Group classes include but are not limited to:

- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- ADHD and Coexisting Disorders
- Cognitive Disabilities
- Down Syndrome
- Epilepsy and Seizure Disorders
- Challenging Behaviors
- Cerebral Palsy
- Reactive Attachment Disorder
- Asthma Care
- Diabetes/Other Health Care Issues
- Sensory Integration Disorder
- Speech Language Development
- Social and Emotional Development

For a registration form or more information:

Call: 414-615-6347
Email: ann.farah@wisconsin.gov
Visit: http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/meca

MECA Special Needs Support Program (SNSP)

Telephone: 414-615-6347
Fax: 414-615-6394

Additional Resources:

Disability Resource Center of Milwaukee County
414-289-6660

Disabilities Services Children’s Unit
414-289-6799

4C for Children - Child Care Resource & Referral
414-562-2676

WI FACETS
414-374-4645

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Milwaukee Early Care Administration
Special Needs Support Program
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Milwaukee WI 53205

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A team approach for serving children with differing abilities
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The Special Needs Support Program helps families and caregivers with onsite technical assistance and monthly educational classes. Caregivers learn how to care for children with disabilities and health care needs.

Who is Eligible?
Families that are participating in Wisconsin Shares or receiving child care subsidy assistance through W-2 are eligible for services.

Family Services:
- Assistance updating child care authorizations.
- Verification of child’s disability for benefits and services.
- Free onsite training for the child care provider on child’s needs.
- Networking and support through monthly educational classes and connections to community resources.
- Assistance for parents of teens 13 years of age and older that continue to need care.
- Resources to help families find a child care provider that best fits their needs.

What is Milwaukee Early Care Administration (MECA)?
MECA trains, certifies and oversees family child care providers. We also work with parents to sign up for Wisconsin Shares child care subsidy.

What does the Special Needs Support Program do?
- Enhance the quality and availability of child care programs for children with special needs.
- Support child care providers serving children with special needs.
- Increase caregiver awareness of new practices that benefit children with special needs.

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Provider Services:
- Training onsite by professionals who share information and strategies to care for children with special needs.
- Educational classes on a variety of health care topics and disabilities.
- Credit for continuing education with The Registry (tier levels listed for each class on The Registry website).

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