



SOUTH DAKOTA  
**ParentConnection**  
*Resources for families of children with disabilities*

# Children and Diabetes

## *Resource Quick Guide*

### South Dakota Resources

#### [Medicaid, SD Department of Social Services](#)

Eligibility (877) 999-5612, Claims (800) 597-1603  
Insurance for low income children and youth.

#### [Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Travel](#)

(866) 403-1433  
Medicaid recipients may receive transport assistance or reimbursement of travel expenses.

#### [South Dakota Diabetes Coalition](#)

(605) 271-0611  
Information for families and professionals.

### Education Services

Federal laws ensure that a child with a disability receives a free and appropriate public education.

#### [Individuals with Disabilities Education Act IDEA Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973](#)

### Written Care Plans

The best way to ensure the health and safety of a student with diabetes at school is to have written plans of care. These may include an IEP or 504 Plan, Individual Health Plan, Emergency Plan or other written guidance.

#### [ADA - Written Care Plans](#)

#### [PACER Center - Written Care Plans](#)

### Family Support and Connection

#### [Camp Gilbert](#)

(605) 610-8775  
Residential Camp for children and young adults ages 8-18 who have diabetes. Held at Lake Enemy Swim at NeSoDak Camp near Waubay each summer.

#### [Kamp for Kids](#)

(605) 423-1561  
Residential Family Camp for children up to age 18 who have diabetes and an adult family member. Held at Outlaw Ranch in Custer each summer.

#### [Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation \(JDRF\)](#)

(605) 312-6438  
Information, resources and support for families and children statewide.

#### [South Dakota Parent Connection](#)

(800) 640-4553  
Assistance to families of children with disabilities and special health care needs and the professionals who support them. Services include individual assistance, educational workshops, referrals to community resources, or help navigating the special education process.

### Financial Assistance Program

#### **GoodRx.com**

#### [www.goodrx.com](http://www.goodrx.com)

(855) 268-2822  
Free mobile app and website offers discount card, coupons and price comparison tool for savings.

### [NeedyMeds, Inc.](#)

(800) 503-6897

Information about many sources of medication and health care cost assistance programs.

### [United Healthcare Children's Foundation](#)

(855) 698-4223

Provides grants of up to \$5,000 annually per child (\$10,000) lifetime max per child to help pay for medical services and equipment, prescription medications, and more.

## Tips to Help Reduce Pharmacy Expenses

- + Let your health provider/pharmacist know if pharmacy costs are a hardship so they may help you find affordable alternatives and programs.
- + Finding the drug discount card or coupon for greatest savings is a matter of trial and error but worthwhile.
- + Ask your health provider to write a prescription for items your child needs from the pharmacy. Private insurance, discount cards/coupons may then apply, and you may be exempt from sales taxes.
- + Apply for financial assistance programs offered by the pharmaceutical company that manufactures your child's medication.
- + Check with pharmacies for saving cards or rewards programs that offer rebates or discounts for your continued business.

## Additional Resources

### [American Diabetes Association](#)

Safe at School campaign and other resources.

### [CareZone App](#)

Free app that provides reminders to take medications and refill prescriptions, track health information such as blood glucose, and more.

### [Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation](#)

Resources for families and professionals including care kits, toolkits and individual support.

### [Kids Health Diabetes Center](#)

Educational information for children.

### [Medisafe App](#)

Free app provides medication reminders, caregivers can receive real-time missed medication alerts, and more.

### [National Association of School Nurses](#)

Information and resources for school nurses and other professionals.

### [National Diabetes Education Center](#)

Information and guides for medical professionals and school personnel.

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## Questions on where to start?



**South Dakota Parent Connection is here to help!**

**(800) 640-4553 or [sdpc@sdparent.org](mailto:sdpc@sdparent.org)**

**[www.sdparent.org](http://www.sdparent.org)**

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