

## **CYSHCN PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY**

The Program philosophy is to provide for the early identification and integration of resources for all eligible children and youth who have a special health care need. Early identification and integration of resources will enhance the best possible health outcomes with the greatest degree of independence within the community.

The Program respects the dignity of each individual and their family, and partners with the participants/families to achieve coordinated, ongoing, comprehensive care within a medical home which will provide for successful transitions into adulthood.

## **CORE VALUES**

The Program is guided by the following core values:

- Person-centered,
- Outcome oriented,
- Community inclusion,
- Family's involvement in ongoing planning,
- Personal/family responsibility for achieving independence, and
- Collaborative relationships in all areas.

Service coordination is provided to all Program participants, regardless of financial status. Limited funding is available to participants who are medically eligible for the Program, and whose family income is at or below one hundred eighty-five (185) percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

The Program is the payer of last resort. The Service Coordinator will assist the participant/family with identification and access to any and all other payment sources before submitting requests for use of Program funds. The Program will be billed only after all third party sources have been exhausted.

## **SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS MISSION**

To develop, promote, and support community-based systems that enable the best possible health and greatest degree of independence for Missourians with special health care needs.