

Special Services At Home (SSAH)

Funding on time-limited basis to help children with developmental or physical disabilities and adults with developmental disabilities live at home with their families

Please see information about 2 policy changes to the SSAH program.

What funding and/or service(s) are provided under SSAH?

- Personal Development and Growth:
 - Acquire new skills and abilities, e.g. communications skills
 - Support person as he/she undertakes more activities of daily living
- Family Relief and Support:
 - Respite or parent relief and related supports
- Financial support determined by a number of factors:
 - Type and amount of service required
 - Complexity of support required due to level of ongoing functional limitation
 - Availability/appropriateness of supports and services in the community
 - Support networks of individual and family
 - Locally identified priorities and availability of funds

Who is eligible for this program?

1. Children with a developmental or physical disability; and
2. Adults with a developmental disability

Who also meet the following criteria:

- Ontario resident;
- Ongoing functional limitation as a result of a disability;
- Require support beyond that which is a normal family responsibility; and
- Are living at home with their families.

How do I apply for this program?

- Complete an application form, obtained through local Ministry of Children and Youth Services (MCYS) Regional Office.
- Attach medical statement OR psychological assessment to application, confirming the diagnosis of your family member's disability. This document can be sent directly to MCYS by the professional and should:
 - i. Indicate the nature of the disability; and
 - ii. Support your request for service.
- If reapplying for SSAH for personal development and growth, you can get a copy of the Progress Report from MCYS.

Contact your local MCYS Regional Office for more information to help you find your local service provider or call Toll Free at 1.800.387.5559.