Special Medical Services' efforts to help children and youth with special health care needs include:

Health Care Coordination: Coordinators work together with families and their health care providers and other community agencies to help obtain access to needed health care and related services.

Child Development Clinic: A network of providers located around the state, provide interdisciplinary diagnostic and evaluative services for children birth through age 7, with developmental concerns.

Neuromotor Clinic: Interdisciplinary teams assess, make recommendations, and provide ongoing care coordination for children with physical disabilities associated with orthopedic, neurological, muscular and motor issues.

Complex Care Program: Consultation and one-time interdisciplinary clinic assessments with recommendations for children with complex health care needs enrolled in SMS.

Nutrition, Feeding and Swallowing: Statewide network of pediatric dieticians, and Feeding & Swallowing experts, who serve children and youth to age 21, with a variety of nutritional and feeding difficulties. Evaluation, consultation and follow-up services, safe eating plans, diet order forms for schools, and coordination & assessment of swallow studies.

Partners in Health: Family support for children with chronic health conditions ages 0-21 community-based agencies work with families to develop a plan that incorporates family strengths, needs, and goals. Family support, resources, and connections to other community services are provided.

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**Family to Family Health Information Center:** NH Family Voices provides free, confidential services to families and professionals caring for children with chronic conditions and/or disabilities by providing assistance with navigating systems, resources and support to help families to feel confident when making choices for their children and youth. NH Family Voices also coordinates a youth advisory committee for health care transition. (Visit www.nhfv.org or call (603) 271-4525)

**Family Centered Early Supports and Services:** Supports and Services are provided to children (from birth until their third birthday) and their families who have a developmental delay, disability or established condition that impacts development and their families.

**Statewide Family Support for the Bureau of Developmental Services (BDS):** Support and oversight to the statewide family support council and contracted regional Area Agencies that provide a wide range of services and activities that assists families in developing and maximizing their ability to care for individuals with disabilities.

**Systems improvement projects include:** Developmental screening, medical home improvement.

**Additional Activities include:** Lifespan respite, HC -CSD and SSI Outreach