

## ELIGIBILITY FOR CARROLL HILLS PROGRAMS

In order to be eligible to receive services from Carroll County Board of Developmental Disability, an individual must provide proof of residency in Carroll County and a birth certificate or other proof of age. Evaluation that indicate that the individual has a developmental disability that occurred before the age of 22 is another basic requirement.

Children younger than age three who are at risk for developmental delays are eligible for the Early Intervention component of the Early Childhood Program. Evaluation data must be presented to document delays in one or more of the following: cognition, communication, self-help, social, emotional, and motor skills. Developmental assessments and physicians' referrals are appropriate documentation.

Children ages three to six may be eligible for preschool programs if they are under six years of age on the 30th day of September and have disabilities as defined in the Ohio Department of Early Childhood Education's preschool rules. Eligibility will be based upon a current Multi-Factored Evaluation provided by the child's local school district of residence.

Students ages 6-22 must have evaluation data provided by the school district of residence. All County Boards of Developmental Disabilities in Ohio establish eligibility through the results of the Children's Ohio Eligibility Determination Instrument or COEDI.

Adults ages 16 and older can enter the Carroll County Board of Developmental Disabilities program in two different ways. Students, ages 16-22, who still receive school services from their local education agency must be referred through the school district's Individual Education Plan (IEP). Adults not referred by a school district must meet the criteria established by the Ohio Eligibility Determination Instrument (OEDI) and must provide documentation that shows the developmental disability occurred before the age of 22.

For more information regarding eligibility, call 330-627-6555