Eligibility

A child/youth under the age of majority in their province or territory of residence can access Jordan's Principle, if they permanently reside in Canada and if the child/youth meets one of the following criteria:

- Is registered or eligible to be registered under the Indian Act.
- Has one parent or guardian who is registered or eligible to be registered under the Indian Act.
- Is recognized by their nation for the purposes of Jordan's Principle.
- Is ordinarily a resident on reserve.

On November 25, 2020, the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal (CHRT) released a ruling about Jordan's Principle eligibility. The eligibility above replaces the CHRT interim motion ruling of February 2019.

What supports are available?



Speech Therapy/Aids



Education Supplies/Aids



Medical Equipment



Mental Health Services



Family Support
Services



Other products, services or care related items

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Jordan's Principle Coordinator Toll Free: 1-855-223-5558

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Jordan's Legacy



Jordan River Anderson from
Norway House Cree Nation in
Manitoba was born in 1999, with
multiple disabilities and stayed in
the hospital until he passed away
at the young age of 5.

When he was 2 years old, doctors said he was able to move to a specialized home suited to care for his complex medical needs, however, the Federal and Provincial government could not agree who should pay for his home-based care. In 2007, the House of Commons passed Jordan's Principle to ensure First Nations children get the services they need, when they need them.

Today, Jordan's Principle is a legal obligation <u>jordansprinciple.ca</u>

Niijaansinaanik Child and Family Services (NCFS) is a culture-based organization responsive to the holistic needs of all children, youth, and families. NCFS provides services that reflect values, beliefs, and principles rooted within the Anishinabek culture.

Who We Serve: Henvey Inlet, Dokis, Magnetawan, Shawanaga, Wasauksing, and Wahnapitae.

*Indigenous and Inuit children, youth and families in the Nipissing and Parry Sound Districts.

One of our priorities is to serve children, youth, and families who are involved with NCFS.

What is Jordan's Principle?

Jordan's Principle makes sure all First Nations children/youth living in Canada can access the products, services, and supports they need when they need them. Funding can help with a wide range of health, social and educational needs, including the unique needs that First Nations Two-Spirit and LGBTQQIA children and youth and those with disabilities may have. Jordan's Principle is a child/youth-first approach to ensure that First Nations children/youth residing on or off-reserve have access to the services they need when they need them. In addition to current, ongoing, and future services, First Nations children, youth, families, and service providers are eligible to apply retroactively for expenses previously incurred that were not covered.

How do I apply?

Anyone who meets the eligibility requirements can apply independently, or our Jordan's Principal Coordinator can assist clients with the application process.

Referral

2 Intake

- •Child/youth name, date of birth, address, parent/guardian name(s), items/services being sought.
- •The child/youth's situation –family composition, living arrangements, education, activities, social services, and health
- •Registry Number(s) for child/youth. If not registered, the biological parent's registry number(s) or their full names and dates of birth.

Supporting Documentation

All applications require some form of supporting documentation, varied depending on the items or services being requested. Some examples include:

- ·Letters of support;
- Medical documents;
- ·Individual Education Plans, School Safety Plans, Psycho-educational Assessments, and;
- •Quotes and or estimates for the products and or services requested.

Requests for Inuit children can be made through the Inuit Child First Initiative.

Processing & Outcomes

Once a complete application is sent to a Regional Representative, Canada must approve or deny the referral within 12 hours for urgent cases and 48 hours for non-urgent cases. The applicant will receive an official decision letter. If approved, Canada will arrange service provision and payment/reimbursement. If an application is denied, the applicant has one year to appeal the decision.



