



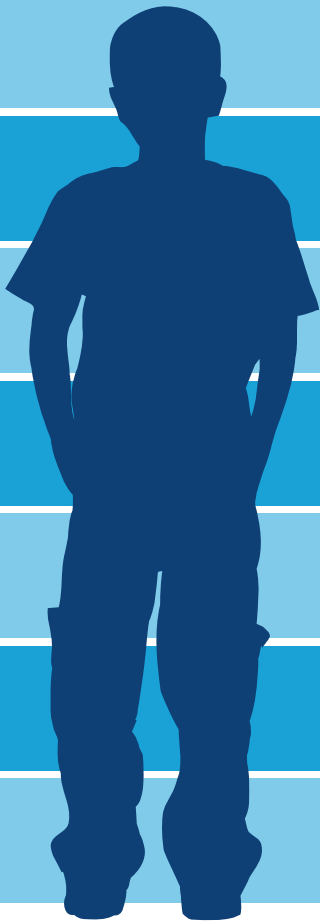
What is the CANS ASSESSMENT?



The CANS assessment is a tool that helps tell the story of a child or youth and their caregivers. It looks at their strengths and identifies where support may be needed. OhioRISE uses this assessment to determine eligibility for services and to guide care coordination. The results are kept in the CANS IT System and are updated regularly to track progress and help with ongoing care planning.

What Happens During a CANS Assessment?

The CANS assessor will ask about the following to help get an accurate picture of your family's story so that you can receive the support you and your child or youth need.



STRENGTHS: Positive traits, skills or resources that support your child; things that are going well.

LIFE-FUNCTIONING: How things are going in different parts of your child's life (school, friends, home, and more).

BEHAVIORAL AND EMOTIONAL: How your child is managing their thoughts, feelings, and actions.

RISK: Things that may impact the safety of your child or others.

LIFE EXPERIENCES: Any difficult life events your family may have gone through and are willing to share.

CULTURE: How your family's values, beliefs, and identity impact your child's life.

CAREGIVER RESOURCES: How your child's caregiver helps your child, and where the caregiver may need some support too.

You and the CANS Assessor Will:

- Identify other important people to include in the assessment conversation
- Combine all the information into your story
- Determine your eligibility for programs and services based on the CANS results



Where can I get help or more information on OhioRISE?

To learn more about OhioRISE, including the OhioRISE program services:



Visit managedcare.medicaid.ohio.gov/OhioRISE or AetnaBetterHealth.com/OhioRISE.



Call OhioRISE Member Services at **833-711-0773 (TTY: 711)** Monday through Friday from 7a.m. to 8 p.m.