

Helping You Access the Ontario Autism Program

In April, 2019, the Government of Ontario announced direct funding for families to pay for autism services for their children. This new funding is called a Childhood Budget.



What services can I purchase with my Childhood Budget?

Services include:

- Behavioural services
- Family supports
- Travel
- Speech language services
- Occupational therapy
- Physiotherapy
- Respite
- Technology

For a complete list of services, visit:

www.ontario.ca/page/ontario-autism-program-childhood-budgets#section-5



How do I get the Childhood Budget?

If your child is registered with OAP, you will get a letter asking you to apply within the next 18 months. There is nothing further you need to do.

If you are not registered with OAP but your child has a diagnosis of ASD, contact the Ministry's central intake at **1-888-444-4530** or oap@ontario.ca

If you don't know if you are registered, please contact ErinoakKids Centre for Treatment and Development at **905-855-2690**.



I got a letter to apply for a Childhood Budget – what now?

1. Complete your online application within **90 days**.
2. If you have questions about how to fill out the application, please call the Ministry at **1-888-444-4530**. Leave a message if you don't talk to someone live.
3. You can also email oap@ontario.ca for help with your application.



I need help to understand the new process

Autism Ontario offers free help to:

- find workshops on OAP and Childhood Budgets
- understand OAP and the services you can buy
- find local services in your community

In Peel, call **1-800-472-7789 ext. 341** or visit: www.autismontario.com



What other services can I get for my child in Toronto?

- Your service coordinator can help you find local supports and make referrals
- If you live in Peel and need a service coordinator, Kids Pathways Peel can help!

Call Kids Pathways Peel at **905-890-9432** or visit: www.kidspathwayspeel.com