



# Medicaid-Funded Programs and Services for Children Age 0-3



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Social and Emotional Health

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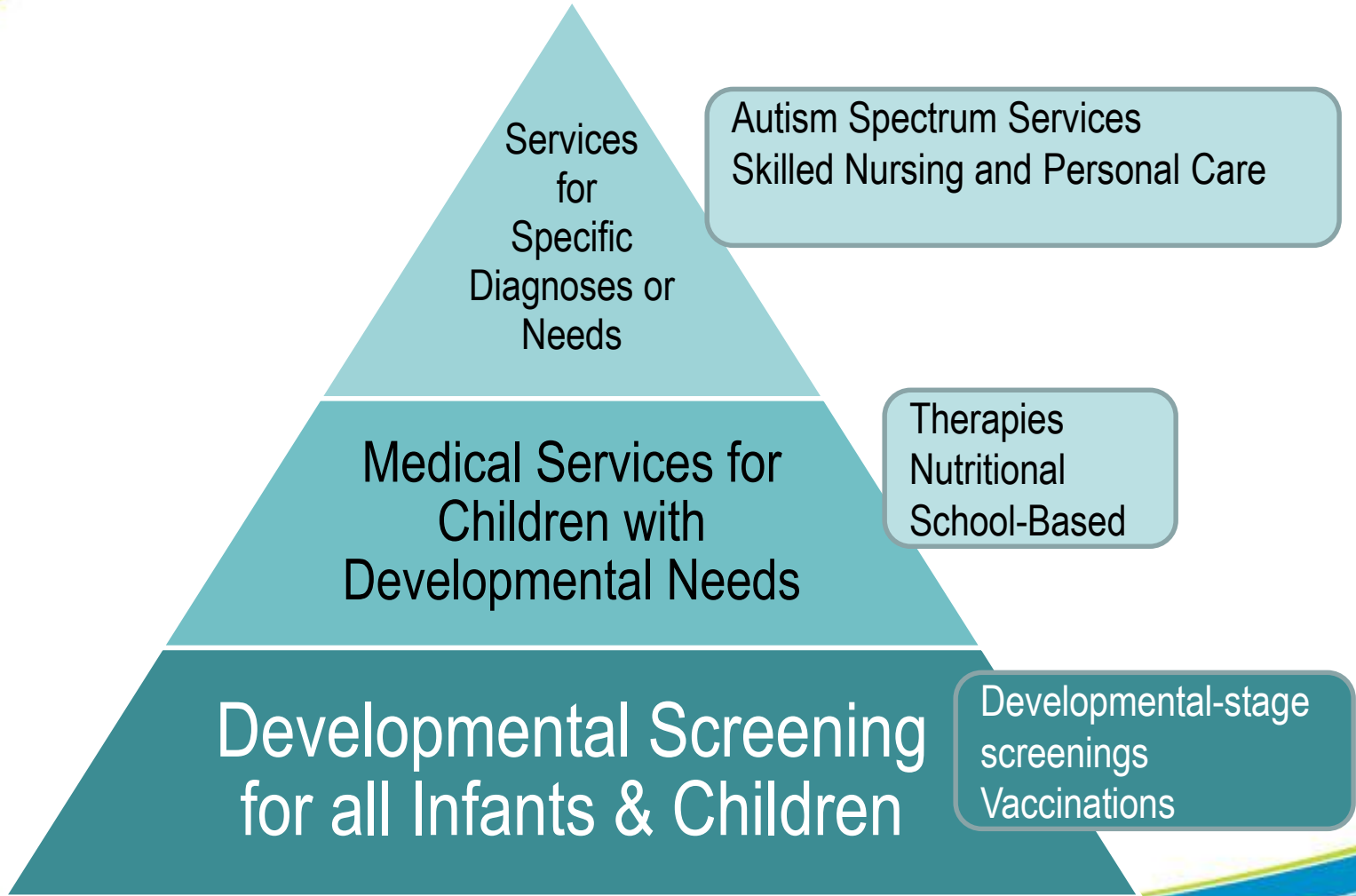
# Mission

The mission of the Department of Community Health is to provide access to affordable, quality health care to Georgians through effective planning, purchasing, and oversight.

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Medicaid – Funded Services for Children



# *Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) Services*

## Georgia's Health Check Program

- Eligibility: All children under age 21
- Built on American Academy of Pediatrics Guidelines
- Screenings based on developmental stages
  - Developmental surveillance
  - Sensory screening: hearing and vision
  - Lead screening
  - Psychosocial/behavioral assessment
  - Screening for autism spectrum disorder



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and *Treatment* (EPSDT) Services

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# Medical Services for Children with Developmental Needs

## Children's Intervention Services Program

- Eligibility: children with physical disabilities or developmental delay
- Audiology
- Occupational, Physical Therapies
- Speech Language Pathology
- Nutrition
- Nursing



# Services for Specific Diagnoses or Needs

- Georgia Pediatric Program (GAPP)
  - Eligibility: medically fragile children
  - Hourly skilled nursing services
  - Personal care support services
- Autism Spectrum Disorder Services
  - Eligibility: children must be able to participate in sessions
  - Behavior identification assessment
  - Adaptive behavior treatment
  - Social skills group



# Other Services available to children

- Early Intervention Case Management Program
  - Psychological Services for children under 21
  - Vision services
  - Dental services
- All other services available to Medicaid members but not age specific: hospital, physician, hospice, laboratory, etc.



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