

Are You a Caregiver and Need a Break?

Apply Now!



RESPIRE VOUCHER PROGRAM

How do I apply?

Call 1-844-822-4622 Mississippi Access to Care Center and speak to a resource specialist to receive assistance with completing an application or to request an application from your local office.

Who is eligible?

Mississippi caregivers providing unpaid care for a dependent person of any age with a significant disability, or chronic illness requiring 24/7 care

How does the Respite Voucher Program work?

These vouchers may be used to pay an in-home care agency, an Adult Day Center, or a private individual to provide respite care.

Initial Vouchers are provided in the amount of \$300.00 per household to approved family caregivers. Once approved the caregiver can reapply for a REPEAT respite service in the amount of \$290 after approximately six months from the initial approval date.

Caregivers can also apply for EMERGENCY respite to receive a one-time payment of \$590:

- an emergency or unusual circumstance that is an unplanned situation that prevents the caregiver from providing the care required to the care recipient;
- an unplanned event that threatens the health and safety of the care recipient or caregiver;

Vouchers can only be used to pay for breaks (respite) for caregivers.

They may NOT be used to:

- Pay the family caregiver directly for the care he/she is providing
- Pay for care that occurred before the voucher was issued
- Pay medical bills or purchase medical supplies
- Offset the cost of paid care already in place

Find Your Local MAC Center

Greenville MAC (662) 537-2105	Jackson MAC (769) 777-7319	Hattiesburg MAC (601) 545-2137
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Gulfport MAC (228) 868-2311	Pontotoc MAC (662) 488-6983
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