

Advocacy & Social Support Resources

Connecticut organizations fighting to expand access to medical services or directly provide community and social support resources

HUSKY4Immigrants Coalition

Website:

https://www.husky4immigrants.org/

Email address:

husky4immigrants@gmail.com

JUNTA Coalition for Progressive Action

Website:

https://www.juntainc.org/

Email address for social services:

social.services@juntainc.org

Telephone:

(203) 787-0191

The HUSKY4Immigrants coalition is fighting to expand HUSKY, Connecticut's public health insurance (Medicaid) program, to all immigrants regardless of immigration status. HUSKY's eligibility is determined by family income. Currently, children under the age of 15 without immigration status are eligible for HUSKY, but the coalition is fighting to raise this cutoff. HAVEN Free Clinic is working with the coalition to help its patients.

The JUNTA counselors provide access to social services and manage their participants' cases with a culturally competent focus. Their team of counselors connect participants with community resources in order to help them advance their professional and leadership capacity. Additionally, JUNTA off ers educational programs for adults to advance them economically and socially, as well as youth programs in leadership and development.

The Universal Healthcare **Foundation of Connecticut**

Website:

https://universalhealthct.org/

Email address for social services:

info@universalhealthct.org

Telephone:

(203) 639-0550

This organization fights and advocates for expansion of medical insurance and healthcare coverage for services under a universal system, and is one of the organizations in the HUSKY4Immigrants coalition. They work with Connecticut legislators and advocate for medical insurance for all immigrants, hold hospitals accountable, advocate to control drug pricing, and support mental health initiatives.

CT Students for a Dream

Website:

https://www.ct4adream.org/

Email address:

info@ct4adream.org

This organization fights with the HUSKY4Immigrants coalition to raise the age level that determines HUSKY eligibility for immigrants. Additionally, this organization has many resources for college scholarships and applications, and offers advising resources for students applying for financial aid.

Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services

Website:

https://irisct.org/

Telephone:

(203) 562-2095

Email address:

info@irisct.org

This organization offers resources for searching for employment and also has a program based in New Haven which employs refugee and immigrant women, off ers education and English classes, and also connects individuals with integral social services.

Applying for Social Services & Resources

General application for SNAP (public assistance for food), HUSKY, TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families), and support for disability services:

Determine your eligibilty:

https://www.connect.ct.gov/access/unauth/accessController?id=0.6646613602878516&languageCode=en

https://www.connect.ct.gov/access/unauth/accessController?id=0.4883431158921617&languageCode=en

The application of the Department of Social Services with all of these services:

https://connect.ct.gov/access/jsp/access/Home.jsp

Application for the Solicitation of Benefits:

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Departments-and-Agencies/DSS/Common-Applications/W-1E-Rev-12-19-w-w0016RR-Rev-01-23-English.pdf

Application for Long-Term Services Support:

For disabled adults or those older than 65 without access to Medicare:

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Departments-and-Agencies/DSS/Long-Term-Care/W1LTSS-Packet-Rev-123.pdf

Determining your family eligibility for HUSKY:

The eligibility levels are based in annual income of your family and the number of members in your family:

https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/HH/PDF/HUSKY-Health-Annual-income-chart-March-1-2023.pdf

It is better to apply here online for HUSKY A, B, or D:

www.accesshealthct.com

Telephone:

1-855-805-4325

There is a printed application called "AH3" if you prefer paper that you can obtain in person from any of the Department of Social Services locations.

Applying for Yale-New Haven Hospital FreeCare:

If you do not have HUSKY eligibility, there are other options to reduce medical costs. The FreeCare program at Yale New-Haven Hospital operates on a sliding-scale fee system, based on your income. It can be possible to qualify for free services, especially if your family earns less than 5.5 times the federal poverty line.

https://www.ynhh.org/-/media/Files/YNHHS/fi nancial-assistance-policy/2023/2296/YNHHS_Financial_Assistance_ProgramPolicyCurrentupdated2023-ENGashx