



Thank you for your patience during this transition. We are pleased to announce that our new and updated child, youth and family service options are available on our website www.ccrconnect.ca. Child & Community Resources (CCR) is committed to helping you have a smooth and successful transition to services.

Since providing services for a fee is new for us, we are looking to you for feedback and recommendations to ensure that we are meeting your needs. Kindly contact us at programsupport@ccrconnect.ca to provide your feedback. We would be happy to meet with you and offer our support as you continue to navigate changes in the Ontario Autism Program.

The following information from the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services describes processes that were handled by CCR but will now be supported by the Ministry:

- **Registering for the Ontario Autism Program**

If your child is currently registered for the program you do not have to register again.

All children and youth under the age of 18 with a written diagnosis of autism from a qualified professional can register for the program.

Contact the ministry's Central Intake and Registration Team to register (1.888.444.4530). Once your registration is complete, your child will be added to the waitlist. Families will receive a letter from the ministry when it is time for them to apply for a Childhood Budget.

- **Currently waiting for a childhood budget**

Families on the waitlist will receive a letter from the ministry when it is time for them to apply for a Childhood Budget. Eligible families on the waitlist as of April 1, 2019 can expect to receive their first Childhood Budgets within the next 18 months.

- **Supporting Families through Change**

Autism Ontario is offering orientation and system navigation supports to families who are accessing or interested in accessing the program. They will be offering workshops, training sessions and individual direct support. You can visit [Autism Ontario's website](http://www.autismontario.ca) or contact Autism Ontario staff at 1.800.472.7789 to find out more.

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