

How to Apply for FSCD



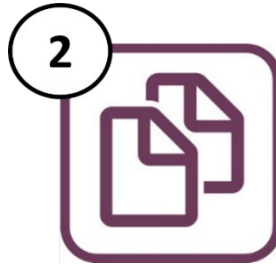
1 REVIEW ELIGIBILITY

Your child has a disability and is under the age of 18

Your child is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident

The person applying is a legal guardian

The child resides in Alberta



2 GATHER DOCUMENTS

Letter of diagnosis or letter of diagnostic query completed by pediatrician or family doctor

Proof of child's age and citizenship



3 CREATE A MyAlberta Digital ID ACCOUNT

<http://myalbertasupports.alberta.ca>

If you already have an account, skip this step

If you have barriers to creating an account, contact them by phone at [1-877-644-9992](tel:1-877-644-9992)



4 COMPLETE THE FSCD APPLICATION

Create a new FSCD application through your MyAlberta Digital ID account

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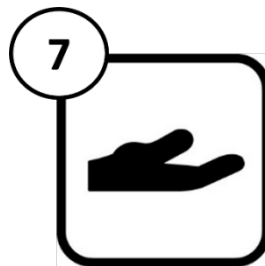
5 UPLOAD DOCUMENTS

Once you have completed your application, you are required to upload the required documents through your MyAlberta Digital ID account



6 FURTHER QUESTIONS?

Contact FSCD by phone at [1-877-644-9992](tel:1-877-644-9992)



7 NEXT STEPS

Contact the following agencies for support with preparing for your FSCD initial meeting:

Children's Link by email at: support@childrenslink.ca

FCRC (Family Community Resource Centre) by phone at: 403-955-3272

Autism Calgary (for those with Autism diagnosis/query) by email at: support@autismcalgary.com

Autism Alberta's Family Resources Centres Calgary (support for all disabilities) by phone: 825-407-8683

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Family Support for Children with Disabilities (FSCD)

Parents of children with disabilities sometimes need support so they can raise their children at home and fully participate in community life.

The Family Support for Children with Disabilities (FSCD) Program provides a wide range of family-centered supports and services. Services are meant to help strengthen families' ability to promote their child's healthy development and encourage their child's participation in activities at home and in the community.

The program is voluntary; parents remain the guardians for their child and are responsible for all decision making and the usual expenses of raising a child until their child turns 18 years old.

The FSCD program works in partnership with eligible families to provide supports and services based on each child and family's individual assessed needs.

It should be noted that if/once an FSCD contract is in place, it is the role of the parent to find and register for the supports for their child/family. FSCD does not provide case management support and is mainly a financial program.

Disability Criteria:

Medical documentation must be provided to FSCD to confirm that the child has a disability or is awaiting a diagnosis.

The diagnosis for a disability or health condition must:

- be chronic
- be a developmental, physical, sensory, mental or neurological condition or impairment
- health condition that impacts their daily living activities such as eating, grooming, walking, interacting with others, playing and problem solving

The diagnosis must **NOT** be a condition for which the primary need is for medical care or health services.

You can review additional information about the FSCD program at: www.alberta.ca/fscd

How to Apply:

If you have reviewed eligibility and believe your child meets the criteria, you can apply online at through MyAlbertaSupports.ca which will include setting up an account through MyAlbertaSupports if you have not previously accessed supports through Alberta Government programs.

If you have previously created an account, please be sure you are applying to the correct program when logging in to your account.

If you have barriers in completing and FSCD application online, you can complete an application on the phone by contacting Alberta Supports at [1-877-644-9992](tel:1-877-644-9992)

Call between 7:30 am to 8 pm (open Monday to Friday, closed statutory holidays) and help is available in over 100 languages.

You can also send inquiries regarding your FSCD application to CSS.DSCalgaryApplication@gov.ab.ca