551 ourtruecolors.org

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays
860-305-2743 or 860-505-7346 community.pflag.org

Rainbow Room
860-278-4163 hglhc.org

Recreation Programs

Artists Collective
860-527-3205 artistscollective.org

Big Brothers / Big Sisters
860-525-5437 nutmegbigbrothersbigsisters.com

Boys and Girls Clubs
860-242-5553 or 860-247-0018 or 860-951-6416

Burns School Family Resource Center
860-236-4511

Camp Courant
860-241-6320 campcourant.org

Hartford Neighborhood Center
860-251-6517 hnci.org
Hartford Recreation Centers
860-722-6660

Hispanic Health Council
860-527-0856 hispanichealth.com

Mi Casa Family Service and Education Center
860-522-5222 micasainc.org

Organized Parents Make a Difference
860-548-0301 opmad.org

YMCA
860-522-4183 ghymca.org

Youth Shelters

The Bridge Family Center Pathfinders Program
860-521-8035 or 860-521-6890

The Bridge Family Center Youth in Transition Program
860-521-8035

Covenant House Crisis Line
800-RUNAWAY covenanthouse.org

Recreation and Youth Services
860-543-8876

Salvation Army Shelter
860-543-8430

YMCA
860-522-4183 ghymca.org

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