

Nevada Support Programs + Agencies



Search “Nevada Long-term Services and Supports Waiver Programs” to find an organized summary of State waiver assistance programs. Two good sites are:

- <http://medicaidwaiver.org/state/nevada.html>
- <https://dhcfp.nv.gov/Pgms/LTSS/LTSSHome/>

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

Is my child eligible?

<https://www.ssa.gov/ssi/text-eligibility-ussi.htm>

Nevada-Based Resources

Olmstead Rights- Nevada Disability Resources and Advocacy Organizations

contains many helpful resources and links to government agencies and disability rights organizations in Nevada: including, but not limited to

- Disability advocacy
- Home health services
- Home care
- Nursing aide services
- Medicaid
- Accessing other community resources to help people with disabilities

The Head Injury Association of Northern Nevada (HIANN) is the voice of advocacy for brain injury survivors, their families, and caregivers in the Greater Northern Nevada Area. HIANN’s mission is to help brain injury survivors through support, empowerment, resources, public awareness, social events, and brain injury prevention programs.

Achieve Tahoe is dedicated to building health, confidence, and independence in people with disabilities through outdoor recreation. Achieve utilizes teaching techniques and specialized equipment to best serve the unique needs of their members.

Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) Program provides resources and support to community agencies serving children from birth to age 21. The CYSHCN Program funds a variety of community programs bridging service gaps by linking families to appropriate systems-level and enabling resources and providers.

Communication Access Services provides a listing of accessible communication services provided in Nevada.

DHHS Local Resources provides a listing organized by location of resources available to families and individuals with various abilities and conditions.

Division of Public and Behavioral Health – Licensee Search allows users to search for licensed health facilities and other facility types and professionals to find quality care in the State of Nevada.

Eagle Valley Children's Home provides a variety of services to children and families including a respite program and residential program.

Family Resource Centers (FRC) provide information, referrals, case management, and collaborate with local and state agencies and organizations to help individuals and families access needed services and support.

Family Resource Centers of Northeastern Nevada has a variety of programs including family advocacy, parenting education, teen health education, referrals, information, and more.

Family Support Services Program was developed to assist families to care for their relatives in the family home to prevent out-of-home placement. It provides financial assistance for eligible families to obtain services for their family member.

Las Vegas Adaptive Recreation provides a variety of adapted recreational activities and programs.

Long Term Care (LTC) Ombudsman Program is authorized by the federal Older American's Act and was initiated to improve the quality of care in America's nursing homes.

Nevada 2-1-1 keeps an accurate and comprehensive database to find health and human services to meet your needs.

Nevada Care Connection serves to streamline access to services and ensure that Nevadans receive individualized care that meets their needs. The vision is that Nevadans with functional limitations and the family members that support them have timely access to correct information and quality services that promote choice, dignity, and independence.

Nevada Care Connection – Caregiver Support provides information and resources to individuals providing primary caregiver to an individual who requires care.

Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health has a mission is to protect, promote and improve the physical and behavioral health of the people of Nevada.

Nevada Health Link helps individuals find and choose insurance options available to Nevada residents.

Nevada's University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD) has a vision where individuals with disabilities can fully participate in their communities through partnership, community advisory committees, and degree and certificate programs.

Non-Emergency Transportation (NET) is provided to eligible Nevada Medicaid recipients to obtain medically necessary Medicaid covered services.

Northern Nevada Center for Independent Living (NNCIL) helps people with disabilities one the skills they need to achieve independent living through life skills training, peer support, advocacy, and information.

Opportunity Village serves people in Southern Nevada with intellectual and related disabilities, to enhance their lives and the lives of the families who love them. Opportunity Village provides a variety of services and programs including fine arts, job discovery, advocacy, resources, and more.

Special Needs CommUNITY of Northern Nevada provides play and community opportunities for children with speech needs, their siblings, and their families. This group seeks to promote inclusion and support among families with a child with special needs.

Taxi Assistance Program (TAP) provides discounted taxicab fares to qualified individuals, age 60 and older, and persons of any age with a permanent disability through coupon booklets that are accepted by all taxicab companies in Clark County.

Team Luke Hope for Minds exists to enrich the lives of children impacted by a brain injury and to give hope to their families through support, education, and resources.

The Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) in the State of Nevada represents Nevada's elders, children and adults with disabilities or special health care needs.

The Department of Employment, Training & Rehabilitation (DETR) is the state's lead workforce development agency. It consists of divisions that offer workforce-related services, job placement and training, services for people with disabilities and more.

The Foundation Assisting Seniors' (FAS) mission is to assist seniors in times of illness, recovery, confinement at home, coping with loss of a loved one, and other senior challenges through short-term durable medical equipment loans, minor home maintenance, and transportation services.

The Nevada Association for the Education of Young Children (NevAEYC) promotes high-quality early learning for all children, birth through age 8, by connecting practice, policy, and research.

The Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) promotes the health and well-being of its residents through essential services to ensure families are strengthened, public health is protected, and individuals achieve their highest level of self-sufficiency.

The Nevada Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities (NGCDD) is responsible for identifying the most pressing

needs of people with intellectual/developmental disabilities in Nevada and developing innovative and cost-effective ways to advance advocacy through policy, capacity building and systems change activities to promote equal opportunity, self-determination, and community inclusion.

The Nevada Home Visiting Program supports agencies and organizations which administer home visiting services to pregnant women, mothers, fathers, and caregivers in the education of their young children to improve maternal and newborn health, improve school readiness, and to reduce child injuries, neglect, and abuse.

The Nevada Statewide Independent Living Council serves to advocate for the development of a network of programs, services and options designed to empower Nevadans with disabilities to live independently in the community.

The Northern Nevada Center for Independent Living was founded by a group of people with disabilities to help others with disabilities develop the skills they need to achieve independent living. NNCIL is a dynamic organization that responds to the needs of the community.

U.S. Department of Labor Disability Resources The federal government website for comprehensive information about disability-related programs, services, policies, laws, and regulations.

Financial Aid

Access Nevada is the one stop portal for residents of the State of Nevada to apply for assistance, including SNAP, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Healthcare, childcare, and more.

Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Account allows a person with a disability or

their family to put money into a special tax-advantaged account.

Adult Day Health Care and Habilitation

affords individuals who require less than institutional level care, but still have a significant need, to have access to a greater number of services in the community which they might not otherwise qualify for.

Assisted Living (AL) Waiver maximizes the independence of Nevada's frail elderly by providing assisted living supportive services to eligible individuals in a residential facility that offers 24-hour supervised care, individual living rooms, a kitchenette, sleeping area or bedroom, and contains private toilet facilities.

Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)

assists families with low-income obtain childcare so they can work.

Family Preservation Program provides financial assistance to family members caring for their relatives with severe or profound developmental disabilities so that the family member can remain at home avoiding costly out of home placements.

Food Security One-Stop Shops provide individuals and families with immediate food assistance and work with them to address the root causes of hunger in their households. Assistance with employment, housing, utility payments, childcare, applying for public benefits and accessing other supportive services to help increase economic self-sufficiency.

GrantWatch- Disability Grants information about available government and foundation grants.

Katie Beckett Eligibility Option allows the State to waive the deeming of parental income and resources for a disabled child under 19 years of age who would be eligible for Medicaid if he or she were in a medical

institution, and who is receiving medical care at home that would normally be provided in a medical institution.

Nevada JobConnect oversees and provides workforce development services to employers and job seekers of Nevada.

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

is designed to provide Temporary Assistance for Needy Families to care for dependent children in their own homes or in the homes of relative caregivers.

The Disability Rx Program is a state pharmaceutical assistance program for low-income seniors and persons with disabilities who are Medicare eligible and do not qualify for other services/programs

The Energy Assistance Program (EAP)

provides a supplement to assist qualifying low-income Nevadans with the cost of home energy. Nevada's EAP program has two funding sources, the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) federal block grant and state revenue generated from Nevada's Universal Energy Charge (UEC).

The Food Bank of Northern Nevada

provides food for families in need through more than 145 partner agencies across northern Nevada.

The Office of Food Security aims to improve the quality of life and health of Nevadans by increasing food security throughout the state.

The Personal Assistance Services (PAS) Program

provides community-based, in home services to enable adult persons with severe physical disabilities to remain in their own homes and avoid placement in a long-term care facility.

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

helps people and families buy the food they need for good health.

Three Square combines food banking, food rescue, and ready-to-eat meals to provide wholesome food to individuals and families at risk of hunger.

Waiver for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities and Related Conditions serves recipients of all ages who have a documented intellectual disability or related condition to receive job and day training services, residential support services, counseling, and more.

Waiver for Persons with Physical Disabilities (PD) provides community-based, in-home services to enable persons with severe physical disabilities to remain in their own homes and avoid placement in a long-term care facility.

Waiver for the Frail Elderly (FE) serves recipients age 65 or older to receive case management services, homemaker services, adult residential care, and more.

Women, Infants & Children (WIC) program is a special supplemental nutrition program that serves income eligible pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women, infants, and children up to age 5 who are at nutrition risk.

Healthcare

Access to Healthcare Network provides access to healthcare for people who have insurance and those who do not.

Community Health Alliance provides an extensive range of healthcare screening and prevention services, primary care, pharmacy, pediatric dental services and more.

FirstMed Health and Wellness provides comprehensive preventive and primary healthcare services to low-income families of Las Vegas.

Healthy Kids is a program for Nevada's children to ensure a healthy, happy childhood and productive life. Healthy Kids is dedicated to giving Nevada's children regular, preventive health care.

Medicaid is a state and federal program that provides health coverage for eligible low-income populations.

Medicare is a federal health insurance program for retirees age 65 or older and people with disabilities.

Medicare Rights Center is a national, nonprofit consumer service organization that works to ensure access to affordable health care for older adults and people with disabilities through counseling and advocacy, educational programs and public policy initiatives.

National Health Law Program includes detailed information about federal health policy, especially Medicaid and Medicare.

Nevada Department of Health and Human Services – Medical Assistance provides a listing of available health care coverage.

Nevada Health Centers promotes access to affordable, quality medical and dental care, and offers a sliding fee scale for uninsured patients based on family income.

Nevada Primary Care Association strives to make healthy communities in Nevada a reality by strengthening the collective efforts of the health centers to increase access to high-quality, comprehensive primary care for all.

Northern Nevada HOPES provides affordable, high-quality, medical, behavioral health, and support services for all.

Senior Rx program covers 100% of prescription medication costs for eligible

seniors 62 years and older while they are in the coverage gap.

State Health Insurance Assistance

Program (SHIP) offers free one-on-one assistance and counseling with respect to many problems seniors encounter regarding Medicare, supplemental health insurance and long-term care options.

The Nevada Check Up program's mission is to provide low-cost, comprehensive health care coverage to low income, uninsured children (birth through 18) who are not covered by private insurance or Medicaid

The Supported Living Arrangement

Program offers residential supports to individuals who require assistance to live in the least restrictive community setting possible. SLA offers habilitative, and skill building supports designed to maximize independence in the community.

Legal Advocacy

Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada

ensure equal access to justice through free legal advice and representation for those who cannot afford to hire an attorney.

Nevada Legal Services is a non-profit organization providing free legal services to low-income Nevadans in all counties.

Self Advocates Becoming Empowered

(SABE) is the United States' national self-advocacy organization that works to ensure that people with disabilities are treated as equals and are given the same decision-making opportunities.

The Nevada Disability Advocacy & Law

Center (NDALC) is a private, statewide non-profit organization that serves as Nevada's federally mandated protection and advocacy system for human, legal, and service rights for individuals with disabilities.

Treatment and Rehabilitation

Capability Health provides therapy services to children and adults to promote independence and increase quality of life. Capability Health also partners with Sephora to provide job training and potential opportunity for employment at the end of the program.

Centre for Neuro Skills in San Francisco teaches life skills to people with brain injuries to promote and achieve independence. Each patient's treatment plan is unique to their specific needs, practiced in the clinic before practicing those skills in the residential program.

Dignity Health – St. Rose Dominican Hospitals has programs for care and treatment of traumatic brain injury in Henderson and Las Vegas.

Neuro Restorative provides a continuum of high-quality, cost-effective post-acute care and rehabilitation options to individuals with brain, spinal cord and other life-altering injuries and medically complex illnesses.

Nevada Community Enrichment Program

(NCEP) is a highly recognized leader in the field of brain injury rehabilitation. NCEP is a non-profit, post-acute brain injury rehabilitation program in Nevada serving individuals with acquired and traumatic brain injuries (ABI and TBI), as well as neurological impairments.

VA Southern Nevada Healthcare System's Traumatic Brain Injury

program is part of the VA's Polytrauma System of Care and is designated as a Polytrauma Support Clinical Team. The program provides outpatient interdisciplinary rehabilitation services that include comprehensive screening, evaluation and treatment for Veterans diagnosed with Traumatic Brain Injury.

Assistive Technology

Nevada Assistive Technology Resource Center (NATRC) offers a variety of services and supports to individuals interested in exploring assistive technology. NATRC's services include information and resources, device demonstration and loans, training, technical assistance and more.

Nevada Assistive Technology Collaborative (NATC) and Aging and Disability Services Division provide for a variety of Assistive Technology (AT) services to support people to live more independently and within their communities.

CARE Chest is a Northern Nevada nonprofit agency serving individuals in need by providing medical resources, free of charge. CARE also provides a low-interest loan program to fund home and vehicle modifications.

The Assistive Technology for Independent Living (AT/IL) Program is a statewide program that supports an individual's choice to live in their community with the use of Assistive Technology (AT). The focus of the program is on removing daily living barriers to help individuals define their Independent Living goals and determine the appropriate Assistive Technology (AT) needed to care for themselves, or receive care, in their homes and their community.

Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) – Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Disposable Medical Supplies (DMEPOS) covers certain standard medical equipment to meet the basic medical needs of the recipient through the Nevada Medicaid program.

Non-Profit Resources

Accessible Space, Inc. (ASI) has a mission to provide housing with care for persons with physical disabilities and brain injuries, as well as seniors and veterans. This mission is accomplished through the development, management, and ownership of accessible, affordable housing, assisted living and rehabilitation services.

Amplify Life serves children and adults with disabilities across the lifespan. In addition to skills-based programs and summer camp, Amplify Life runs short, four-hour programs throughout the year for clients to get together, visit new places in the Reno area, and have fun.

Angel Flight West is a nonprofit, volunteer-driven organization that arranges free, non-emergency air travel for children and adults with serious medical conditions and other compelling needs.

Arts for All Nevada provides quality arts opportunities for all by facilitating access to the arts at the community level, with special emphasis on those who have a disability, are disadvantaged, at-risk, or underserved by the arts.

Best Buddies in Nevada is an organization dedicated to enhancing the lives of people with intellectual disabilities by providing opportunities for one-to-one friendships and integrated employments. They also arrange e-Buddies for individuals.

Brain Injury Association of America is a national organization dedicated to serving as the voice of brain injury to advance awareness, research, treatment, and education to improve the quality of life for all who are affected by brain injury.

Bridgelink: Advocate, Educate, Assist serves families in Northern Nevada who have children with special needs. Bridgelink provides education, support, and advocacy.

Casey's Circle A nonprofit dedicated to helping families of children with special needs find ways for their kids to be kids first - patients later. This is done by providing tools, education, resources and opportunities to help improve the quality of life or medically complex children, their families and their providers, while also strengthening their circle of care.

Cerebral Palsy Group General information on CP as well as support resources.

Cerebral Palsy Guidance General information on CP as well as financial assistance resources.

Cherished Creations Dream requests for children with serious illnesses.

Children's Wish Foundation International Grants for wishes for children under 18 who have been diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition.

Chive Charities Funding for rare medical conditions, veterans with medical-related needs, first responders & emergency assistance organizations & underfunded special needs education initiatives.

Clayton Dabney Foundation for Kids with Cancer Last wishes, gifts, special events, family travel & financial assistance for families with children in the last stages of terminal cancer.

Different Needz Grants for people with developmental disabilities for equipment and

medical services. Grant applications become available in January.

Do It For The Love Grants live concert wishes for people with life-threatening illnesses, children with severe challenges & wounded veterans.

Dream Foundation Volunteer-driven wish-granting organization that serves children ages 3-18 who have a critical or chronic illness.

Easter Seals offers a variety of services to help people with disabilities address life's challenges from child development centers to physical rehabilitation and job training for people with disabilities.

First Hand Foundation Financial Assistance.

Fund It Forward For anyone with a diagnosed disability or medical condition in need of medical devices or equipment.

Granted Wish Foundation Sports/Athlete specific wishes for people with a physical disability age 5-25.

iHOPE - The International Academy of Hope is a highly specialized brain injury school in New York City funded by the Sarah Jane Brain Foundation (SJBF). The mission of SJBF is to change the world for children, youth and young adults who suffer from brain injury and other brain-based disorders by improving services, training and research in this country and beyond.

JUSTin HOPE Foundation seeks to give hope to families and individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities by promoting inclusion and creating opportunities through education, training, and family support.

Make A Wish Foundation grants the wish of a child diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition in the United States and its territories.

McLindon Family Foundation Gives adaptive bikes to children with disabilities.

Modest Needs Short term critical-need financial assistance for those who do not qualify for traditional assistance because of income level.

NAMI Nevada is dedicated to the improvement of the quality of life for persons who are affected by mental illnesses, by providing education, support, and advocacy.

National AMBUCS, Inc. is creating mobility and independence for people with disabilities by therapeutic tricycles to individuals unable to operate a traditional bike, awarding academic scholarships for therapists, and performing various other forms of community service.

National MS Society Resources, support and programs for those living with multiple sclerosis.

National Organization for Vehicle Accessibility small grants to help complete accessible van purchases after other funding has been secured.

National Patient Travel HELPLINE Provides assistance and referral to the best source of charitable medical air transportation help.

Nevada Lifespan has a mission to support caregivers by promoting awareness and access to coordination and advocacy for respite services in Nevada throughout the lifespan.

Nevada Parents Encouraging Parents (PEP) is a nonprofit organization, offering Education, Empowerment, and Encouragement to families of children with disabilities.

Northern Nevada Family Foundation RAVE provides respite to families caring for

children, young adults, and adults with special needs

Ragan's Hope helps parents of children with catastrophic injuries by providing financial, emotional and spiritual support, in the name of Christ.

Ray Tye Medical Aid Foundation Grants for in-hospital life-saving treatments and surgeries for those who do not have medical insurance.

RxAssist Provides information on financial support organizations that help with the cost of prescriptions.

Single Mothers Grants provides financial assistance for utility bills, childcare, college, medical bills, medications, rent assistance, buying a home and more.

Special Olympics Nevada provides year-round opportunities for sports training and athletic competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

The Boyd Gaming Fine & Performing Arts Program serves people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in music, dance, theater, and visual arts.

The Determined Parents Foundation grants money for things like co-pays, deductibles and items insurance only partially covers or does not cover at all.

The Nevada Arts Council (NAC) was established to enrich the cultural life of the state by supporting, strengthening, and making excellence in the arts accessible to all Nevadans. NAC strives to make the arts accessible to all abilities and promotes accessibility.

The Northern Nevada Comstock Chapter of Canine Companions for Independence consists of enthusiastic volunteers, puppy raisers and graduate teams. Their mission is

to support Canine Companions for Independence through fundraising and community awareness.

The Sierra Therapeutic Equestrian Program, Inc. (STEP, Inc.) is a non-profit organization dedicated to assisting individuals in the local community who are dealing with physical, mental, emotional or educational special needs. By providing therapeutic riding services to those with both special needs and able bodies, ages 4 to 104, STEP strives to enhance the lives of all individuals.

The Special Needs Alliance helps individuals with disabilities, their families and the professionals who serve them.

The Sunshine Foundation Grants special dreams to children, ages 3-18, who are chronically or seriously ill, physically challenged or have been abused.

United Ability is a non-profit that provides innovative services connecting people with disabilities to their communities and empowering individuals to live full and meaningful lives, particularly through building skills, education, and employment opportunities.

UnitedHealthCare Children's Foundation - Family Grants -UHCCF grants provide financial help/ assistance for families with children that have medical needs not covered or not fully covered by their commercial health insurance plan.

Wheelchairs 4 Kids Wheelchairs, home & vehicle modifications, and devices for children with limited mobility.