

Autism on Public Assistance© & Who Pays for What?

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*Families with autism
helping families with autism.*

Agenda

- Public Assistance Programs Overview
- This overview contains program and contact information on federal programs where you can obtain funding or services.
- Resource List of Free and Low-Cost Services
- This covers the areas of counseling, legal aid, biomedical, therapies and treatments, holiday giving, disaster services and daily core needs such as food, rent, transportation, utilities, as well as a database of grant programs.
- Who Pays for What?
- How are you supposed to know what services are out there and who pays for them? Use our handy guide to learn what services there are, who provides them, where and who is supposed to be paying for them.

Who I am

- Holly Bortfeld
- Single mom of 2 ASD teens
- My daughter is almost 18, has Aspergers
- My son is almost 16, has Autism
- I have 2 jobs (one full-time and one part-time)
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Public Assistance Programs Overview

- In an effort to help our families afford the treatments that can help their children, TACA introduced the very popular article series “**Autism-On-A-Budget,**” but with the worsening economy, we started getting many more requests for help from families who are on, or considering, public assistance programs like Medicaid, Food Stamps and other programs offered by state and federal agencies.
- Even in a good economy, treating autism is expensive, but in these hard times when many grant programs have been eliminated or have been reduced drastically, finding help can be even harder. This presentation will discuss the available programs to help your family.

Programs Overview

- SSI
- State Medicaid
- Medwaiver/Autism Waiver
- TANF – Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- Food Stamps – SNAP
- WIC – Women, Infants and Children
- State Children’s Insurance Programs
- Head Start
- Free and Reduced Breakfast and Lunch Programs
- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

SSI - Supplemental Security Income

- www.ssa.gov
Who qualifies: Children under 18 years old with a disability who have limited income and resources, or who come from homes with limited income and resources.
- SSI is a program that pays monthly benefits to people with low incomes and limited assets who are 65 or older, blind, or have a disability. Children can qualify if they meet Social Security's definition of disability and if their income and assets fall within the eligibility limits. Autism is a qualifying diagnosis for SSI, but you still have to meet the income requirements.
- As its name implies, Supplemental Security Income supplements a person's income up to a certain level. The level varies from one state to another and can go up every year based on cost-of-living increases. SSI can provide both a monthly check and full Medicaid benefits. Even if you only get \$1 per month in SSI benefits, you will get full Medicaid to cover therapies like OT, PT and Speech, as well as doctors, dentists, prescriptions and more.
- How to contact the Social Security Office www.ssa.gov 800-772-1213

State Medicaid

- www.cms.hhs.gov/home/medicaid.asp
- Medicaid provides medical assistance for children and families with low income. It was established under Title XIX of the Social Security Act in 1965. It is jointly run by the federal and state government. Therefore, you will find differences from state to state and within the state. The states are responsible for determining the type, amount, duration, and scope of services; setting the rate of payment for services; and administering its own program. Some Medicaid programs are now paying managed care organizations or other insurance companies to provide health services to their participants. The participants are then required to follow that benefit contract. To learn more about Medicaid within your state and eligibility visit www.cms.hhs.gov/home/medicaid.asp This site is an excellent resource. Another helpful resource in determining your eligibility is your case worker. If your child does not qualify for Medicaid, some states have programs under Social Security/Medicaid that provide medical assistance to children regardless of their parent's income. This waiver is typically called the Katie Beckett Waiver. In PA, this is called PA95, aka the "Loophole".

Medwaiver/Autism Waiver

- <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/home/medicaid.asp>
- aka Katie Beckett, Institutional Deeming Waiver, HCBS (Home and Community Based Service), Autism Waiver, Children's Medical Waiver.
- The Katie Beckett Waiver is a federal waiver that is intended for children from birth to 18 years of age with a chronic disability. It entitles children to Medicaid that would not otherwise qualify due to their parent's financial status. It originally was intended for children at risk of institutionalization. But do not be scared off by the word, institutionalization, it does not mean you are thinking about placing your child in an institution, it just means your child has life-long medical needs.
- Each state can determine whether or not they want to administer this waiver, and how they want to administer it. Therefore, it varies greatly among the states and a few states do not choose to offer it. You will have to contact your state agency to determine if it is available in your state.

Medwaiver/Autism Waiver

- The Katie Beckett Waiver can be extremely helpful to many families. Most families struggle to pay their child's medical bills and this waiver will cover these expenses. The medical bills can be for a physician, hospital, therapy, prescriptions, respite care, diapers, vision and dental care, whatever Medicaid covers in that state. In some states this Waiver entitles children to a life-time of unlimited therapy. So, it is worth the hassle of finding out if your state offers this program and how to apply for it.
- The general procedure to apply for the Katie Beckett Waiver (again, this varies from state to state) is as follows:
- Apply for SSI and be denied. Ask them to send you a letter stating that you have been denied.

Medwaiver/Autism Waiver

- Ask for an application for a Katie Beckett Waiver by contacting your Social Service office, (a.k.a Department of Family and Children Services a.k.a. Department of Developmental Disabilities). You can also find the telephone number for your state's Medicaid office and ask them where to call about the Katie Beckett Waiver. <http://www.cms.gov/home/medicaid.asp>
- Complete the application. Typically, you should provide only information about your child and not about your financial status. Typically, your child's physician will need to complete paperwork called the DMA-6 or some type of form that states your child's disability.
- If you are denied, ask for an appeal. Often they change their decision, and grant the waiver. Sometimes, they put your child on a waiting list and years later they are approved.
- It is always helpful if you have a caseworker helping you through this process.
- Find the programs available in your state at http://www.cms.gov/MedicaidStWaivProgDemoPGI/08_WavMap.asp

TANF – Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

- www.acf.hhs.gov/opa/fact_sheets/tanf_factsheet.html
- TANF is also known as the Welfare-to-Work Program. You don't apply for this program separately but it's part of a block of programs available when you apply for Medicaid. Just check the TANF box on the application and the caseworker will let you know if you qualify. You apply for this program at your local Medicaid office.

Food Stamps – SNAP

- www.fns.usda.gov/FSP
- SNAP – Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program – helps low-income people and families buy the food they need for good health. Benefits are provided on an electronic card that is used like an ATM card and accepted at most grocery stores, and even some health food stores. A family of four can get as much as \$588 per month in Food Stamp subsidies. You apply for this program at your local Medicaid office.

WIC – Women, Infants and Children

- www.fns.usda.gov/wic
- WIC provides nutritious foods, nutrition education, and referrals to health and other social services to participants at no charge. WIC serves low-income pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women, and infants and children up to age 5 who are at nutrition risk. You apply for this program at your local Medicaid office. Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder under 5 qualify for WIC.
- **WIC on food allergies/intolerances**
- The WIC Program works hard to serve a large population that has various nutritional needs, including food allergies/intolerances. However, the foods eligible for the WIC food packages must meet nutritional requirements set by Federal regulations. If a participant has food allergies, WIC staff may tailor food packages to better meet the participant's individual needs. Types and quantities of foods in the food package may be adjusted to meet individual dietary needs. For example, if a child on WIC is allergic to peanut butter; dried beans/peas may be substituted for the peanut butter. If a pregnant woman on WIC is lactose-intolerant, the food package can be adjusted to include more cheese and/or issue lactose-reduced milk. If an infant on WIC has a medical condition requiring an exempt infant formula, the participant may receive such a formula with appropriate medical documentation.

State Children's Insurance Programs

- www.insurekidsnow.gov
- Your children may be eligible for free or low-cost health insurance through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
- You work hard to provide for your children and want to make sure they grow up strong, smart and healthy. But like many parents whose children don't have health insurance, you worry about taking care of them.
- Now, you may have one less thing to worry about. Your state, and every state in the nation, has a health insurance program for infants, children and teens.
- For little or no cost, this insurance pays for doctor visits, prescription medicines, hospitalizations, and much more.
- Kids that do not currently have health insurance are likely to be eligible, even if you are working. The states have different eligibility rules, but in most states, uninsured children 18 years old and younger, whose families earn up to \$34,100 a year (for a family of four) are eligible (the requirements vary state to state, so it is best to investigate your state). Children that receive Medicaid do not qualify for this program.
- To learn more, go to Your State's Program at www.insurekidsnow.gov or make a free call to 1-877-KIDS-NOW for more information.
- If all else fails, go to <http://covertheuninsured.org/stateguides>

Head Start

- eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/For%20Parents
- Head Start approaches the needs of the whole child and the family by providing health, education, social services, and parent-community involvement in one program. Most Head Start programs serve children ages 3 to 5 years, but the program also supports Early Start for infants and toddlers, Parent/Child Centers, and programs that help children make the transition to elementary school. Despite its growth, current funding for Head Start can assist only half of the eligible young children. Recent amendments to the Head Start law include services to babies and toddlers.

Head Start Program (continued)

- Children from birth to age 5 from families with low income, according to the Poverty Guidelines published by the federal government, are eligible for Head Start and Early Head Start services. Children from families receiving public assistance (TANF or SSI) are eligible for Head Start and Early Head Start services regardless of income.
- If you need help finding a Head Start program in your area, call Head Start Knowledge and Information Management Services toll-free at 1-866-763-6481, or you may use the online national Head Start Program Locator Tool at <http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/HeadStartOffices> Ten percent of enrollments are offered to children with disabilities.
- If you are ineligible for Head Start, the Child Care Aware program can help you in locating other childcare services in your community. To find the local child care resource and referral agency, please contact Child Care Aware toll-free at 800-424-2246 or <http://childcareaware.org/>

Free and Reduced Breakfast and Lunch Programs

- www.fns.usda.gov/cnd
- Breakfast Program – Any child at a participating school may purchase a meal through the School Breakfast Program. Children from families with incomes at or below 130 percent of the Federal poverty level are eligible for free meals. Those with incomes between 130 percent and 185 percent of the poverty level are eligible for reduced-price meals. (For the period July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009, 130 percent of the poverty level is \$27,560 for a family of four; 185 percent is \$39,220.) Children from families over 185 percent of poverty pay full price, though their meals are still subsidized to some extent. Apply for these programs at your child's school.

Free and Reduced Breakfast and Lunch Programs

- Lunch and Snack Programs – Any child at a participating school may purchase a meal through the National School Lunch Program. The financial requirements are the same as the Breakfast Program. Local school food authorities set their own prices for full-price (paid) meals, but must operate their meal services as non-profit programs.
- Afterschool snacks are provided to children on the same income eligibility basis as school meals. However, programs that operate in areas where at least 50 percent of students are eligible for free or reduced-price meals may serve all their snacks for free.
- You can have the school prepare GFCFSF meals under these programs at no additional cost to you. Read <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/must-schools-provide-casein-and-gluten-free-foods/> for more information.

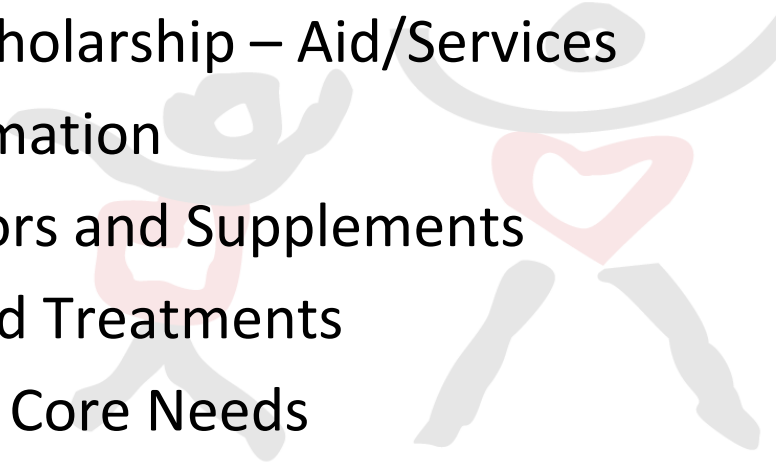
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

- www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/liheap
- If you receive Medicaid, you may be eligible for discounts on utilities such as electric, gas, phone, water and more. Ask your Medicaid caseworker, or Google search “Medicaid utility (and your state)” for program information.

Autism on Public Assistance: Resource List

- **Free and Low-Cost Services**

- ✓ Counseling
- ✓ Grants – Scholarship – Aid/Services
- ✓ Legal Information
- ✓ DAN! Doctors and Supplements
- ✓ Therapy and Treatments
- ✓ Daily Living Core Needs
- ✓ Emergency – Natural Disasters



TACA's Scholarship Program

<http://www.tacanow.org/about-taca/family-scholarship-program/>

Can provide up to \$750 to help with doctor visit, supplements and labs.

DAN! Doctor Scholarship Criteria:

- Be a TACA member for at least 6 months (sign up online, it's FREE!)
- Attend a TACA meeting or New Parent Seminar. If a New Parent Seminar is not available nearby, we ask that you watch the DVD. (This can be loaned to families in need.)
- Work with a Parent Mentor for at least 2 months
<http://www.tacanow.org/about-taca/parent-mentor-program/>
- Have a combined annual household income of less than \$65,000. (Applicants with higher household incomes will be considered, but priority will be given to those below \$65,000.)
- Reside in the United States and have a US mailing address.
- Join the TACA-USA Yahoo! Group at
<http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/taca-usa/>

TACA's Scholarship Program

- **Initial DAN! doctor appointment** - Families can apply to receive funding for an initial appointment and one follow-up appointment with a DAN! doctor. As part of the application process the family must chose a DAN! doctor and confirm the costs of an initial visit and follow-up.
- **Follow-up appointment with current DAN! doctor** - Families can apply for a follow-up appointment for their current DAN! doctor. The application would need to include cost breakdown for the appointment and the date of the last appointment.
- **Lab work** – as recommended by a DAN! doctor. Application would need to include information on the cost breakdown of the lab work being requested and the contact information for the preferred Lab. Note: If you have insurance, most tests can be done through insurance-covered labs and those will be rejected.
- **Supplements** – as recommended by a DAN! Doctor for your child as an emergency basis only.
- **Program FAQ** - <http://www.tacanow.org/about-autism/family-scholarship-program-faq/>
- **Insurance info** – <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/insurance-coverage-on-a-budget/>
- **Try Before you Apply** - <http://www.tacanow.org/about-taca/try-before-you-apply/>
- **Program contact** - <http://www.tacanow.org/contact/family-scholarship-program/>

Free and Low-Cost Resources - Counseling

- Marriage and Family
 - ✓ **Healthy Marriage Initiative**
<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/healthymarriage>
 - ✓ **Special Assistant for Marriage Education** (202) 260-1550
- Individual
 - ✓ **Help Pro** – website with a searchable database of marriage and family counselors (781) 862-5215 – select “Advanced Search” and you can search for counselors who have a sliding scale payment option. <http://www.helppro.com>
 - ✓ **Catholic Charities** <http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org>
 - ✓ Sixty-Six Canal Center Plaza, Suite 600 Alexandria, VA 22314
(703) 549-1390

Free and Low-Cost Resources - Counseling

- ✓ **Salvation Army** <http://www.salvationarmyusa.org>
 - ✓ **USA National**
615 Slaters Lane, Alexandria, Virginia 22313
(703) 684 5500
 - ✓ **USA Central Territory**
10 West Algonquin Road, Des Plaines, Illinois 60016
(847) 294 2000
 - ✓ **USA Eastern Territory**
440 West Nyack Road, West Nyack, New York 10994-0635
(845) 620 7200
 - ✓ **USA Southern Territory**
1424 Northeast Expressway Atlanta, Georgia 30329-2088
tel: (404) 728 1300
 - ✓ **USA Western Territory**
180 East Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, California 90802
(562) 436-7000

Grants – Scholarship – Aid/Services

- Grants or Scholarships available from other Autism organizations
 - ✓ <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/autism-grants/>
- Government funding
 - ✓ SSI 800-772-1213 www.ssa.gov
 - ✓ State Medicaid 800-633-4227
<http://www.cms.gov/home/medicaid.asp>
 - ✓ Food Stamps – SNAP
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/FSP/outreach/map.htm>
 - ✓ WIC <http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/>
- Aid/Services
 - ✓ Easter Seals – 800-221-6827 www.easterseals.com

Legal Information

- **Divorce:**

- ✓ health.groups.yahoo.com/group/Autism_Divorce
- ✓ <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/divorce-advice-for-special-needs-families/>

- **Special Education:**

- ✓ National Disability Rights Network
Phone: 202-408-9514 www.napas.org
 - ✓ Check their website for your state's chapter, works on sliding scale
- ✓ <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/special-education-tips-links/>
- ✓ Find an advocate/lawyer at <http://copaa.net>; www.wrightslaw.com

DAN! Doctors and Supplements

- **Biomedical Treatment on a Budget**
 - ✓ <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/biomedical-treatment-on-a-budget/>
- **Health Insurance on A Budget**
 - ✓ <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/insurance-coverage-on-a-budget/>
- **Family Scholarship Program**
 - ✓ <http://www.tacanow.org/about-taca/family-scholarship-program/>
- **NAA's Helping Hands**
 - ✓ <http://www.nationalautismassociation.org/helpinghand.php>
- **Angel's Purse Supplements**
 - ✓ (520) 287-8808 or 520-604-6009 www.autismangelpurse.com or jennyculverhill@q.com

Help with Labs

- **Quest Diagnostics Financial Assistance Program – Quest Cares**

<http://www.questdiagnostics.com/patient/FinancialAssistance/index.html>

Quest Diagnostics is committed to providing clinical laboratory services to all patients regardless of their ability to pay. Through our Financial Assistance Program we may adjust some or all laboratory charges for patients who are uninsured and cannot afford to pay for their clinical laboratory testing. This is a program at Quest where you can apply for a free or lower cost on a test, income-dependent. Includes all tests available at Quest.

For \$10 a year, the QuestCares™ Uninsured Patient Program gives special prices on tests doctors order most often. This program is not income-dependent but only covers the most popular Quest tests. Check to see if your tests are included before joining.

- **LabCorp's LabAccess Partnership**

This lower-cost option is available to patients with no insurance or those who's insurance excludes lab testing.

<http://www.medicalsocietyofdelaware.org/Portals/0/Public%20Inof/LAP%20Program%20LabCorp.pdf>

Prescriptions and Co-Pays

Prescriptions

- [Access2wellness.com](http://www.access2wellness.com) is a database of patient assistance programs that offer more than 1,000 prescription medications, for free or at a discount, to people who qualify.

Co-Payment Assistance

- **Co-Pay Relief** <http://www.copays.org/faqs.php>
- **The Healthwell Foundation** is a non-profit, charitable organization that helps individuals afford prescription medications they are taking for specific illnesses. The Foundation provides financial assistance to eligible patients to cover certain out-of-pocket health care costs, including: Prescription drug coinsurance, copayments, and deductibles, health insurance premiums and other selected out-of-pocket health care costs. <http://www.healthwellfoundation.org/eligibility.html>
- **Patient Access Network Foundation** assists the underinsured in accessing health care treatments. Throughout all 50 states and three U.S. territories PAN provides trained case managers that patients or advocates may speak with about their care. PAN provides hope at times when people have nowhere else to turn. <https://www.panfoundation.org/>
- **Patient Services Incorporated** <https://www.patientservicesinc.org/>
- **RX Assist** is the Web's most current and comprehensive directory of Patient Assistance Programs. Patient assistance programs are run by pharmaceutical companies to provide free medications to people who cannot afford to buy their medicine. RxAssist offers a comprehensive database of these patient assistance programs, as well as practical tools, news, and articles so that health care professionals and patients can find the information they need. All in one place. <http://rxassist.org/>
- **The UnitedHealthcare Children's Foundation** offers grants to be used for medical services not covered or not completely covered by commercial health benefit plans. <http://www.uhccf.org/apply.html>

Therapies and Treatments

- Who Pays for What, National Guide
 - ✓ <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/who-pays-for-what-a-guide/>
- Legal Rights with the educational system
 - ✓ <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/fundamentals-of-special-education/>
- Health Insurance on A Budget
 - ✓ <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/insurance-coverage-on-a-budget/>
- Used therapy equipment
 - ✓ health.groups.yahoo.com/group/AutismForSale
 - ✓ craigslist.org
 - ✓ health.groups.yahoo.com/group/ABAExchange
 - ✓ groups.yahoo.com/group/sensoryoverload
 - ✓ www.ebay.com
 - ✓ www.autismfreezezone.com
 - ✓ groups.yahoo.com/group/Spec_Needs_Mktpplc

Daily Living Core Needs

- **Food**

- ✓ GFCFSF on Food Stamps <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/gfcfsf-diet-on-food-stamps/>
- ✓ Angel Food Ministries (877) 366-3646. Low price food options, accepts food stamps, local pickup. <http://www.angelfoodministries.com>
- ✓ Strength.org (800) 969-4767 National Food Bank Locator <http://www.strength.org>
- ✓ WIC (Women, Infants and Children (under age 5)) <http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/>
- ✓ WIC Farmer's Market Program <http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/FMNP/FMNPfaqs.htm>
- ✓ Farm Gleaning 800-333-4597 http://www.endhunger.org/our_locations.htm
- ✓ Food Bank referrals <http://feedingamerica.org>
- ✓ Food Bank Locator 800-771-2303
- ✓ Head Start Program – if your child is under 4 years, two meals are provided through Head Start 866-763-6481 <http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc/tta-system/family/For%20Parents>
- ✓ School Free and Reduced Price Breakfast and Lunch programs <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/>
- ✓ Summer Food Programs 703-305-2286 <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/summer/>
- ✓ After-school care snacks and suppers <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Afterschool/default.htm>
- ✓ The Emergency Food Assistance Program <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/programs/tefap/default.htm>

Daily Living Core Needs

- **Transportation**

- ✓ Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Services. If you or your child receives Medicaid, you can be transported to, or reimbursed for mileage, to all Medicaid-physician-prescribed non-emergency doctor and therapy appointments. Ask your Medicaid caseworker, or google search “Medicaid transportation (and your state)” for program information.

- **Housing**

- ✓ HUD (US Dept. of Housing & Urban Development) (800) 225-5342
<http://www.hud.gov/faqs/faqrenting.cfm>
- ✓ Foreclosure Counseling – Free. A nationwide list of HUD-approved counseling agencies. Don’t pay loan modification companies thousands of dollars when the service is available at no charge. http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/topics/avoiding_foreclosure

- **Car Repair**

- ✓ Check with your local high school or trade school’s autoshop program.

- **Utilities help**

- ✓ Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) If you receive Medicaid, you may be eligible for discounts on utilities such as electric, gas, phone, water and more. Ask your Medicaid caseworker, or google search “Medicaid utility (and your state)” for program information. (202) 401-9351 <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/liheap/>
- ✓ Lifeline and Linkup (discounted phone service) 888-225-5322
http://www.lifeline.gov/lifeline_Consumers.html

Daily Living Core Needs

Holiday Giving

- ✓ **TACA's Holiday Adopt A Family** <http://www.tacanow.org/about-autism/holiday-adopt-a-family-program/>
- ✓ There were too many to list here so you are sure to find one near you! Just Google or look in the Yellow Pages for Churches and other Religious organizations in your area.
- ✓ **Salvation Army** <http://www.salvationarmyusa.org>
- ✓ **Catholic Charities**
<http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/NetCommunity/Page.aspx?pid=292>
- ✓ **Food Banks – for Holiday Meals**
 - ✓ Angel Food Ministries 877-366-3646 www.angelfoodministries.com
 - ✓ National Food Bank Locator (800) 969-4767 www.strength.org
 - ✓ Food Bank Locator 1-800-771-2303 <http://feedingamerica.org>

Daily Living Core Needs

Emergency – Natural Disasters

- Autism Cares (888) 288-4762 www.autismcares.org
- FEMA (800) 621-FEMA (3362) www.fema.gov
- American Red Cross National Headquarters www.redcross.org
2025 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006, (202) 303 5000
- Salvation Army www.salvationarmyusa.org
 - ✓ Has Social Services and help with Daily Living Core Needs and emergency help
- Catholic Charities <http://community.catholiccharitiesusa.org/>
 - ✓ Has help with Daily Living Core Needs and emergency help
- The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) for Disasters
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/disasters/disaster.htm>

Specialty Travel for Medical Treatments

- Air Travel
 - ✓ Air Charity Network <http://aircharitynetwork.org>
 - ✓ Autism Escapes <http://www.autismescapes.org>
 - ✓ National Patient Travel Center <http://www.patienttravel.org>
 - ✓ Miracle Flights <http://www.miracleflights.org>
 - ✓ Mercy Medical Airlift <http://mercymedical.org>
 - ✓ Angel Flight <http://www.angelflight.com>
- Ground Transportation
 - ✓ Angel-Bus <http://www.angel-bus.org>
- Housing
 - ✓ Ronald McDonald House <http://rmhc.org>
 - ✓ National Association of Hospital Hospitality Houses <http://www.nahhh.org/lodging>

Who Pays for What?

- For a detailed understanding of who is responsible for covering which specific expenses please see our “Who Pays For What” PDF available on the AutismOne Website or on the TACA website at <http://www.tacanow.org/family-resources/who-pays-for-what-a-guide/>
- The “Who Pays for What” document covers:
 - ✓ Service Name
 - ✓ Service Description
 - ✓ Who Delivers Service
 - ✓ Who Funds Service
 - ✓ Links
 - ✓ It also explains Coverage Types (SSI, Insurance, Medicaid, etc) as well as definitions of therapies and treatments.

Who Pays for What Highlights

- **ABA, OT, PT and Speech** - Insurance, Medicaid/Medwaiver, DD, School, Private Pay
- **Social Skills** - School, Private Pay, Medwaiver
- **Music, aquatic and Hippotherapy** - DD, state grants, Private Pay
- **Diapers** – Insurance, Medicaid/Medwaiver, DD, Private Pay
- **Assistive Technology** - School, Medicaid/Medwaiver, Private Pay
- **Conferences** – IEP, DD, state grants, Private Pay
- **Respite Care** - Medicaid/Medwaiver, state grants, Private Pay
- **Vision Therapy** – Insurance, Medicaid/Medwaiver, Private Pay
- **Itinerant Services** – Public school
- **Driving lessons** – OVR, SSI PASS Plan, state grants

Close

- NOW IT IS YOUR TIME!
- Questions & Answers



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