

Parent Resources

Government Funding:

Central East Region Flexible Funding for Children with ASD

Families can apply for this funding to hire caregivers so families can get time off from their care giving duties. Funds can be used for

- Respite worker
- Mediator
- Camp Fees
- Social groups, recreational groups
- Specialized classes, lessons (swimming, karate etc)

www.kerrysplace.org (Children's Respite Flexible Funding)

The Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities (ACSD) Program

This funding is to help parents with some of the extra costs when caring for a child with a disability. Funds can be used for

- Travel to doctors and hospitals
- Special shoes and clothes
- Parental relief
- Wheelchair repairs
- Assistive devices
- Hearing aids
- Hearing aid batteries
- Prescription drugs
- Dental care
- Eyeglasses

www.children.gov.on.ca

Special Services at Home (SSAH) Program

This program helps families who are caring for a child with a developmental or physical disability. It is used to hire a caregiver who

- Helps the child learn new skills and abilities
- Provide Respite Services

www.children.gov.on.ca

Assistive Devices Program (ADP)

Families can apply for this program to pay for personalized assistive devices. It is for individuals with a long-term physical disability. It can be used for

- Prostheses
- Wheelchair/mobility aid
- Specialized seating systems
- Enteral feeding supplies
- Strips for insulin dependent diabetics
- Insulin pumps
- Respiratory equipment
- Othoses
- Visual and communication aids
- Oxygen and delivery equipment

www.health.gov.on.ca

Passport Funding

Adults with a developmental disability can use this funding to pay for activities that encourage personal development.

www.mcass.gov.on.ca

Private Funding Options:

Jennifer Ashleigh Children's Charity

This funding is to assist children with a diagnosis such as autism to pay for therapies such as

- Speech therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Physiotherapy
- Massage therapy
- Therapeutic horseback riding
- Specially adapted tricycles

www.jenash.org

President's Choice Children's Charity

Families can apply for this charity if they have a child under the age of 18 who are physically or developmentally challenged. They fund programs such as

- Applied Behavioural Analysis (ABA)
- Intensive Behavioural Intervention (IBI)
- Speech therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Physiotherapy

www.presidentschoice.ca

Other Supports:

March Break Reimbursement Funds

The March Break Reimbursement fund is to help children with autism attend a March Break Camp/Program or to receive one to one support.

www.autismontario.com/camp

TTC Support Person Assistance Card

The TTC Support Person Assistance Card allows the support person who is accompanying the person with disability travel on the TTC for free.

www.ttc.ca

Access 2 Entertainment Card

This card allows the individual with a permanent disability bring his/her support worker to the movies or participating attractions for free.

www.Access2card.ca

South Asian Autism Awareness Centre

SAAAC is a privately funded organization that offers free programs such as speech therapy, ABA, music, dance & art program, day programs, after school programs and occupational therapy.

1970 Ellesmere Road Unit 1, Scarborough

416 824 8847

www.saaac.org

Children's Activity Tax Credit

Parents who wish to enroll their children in private classes are eligible to claim up to \$526 in expenses. This form can be submitted as part of your T1 General Income Tax return package.

www.fin.gov.on.ca

Private Insurance

Private therapy is covered under most private insurance and extended benefit plans. Private insurance for therapy operates in the same manner as dental and drug benefits. Please contact your insurance provider to determine coverage specific to your plan. Be sure to inquire about Parent Training coverage. Parents are trained during therapy sessions in order to acquire skills that can be utilized outside of therapy.

Online Parent Resource Kits:

First 100 Days Kit:

https://www.autismspeaks.org/docs/family_services_docs/100_day_kit.pdf

The Autism Parent Resource Kit:

http://www.children.gov.on.ca/htdocs/English/documents/topics/specialneeds/autism/aprk/Autism_Parent_Resource_Kit.pdf

Connectability:

www.connectability.ca

Parent Support Groups:

Parent Support Group for Chinese Families of Children with Development Disability

511 McNicoll Ave, Unit 204 North York

www.giftedpeople.ca

647 699 8416

info@giftedpeople.ca

Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital

150 Kilgour Rd, Toronto

416 425 6220 ext 3735

www.hollandbloorview.ca

Extend-A-Family

3300 Yonge Street, Toronto

416 484 1317

www.extendafamily.ca

Geneva Centre for Autism

112 Merton St, Toronto

416 322 7877

www.autism.net

Woodgreen Community Services- Parent Outreach Program

815 Danforth Ave #100, Toronto

416 645 6000

www.woodgreen.org

Financial Planning:

Partners for Planning

276 Carlaw Ave, Suite 308

416 232 9444

info@partnersforplanning.ca

Regional ABA based Lead Agencies

Central East- York Region or Simcoe County

Kerry's Place Autism Services

1 866 377 0286

34 Berczy St Suite 130, Aurora

Waitlist Status: Kinark Child and Family Services 1 888 454 6275

Durham Region

Grandview Children's Centre

600 Townline Road South, Oshawa

1 800 304 6180 ext 2248

Central West

ErinoakKids Centre for Treatment and Development

2695 North Sheridan Way, Suite 120, Mississauga

1 800 668 6432

Toronto

Surrey Place Centre

2 Surrey Place, Toronto

416 925 5141