Connecting Connecticut

Resource Directory

A Directory for Schools and Community Organizations Serving Families With Children Who Have Disabilities.

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Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center is pleased to publish “Connecting Connecticut Resource Directory.” We hope that the information included is useful in your work supporting families, especially families of children with disabilities, across Connecticut.

We realize that a resource such as this can never be totally inclusive, and that it can become quickly outdated. Please let us know if your organization’s information is included and has changed so that we can keep the directory as up to date as possible.

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800-445-2722
cpac@cpacinc.org
Program Listing By Category

Assistive Technology and Adaptive Equipment
Connecticut Braille Association, Inc.
The Learning Ally
National Cristina Foundation (NCF)
The New England Assistive Technology (NEAT) Center at Oak Hill
Onion Mountain Technology, Inc.
Southeast Connecticut Community Center of the Blind

Behavioral Support/Mental Health Resources
Child Guidance Clinics
Community Collaboratives/Care Coordination
Connecticut Behavioral Health Partnership
Coordinating Council for Children in Crisis, Inc. (CCCC)
Early Childhood Consultation Partnership
Emergency Mobile Psychiatric Services
Family Advocacy Organization for Children’s Mental Health (FAVOR)
Family and Children’s Agency
The Institute of Living at Hartford Hospital Child and Adolescent Programs
Kids in Crisis
Klingberg Family Centers
Mental Health Association of Connecticut, Inc. (MHAC)
National Alliance on Mental Illness of Connecticut (NAMI-CT)
Psychological Services Clinic at UCONN
United Services, Inc.
The Village for Families and Children, Inc.
Waterford Country School Outpatient Mental Health Clinic for Children
Wheeler Clinic, Inc.

Camps and Recreation
Camp Harkness
Camp Horizons
High Hopes Therapeutic Riding, Inc.
Hole in the Wall Gang Camp
ManeWaves Therapeutic Riding Center
Special Olympics of Connecticut, Inc.
Unified Sports
Unified Theater

Check the blue pages of your phone book to contact your local Parks and Recreation Department, YMCA/YWCA (www.ymca.net), Boy/Girl Scouts or Boys and Girls Club (www.bgca.org). A listing of equestrian therapy programs can be found at www.infoline.org under “Community Resources.”
Connecticut Private Approved Programs

Adelbrook
American School for the Deaf
Arch Bridge School
Ben Bronz Academy
Benhaven
Cedarhurst School
CCMC School
Center for Progressive Education
Chapel Haven, Inc.
The Charles F. Hayden School
Community Child Guidance Clinic School
Connecticut Center for Child Development (CCCD)
Connecticut College Children’s Program
Connecticut Junior Republic
Devereux Glenholme School
Eagle Hill School
Eagle House Education Program
Elizabeth Ives School for Special Children, Inc.
Foundation School
Futures School
Gengras Center
Giant Steps CT School
Grove School
High Road Academy - Wallingford Campus
High Road School of Norwalk
High Road School of Wallingford
Hope Academy
Intensive Education Academy
The Learning Clinic
Lighthouse Voc-Ed Center
Lorraine D. Foster Day School
Manchester Memorial Hospital Clinical Day School
Meliora Academy
Mount St. John
Natchaug Hospital Inpatient School
Natchaug Hospital Journey School
Natchaug Hospital School
Oak Hill School
Options Educational Services
Positive Attitudes Concerning Education and Socialization (PACES)
Raymond Hill School
Rushford Academy
Saint Catherine Academy
Saint Vincent’s Special Needs Services/Feroleto Child Development Center
Seton Academy
Sinai School
The Speech Academy
Stepping Stone School
Summit School
The Susan Wayne Center of Excellence
Touchstone School
Villa Maria Education Center
Waterford Country School
The Webb Schools
Whitney Hall School
Woodhouse Academy
Yale Child Study Center

**Disability Related Organizations**
American Childhood Cancer Organization
American Diabetes Association of Connecticut and Western Massachusetts
American Lung Association Northeast
Arc of Connecticut
Arthritis Foundation Northern and Southern New England Chapter
Autism Services and Resources Connecticut (ASRC)
Brain Injury Alliance of Connecticut
The Center of Excellence on Autism Spectrum Disorders
Citizens for Quality Sickle Cell Care
Connecticut Down Syndrome Congress
Connecticut Families for Effective Autism Treatment, Inc. (CT FEAT)
Cornelia de Lange Syndrome Foundation
Decoding Dyslexia CT
Easter Seals Connecticut/Rhode Island
Epilepsy Foundation of Connecticut, Inc.
Family Advocacy Organization for Children's Mental Health (FAVOR)
The Food Allergy and Anaphalaxis Network (FAAN)
Friends of Autistic People (FAP)
Friends of Retarded Citizens of Connecticut (FORConn)
Little Hearts, Inc.
Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA)
National Alliance on Mental Illness of Connecticut (NAMI-CT)
National Federation of the Blind of Connecticut (NFBC)
National Multiple Sclerosis Society Greater Connecticut Chapter
National Spinal Cord Injury Association Connecticut Chapter (SCIACT)
New England Center for Hearing Rehabilitation (NECHEAR)
New England Consortium of Deaf-Blind Projects
Prader-Willi Syndrome Association of Connecticut
Sickle Cell Disease Association of America - Connecticut Chapter
Smart Kids with Learning Disabilities, Inc.
Southeastern Connecticut Advocates for Developmental Disabilities, Inc. (SECADD)
Southeastern Connecticut Community Center of the Blind
SPED Connecticut
Spina Bifida Association of Connecticut (SBA of CT)
Tourette Syndrome Association, Inc.
Information and Referral
2-1-1 Connecticut
Americans with Disabilities Act Coalition of Connecticut (ADACC)
Connecticut Association for the Gifted (CAG)
Connecticut Homeschool Network (CHN)
Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center (CPAC)
Connecticut Parent Information and Resource Center (CTPIRC)
Connecticut Women's Education and Legal Fund (CWEALF)
Healthnet: Connecticut Consumer Health Information Network
Help Me Grow
State Education Resource Center (SERC)

Family Support, Advocacy and Services
Adoption Assistance Program
African & Caribbean American Parents of Children with Disabilities (AFCAMP)
Attention Deficit Disorders and Learning Strategies Institute
Bridgeport Child Advocacy Coalition (BCAC)
Center for Children with Special Needs
Center for Communication Disorders
Centro De La Communidad
ConnCAN
Connecticut Association for Community Action
Connecticut Association of Foster and Adoptive Parents (CAFAP)
Connecticut Commission on Children, Parent Leadership Training Institute (PLTI)
Connecticut Council of Family Service Agencies
Connecticut Family Resource Center Program
Connecticut Family Support Network
Connecticut Lifespan Respite Coalition (CLRC)
Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center (CPAC)
The Cove Center for Grieving Children
Danbury Children First
Family Advocacy Program
Family Life Education (FLE)
Fleet and Family Support Center
Grandparent Programs at the Consultation Center
Hall Neighborhood House
Help Me Grow
Hispanic Health Council
Junta for Progressive Action
Kidsteps / Family and Children's Center / SARAH Inc.
Marrakech
Merrill Lynch Wealth Management
MetDESK, MetLife’s Division of Estate Planning for Special Kids
Mi Casa Family Service and Educational Center
Padres Abriendo Puertas (PAP)
Parent Teacher Association of Connecticut
Parents Available to Help, Inc (PATH) Parent to Parent of Connecticut
Planned Lifetime Assistance Network of Connecticut (PLAN of CT)
Planned Parenthood of Southern New England
Psychological Services Clinic (UCONN)
Special Education Network (SPED*NET) Wilton
Special Kids Support Center
St. Vincent’s Autism and Developmental Services
UCONN A.J. Pappanikou Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Service
UCONN Speech and Hearing Clinic
United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) - Eastern Connecticut
United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) of Greater Hartford
United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) - Southern Connecticut
We’re Special Too!
Yale University Parenting Center and Child Conduct Clinic

**Independent Living**
Center for Disability Rights
Disability Network of Eastern Connecticut (DNEC)
Disability Resource Center of Fairfield County
Independence Northwest (IN)
Independence Unlimited, Inc.

**Legal Services**
Attorney Referral, Legal Aid and Advocacy Services - CT Law Libraries
Center for Children’s Advocacy
Children’s Law Center of Connecticut, Inc.
Connecticut Legal Services
Connecticut Office of the Child Advocate (OCA)
Connecticut Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities (OPA)
Connecticut Probate Court
Connecticut Voices for Children
Connecticut Women’s Education and Legal Fund (CWEALF)
Statewide Legal Services of Connecticut, Inc.

**Mentoring**
Best Buddies of Connecticut
Camp Horizons
Connecticut Kids as Self Advocates (KASA)
Connecticut Youth Leadership Project, Inc. (CT YLP)
Connecticut Youth Services Association
Goodwill Industries
Leadership Education and Athletics in Partnership, Inc. (LEAP)
Project Genesis, Inc.

**Regional Education Service Centers (RESC’s)**
Area Cooperative Educational Services (ACES)
Capitol Region Education Council (CREC)
Cooperative Educational Services (CES)
Eastern Connecticut Regional Education Service Center (EASTCONN)
EDUCATION CONNECTION
LEARN
Health
Connecticut Community Health Centers
Connecticut Hospital Association - Hospital Directory
Family Strides, Inc.
Ledge Light Health District
Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Health Services
Regional Medical Home Support Centers (RMHSC)
Shriners Hospital Boston

State Agencies
Connecticut Birth to Three System
Connecticut Board of Education and Services for the Blind (BESB)
Connecticut Bureau of Rehabilitation Services (BRS) Central Office
Connecticut Commission on the Deaf and Hearing Impaired (CDHI)
Connecticut Department of Children and Families - Main Office (DCF)
Connecticut Department of Developmental Services (DDS)
Connecticut Department of Labor
Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) - Young Adult Services (YAS)
Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH)
Connecticut Department of Social Services (DSS)
Connecticut Head Start Programs
Connecticut Judicial Branch
Connecticut Office of the Child Advocate (OCA)
Connecticut Office of the Healthcare Advocate
Connecticut Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities (OPA)
Connecticut State Department of Education

Transition
For information and resources regarding transition from school to adult life, please refer to another resource, “A Directory of Community Rehabilitation Providers for Youth in Transition and Adults with Disabilities in Connecticut”. This resource directory provides school districts and families, with a comprehensive listing of agencies and services that could provide transition services to young adults with disabilities. This information about potential programs and services available to youth once they graduate from high school, prepares students and their families to make more informed choices about post-school options.

To view a copy of this directory on the web please visit: http://ctserc.org/transition/RehabDirectory.pdf
To obtain a hard copy please call SERC at: 800-842-8678.
2-1-1 Connecticut
1344 Silas Deane Highway
Rocky Hill, CT 06067
Phone: 211
     860-571-7500
E-mail: infoline@ctunitedway.org
Website: www.infoline.org;
         www.211infoline.org;
         www.211ct.org

2-1-1 Connecticut is the statewide information, referral and crisis intervention service. Callers can reach help 24 hours a day by dialing 211.

Adelbrook, Inc.
(Formerly The Learning Center)
60 Hicksville Road
Cromwell, CT 06416
Phone: 860-635-6010 x344
E-mail: Amy Gates, Director of Educat
       agates@adelbrook.org
Website: www.adelbrook.org

Adelbrook is a nonprofit behavioral and developmental services agency located in central Connecticut. They provide residential, educational, in-home and community based services to children with Autism Spectrum Disorders, as well as those challenged with intellectual/developmental disabilities or with psychiatrically acute, complex mental health concerns.


Adoption Assistance Program
270 Farmington Avenue
The Exchange, Suite 262
Farmington, CT 06032
Toll Free: 877-679-1961
Phone: 860-679-4006
Email: aap@uchc.edu
Website: aap.uchc.edu

The Adoption Assistance Program provides assessment, education, brief counseling and referral services to adoptive families and to those touched by adoption.

American Childhood Cancer Organization
P.O. Box 498
Kensington, MD 20895-0498
Phone: 301-962-3520
Toll Free: 855-858-2226
E-mail: staff@acco.org
Website: www.acco.org

The American Childhood Cancer Organization is a national nonprofit membership organization whose mission is to educate, support, serve and advocate for families of children with cancer, survivors of childhood cancer and the professionals who care for them.

American Diabetes Association of Connecticut and Western Massachusetts
2080 Silas Deane Highway, 2nd Floor
Rocky Hill, CT 06067
Toll Free: 800-DIABETES (342-2383)
Email: AskADA@diabetes.org
Website: www.diabetes.org

The mission of the Association is to prevent and cure diabetes while improving the lives of all people affected by diabetes. The American Diabetes Association funds research, publishes scientific findings, and provides information and other services to people with diabetes, their families, health professionals and the public.
**American Lung Association Northeast**  
45 Ash Street  
East Hartford, CT 06108-2342  
Phone: 860-289-5401  
E-mail: info@lungne.org  
Website: www.lungne.org

The mission of the American Lung Association Northeast is to prevent lung disease and promote lung health. Programs and services are offered statewide in the areas of asthma, flu, pneumonia, smoking prevention, cessation, tuberculosis and air quality.

**American School for the Deaf**  
139 North Main Street  
West Hartford, CT 06107  
Phone: 860-570-2300  
860-297-4380 TTY  
Video Phone: 860-899-1217  
Toll Free: 800-244-0420  
E-mail: Fern Reisinger, Education Director  
fern.reisinger@asd-1817.org  
Website: www.asd-1817.org


**Americans with Disabilities Act Coalition of Connecticut (ADACC)**  
60 B Weston Street  
Hartford, CT 06120  
Phone: 860-297-4380  
860-570-2222 TTY  
E-mail: adacoalition@sbcglobal.net  
Website: www.adacc.net

The ADACC informs Connecticut citizens about the ADA and works to foster voluntary compliance. It offers a way for any interested person, business, employer and public agency to obtain information. They also provide training and technical assistance on rights and responsibilities under the ADA.

**Arc of Connecticut**  
43 Woodland Street, Suite 260  
Hartford, CT 06105  
Phone: 860-246-6400  
E-mail: Leslie Simoes  
lsimoes@arcofct.org  
Website: www.thearccf.org

The Arc of Connecticut is an advocacy organization committed to protecting the rights of people with mental retardation and related developmental disabilities. They focus on promoting opportunities for the person’s full inclusion within their communities. To find your local Arc, please visit their website and click on the Arc/Connecticut Chapters button on the left hand side.

**Arch Bridge School**  
P.O. Box 370  
21 Arch Bridge Road  
Bethlehem, CT 06751  
Phone: 203-266-8034 x8031 Ralph Scafariello  
E-mail: Ralph Scafariello  
ralphs@wellspring.org  
Website: www.wellspring.org


**Area Cooperative Educational Services (ACES)**  
Peter C. Young Building  
350 State Street  
North Haven, CT 06473  
Phone: 203-498-6800  
E-mail: acesinfo@aces.org  
Website: www.aces.org

Area Cooperative Educational Services (ACES) is the Regional Educational Service Center for the twenty-five school districts in South Central Connecticut. They exist to improve public education through high quality, cost effective programs and services. They meet the educational needs of member districts by acting as both the Local Education Agency (LEA) and as the regional service agency. As the LEA, they operate schools designed to meet the specific needs of the region; currently special education and Interdistrict Magnet schools. As a regional service agency, they develop solutions to the most pressing needs of their member school districts.
Arthritis Foundation Northern and Southern New England Chapter
35 Cold Spring Road; Suite 411
Rocky Hill, CT 06067
Phone: 860-563-1177
Toll Free: 800-541-8350
E-mail: info.sne@arthritis.org
Website: www.arthritis.org

The mission of the Arthritis Foundation is to improve lives through leadership in the prevention, control and cure of arthritis and other related diseases.

Attention Deficit Disorders and Learning Strategies Institute
131 Kings Highway North
Westport, CT 06880
Phone: 203-221-4710
E-mail: addi@add-institute.com
Website: www.add-institute.com

Attention Deficit Disorders and Learning Strategies is a multidisciplinary institute that prides itself on a thorough diagnosis of both mental health and educational options for persons suffering from attention issues related to ADHD, anxiety, depression, family stresses, OCD and learning disorders.

Attorney Referral, Legal Aid and Advocacy Services - CT Law Libraries
Connecticut Judicial Branch Law Libraries
Administrative Offices
90 Washington Street; 3rd Floor
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-706-5145
Email: lawlibrarians@jud.ct.gov
Website: www.jud.ct.gov/lawlib/referral.htm

The Connecticut Judicial Branch Law Libraries provides contact information for legal services within Connecticut.

Autism Services and Resources Connecticut (ASRC)
101 North Plains Industrial Road
Harvest Park; Building 1A
Wallingford, CT 06492
Phone: 203-265-7717
Toll Free: 888-453-4975
Email: ct-asrc@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.ct-asrc.org

ASRC is a support organization for individuals, families and professionals involved with autism spectrum disorders. They offer resources, support groups, workshops, conferences, on-site professional training and other services and supports.

Ben Bronz Academy
139 North Main Street
ASD Boatner Building
West Hartford, CT 06107
Phone: 860-236-5807
Email: learningincentive@yahoo.com
Website: www.benbronzacademy.org


Benhaven
125 North Plains Industrial Road
Wallingford, CT 06492
Phone: 203-793-1905
E-mail: Karen Helene
khelene@benhaven.org
Website: www.benhaven.org

**Best Buddies Connecticut**
28 Washington Avenue
2nd Floor
North Haven, CT 06473
Phone: 203-234-3996
Toll Free: 866-CT-BUDDY
E-mail: Caroline Dickenson
carolinedickenson@bestbuddies.org
Website: www.bestbuddiesct.org

A state affiliate of Best Buddies International, Best Buddies Connecticut seeks to enhance the lives of people with intellectual disabilities through one-to-one friendships.

**Brain Injury Alliance of Connecticut**
200 Day Hill Rd., Suite 250
Windsor, CT 06095
Phone: 860-219-0291
E-mail: general@biact.org
Website: www.biact.org

The Brain Injury Alliance of Connecticut promotes support groups and service systems for people with brain injuries and their families. They provide education about traumatic brain injury and advocates for community and medical resources.

**Bridgeport Child Advocacy Coalition (BCAC)**
2470 Fairfield Avenue
Bridgeport, CT 06605
Phone: 203-549-0075
Website: www.bcacct.org

BCAC’s member organizations are committed to improving the well-being of Bridgeport children through programs combining research, community planning, advocacy, education and mobilization. BCAC promotes policies and programs to ensure that their children have the opportunity to grow up safe and receive the education and skills to reach their full potential.

**Camp Harkness**
301 Great Neck Road
Waterford, CT 06385
Phone: 860-443-7818
Facebook: www.facebook.com/CampHarkness

Camp Harkness offers Connecticut residents with a physical or mental challenge a wheelchair accessible recreational facility located on Long Island Sound in Waterford, CT. Therapeutic and recreational programs include a barnyard facility, sandy beach area, picnic area and adapted boating and fishing. Heated cabins are also available.

**Camp Horizons**
P.O. Box 323
South Windham, CT 06266
Phone: 860-456-1032
E-mail: info@horizonsct.org
Website: www.horizonsct.org

The mission of Camp Horizons is to provide high quality residential, recreational, support and work programs for people who are developmentally disabled or who have other challenging social and emotional needs. They are committed to continuous improvement in programs, facilities and staffing.

**Capitol Region Education Council (CREC)**
111 Charter Oak Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-247-2732
Website: www.crec.org

Since 1966, CREC has worked with and for its member districts, to develop a wide array of cost-effective and high-quality programs and services to meet the educational needs of children and adults in the Capitol Region. CREC also reaches additional towns/districts through a number of statewide services and programs. The organization assists more than 150,000 students each year, offers more than 120 programs, and manages over 20 facilities, including eight interdistrict magnet schools. CREC’s mission is to work with boards of education of the Capitol Region in order to improve the quality of public education for all learners.
CCMC School
300 John Downey Drive
New Britain, CT 06051
Phone: 860-837-6400
E-mail: Patricia Gerrity
pgerrity@ccmckids.org
Website: www.connecticutchildrens.org


Cedarhurst School
871 Prospect Street
Hamden, CT 06517
Phone: 203-764-9314
E-mail: Kitty Clemens
kittyclemens@yale.edu
Website: http://cedarhurst.yale.edu


Center for Adaptive Technology
Southern Connecticut State University
501 Crescent Street
Engleman Building; Room 5
New Haven, CT 06515
Phone: 203-392-5799
E-mail: cat@southernct.edu
Website: www.southernct.edu/adaptive_tech

Established in 1989, the Center for Adaptive Technology has a three-part mission to: support SCSU’s students with disabilities, support SCSU’s students in educational programs and provide community support. The Center now includes the Adaptive Technology Lab (ATL) serving students with disabilities and the Educational Technology Resource Lab (ETRL) serving students studying in fields relating to adaptive technology.

Center for Children with Special Needs
2213 Main Street
Glastonbury, CT 06033
Phone: 860-430-1762
E-mail: info@autismct.com
Website: www.autismct.com

The Center for Children with Special Needs is an interdisciplinary clinic specializing in the diagnosis, evaluation and treatment of children and adolescents with complex developmental disabilities, particularly autism spectrum disorders, pediatric chronic illness, developmental disabilities and severe behavioral difficulties.

Center for Children’s Advocacy
UCONN School of Law
65 Elizabeth Street
Hartford, CT 06105
Phone: 860-570-5327
Website: www.kidscounsel.org

The Center for Children’s Advocacy, Inc. is a nonprofit organization located at the University of Connecticut School of Law whose mission is to promote and protect the legal rights and interests of poor children dependent upon the judicial, child welfare, health, mental health, education and juvenile justice systems for their care. They offer help to students residing in Hartford, in the following areas: special education, bilingual education, bullying, truancy and discipline.

Center for Communication Disorders
Southern Connecticut State University
501 Crescent Street; Davis Hall B-12
New Haven, CT 06515
Phone: 203-392-5955
E-mail: purdym1@southernct.edu
Website: www.southernct.edu/communicationdisorders

The Center for Communication Disorders provides a variety of family-inclusive services including speech, language, hearing and advocacy for children and adults with communication disorders in the communities of Greater New Haven and its surrounding counties.
Center for Disability Rights
764 A Campbell Avenue
West Haven, CT 06516
Phone: 203-934-7077
E-mail: info@cdr-ct.org
Website: www.cdr-ct.org

The Center for Disability Rights is a membership driven center for independent living, engaging in advocacy, information and referral, independent living skills, assistive technology, community education and technical assistance designed to promote systemic change and the fuller integration of people with disabilities into the community.

The Center of Excellence on Autism Spectrum Disorders
Southern CT State University
Davis Hall
501 Crescent Street
New Haven, CT 06515
Phone: 203-392-5929; 203-392-5925
E-mail: erenr1@southernct.edu
Website: www.southernct.edu/asdcenter

The Center of Excellence on Autism Spectrum Disorders serves as a resource and collaborative partner by developing, validating and delivering effective, innovative training, services and technical assistance to teachers, other school-based personnel, families and community services providers in the use of evidence-based practices for individuals ages 3-21 with autism spectrum disorders in Connecticut.

Center for Progressive Education
425 Grant Street
Bridgeport, CT 06610
Phone: 203-337-9943 ext. 3936
E-mail: Donald Tagg
dtagg@attfoundation.org


Centro De La Comunidad
109 Blinman Street
New London, CT 06320
Phone: 860-442-4463
E-mail: info@centrocomunidad.org
Website: www.centrocomunidad.org

Founded in 1969, Centro de la Comunidad is New London’s oldest Latino community-based organization. Their mission is to provide services, programs and advocacy that improve the social, political and economic conditions of the Latino community in Southeastern Connecticut, while nurturing and promoting its cultural traditions as it builds bridges with other communities. Their program areas include: adult education, cultural awareness, economic development, social services, legal advocacy, youth programming, family management and immigration rights.

Chapel Haven, Inc.
1040 Whalley Avenue
New Haven, CT 06515
Phone: 203-397-1714 x148
E-mail: cdecarlo@chapelhaven.org
Website: www.chapelhaven.org


Charles F. Hayden School at Boys and Girls Village
528 Wheelers Farms Road
Milford, CT 06460
Phone: 203-887-0300
E-mail: Catherine Murphy-Brooks
brookssc@bvillage.com


Child Guidance Clinics
Website: www.dir.ct.gov/dcf/Licensed_Facilities/listing_OPCC.asp

The child guidance clinics provide outpatient psychiatric services for children. Please view the above website for a list of child guidance clinics.
Children’s Law Center of Connecticut, Inc.
30 Arbor Street, North
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-232-9993
Toll Free: 888-LAW-DOOR (529-3667)
E-mail: clc@clcct.org
Website: www.clcct.org

Children’s Law Center of Connecticut, Inc, is a private nonprofit organization that represents disadvantaged children in family court.

Citizens for Quality Sickle Cell Care
Sickle Cell Association of America
Northern, CT Chapter
100 Arch Street
P.O. Box 702
New Britain, CT 06050
Phone: 860-223-7222
E-mail: citizensforquality@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.cqssc.org

Citizens for Quality Sickle Cell Care is an organization made up of volunteers from Connecticut who are parents, family members and friends of people living with Sickle Cell Disease, educators and members of the clergy who are interested in providing quality care and support for children and adults with Sickle Cell Disease and related disorders. They offer educational materials, in-service trainings, advocacy, referrals, counseling and individual support.

Community Child Guidance Clinic School
317 North Main Street
Manchester, CT 06042
Phone: 860-646-0502 School
       860-643-2101 Clinic
E-mail: pjf@ccgcinc.org
Website: www.ccgcinc.org

Community Collaboratives/Care Coordination
Website: www.ct.gov/dcf/cwp/view.asp?a=2558&q=314376

Connecticut currently has 25 community collaboratives statewide that promote access to and services for children with behavioral health needs and their families. Families seeking care coordination services should contact the community collaborative identified for each town/city in the state.

ConnCAN
85 Willow Street
New Haven, CT 06511
Phone: 203-772-4017
E-mail: info@conncan.org
Website: www.conncan.org

ConnCAN is a statewide outreach, education, and research organization with an active member network of parents, teachers, students, and business and community leaders across Connecticut. Their mission is to close Connecticut’s academic achievement gap, the largest gap between rich and poor students of any public school system in the nation. ConnCAN will not rest until every child in the state, regardless of race, ethnicity, or socioeconomic status, has access to a great public school.

Connecticut Association for Community Action (CAFCA)
144 Clinton Street
New Britain, CT 06053
Phone: 860-832-9438
E-mail: edith@cafca.org
Website: www.cafca.org

CAFCA is a network of Connecticut’s 12 Community Action Agencies that builds communities, promotes public policy and develops leaders to end poverty in Connecticut.

Connecticut Association for the Gifted (CAG)
P.O. Box 2598
Westport, CT 06880
Phone: 203-291-6586
E-mail: info@gifted.org
Website: www.ctgifted.org

CAG is an organization for educators, psychologists, parents, policy makers, administrators and others to learn about the unique educational and affective needs of gifted children and how to meet these needs effectively in their schools, families and communities. It recognizes that gifted children come from all cultures and backgrounds and have diverse abilities and interests.

Connecticut Association of Foster and Adoptive Parents (CAFAP)
2189 Silas Deane Highway; Suite 2
Rocky Hill, CT 06067
Phone: 860-258-3400
Toll Free: 800-861-8838
E-mail: info@cafap.com
Website: www.cafap.com

CAFAP is a nonprofit organization committed to strengthening foster families, adoptive families and relative caregivers through support, training and advocacy. Their main focus is on child safety and well-being.

Connecticut Behavioral Health Partnership
500 Enterprise Drive, Suite 4D
Rocky Hill, CT 06067
Phone: 877-552-8247
866-218-0525 TTY
E-mail: ctbhp@valueoptions.com
Website: www.ctbhp.com

The primary goal of the CT BHP is to provide enhanced access to and coordination of a more complete and effective system of community-based behavioral health services and supports and to improve member outcomes. CT BHP is dedicated to improving the quality and effectiveness of behavioral health services, to simplifying access to those services, and to making the system more efficient and accountable through:

Connecticut Birth to Three System
Toll Free: 800-505-7000
866-888-4188 Family Support Line
Website: www.birth23.org

The Connecticut Birth to Three System is for children birth to 36 months of age with developmental delays or disabilities. They provide evaluation and services to eligible families including: service coordination, individualized family service plans (IFSP), OT, PT, speech, special instruction, family training and others identified in IFSP.

A list of Birth to Three Programs can be found on their website: www.birth23.org办法s/programs/programs.html.

Connecticut Board of Education and Services for the Blind (BESB)
184 Windsor Avenue
Windsor, CT 06095
Phone: 860-602-4000
TDD: 860-602-4221
E-mail: Brian Sigman brian.sigman@ct.gov
Website: www.ct.gov/besb

BESB provides comprehensive services for persons of all ages who are legally blind including children who are visually impaired. Services include: braille instruction, independent living and social development training, provisions of adaptive technology and textbooks, transition from school to work experiences, mentoring programs and consultation services to local school districts.

Connecticut Braille Association, Inc.
Braille Division
44 Imperial Avenue
Westport, CT 06880
Phone: 203-227-5243
Email: micki1@juno.com
Website: www.familyconnect.org

Connecticut Braille Association, Inc. provides textbooks for the visually impaired in the state of Connecticut, as well as other requests for individuals.
Connecticut Bureau of Rehabilitation Services (BRS) Central Office
25 Sigourney Street; 11th Floor
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-920-7163 Video Phone
Toll Free: 800-537-2549
E-mail: brs.dss@ct.gov
Website: www.ct.gov/brs

BRS is a part of the Department of Social Services. They assist persons with physical or mental disabilities to prepare for, find or keep a job. The disability must result in a substantial impediment to employment. The Bureau oversees vocational rehabilitation services, disability determination services and the Connect to Work Center. The Connect to Work Center, includes: independent living, CT Tech Act Project, work incentives planning and assistance grant, and the Medicaid Infrastructure Grant (MIG).

Connecticut Center for Child Development (CCCD)
925 Bridgeport Avenue
Milford, CT 06460
Phone: 203-306-0005
E-mail: dallas@cccdinc.org
Website: www.cccdinc.org


Connecticut College Children’s Program
P.O. Box 5215
Connecticut College
New London, CT 06320
Phone: 860-439-2920
E-mail: Kathryn M. O’Connor, Ph.D.
koconnor@conncoll.edu
Website: www.conncoll.edu


Connecticut Commission on Children, Parent Leadership Training Institute (PLTI)
18-20 Trinity Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-240-0290
Website: www.cga.ct.gov/coc

The CT Commission on Children is a non-partisian commission brings 25 representatives from the legislative, judicial and executive branches of government together with the private sector to promote public policies in the best interest of the child. PLTI enables parents to become leading advocates for children. In addition, a companion training, Parents Supporting Education Excellence, is available.

Connecticut Commission on the Deaf and Hearing Impaired (CDHI)
67 Prospect Avenue; 3rd Floor
West Hartford, CT 06133
Phone: 860-231-8756 x5
Toll Free: 800-708-6796
TDD Only: 860-231-8169
Website: www.cdhi.ct.gov/cdhi

CDHI is a state agency dedicated to advocating, strengthening and implementing state policies affecting deaf and hearing impaired individuals. CDHI provides personal and family counseling services, information and referral, sign language interpreting services, oral interpretive services, community education and in-service training on hearing loss, job development and placement including vocational counseling.

Connecticut Community Health Centers
Connecticut Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Ave; MS #11MAT
P.O. Box 340308
Hartford, CT 06134
Phone: 860-509-8074
Website: www.ct.gov/dph

Community Health Centers serve as the medical home and family physician for many of the poor, underserved and vulnerable people at risk for poor health status who live in communities throughout Connecticut. They offer comprehensive, community-based health care including pediatric, adolescent, adult and geriatric health care, prenatal and postpartum care as well as supportive services such as translation, transportation, case management, social services and culturally sensitive health care.
Connecticut Council of Family Service Agencies
1310 Silas Deane Highway; Suite 219
Wethersfield, CT 06109
Phone: 860-571-0093
E-mail: info@ctfsa.org
Website: www.ctfsa.org

The Council is a statewide network of independent, nonprofit, family service agencies that deliver services from offices located throughout Connecticut. Member agencies are community-based, licensed by the state and nationally accredited.

Connecticut Department of Children and Families - Main Office (DCF)
505 Hudson Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-550-6300
Website: www.ct.gov/DCF

DCF is legally responsible for providing services to protect children and youth up to age 18 from abuse, neglect, abandonment and exploitation. Services include family assessment, counseling, family preservation, temporary emergency shelter, parent aides, parenting classes, aid to unwed mothers, foster care and adoption. Please contact the main office for a location nearest you.

Connecticut Department of Developmental Services (DDS)
460 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-418-6000
Toll Free: 866-737-0330
Email: ddsct.co@ct.gov
Website: www.ct.gov/DDS

DDS is the state agency responsible for funding or providing services to people of all ages with mental retardation. Services include Early Connections, Birth to Three System, residential services, adult day programs, respite, family support, case management, clinical services and voluntary services. To find the DDS region appropriate for a CT town, please see the town finder page at: www.ct.gov/dds/cwp/view.asp?a=3&q=395462&ddsPNavCtr=.

Connecticut Department of Labor
200 Folly Brook Boulevard
Wethersfield, CT 06109
Phone: 860-263-6000
E-mail: dol.webhelp@ct.gov
Website: www.ctdol.state.ct.us

The Department of Labor assists people seeking jobs through a statewide network of employment assistance centers.

Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) - Young Adult Services (YAS)
410 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-418-7000
Toll Free: 800-446-7348
Phone - Hearing Impaired: 860-418-6707
Website: www.ct.gov/dmhas

DMHAS is for young adults ages 18-25 (may be referred at 16) who have chronic and serious mental health illness, and are medically indigent (don’t have insurance). Priority is given to DCF clients. DMHAS fosters independence by offering housing supports, clinical supports for mental health issues, skill building and vocational supports.

Connecticut Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06134
Phone: 860-509-8000
Website: www.ct.gov/dph

The Connecticut Department of Public Health provides a variety of services for children with special health care needs in Connecticut as well as programs for all children on preventing disease, promoting good health and ensuring a safe and healthy environment. A listing of the programs and services they provide can be found online at: www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3115&q=387268&dphNav_GID=1601.
Connecticut Department of Social Services (DSS)
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 800-842-4524 TDD/TYY
Toll Free: 800-842-1508
Website: www.ct.gov/dss

DSS provides a broad range of services to the elderly, persons with disabilities, families, and individuals who need assistance in maintaining or achieving their full potential for self-direction, self-reliance and independent living. They provide a continuum of core services to: meet basic needs of food, shelter, economic support and health care, promote and support the choice to live with dignity in one’s own home and community, and promote and support the achievement of economic viability in the workforce. Some of the agencies/programs you may find helpful are: the Bureau of Rehabilitation Services, Independent Living Centers and Adult Services.

Connecticut Down Syndrome Congress
c/o Arc of Meriden/Wallingford
200 Research Parkway
Meriden, 06450
Toll Free: 888-486-8537
E-mail: info@ctdownsyndrome.org
Website: www.ctdownsyndrome.org

Connecticut Down Syndrome Congress provides support for families of individuals with Down syndrome. They also provide information to new parents, social activities and advocacy.

Connecticut Families for Effective Autism Treatment, Inc. (CT FEAT)
P.O. Box 370352
West Hartford, CT 06137-0352
Phone: 860-571-3888
E-mail: cteat1@ctfeat.org
Website: www.ctfeat.org

CT FEAT provides information and resources to help parents evaluate the effectiveness of current autism treatment. They approach and support families implementing intensive treatment programs based on the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA).

Connecticut Family Resource Center Program
Connecticut State Department of Education
25 Industrial Park Road
Middletown, CT 06457
Phone: 860-713-6543
E-mail: Louis Tallarita
Website: www.sde.ct.gov

The Connecticut Family Resource Center Program promotes comprehensive, integrated, community-based systems of family support and child development services located in public schools buildings. This model is based on the “Schools for the 21st Century” concept developed by Dr. Edward Zigler of Yale University. Family Resource Centers are located in 62 schools throughout Connecticut and provide access, within a community, to a broad continuum of early childhood and family support services that foster the optimal development of children and families.

Connecticut Family Support Network
1074 Main Street.
South Glastonbury, CT 06073
Phone: 860-430-8679
Toll Free: 877-376-2329
Email: timperati@ctfsn.org
Website: www.ctfsn.org

The Connecticut Family Support Network is a statewide network of parents of children with a wide range of disabilities and special health care needs who provide information, resources and training to families.

Regional Coordinators:
Northeast Region- Amy McCoy
860-430-9370 - amccoy@ctfsn.org

Southwest Region - Karleen Craddock
203-400-0105 - kcraddock@ctfsn.org

North Central Region - Sheila Harris
860-548-9959 - sharris@ctfsn.org

South Central Region - Deborah Pagano-Finkle
203-430-0242 - dpagano@ctfsn.org

Northwest Region - Trish Butler
203-826-9739 - tbutler@ctfsn.org

Southeast Region - April Dipollina
860-271-4371 - adipollina@lmhosp.org

Bilingual Family Support - Maggy Morales
860-679-1527 - mmorales@ctfsn.org

Any Questions Regarding this Directory Please Call CPAC at: 800-445-2722
Connecticut Head Start Programs
State Collaboration Office
Department of Social Services
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-713-6771
E-mail: Andrea Brinnel andrea.brinnel@ct.gov
Website: www.acf.hhs.gov

Any Questions Regarding this Directory Please Call CPAC at: 800-445-2722

Connecticut Homeschool Network (CHN)
P.O. Box 115
Goshen, CT 06756
Website: www.cthomeschoolnetwork.org

CHN is Connecticut’s statewide information and support network. They are an independent, online-based homeschooling organization, which serves to inform, empower and foster community among home educators in the state of Connecticut. CHN is completely inclusive, welcoming everyone of all races, religions, lifestyles, abilities and disabilities, and learning methodologies.

Connecticut Hospital Association Hospital Directory
110 Barnes Road
Wallingford, CT 06492
Phone: 203-265-7611
Website: www.chime.org

Connecticut Judicial Branch
Website: www.jud.ct.gov

The Connecticut Judicial Branch offers information and support on issues related to parenting education, probate court/guardianship, custody and child support issues, juvenile issues including probation and legal rights in detention.

Connecticut Junior Republic
P.O. Box 161
550 Goshen Rd.
Litchfield, CT 06759
Phone: 860-567-9423
E-mail: James Obst jobst@cjryouth.org
Website: www.ctjuniorrepublic.org


Connecticut Kids as Self Advocates (CT-KASA)
185 Silas Deane Highway
Wethersfield, CT 06109
Phone: Joy Liebeskind 860-436-6544
Email: CTMedicaHome@Gmail.com

KASA is a statewide, youth-directed, self-advocacy program formed to enhance the skills and knowledge of youth with developmental disabilities. KASA meets on a monthly basis in different locations in CT.

Connecticut Legal Services
Toll Free: 800-233-7619
E-mail: povertylaw@connlegalservices.org
Website: www.connlegalservices.org

Connecticut Legal Services provides special education representation to low income clients. Community education materials can be found at: www.larcc.org under publications of children with disabilities.
The Connecticut Lifespan Respite Coalition determines the need for respite care and the types of care needed in each part of the state. They provide information to caregivers and providers about respite issues, needs and resources. They have devised an effective system for assuring that care is available to - and easily accessed by - every caregiver who needs it throughout the state.

OCA monitors and evaluates public and private agencies that are charged with the protection of children, and reviews state agency policies and procedures to ensure they protect children’s rights and promote their best interest.

The Office of the Healthcare Advocate assists consumers with healthcare issues through the establishment of effective outreach programs and the development of communications related to consumer rights and responsibilities. The office focuses on assisting consumers to make informed decisions when selecting a health plan, assisting consumers to resolve problems with their health insurance plans, and identifying issues, trends and problems that may require executive, regulatory or legislative intervention.

CPAC is a statewide nonprofit organization offering information, training and support to families of children with any disability or chronic illness, birth through age 26. It is CPAC’s mission to support families in their efforts on behalf of their children with disabilities. We offer a variety of workshops for parents and professionals. All of our services are free for parents and bilingual services are available.
Connecticut Parent Information and Resource Center
25 Industrial Park Road
Middletown, CT 06457
Phone: 800-842-8678
E-mail: info@ctpirc.org
Website: ctpirc.org

The Connecticut Parent Information and Resource Center (CT PIRC) provides support, resources, and outreach to all Connecticut families. Training opportunities are provided for parent leaders, community-based, faith-based, and school personnel on No Child Left Behind (NCLB), family learning/literacy, and school-family-community partnerships, which include culturally responsive information. A toll-free phone line provides assistance to families on educational issues related to the No Child Left Behind Act. The CT PIRC website has links to resources on NCLB, family learning, family engagement, parent involvement, and school-family-community partnerships.

Connecticut Probate Court
186 Newington Road
West Hartford, CT 06110
Phone: 860-231-2442
Website: www.jud.state.ct.us/probate

In addition to their traditional role of overseeing decedents’ estates and trusts, the probate courts handle a wide range of sensitive issues affecting children, the elderly, persons with mental retardation, and individuals with psychiatric disabilities. In carrying out their responsibilities, the probate courts strive to protect the rights of individuals while affording those involved in probate matters an approachable and consumer-friendly environment.

Connecticut State Department of Education
165 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-713-6543
Website: www.sde.ct.gov

The Connecticut State Department of Education is the administrative arm of the Connecticut State Board of Education. Through leadership, curriculum, research, planning, evaluation, assessment, data analyses and other assistance, the Department helps to ensure equal opportunity and excellence in education for all Connecticut students. The Department operates the CT Technical High School System.

Connecticut Voices for Children
33 Whitney Avenue
New Haven, CT 06510
Phone: 203-498-4240
E-mail: voices@ctvoices.org
Website: www.ctkidslink.org

Connecticut Voices for Children promotes the well-being of all of Connecticut’s young people and their families by advocating for strategic public investments and prudent public policies. Connecticut Voices for Children advances its mission through high quality research and analysis, strategic communications, citizen education and development of advocates.

Connecticut Women's Education and Legal Fund (CWEALF)
75 Charter Oak Ave., Suite 1-300
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-247-6090
E-mail: cwealf@cwealf.org
Website: www.cwealf.org

The Connecticut Women's Education and Legal Fund provides free legal information and referrals related to family, employment, education and civil rights law including: Title IX, Gender Discrimination, Sexual Harassment, Divorce, Child Support, LGBT civil rights.

Connecticut Youth Leadership Project, Inc. (CT YLP)
202 Highwood Drive
South Glastonbury, CT 06073
Phone: 860-918-2762
E-mail: karenh1203@aol.com
Website: www.ctylp.org

CT YLP is a nonprofit organization that empowers youth with disabilities to realize their leadership and self-advocacy potential. CT YLP coordinates the Connecticut Youth Leadership Forum. The goal of Youth Leadership Forum is to offer high school students with disabilities in Connecticut an educational and motivational forum where they can explore and develop their leadership potential in an atmosphere of support and encouragement. Student participation in YLF benefits each student’s community by increasing awareness and sensitivity of the capacities of people with disabilities.
Connecticut Youth Services Association
P.O. Box 551
Glastonbury, CT 06033
E-mail: cysa@ctyouthservices.org
Website: www.ctyouthservices.org

Connecticut Youth Services Association is a professional organization that serves as the voice of Connecticut Youth Service Bureaus. The Youth Services Bureau (YSB) is an agency operated directly by one or more municipalities or a private agency under municipal contract. YSBs are the lead local agency in community planning, coordination and evaluation of primary, secondary and tertiary prevention and treatment services for at-risk youth and provider of opportunities for all youth to develop positively and function as responsible members of their communities.

Cooperative Educational Services (CES)
40 Lindeman Drive
Trumbull, CT 06611
Phone: 203-365-8800
Email: info@ces.k12.ct.us
Website: www.ces.k12.ct.us

C.E.S. is one of Connecticut’s 6 Regional Education Service Centers. Its mission as the Regional Education Service Center in Southwestern CT is to promote the success of school districts and their communities.

Coordinating Council for Children in Crisis, Inc. (CCCC)
131 Dwight Street
New Haven, CT 06511
Phone: 203-624-2600
E-mail: info@ccccnh.org
Website: www.ccccnh.org

CCCC works with families affected by abuse, domestic violence, elder abuse, mental illness and other challenges. CCCC works to prevent child abuse, neglect and victimization across the child’s life span through home visitation, parent education, counseling and advocacy.

Cornelia de Lange Syndrome Foundation
302 West Main Street #100
Avon, CT 06001
Phone: 860-676-8166; 860-676-8255
Toll Free: 800-753-2357; 800-223-8355
E-mail: info@cdlsusa.org
Website: www.cdlsusa.org

The Cornelia de Lange Syndrome Foundation is a family support organization which exists to ensure early and accurate diagnosis of CdLS. They promote research into the causes and manifestations of the syndrome and help people with a diagnosis of CdLS and others with similar characteristics make informed decisions throughout their lifetime.

The Cove Center for Grieving Children
250 Pomeroy Avenue; Suite 107
Meriden, CT 06450
Phone: 203-634-0500
Toll Free: 800-750-2683
Website: www.covect.org

The Cove Center for Grieving Children provides community support groups for children and their families who have experienced the death of someone significant in their lives.

Danbury Children First
83 West Street
Danbury, CT 06810
Phone: 203-797-8088
Email: info@danburychildrenfirst.org
Website: www.danburychildrenfirst.org

Danbury Children First provides the information parents in Greater Danbury need to raise happy, healthy, successful children. The organization focuses on developing parent leadership and advocating for children and families.

Decoding Dyslexia
E-mail: DDDConnecticut@yahoo.com
Website: www.decodingdyslexiact.org

Decoding Dyslexia – CT is a grassroots movement driven by Connecticut families, teachers and advocates concerned with the limited identification and access to educational interventions for dyslexia within CT public schools. The organization aims to raise dyslexia awareness, empower families to support their children and inform policy-makers on best practices to identify, remediate and support students with dyslexia in CT public schools.
**Devereux Glenholme School**  
81 Sabbaday Lane  
Washington, CT 06793  
**Phone:** 860-868-7377  
**E-mail:** smurphy@devereaux.org  
**Website:** www.theglenholmeschool.org


**Disabilities Network of Eastern Connecticut (DNEC)**  
238 West Town Street  
Norwich, CT 06360  
**Phone:** 860-823-1898  
**Video Phone:** 860-237-4515  
**E-mail:** dnec@dnec.org  
**Website:** www.dnec.org

DNEC is one of Connecticut's Independent Living Centers (ILC). ILCs assist people with disabilities to achieve their maximum independence by controlling their own lives and developing skills to live and work in the community. The four core services are advocacy, information and referral, peer counseling and skills training.

**Disability Resource Center of Fairfield County**  
80 Ferry Boulevard  
Suite 210  
Stratford, CT 06615  
**Phone:** 203-378-6977  
**TDD:** 203-378-3248  
**E-mail:** info@drcfc.org  
**Website:** www.drcfc.org

One of Connecticut's Independent Living Centers (ILC). ILCs assist people with disabilities to achieve their maximum independence by controlling their own lives and developing skills to live and work in the community. The four core services are advocacy, information and referral, peer counseling and skills training.

**Eagle Hill School**  
45 Glenville Road  
Greenwich, CT 06831  
**Phone:** 203-622-9240  
**E-mail:** Wendy Salisbury  
E-mail: w.salisbury@eaglehill.org  
**Website:** www.eaglehillschool.org


**Eagle House Education Program**  
1680 Albany Avenue  
Hartford, CT 06105  
**Phone:** 860-236-4511  
**E-mail:** Paul Mullen  
E-mail: pmullen@villageforchildren.org  
**Website:** www.villageforchildren.org


**Early Childhood Consultation Partnership**  
Advanced Behavioral Health  
213 Court Street  
Middletown, CT 06457  
**Phone:** 860-638-5309  
**Website:** www.abhct.com

Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Partnership serves children birth to five and their families in licensed child care and early education programs.
Easter Seals Connecticut/Rhode Island
P.O. Box 100
85 Jones Street
Hebron, CT 06248-0100
Phone: 860-874-7687
Website: www.ct.easterseals.com

Each Easter Seals center provides family-focused programs tailored to meet the specific needs of the particular community it serves. Primary Easter Seals services include: medical rehabilitation, early intervention, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, job training and employment, child care, adult day services, camping and recreation. There are many Easter Seals programs in Connecticut.

Eastern Connecticut Regional Education Service Center (EASTCONN)
376 Hartford Turnpike
Hampton, CT 06247
Phone: 860-377-9982
E-mail: inforequest@eastconn.org
Website: www.eastconn.org

EASTCONN is one of Connecticut’s six Regional Education Service Centers. Located in Northeastern Connecticut. EASTCONN promotes collaborations that are responsive to the educational needs of all learners.

EDUCATION CONNECTION
355 Goshen Road
Litchfield, CT 06759
Phone: 860-567-0863
E-mail: info@educationconnection.org
Website: www.educationconnection.org

The Education Connection is one of Connecticut’s six Regional Education Service Centers. Located in Western Connecticut, Education Connection promotes the success of school districts and their communities.

Elizabeth Ives School for Special Children, Inc.
70 State Street
North Haven, CT 06473
Phone: 203-234-8770
Email: Linda Zunda
linzun@aol.com


Emergency Mobile Psychiatric Services
This service provides emergency services including mobile response; psychiatric assessment; medication consultation, assessment, and short-term medication management; behavioral management services; substance abuse screening and referral to traditional and non-traditional services for any family with a child in crisis. Emergency Mobile Psychiatric Services (EMPS) deliver a range of crisis response and crisis stabilization services to children, youth, their families and caregivers including children residing in relative, adoptive and foster care homes. For children currently involved in clinical treatment, EMPS first assesses the capability of that clinical service to handle the intervention. The EMPS provider is responsible for assuring that the client receives appropriate care during the crisis period. The service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This service is for children, age birth to seventeen, and/or the child or family. To find the contact for your town please visit: www.ct.gov/dcf/cwp/view.asp?a=2558&q=314354.

Epilepsy Foundation of Connecticut, Inc.
386 Main Street
Middletown, CT 06457-3360
Phone: 860-346-1924
Toll Free: 800-899-3745
E-mail: efct@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.epilepsycf.com

The EFCT helps people with epilepsy understand, manage and cope with their disorder. The agency services include: a parent and family telephone network, summer camp for children and teens, educational programs for schools, interaction with children with epilepsy, support groups, membership program and electronic e-news service.
Family Advocacy Organization for Children's Mental Health (FAVOR)
2138 Silas Deane Highway; Suite 103
Rocky Hill, CT 06067
Phone: 860-563-3232 ext. 201
E-mail: halgibber@favor-ct.org
Website: www.favor-ct.org

FAVOR's mission is to help improve mental health services for children with serious emotional disorders throughout Connecticut by increasing the availability, accessibility, cultural competence and quality of mental health services for children through family advocacy.

Family Advocacy Program
Middlesex Hospital
28 Crescent Street
Middletown, CT 06457
Phone: 860-344-6426
Website: www.middlesexhospital.org

Middlesex Hospital’s Family Advocacy Program enhances parents ability to care for their children while improving access to resources and responding to family needs. Components of the program include maternal and child health, child and adolescent outpatient counseling and home based psychiatric services.

Family and Children's Agency, Inc. (FCA)
9 Mott Avenue; 4th Floor
Norwalk, CT 06850
Phone: 203-855-8765
E-mail: ttaylor@fcagency.org
Website: www.familyandchildrensagency.org

FCA serves families through individual and family counseling, therapeutic foster care, domestic and international adoptions, family support programs for at-risk pregnant women and teens, substance abuse day treatment program for women, respite care for parents of severely emotionally disturbed children, adult and teen mentoring to younger children and a host of services for the elderly.

Family Life Education (FLE)
30 Arbor Street, 1st Floor
South Building
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-231-7744
Website: www.familylifeedu.org

FLE works with youth and families through group and case management in three areas: teen and young parent support, prevention education and child abuse intervention.

Family Strides, Inc.
350 Main Street; Suite D
Torrington, CT 06790
Phone: 860-482-3236
Toll Free: 877-787-9146
E-mail: info@familystrides.org
Website: www.familystrides.org

Family Strides, consists of several different programs including Healthy Start, HUSKY Outreach, Nurturing Families Network CT - Northwest, Nurturing Connections, Father Involvement Initiatives, the Nurturing Fathers Program and Women, Infant and Children Program (WIC). Bilingual services available.

Fleet and Family Support Center
Sub Base New London
83 Grayling Avenue
Groton, CT 06349-5093
Phone: 860-694-3383
Website: www.cnic.navy.mil/NewLondon/FleetAndFamilyReadiness/SupportServices/index.htm

The Center serves both active duty and retired personnel and encompasses the whole Navy “family”. Services are all free of charge. The Center provides information about child development, parenting, continuing education, career development and basic skills for living (such a budgeting and consumer affairs).
The Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis Network (FAAN)
11781 Lee Jackson Highway; Suite 160
Fairfax, VA 22033
Toll Free: 800-929-4040
E-mail: faan@foodallergy.org
Website: www.foodallergy.org

FAAN’s mission is to raise public awareness, to provide advocacy and education, and to advance research on behalf of all those affected by food allergies and anaphylaxis.

Foundation School
Lower and Middle School
719 Derby-Milford Road
Orange, CT 06477
Phone: 203-795-6075 Lower & Middle School
203-877-1426 High School
Email: Rae Stoddard
stoddard@foundationschool.org
Website: www.foundationschool.org


Friends of Autistic People (FAP)
974 North Street
Greenwich, CT 06831
Phone: 203-661-8510
E-mail: fap.autismitc@gmail.com
Website: www.autisticadults.com

FAP is a group of parents and professionals dedicated to raising awareness of services and supported living arrangements needed for the entire spectrum of grown children with autism. They educate and inform the public, parents and legislators about autism and the needs of individuals with autism through e-mail alerts, and presentations by autism professionals and authors of personal stories. They advocate for life span supports with the legislators and the business world. FAP also does telephone referrals and runs parent support group.

Friends of Retarded Citizens of Connecticut (FORConn)
200 Leeder Hill Drive; Apartment 326
Hamden, CT 06517
Phone: 203-375-1796
E-mail: ewalen@sbcglobal.net

FORConn is a parent and guardian volunteer organization that advocates for all persons with mental retardation, regardless of their age, place of residence, education, work, play and worship. FORConn members believe that a full range of choice for all services is a top priority for people with mental retardation and their families.

Futures, Inc.
158 Broad Street
Middletown, CT 06457
Phone: 860-347-5099
Toll Free: 888-891-9319
E-mail: info@futures-ct.org
Website: www.futuresschool.org

Futures, Inc. is a nonprofit agency providing educational services to students with special needs. Futures’ services include: consulting, assessment and consultations, tutoring, mentoring, staff training, transition planning, support services and alternative school programs. They also have offices located in New London and Hartford.

Futures School
1030 New Britain Ave., Suite 102
West Hartford, CT 06110
Phone: 860-347-5099 ext. 391
E-mail: Brian Morin
bmorin@futures-ct.org
Website: www.futuresschool.org

Gengras Center
1678 Asylum Avenue
West Hartford, CT 06117
Phone: 860-231-5203
E-mail: cginfo@usj.edu
Website: www.gengrascenter.org


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E-mail: giantsteps@giantstepsct.org
Website: www.giantstepsct.org


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E-mail: contactus@goodwill.org
Website: www.goodwill.org

Goodwill offers a wide range of services especially designed for people with disabilities or other special needs who are unemployed, underemployed, entering the workforce for the first time, or students making the transition from a school to work environment. These services include: case management, individual and group supported employment, work tryouts, vocational evaluation, competitive job placement and follow-up. Supporting living arrangements and a Day Support Option program are also available for developmentally disabled individuals. Goodwill also offers a mentoring program.

Grandparent Programs at The Consultation Center
389 Whitney Avenue
New Haven, CT 06511
Phone: 203-789-7645
E-mail: info@theconsultationcenter.org
Website: www.theconsultationcenter.org/index.php/?/overview-adult-elder-program.html

The Grandparent programs include, the grandparent respite program, the grandparent raising grandchildren support program, the “Grandnews” newsletter and information and resource referral. Their goal is to reduce negative health outcomes that can result from difficulty coping with an array of stressors and other risk factors including economic hardship, substance abuse, illness and death, abuse and neglect, family violence, HIV/AIDS, incarceration and divorce.

Grove School
175 Copse Road
Madison, CT 06443
Phone: 203-245-2778
E-mail: mainoffice@groveschool.org
Website: www.groveschool.org


Hall Neighborhood House
52 George Pipkin Way
Bridgeport, CT 06608
Phone: 203-334-3900
Email: info@hallhouse.org
Website: http://hnhonline.org

Hall Neighborhood House programs address the community’s critical needs: education, training, housing, job readiness, computer training, internet training and support services.
Healthnet: Connecticut Consumer Health Information Network
Lyman Maynard Stowe Library
University of Connecticut Health Center
263 Farmington Avenue
P.O. Box 4003
Farmington, CT 06034
Phone: 860-679-2839
Email: library@nso.uchc.edu
Website: http://library.uchc.edu/departm/hnet

Healthnet: Connecticut Consumer Health Information Network, a program of the University of Connecticut Health Center Library, provides a free, customized consumer health research service for Connecticut residents with questions about their health or a family member’s health. Their website includes links to topic-by-topic lists of recommended websites on subjects such as Connecticut health resources, research news, navigating the health care system, children’s health, developmental disabilities and others.

Help Me Grow
Children’s Trust Fund
410 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106
Toll Free: 800-505-7000
Phone: 860-424-5212
Website: www.ct.gov/ctf

Help Me Grow ensures that children and their families have access to a system of early identification, prevention and intervention services. They link child health providers, parents and service providers with existing community resources through a toll-free Child Development Infoline 800-505-7000.

High Hopes Therapeutic Riding, Inc.
36 Town Woods Road
Old Lyme, CT 06371
Phone: 860-434-1974, ext. 13
Email: hhinfo@highhopestr.org
Website: www.highhopestr.org

High Hopes is a therapeutic riding center and international instructor training site, accredited by the national industry association NARHA. The mission of High Hopes is to improve the lives of people with cognitive, physical, and emotional disabilities through the benefits of therapeutic horseback riding and other equine-assisted activities, while serving the therapeutic riding profession through training and education. They offer year round programs in equine assisted activities, including therapeutic riding, carriage driving and equine learning. They also offer experiential learning through outreach programs, an integrated summer camp program and a variety of volunteer opportunities.

High Road Academy - Wallingford Campus
29 and 31 Village Lane
Wallingford, CT 06492
Phone: 203-840-1030
Email:rchomicz@highroadschool.com
Website: www.highroadschool.com


High Road School of Norwalk
17 North Avenue
Norwalk, CT 06851
Phone: 203-840-1030
Email: bviolante@highroadschool.com
Website: www.highroadschool.com

High Road School of Wallingford
29 A Village Lane
Wallingford, CT 06492
Phone: 203-265-5507
E-mail: Ronald Chomicz
rchomicz@highroadschool.com
Website: www.highroadschool.com


Hispanic Health Council
175 Main Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-527-0856
Email: Mary Vivo
maryv@hispanichealth.com
Website: www.hispanichealth.com/hhc

The Hispanic Health Council is a community based organization committed to improving the health and social well being of Puerto Rican, Latinos and under served communities in Connecticut. The Council provides a comprehensive, community-based approach to serving people through research, service, training and advocacy.

Hole in the Wall Gang Camp
565 Ashford Center Road
Ashford, CT 06278
Phone: 860-429-3444
E-mail: ashford@holeinthewallgang.org
Website: www.holeinthewallgang.org

The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp in Ashford, Connecticut is a nonprofit, residential summer camp and year-round center serving children and their families coping with cancer and other serious illnesses and conditions. Through Camp programs, year-round outreach to hospitals and clinics, and ongoing services for children, families and caregivers, the Camp serves more than 15,000 annually. All of the Camp’s services are provided free of charge.

Hope Academy
89 Marsh Hill Road
Orange, CT 06477
Phone: 203-799-6000 x16
E-mail: alesko@hopeacademyct.com
Website: www.hopeacademyk-12.com


Independence Northwest (IN)
1183 New Haven Road, Suite 200
Naugatuck, CT 06770
Phone: 203-729-3299
203-729-1281 TTY
E-mail: info@independncenorthwest.org
Website: www.independncenorthwest.org

Independence Northwest is one of Connecticut’s Independent Living Centers (ILC). ILCs assist people with disabilities to achieve their maximum independence by controlling their own lives and developing skills to live and work in their community. The four core services are advocacy, information and referral, peer counseling and skills training.

Independence Unlimited, Inc.
151 New Park Avenue; Suite D
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-523-0126 Voice/TTY
E-mail: info@ctsilc.org
Website: www.ctsilc.org

Independence Unlimited provides a variety of services to help people with disabilities live as independently as possible in the community of their choice. Services include information and referral, independent living skills training, peer counseling, and individuals and system advocacy. The agency also transitions people with disabilities from institutions into the community. Businesses and organizations can receive technical assistance and surveys to determine compliance with The Americans with Disabilities Act and other disability and accessibility requirements. Independence Unlimited is a non-residential, nonprofit center for independent living as defined under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended.
The Institute of Living at Hartford Hospital
Child and Adolescent Programs
200 Retreat Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-545-7000
Toll Free: 800-673-2411
Website: www.harthosp.org/InstituteOfLiving

The Institute of Living at Hartford Hospital Child and Adolescent Programs offers a wide variety of services including, inpatient, child day treatment, an outpatient child guidance clinic, IOL day program at Bloomfield, extended day programs and special education school. To reach their assessment center please call 860-545-7200.

Intensive Education Academy
840 North Main Street
West Hartford, CT 06117
Phone: 860-236-2049
E-mail: Jill O’Donnell iea_smclure@comcast.net
Website: www.intensiveeducationacademy.org


Junta for Progressive Action
169 Grand Avenue
New Haven, CT 06513
Phone: 203-787-0191
E-mail: info@juntainc.org
Website: www.juntainc.org

Founded in 1969, Junta for Progressive Action, Inc. is the oldest Latino community based nonprofit organization in New Haven, CT. Their mission is to provide services, programs and advocacy that improve the social, political and economic conditions of the Latino community in Greater New Haven, while nurturing and promoting its cultural traditions as it builds bridges with other communities.

Kids in Crisis
1 Salem Street
Cos Cob, CT 06807
Phone: 203-327-5437
E-mail: general@kidsincrisis.org
Website: www.kidsincrisis.org

The Kids in Crisis mission is to protect infants, children and teens from abuse and family crisis. They provide free, round-the-clock crisis intervention, counseling, emergency shelter and prevention programs in local communities throughout Connecticut.

Kidsteps / Family and Children Center - SARAH, Inc.
246 Goose Lane
Guilford, CT 06437
Phone: 203-453-7592 x2
Toll Free: 877-KID-STEP
E-mail: kidsteps@sarah-inc.org
Website: www.sarah-inc.org

SARAH Inc. is a family founded, nonprofit agency dedicated to providing community based supports to people for whom life presents special challenges. KIDSTEPS provides services and workshops for families of children with disabilities age birth to 12.

Klingberg Family Centers
370 Linwood Street
New Britain, CT 06052
Phone: 860-224-9113
E-mail: Mark Johnson markj@klingberg.com
Website: www.klingberg.com

Klingberg Family Centers offer an array of programs designed to help children and families whose lives have been affected by any form of abuse. They help people affected by severe family problems, abandonment issues and emotional or behavioral difficulties.
Leadership, Education and Athletics in Partnership, Inc. (LEAP)
31 Jefferson Street
New Haven, CT 06513
Phone: 203-773-0770
E-mail: Erik Clemons
eclemons@leapforkids.org
Website: www.leapforkids.org

LEAP provides year-round after school and summer enrichment for children ages 7-12 who live in 5 New Haven neighborhoods: Church Street South & the Hills, Elm Haven, Dwight-Kinnsington, Farnam Court and Newhallville. Mentored by high school and college students in small groups, children read each day, engage in community service projects, and participate in arts, athletics, aquatics and technology workshops.

LEARN
44 Hatchettes Hill Road
Old Lyme, CT 06371
Phone: 860-434-4800
E-mail: sped@learn.k12.ct.us
Website: www.learn.k12.ct.us

LEARN initiates, supports and provides a wide range of programs and services that expand opportunities and enhance the quality of learning in the educational community. Through its leadership, resources and work with schools, students, families and other community agencies, LEARN promotes regional and statewide cooperation and provides a framework for districts to achieve their goals.

Learning Ally
2067 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02140
Phone: 617-500-2724
E-mail: Mark Doucette
mdoucette@learningally.org
Website: www.learningally.org

RFB&D operates a studio with seven soundproof booths and sophisticated digital recording equipment that produces RFB&D books. They record a variety of texts including science and technology books for over 750 Connecticut residents and thousands of people across the country. These books are distributed on CD.

The Learning Clinic
Route 169
P.O. Box 324
Brooklyn, CT 06234
Phone: 860-774-7471
Admissions: 860-774-5619
E-mail: admissions@thelearningclinic.org
Website: www.thelearningclinic.org


Ledge Light Health District
216 Broad Street
New London, CT 06360
Phone: 860-448-4882
E-mail: cbarry@ledgelighthd.org
Website: www.ledgelighthd.org

The Ledgelight Health District provides professionally managed comprehensive public health services designed to improve the quality of life and health safety of its service population. In addition to essential environmental health services and compliance enforcement, the District provides population-based prevention programs to reduce health risk, disease and death. They do this through education, promotions and outreach activities.

Lighthouse Voc-Ed Center
46 Plaza Court
Groton, CT 06340
Phone: 860-445-7626 x120
E-mail: kblair@lvecenter.com

312 Main Street
Niantic, CT 06357
Phone: 860-445-7626 x121
E-mail: Rosemarie Rose
rrose@lvedcenter.com
Website: http://lvecenter.com

Little Hearts, Inc.
P.O. Box 171
110 Court Street, Suite 3A
Cromwell, CT 06416
Toll Free: 866-435-4673
Website: www.littlehearts.org

Little Hearts is a national organization providing support, education, resources, networking and hope to families affected by congenital heart defects.

Lorraine D. Foster Day School
1861 Whitney Avenue
Hamden, CT 06517
Phone: 203-230-4877
E-mail: Dominique Fontaine
dsfon@net.net
Website: www.ldfds.com


Manchester Memorial Hospital Clinical Day School
71 Haynes Street
Manchester, CT 06040
Phone: 860-646-1222 ext. 1049
E-mail: Kay Tapper
ktapper@echn.org


ManeWaves Therapeutic Riding Center
340 Watchaug Road
Somers, CT 06025
Phone: 860-558-7143
Email: info@manewaves.com

ManeWaves Therapeutic Riding Center is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization located in Somers, Tolland County, Connecticut. They are committed to the growth of individuals with special needs and their families by embracing them in a world of soft hands, caring hearts and healing horses. The program does more than teach a person with a disability how to ride a horse. They offer companionship, responsibility, leadership, vocational and educational skills.

Marrakech, Inc.
6 Lunar Drive
Woodbridge, CT 06525
Phone: 203-389-2970
Email: info@marrakechinc.org
Website: www.marrakechinc.org

Marrakech, Inc. provides residential, employment, support, referral and advocacy services to people with disabilities or similar service needs. They assist them in exercising their human rights as citizens and as contributing members of society. They also have a Children and Youth Service division that provides comprehensive services to those age 3-21.

Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Health Services
Route 2
P.O. Box 3260
Mashantucket, CT 06338
Phone: 860-312-8000
Website: www.mashantucket.com

The Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Health Services operates a health facility for Native Americans. A comprehensive range of services are offered. These include basic medical care, community outreach, nutrition, behavioral health services and traditional healing.
**Meliora Academy**  
8 Fairfield Boulevard, Suite 6  
Wallingford, CT 06492  
**Phone:** 860-269-9055  
**E-mail:** Andrea Dayharsh  
andreaatmeliora@aol.com


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**Mental Health Association of Connecticut, Inc. (MHAC)**  
20-30 Beaver Road  
Wethersfield, CT 06109  
**Phone:** 860-529-1970  
**Toll Free:** 800-842-1501  
**Website:** [www.mhact.org](http://www.mhact.org)

MHAC is a statewide nonprofit membership organization that offers support groups, self-help groups, information and referral services, literature distribution, mental health and substance abuse education programs for children and adults, a newsletter and other services to promote the needs, goals and aspirations of its clients on their way to recovery.

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**Merrill Lynch Wealth Management**  
157 Church Street, 21st Floor  
New Haven, CT 06510  
**Phone:** 203-789-2310  
**Toll Free:** 800-937-0843

Merrill Lynch has a network of Certified Special Needs Financial Advisors who are trained in special needs planning. These Financial Advisors can help parents address their family’s needs using all the resources available through Merrill Lynch, including: traditional investments, special needs trusts, insurance products and estate planning strategies.

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**MetDESK, MetLife’s Division of Estate Planning for Special Kids**  
100 Great Meadow Road; Suite 200  
Wethersfield, CT 06109  
**Phone:** 860-258-3863  
**E-mail:** arecck@metlife.com  
**Website:** [www.metlife.com/individual/planning/special-needs](http://www.metlife.com/individual/planning/special-needs)

MetDesk is committed to helping families through the maze of legal and financial complexities that surround planning for the futures of their children or other dependents with special needs.

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**Mi Casa Family Service and Educational Center**  
590 Park Street  
Hartford, CT 06106  
**Phone:** 860-522-5222  
**E-mail:** Jorge Rivera  
jorge.rivera@micasainc.org  
**Website:** [www.micasainc.org](http://www.micasainc.org)

Mi Casa Family Service and Educational Center provides positive youth and adult education and development programs and services to the city of Hartford.

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**Mount St. John**  
135 Kirtland Street  
Deep River, CT 06417  
**Phone:** 860-343-1357  
**E-mail:** Kathy White  
whitek@mtstjohn.org  
**Website:** [www.mtstjohn.org](http://www.mtstjohn.org)

Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA)
148 Eastern Boulevard; 1st Floor
Glastonbury, CT 06033
Phone: 860-633-4466
E-mail: hartford@mdausa.org
Website: www.mdausa.org

MDA supports three clinics in Connecticut at: The University of Connecticut, the Health Center in Farmington, The Connecticut Children’s Medical Center in Hartford and The Yale School of Medicine in New Haven. MDA also offers support groups, as well as assistance in obtaining and maintaining wheelchairs, leg braces and communication devices when prescribed by a clinical physician. The Association also offers a wide range of programs for young people ages 6-21, including a one week summer camp session.

Natchaug Hospital Inpatient School
P.O. Box 260
189 Storrs Road
Mansfield Center, CT 06250
Phone: 860-426-7792
E-mail: Kelly O’Brien-Kelly
keobrien@natchaug.org
Website: www.natchaug.org


Natchaug Hospital Journey School
189 Storrs Road
Mansfield, CT 06250
Phone: 860-456-1311 x404
Email: Mark Mangelink
mmangel@natchaug.org
Website: www.natchaug.org


National Alliance on Mental Illness of Connecticut (NAMI-CT)
241 Main Street, 5th Floor
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-882-0236
Toll Free: 800-215-3021
E-mail: membership@namict.org
Website: www.namict.org

NAMI-CT (a chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness) is in its third decade of operation, having started in Connecticut with a core group of families more than 25 years ago. Their mission is to provide support for consumers, families and friends of individuals with severe or prolonged psychiatric disabilities. They offer education and information to families and consumers about brain disorders and available mental health services, resources and treatment, advocacy for improved services and more humane treatment, and an end to stigma and its resulting economic and social discrimination.

National Cristina Foundation (NCF)
500 W. Putnam Avenue; 3rd Floor
Greenwich, CT 06830
Phone: 203-863-9100
E-mail: info@ncf.org
Website: www.cristina.org

NCF directs donations of used computer equipment to nonprofit organizations, schools and public agencies throughout the US. These organizations train people with disabilities, students at risk and economically disadvantaged persons to lead more independent and productive lives.
National Federation of the Blind of Connecticut (NFBC)
477 Connecticut Boulevard
Suite 217
East Hartford, CT 06108
Phone: 860-289-1971
E-mail: erival@comcast.net
Website: www.nfb.org

The NFBC is a state affiliate of the National Federation of the Blind and works to improve the lives of blind people in Connecticut by providing information and education to its members and the public.

National Multiple Sclerosis Society Connecticut Chapter
659 Tower Avenue; 1st Floor
Hartford, CT 06010
Phone: 860-913-2550
E-mail: programs@ctfightsms.org
Website: www.ctfightsms.org

The National MS Society is committed to building a movement by and for people with MS that will move them closer to a world free of this disease. The Greater Connecticut Chapter offers a wide range of programs and assistance to help those affected by MS cope with the demands of living with MS and maintain the highest possible quality of life.

National Spinal Cord Injury Association Connecticut Chapter (SCIACT)
c/o Gaylord Hospital
Gaylord Farms Road
Wallingford, CT 06492
Phone: 203-284-2910
E-mail: nsciact@sciact.org
Website: www.sciact.org

SCI ACT is a nonprofit organization that provides support and resources for people suffering from spinal cord injury (SCI) or diseases. They also educate the community about prevention of SCI as well as make them aware of people with disabilities.

The New England Assistive Technology (NEAT) Center at Oak Hill
120 Holcomb Street
Hartford, CT 06112
Phone: 860-243-2869
860-286-3113 TTY
Toll Free: 866-526-4492
E-mail: info@neatmarketplace.org
Website: www.neatmarketplace.org

NEAT was established to provide information and access to equipment and devices that can change the lives of people of all ages, with all types of disabilities, both temporary and permanent. NEAT is about access: access to information, products, equipment, manufactures and vendors of equipment.

New England Center for Hearing Rehabilitation (NECHEAR)
354 Hartford Turnpike
Hampton, CT 06247
Phone: 860-455-1404
E-mail: nechear@snet.net
Website: www.nechear.com

NECHEAR is a rehabilitation agency addressing the needs of infants, children and adults with all degrees of hearing loss. Full evaluations (communication and audiological) lead to appropriate home-based and school services. NECEHAR is a Birth to Three provider for hearing impaired infants, toddlers and their families.

New England Consortium of Deaf-Blind Projects
175 North Beacon Street
Watertown, MA 02472
Phone: 617-972-7515
TTY: 617-972-9523
Email: nec@perkins.org
Website: www.necdbp.org

The New England Consortium of Deafblind Projects (NEC) provides technical assistance to children who are deaf-blind in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts and New Hampshire, as well as to their families. Services provided include: on-site, regional and multi-state training relative to “effective practices” in deaf-blind education, child-specific consultation to team members working with children who are deaf-blind, consultation specific to family issues, particularly in the are of advocacy training and self-determination, community resources and evaluation referral and information dissemination.
Oak Hill School
120 Holcomb Street
Hartford, CT 06112
Phone: 860-242-2274 x3851
860-286-3113 TTY
E-mail: Anna Eddy
eddya@ciboakhill.org
Website: www.ciboakhill.org


Padres Abriendo Puertas (PAP)
60 B Weston Street
Hartford, CT 06120
Phone: 860-297-4391
TTY: 860-297-4380
E-mail: parentsopeningdoors@sbcglobal.net

PAP strives to ensure the human, civil and educational rights and total community inclusion of Latinos with developmental disabilities and their families.

Onion Mountain Technology, Inc.
74 Sextons Hollow Road
Canton, CT 06019
Phone: 860-693-2683
E-mail: Judi Sweeney
jsweeney@onionmountaintech.com
Website: www.onionmountaintech.com

Onion Mountain Technology, Inc. is a company that provides assistive technology services and a variety of low/mid tech tools. Founded in 1997, the company started with consulting services and the development of the first LOTTIE Kit, a kit of low and mid tech tools to help students be successful in fully included settings.

Options Educational Services
606 Farmington Avenue
Hartford, CT 06105
Phone: 860-523-5318
E-mail: Dr. Rhea Klein
rklein@optionsct.com


Parent Teacher Association of Connecticut
60 Connolly Parkway; Building 12; Suite 103
Hamden, CT 06514
Phone: 203-281-6617
E-mail: office@ctpta.org
Website: www.ctpta.org

The Parent Teacher Association of Connecticut is the oldest and largest child advocacy organization in the state of Connecticut and in the nation.

Parents Available to Help, Inc. (PATH)
Parent to Parent of Connecticut/Family Voices
P.O. Box 117
Northford, CT 06472
Toll Free: 800-399-7284
203-234-9554
E-mail: nanfi@aol.com ; accirioli@att.net
Website: www.pathct.org

PATH Parent to Parent is an information and support network for families who have experienced a difficult pregnancy, premature birth, the loss of a young child or who have a child with medical needs, developmental delays and/or disabilities.

Planned Lifetime Assistance Network of Connecticut (PLAN of CT)
P.O. Box 370312
West Hartford, CT 06137-0312
Phone: 860-523-4951
E-mail: director@planofct.org
Website: www.planofct.org

PLAN of CT serves as trustee for special needs trust. This is a low cost option for any family with a relative with special needs who needs to maintain their public benefits.
Planned Parenthood of Southern New England
345 Whitney Avenue
New Haven, CT 06511
Phone: 203-865-5158
Email: support.ppsne@ppsne.org
Website: www.plannedparenthood.org/ppsne

Planned Parenthood of Southern New England is proud to be known as “The Source” for medically accurate information, education and training on sexuality and sexual health topics. PPSNE has a diverse and expert staff that provides culturally competent education, training and resources to audiences around the state – and country. They offer trainings geared specifically towards people with disabilities.

Positive Attitudes Concerning Education and Socialization Program (PACES)
American School for the Deaf
139 North Main Street
West Hartford, CT 06107
Phone: 860-570-2300
E-mail: Karen Wilson, LPS, NCC
karen.wilson@asd-1817.org
Website: www.asd-1817.org


Prader-Willi Syndrome Association of Connecticut
129 Way Road
Salem CT 06420
Phone: 860-204-9386
E-mail: Vicki Knopf
v.knopf@comcast.net
Website: www.pwsausa.org

Prader-Willi Syndrome Association is dedicated to serving individuals affected by Prader-Willi Syndrome (PWS), their families and interested professionals. They provide information, education and support services through a toll-free telephone number, newsletter, publications and presentations, conferences, networking with local chapters and research funding.

Project Genesis, Inc.
720 Main Street
Willimantic, CT 06226
Phone: 860-456-1698
Toll Free: 888-456-1698
E-mail: info@projectgenesis.us
Website: www.projectgenesis.us

Project Genesis, Inc. provides individualized mentoring and transition services for students within many Connecticut schools. The staff participates as part of the student’s team in developing a program which meets the needs of each young person, as determined in the IEP process.

Psychological Services Clinic (UCONN)
Department of Psychology
University of Connecticut
406 Babbidge Road; Unit 1020
Storrs, CT 06269-1020
Phone: 860-486-2642
Website: http://psychology.uconn.edu/research/psc.html

The Psychological Services Clinic offers an array of mental health services to individuals, children, and families in eastern Connecticut. The Clinic is operated by the University of Connecticut as a training clinic for graduate students in Clinical Psychology. Services are provided by graduate students under the supervision of licensed clinical psychologists and faculty members in the Psychology Department. All contacts with the Clinic are completely confidential in accordance with Connecticut state law.

Raymond Hill School
370 Linwood Street
New Britain, CT 06052
Phone: 860-224-9113
E-mail: Lynne V. Rowe
lynnrer@klingberg.org
Website: www.klingberg.org/programs-services/raymond-hill-school

**Regional Medical Home Support Centers (RMHSC)**

RMHSC are freestanding health organizations in the community that provide technical assistance, care coordination and family support services to specified medical homes located in their region of the state. RMHSCs provide support services to families with CYSHCN that enable them to access appropriate health care services needed to enhance the health and well-being of their children. The RMHSCs are comprised of hospital-based entities, community health centers, home health/visiting nurse agencies, medical service organizations or private physician’s offices. For additional information on RMHSC please visit: [http://www.ct.gov/dph/lib/dph/family_health/children_and_youth/pdf/cmhi_contractor_contact_sheet_072209.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/dph/lib/dph/family_health/children_and_youth/pdf/cmhi_contractor_contact_sheet_072209.pdf)


**Rushford Academy**

459r Wallingford Drive  
Durham, CT 06422  
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888-203-2916 Confidential Assessment  
877-577-3233  
Email: Jennifer Richards  
jrichards@rushford.org  
Website: [www.rushford.org](http://www.rushford.org)


**Saint Catherine Academy**

760 Tahmore Drive  
Fairfield, CT 06825  
Phone: 203-540-5381  
E-mail: Sr. Marilyn Muldoon, O.S.U.  
srmuldoon@diobpt.org  
Website: [www.stcatherineacademy.org](http://www.stcatherineacademy.org)


**Saint Vincent’s Autism and Developmental Services**

47 Long Lots Road  
Westport, CT 06880  
Phone: 203-341-4501  
E-mail: Annemarie Callagy, LCSW,  
acallagy@stvincents.org  
Website: [www.stvincentsbehavioralhealth.org](http://www.stvincentsbehavioralhealth.org)

St. Vincent’s Autism and Developmental Services provides children and teen social skills groups, sibling groups, parent support groups and parent workshops. In addition, the Center’s multi-disciplinary team offers diagnostic testing and evaluation, clinical counseling, community resource coordination and educational support.

**Saint Vincent’s Special Needs Program**

95 Merritt Boulevard  
Trumbull, CT 06611  
Phone: 203-375-6400  
E-mail: Gerilyn Durnin  
gdurnin@stvincents.org  
Website: [www.stvincentsspecialneeds.org](http://www.stvincentsspecialneeds.org)

Seton Academy
47 Long Lots Road
Westport, CT 06880
Phone: 203-341-4506
Toll Free: 800-LIFE NOW (543-3669)
Email: Bill Gluckman
bgluckman@svhs-ct.org
Website: www.setonacademyschool.org

Shriners Hospital Boston
51 Blossom St.
Boston, MA 02114
Phone: 617-722-3000
Website: www.shrinershq.org/hospitals/boston

Shriners Hospital- Boston is a world leader in pediatric burn care, research and education. All medical treatment at Shriners is provided at no cost to patients and families. Any child is eligible for treatment up to his or her 18th birthday if the child has a condition that falls within the medical disciplines of Shriners Hospitals.

Sickle Cell Disease Association of America - Southern Connecticut Chapter
752 Main Street
Bridgeport, CT 06604
Phone: 203-366-8710
545 Whalley Avenue
New Haven, CT 06511
Phone: 203-909-6737
Toll Free: 888-745-2327
Email: scdasouthernct@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.scdaaofsouthernct.org

As an advocate for community education for people living with Sickle Cell Disease, the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America SECT Chapter, Inc. offers a wide range of programs and services, including counseling, community education, patient financial assistance and newborn screening.

Smart Kids with Learning Disabilities, Inc.
P.O. Box 2726
Westport, CT 06880
Phone: 203-226-6708
E-mail: info@smartkidswithld.org
Website: www.smartkidswithld.org

Smart Kids provides information and support to parents of children with learning disabilities and ADHD via a national newsletter, member information kits, website and educational programs for parents. The highly regarded Smart Kids with LD newsletter is published eight times a year and is available for an annual membership of $25.00.

Southeastern Connecticut Advocates for Developmental Disabilities, Inc (SECADD) - Formerly Southeastern Connecticut Association for the Retarded (SCAR)
P.O. Box 142
Waterford, CT 06385
Phone: 860-701-0221
E-mail: support@secadd.org
Website: www.secadd.org

SECADD is a voluntary organization of families and friends throughout Eastern, CT that advocates for the rights of children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Their parent organization is FORConn located in New Haven County. They create and support a variety of community programs such as, computer class via Groton Rec, craft classes at Camp Harkness, dances via DMR Rec and Guide of Norwich.
Southeast Connecticut Community Center of the Blind
120 Broad Street
New London, CT 06320
Phone: 860-447-2048
E-mail: centeroftheblind@sbcglobal.net

Southeast Connecticut Community Center for the Blind serves the blind population of Southeast CT with braille classes, adaptive technology lab, computer classes and craft/social groups. They have a bimonthly newsletter published in large print, braille and cassette. They host monthly dinner meetings, shopping trips and going out to lunch.

Special Education Network of New Canaan, Ltd. (SPED*NET New Canaan)
P.O. Box 1612
New Canaan, CT 06840
E-mail: info@spednet.org
Website: www.spednet.org

SPED*NET Special Education Network of New Canaan, Ltd. (SPED*NET New Canaan*) is organized exclusively to educate the public on special education and disability-related issues. They strive to empower parents, professionals, and students to become more effective advocates in their schools and communities, particularly in New Canaan, and its neighboring towns. They serve as a resource for disability-related information, and as a parent-to-parent support and advocacy network for families of children with individual education plans (IEP’s) and Section 504 plans.

SPED Connecticut
999 Asylum Avenue; Suite 504
Hartford, CT 06105
Phone: 860-560-1711
E-mail: info@spedconnecticut.org
Website: www.spedconnecticut.org

SPED Connecticut is a nonprofit organization of parents, professionals and people with learning disabilities. They are dedicated to promoting a better understanding of learning disabilities, securing appropriate educational and employment opportunities for children and adults with learning disabilities and improving the quality of life for this population.

Special Olympics of Connecticut, Inc.
2666 State Street; Suite 1
Hamden, CT 06517-2232
Phone: 203-230-1201
Toll Free: 800-443-6105
Website: www.soct.org

Special Olympics Connecticut provides year-round sports training and athletic competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. In order to offer the most inclusive opportunities, additional athletes train and compete as special partners alongside their peers with intellectual disabilities.

Special Kids Support Center
Connecticut Children’s Medical Center
282 Washington Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-610-4200
Toll Free: 877-743-5516
Website: www.connecticutchildrens.org

The Special Kids Support Center is a Department of CT Children’s Medical Center dedicated to helping children and families who are dealing with special health care needs.

The Speech Academy
169 Monroe Turnpike
Monroe, CT 06468
Phone: 203-268-5518
Website: www.thespeechacademy.org

Spina Bifida Association of Connecticut  
(SBA of CT)  
P.O. Box 2545  
Hartford, CT 06146  
Phone: 860-832-8905  
Toll Free: 800-574-6274  
E-mail: sbac@sbac.org  
Website: www.sbac.org  

SBA of CT is a parent-to-parent chapter for those dealing with this disease. They provide support on a personal basis to parents and families who have children with Spina Bifida. Meetings feature topical discussions, family and social activities, and the opportunity to talk about any SBA news.

State Education Resource Center (SERC)  
25 Industrial Park Road  
Middletown, CT 06457  
Phone: 860-632-1485  
E-mail: info@ctserc.org  
Website: www.ctserc.org  

SERC’s commitment is to serve as a centralized resource for professionals, families and community members regarding education and early intervention/prevention for all of Connecticut’s children and their families, particularly children with special needs, at-risk learners and diverse learners. Services provided include: professional development and other technical assistance initiatives, family education, support, information and materials dissemination.

Statewide Legal Services of Connecticut, Inc.  
425 Main Street; 4th Floor  
Middletown, CT 06457  
Phone: 860-344-0380  
Toll Free: 800-453-3320  
Website: www.slsct.org  

Statewide Legal Services of Connecticut, Inc. is a nonprofit organization, that is part of a broad network of providers of legal services to low income people in Connecticut. Low income people with a legal problem should call the toll-free number for help with: housing issues, family matters, special education, social security, welfare, unemployment compensation, Medicaid, other government benefits, consumer issues or bankruptcy.

Stepping Stone School  
63 Prospect Street  
Waterbury, CT 06702  
Phone: 203-419-0832  
E-mail: Michelle Andrews  
michelleandrews@nafi.com  


Summit School  
60 Hilliard Street  
Manchester, CT 06040  
Phone: 860-645-4900  
Email: andrea@newhopemanor.net  


The Susan Wayne Center of Excellence  
75 Church Street  
Thompson, CT 06277  
Phone: 860-928-5900 x202  
Email: Catherine M. Reinhardt, Ph.D.  
creinhardt@jri.org  
Website: http://jri.org/services/residential-educational-services/schools-special-needs-education/susan-wayne-center  


Touchstone School  
11 Country Place  
Litchfield, CT 06759  
Phone: 860-567-3809  
Email: Marilyn Robinson  
marilynrobinson@nafi.com  

**Tourette Syndrome Association of Connecticut, Inc.**
P.O. Box 185883
Hamden, CT 06518
Phone: 860-254-5735
E-mail: Joy Tavo  
joytavo@tsact.org
Website: www.tsact.org

The mission of the Connecticut chapter of the Tourette Syndrome Association Inc. is to educate the general public about Tourette Syndrome (TS) and further the acceptance of people with TS in all settings. Their services include: free in-service to school to educate the educators about modifications for students with TS, free peer in-services to classrooms where there is a student with TS who is misunderstood, education about TS, support and support groups.

**UCONN A.J. Pappanikou Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Service**
263 Farmington Avenue; MC 6222
Farmington, CT 06030
Phone: 860-679-1500  
860-679-1502 TTY
Toll Free: 866-623-1315
Website: www.uconnucedd.org

The goal of the Center is to develop, implement and disseminate a coordinated group of applied research, demonstration and training projects directed at meeting the needs of persons with disabilities and their families in community based settings. The Center provides interdisciplinary preparation of students continuing education for individuals who serve people with developmental disabilities and their families, community and family education, technical assistance and model demonstration activities, and applied research and policy analysis.

**UCONN Speech and Hearing Clinic**
Department of Communication Sciences
850 Bolton Road; Unit 1085
Storrs, CT 06269
Phone: 860-486-2817
E-mail: comsci3@uconn.edu
Website: www.speechlab.uconn.edu

The Speech and Hearing Clinic offers services to children and adults in the areas of: articulation, fluency, voice, language, auditory processing, literacy and hearing. The clinic dispenses hearing aids and other listening devices. Assessment and treatment of communication disorders and hearing are provided.

**Unified Sports**
Special Olympics Connecticut, Inc.
2666 State Street; Suite 1
Hamden, CT 06517-2232
Phone: 203-230-1201
Toll Free: 800-443-6105
Email: susanm@soct.org
Website: www.soct.org

Unified Sports is a program that combines approximately equal numbers of individuals with and without intellectual disabilities on the same sports team for training and competition. All participants are of similar age and ability. Unified Sports expands sports opportunities for athletes and partners seeking new challenges.

**Unified Theater**
15 Lewis Street, Suite 207
Hartford, CT 06103
Phone: 860-573-7392
Website: www.unifiedtheater.org

Unified Theater is a student-driven initiative that facilitates inclusion of students with disabilities through the performing arts. Unified Theater’s model is to partner with middle and high schools, train student leaders, and help them reach a successful final production where students of all abilities are included.

**United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) - Eastern Connecticut**
42 Norwich Road
Quaker Hill, CT 06375
Phone: 860-443-3800
E-mail: mmorrison@ucpect.org
Website: www.ucpect.org

UCP of Eastern Connecticut is a nonprofit agency that works with people with physical and developmental disabilities to enable the individual to live independently and with full citizenship within the community.
United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) of Greater Hartford
80 Whitney Street
Hartford, CT 06105
Phone: 860-236-6201 ext. 316
Website: www.ucphartford.org

UCP of Greater Hartford is a nonprofit agency which supports children and adults with disabilities. They specialize in residential, vocational and in-home services. UCP also operates a summer camp on Long Island Sound in Connecticut.

United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) - Southern Connecticut
94-96 South Turnpike Road
Wallingford, CT 06492
Phone: 203-269-3511
E-mail: ucpasoutherncnt@yahoo.com
Website: www.ucpasoutherncnt.com

UCP of Eastern Connecticut is a nonprofit agency that works with people with physical and developmental disabilities to enable the individual to live independently and with full citizenship within the community.

United Services, Inc.
1007 North Main Street
Dayville, CT 06241-0839
Phone: 860-774-2020
E-mail: mail@unitedservicesct.org
Website: www.unitedservicesct.org

United Services is the most comprehensive provider of behavioral health and social services in Connecticut and serves the twenty-one northeastern towns.

Villa Maria Education Center
161 Sky Meadow Drive
Stamford, CT 06903
Phone: 203-322-5886 x104
E-mail: info@villamariaedu.org
Website: www.villamariaedu.org


The Village for Families and Children, Inc. (The Village)
1680 Albany Avenue
Hartford, CT 06105
Phone: 860-236-4511
E-mail: communications@villageforchildren.org
Website: www.villageforchildren.org

The Village, is a private, nonprofit human services agency founded in 1809, committed to building a community of strong, healthy families who protect and nurture children. Through its work with children and families, the Village has emerged as a preeminent mental/human service agency serving the Hartford Region and the state of Connecticut. Village services encompass three core areas of strength: Placement and Permanency, Behavioral Health Treatment and Family and Community Support.

Waterford Country School
78 Hunts Brook Road
P.O. Box 408
Quaker Hill, CT 06375
Phone: 860-442-9454
Email: info@waterfordcs.org
Website: www.waterfordcountryschool.org


Waterford Country School is dedicated to doing whatever it takes to enrich the lives of children and strengthen families through specialized programs, resources and community services.

Waterford Country School Outpatient Mental Health Clinic for Children
Foster Care and Community Services
2 Clinic Drive
Norwich, CT 06360
Phone: 860-886-7500
Website: www.waterfordcountryschool.org

The Outpatient Mental Health Clinic for Children provides individual, family and group therapy for children ages 3-18 and their families.
The Webb Schools
200 Retreat Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: 860-545-7238
E-mail: Kikki Levin-Gerdner
kevingerdner@harthosp.org
Website: www.harthosp.org/InstituteOfLiving/
ChildAdolescentServices/WebbSchools


We’re Special Too!
Yale New Haven Children’s Hospital
20 York Street; SP 7-414
New Haven, CT 06510
Phone: 203-688-6880
Website: www.ynhh.org/yale-new-haven-childrens-hospital/patient-information/siblings_program.aspx

We’re Special Too! is a free sibling program for brothers and sisters of children with special needs such as: hospitalization, handicapping conditions, chronic or terminal illness.

Wheeler Clinic, Inc.
91 Northwest Drive
Plainville, CT 06062
Toll Free: 888-793-3500
E-mail: info@wheelerclinic.org
Website: www.wheelerclinic.org

Wheeler Clinic is a nonprofit, multi-service behavioral health agency serving central Connecticut, Greater Hartford and beyond. A full continuum of services provides mental health, substance abuse, community justice, early childhood, prevention/wellness, and special education programs for children, adolescents, families, adults and the elderly. Offices and programs are located in Bristol, Hartford, New Britain, New Haven, Middletown, Plainville and Waterbury.

Whitney Hall School
1400 Whitney Avenue
Hamden, CT 06517
Phone: 203-248-2116 x221
Email: Eugene Roddy
EARoddy@aol.com
Website: www.childrenscenterhamden.org


Woodhouse Academy
4 Oxford Road, Building F
Milford, CT 06460
Phone: 203-877-9121
E-mail: Robert Lepper
woodhouseacademy@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.woodhouseacademy.com


Yale Child Study Center
230 South Frontage Road
New Haven, CT 06520
Phone: 203-785-2540
Email: Mary Gunsalus
mary.gunsalus@yale.edu
Website: www.childstudycenter.yale.edu


Yale University Parenting Center & Child Conduct Clinic
314 Prospect Street
New Haven, CT 06520
Phone: 203-432-9993
E-mail: childconductclinic@yale.edu
Website: http://childconductclinic.yale.edu

The Yale University Parenting Center and Child Conduct Clinic helps parents develop effective ways of handling the daily challenges of parenting, including: bathing, potty training, getting dressed, homework, bedtime, sibling rivalry and cleaning up.
Additional Resources

The following is a partial listing of other resource directories and information centers that are available to support schools, community organizations and parents.

Approved Private Special Education Programs

Autism Resource Guide

Blue Pages of the Local Telephone Directories
Many larger cities have a municipal Office for People with Disabilities. Check your local listings as they may provide you with additional local resources for your community.

Connecticut Clearinghouse
Connecticut Clearinghouse is a statewide resource for information about mental health, substance use disorders, health promotion, recovery and wellness. For more information: www.ctclearinghouse.org or 800-232-4424.

Disability Resource Directory

International Institute of Connecticut
Provides language and cross-cultural assistance in almost any language. Connecticut schools and community organizations can arrange interpretive services or request translations of flyers and other material. For more information: www.iiconn.org or 203-336-0141.

National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities (NICHCY)
NICHCY serves as a dissemination center of disability information as well as compiles a disability-related resource list in each state. Connecticut’s state listing can be accessed under their national website: www.nichcy.org.

Programs that Help People in Connecticut: A Guide for Agencies
Produced by the Connecticut Light and Power Company and Connecticut Association for Human Services (CAHS), 2010-2012: www.cl-p.com or request a copy by calling 860-951-2212

Public Libraries
Some public libraries have developed special collections on issues relating to children with special needs. Contact your local library to find out how to access these collections.

Public School CHOICE in Connecticut: A Guide for Students and Their Families
Produced by the State Department of Education, 2012-2013.

Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center, Inc. is a statewide nonprofit organization that offers information and support to families of children with any disability or chronic illness, age birth to 26. The Center is a member of a national network of parent programs currently operating in all 50 states.

CPAC is committed to the idea that parents can be the most effective advocates for their children, given the confidence that knowledge and understanding of special education law and its procedures can bring. It is CPAC’s mission to support families in their efforts on behalf of their children with disabilities.

As a result of extensive outreach and referrals from other parents, schools and social service agencies, the number of families that the Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center serves has grown dramatically over the past 27 years. Staffed primarily by parents of children with disabilities, we understand special education law both in theory and practice and offer a unique perspective that combines both empathy and insight.

In addition to our work with families, CPAC conducts in-service presentations for schools, teachers-in-training and service providers throughout the state so that they may better understand and serve the parents with whom they work. CPAC is also a source of information on current legislation and a referral center for state and local resources. The center publishes a newsletter for parents and professionals, has a website and maintains a resource library of books, articles, fact sheets, and videos on disability and education related issues. Services provided by the center are free to parents.

For more information please contact the center by phone at 860-739-3089 or toll free at 1-800-445-2722, by mail at CPAC, 338 Main Street, Niantic, CT 06357 or by e-mail at cpac@cpacinc.org.