



Family Reimbursement Grant Program  
2020

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Wildwood Programs has been granted funds through the NYS Office for People With Developmental Disabilities to support families financially with purchasing supports/services via our Family Reimbursement Grant Program. Any request must clearly contribute to the health and wellbeing of the individual, and must be related to the care of the individual with a disability.

Applicants must be OPWDD eligible. Only families living in the following counties are eligible for our program: Albany, Fulton, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Warren, and Washington. Individuals living independently, or living in residential settings are **not** eligible for reimbursement funds.

Families completing the application process may be eligible for reimbursement of respite care, medical expenses not covered by insurance, educational materials, sensory items, communication devices or iPads, social skills groups, summer camp, music lessons, conference fees, etc. Family Reimbursement is considered a funding of "last resort" and other options must be explored first. A Reimbursement Review Committee comprised of parents has been established to review all requests and determine awards to families.

The funding for this program is limited, and first come first serve. We cannot guarantee that requests will be approved. Should you find that your need is ongoing, please work with your Care Manager to find a more permanent solution.

All applications must be **filled in completely**; failure to do so will result in a lack of consideration by the committee. If you are requesting funds for a particular item, a written estimate/invoice must be included. A family may only apply for this grant once per calendar year.

The Committee schedule for 2020 is as follows;

Applications received by 4pm on March 4<sup>th</sup> will be reviewed March 5<sup>th</sup>. Notifications will be made by 4/1/2020.

Applications received by 4pm on June 3<sup>rd</sup> will be reviewed June 4<sup>th</sup>. Notifications will be made by 7/1/2020.

Applications received by 4pm on September 2<sup>nd</sup> will be reviewed on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Notifications will be made by 10/1/2020.

All awarded funds must be used by 12/31/2020. If you have any questions please feel free to call me at 518-640-3315 or email me at HGiorgianni@wildwoodprograms.org.

Best Wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "H. F. Giorgianni", written in a cursive style.

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Coordinator of Family Reimbursement