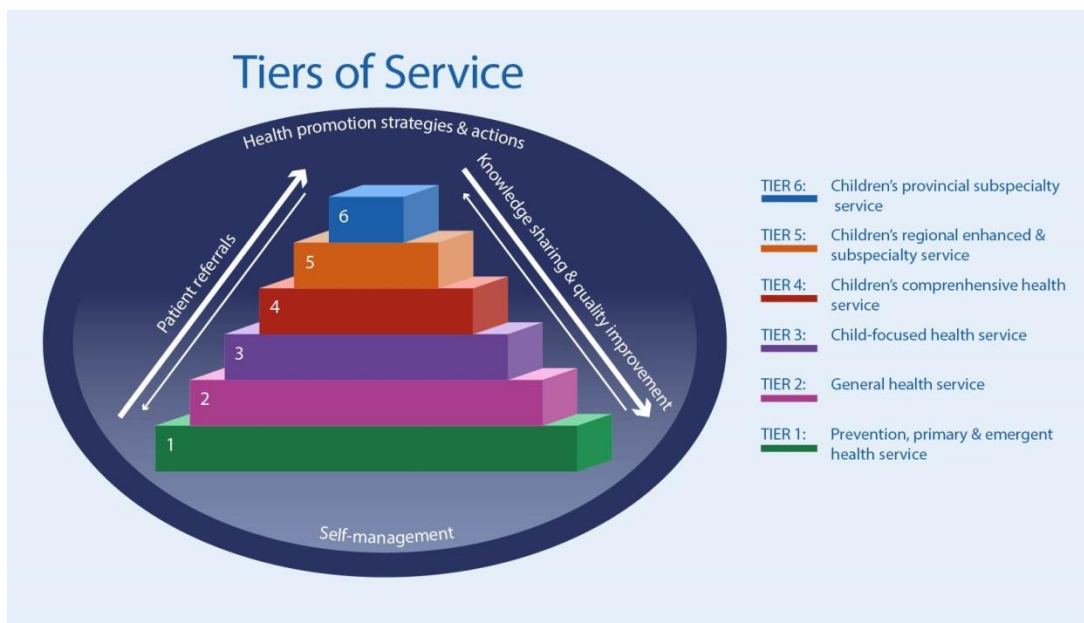


## Fact Sheet 2: Tier Levels Defined (Children's Services)



Tier	Description
Tier 1	<p>Prevention, primary &amp; emergent health service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service is accessible in most communities.</li> <li>• Service providers generally serve adults as well as children and youth.</li> <li>• Service targets health promotion &amp; common, low complexity health needs.</li> <li>• Service participates in regional &amp; provincial child health quality improvement initiatives.</li> </ul>
Tier 2	<p>General health service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service is accessible to multiple communities and/or a local health area.</li> <li>• Service providers generally serve adults as well as children and youth.</li> <li>• Service targets common, low complexity health needs.</li> <li>• Service participates in regional &amp; provincial child health quality improvement initiatives.</li> </ul>
Tier 3	<p>Child-focused health service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service is accessible to multiple local health areas/health service delivery area.</li> <li>• Service providers focus on children and youth, although some may also serve adults.</li> <li>• Service targets relatively common, medium complexity health needs.</li> <li>• Service participates in regional &amp; provincial child health quality improvement initiatives.</li> </ul>
Tier 4	<p>Children's comprehensive health service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service is accessible to a health service delivery area/health authority.</li> <li>• Service providers focus the majority of their time on children and youth.</li> <li>• Service targets a broad range of medium complexity health needs.</li> <li>• Service offers general child health experiences/placements for a broad range of undergraduate, graduate &amp; post-graduate health care students &amp; residents. Teaching focus is on general pediatrics and child health care.</li> <li>• Service identifies relevant regional child health quality indicators and leads/participates in regional &amp; provincial child health quality improvement initiatives.</li> </ul>

Tier	Description
Tier 5	<p>Children's regional enhanced &amp; subspecialty health service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service is accessible to a health authority.</li> <li>• Most service providers work exclusively with children and youth.</li> <li>• Service targets relatively common, high complexity health needs. Level of complexity usually does not require the availability of other on-site subspecialty teams.</li> <li>• Service offers general child health experiences/placements for a broad range of undergraduate, graduate &amp; post-graduate health care students &amp; residents. Also offers placements for fellows in selected subspecialties.</li> <li>• Service identifies relevant regional child health quality indicators and leads/participates in regional &amp; provincial child health quality improvement initiatives.</li> <li>• Service participates in relevant child health related research.</li> </ul>
Tier 6	<p>Provincial subspecialty children's health service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service is accessible to the province.</li> <li>• Service providers work exclusively with children and youth.</li> <li>• Service targets low incidence, high complexity health needs. Level of complexity often requires the availability of other on-site subspecialty teams.</li> <li>• Service offers general and subspecialty child health experiences/placements for a broad range of undergraduate, graduate &amp; post-graduate health care students, residents and subspecialty fellows.</li> <li>• Service identifies relevant provincial child health quality indicators &amp; leads provincial quality improvement initiatives.</li> <li>• Service conducts and supports others to conduct relevant child health-related research.</li> </ul>