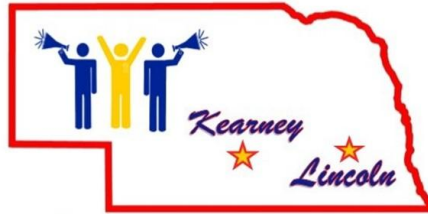


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What You May Be Asked to Provide for Waiver or Medicaid Eligibility

When applying for a Medicaid waiver or related eligibility program, families are often asked to provide documentation about their child's diagnosis, functioning, medical needs, and household eligibility. Requirements can vary, but this checklist can help you prepare.

Tip: Start a folder (paper or digital) and keep copies of everything you submit.

Identity & Basic Information

- Child's birth certificate
 - Social Security number
 - Medicaid ID number (if already enrolled)
 - Proof of Nebraska residency
 - Health insurance cards (all active coverage)
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Medical & Diagnostic Documentation

- Diagnostic report confirming developmental disability or qualifying condition
 - Most recent psychological evaluation (if available)
 - Developmental evaluation reports
 - Physician or specialist records
 - Therapy evaluations (speech, OT, PT, behavioral, etc.)
 - Medical records showing ongoing conditions or treatment needs
 - Medication list
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Education & Early Intervention Records (for children and teens)

- Most recent IEP or IFSP
 - Multidisciplinary evaluation (MDT) or school evaluation report
 - Progress reports or present levels of performance
 - Behavior plans (if applicable)
 - School incident or safety reports (if relevant)
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Functional & Daily Living Information

- Completed functional assessments (if already done)
 - Notes describing daily support needs
 - Examples of supervision or safety concerns
 - Documentation of communication limitations
 - Behavior or regulation support needs
 - Caregiver logs or summaries (if kept)
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Financial & Household Information

(Required for Medicaid eligibility — may vary by program)

- Proof of household income
 - Recent pay stubs or tax return
 - Proof of assets/resources (if requested)
 - Household member information
 - Guardianship or custody documents (if applicable)
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Level of Care & Support Need Evidence

- Statements describing supervision needs
 - Documentation of hands-on assistance required
 - Reports showing skill delays compared to same-age peers
 - Medical or therapy notes supporting ongoing support needs
 - Safety risk documentation
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Forms & Consents

- Signed releases to obtain records
 - Application forms
 - Assessment questionnaires
 - Provider information forms
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Helpful Reminder for Families

Different programs may ask for different records. You may not need everything on this list — but having these documents ready can help prevent delays and make the process smoother.

If you're unsure what applies to your situation, ask your service coordinator or contact:

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