Special Health Care Needs Resource Guide for Florida

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Congratulations on your new baby! You child is a unique individual who has been diagnosed with a special condition and may require some additional resources. While this guide is not a complete listing of all resources available in the state, our hope is that it serves as a starting point for you and your family to identify services and supports that may be of benefit. We cannot endorse a particular agency, nor guarantee the quality of these services, and we are not benefiting in any way by advertising them to you. This resource guide lists general resources followed by resources to help individuals and families with specific birth defects (Cleft Lip/Cleft Palate, Congenital Heart Defects, Down Syndrome, Gastroschisis, Limb Reduction, and Spina Bifida). If you have questions or suggestions regarding this guide, or are aware of additional resources please contact us at jmarshal@health.usf.edu or jtanner@health.usf.edu.
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Infinite Grace Autism Academy
Infinite Grace Autism Academy is a school for children on the Autism Spectrum with classes not exceeding a 1:6 teacher to student ratio. The academy is dedicated to providing an environment where children can "learn to learn" while promoting social skills and play.
348 Miracle Strip Pkwy Ste. 30
Ft Walton Beach, FL 32548
850.864.2273; 850.200.4745 (Fax)
www.infinitegraceacademy.com

Morning Star Program
The Morning Star Programs welcomes students with special needs to receive a Catholic education in Pensacola, FL.
Sacred Heart Cathedral School (Grades K4-8)
1603 North 12th Avenue - Pensacola, FL 32503
850.436.6440; 850.436.6444 (Fax)
Principal: Elizabeth Snow; esnow@shcs.ptdiocese.org
http://www.shcs.ptdiocese.org

St. John the Evangelist Catholic School (Grades K4-8)
325 South Navy Boulevard Pensacola, FL 32507
850.456.5218; 850.456.5956 (Fax)
Principal: Ann Williams; williamsa@jsjw.ptdiocese.org
http://www.stjohnpensacola.com

East Hill Academy
Ages: Grades 1 to 12
A private non-profit organization providing educational services to children with Autism and other related disorders.
Pensacola Location
635 W Garden St
Pensacola, FL 32502
Milton Location
4401 Avalon Blvd
Milton, FL 32583
Mailing Address
PO Box 12044
Pensacola, FL 32591
850.437.5560
learn@easthillacademy.com
easthillacademy.org

Spectrum House: Autism Center
Provides comprehensive behavioral and educational services to individuals diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorders and other related disabilities.
Locations listed on website.
1850.564.1166
www.spectrumhouse.org
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**Easter Seals (Early Intervention Program):**
The Murray Child Development Center offers early care and education, early intervention, therapy evaluation and services and family support to children of all abilities and their families.
2401 E. Henry Avenue Tampa, FL 33610 (813.236.5589), (813.988.7633)
http://fl.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=FLDR_homepage

**BloomSpark**
Provides Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy to children, adolescents, and teens diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorders and other related disabilities.
In-Home ABA services available in Walton and Okaloosa Counties of Northwest Florida.
850.837.1800
info@bloomspark.com
www.bloomspark.com

**Information and Support**

**Autism Pensacola**
Supports parents and professionals in Northwest Florida by providing answers to questions regarding diagnosis, education, and treatment of individuals with autism.
PO Box 30213
Pensacola, FL 32503
850.450.0656
info@autismpensacola.org

**Compassionate Friends of Pensacola**
Over 660 meeting locations exist throughout the U.S. for the purpose of providing support to parents and families who have lost a child through support group meetings and events.
850.438.4404
www.compassionatefriends.org

**Bacot Academy**
A non-profit, private, Christian based school for children on the Autism Spectrum and other related disabilities. Bacot Academy provides year-round specialized education based on the science of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) and B.F. Skinner's analysis of verbal behavior. Along with individualized education programs, the academy also offers respite, field trips, community outreach and support groups.
3704 W 23rd St. Suite D
Panama City, FL 32405
850.215.2614
CindyBacot@hotmail.com
www.bacotacademy.com

**PURE Friendship Ministries**
As an extension of the nationwide disability outreach, PURE Ministries, PURE Friendship Ministries promotes inclusion for persons with developmental disabilities through classes in music, art, reading, socialization and other activities. Though events take place at Marcus Pointe Baptist Church, church attendance and religious affiliation is not a requirement for the offered benefits.
Destry LeBrun: 850.375.4790
purefriendshipministries@gmail.com
www.purefriendshipministries.org

**The Center of Independent Living of Northwest Florida**
The Center of Independent Living works with people with disabilities to improve their quality of life and assure their civil rights. Their programs include Loan Locker, Direct Consumer Service/Ramp Program, Activities and Community Involvement, Transportation Program, Independent Living Skill Training, Peer Counseling, Advocacy Services and Information and Referral Services.
3600 North Pace Blvd.
Pensacola, FL 32505
Ph: 850-595-5566
Fax: 850-595-5560
www.cilnwf.org

**ARC Gateway, INC**
ARC Gateway is a not for profit service provider that has helped serve people with developmental disabilities since 1954. ARC Gateway provides services which can begin at birth with early intervention and continue throughout an individual's life with programs such as day and vocational pro-
Resources in Northwest Florida

Medical

Brilliant Minds: Medical and Behavioral Solutions Unlimited
A non-profit organization devising and implementing individualized, multidisciplinary, medical, evidence-based behavioral treatments and educational resources for children diagnosed with Autism, Down syndrome and other developmental disabilities.
151 Regions Way Ste. 5A
Destin, FL 32541
850.837.1200; 850.837.1254 (Fax)
www.brilliantminds.org
Mailing Address
PO Box 1646
Destin, FL 32540

Water Planet
Panama City Beach’s Water Planet offers two distinct dolphin swim programs for children and youth with special needs. The Harmony program is designed for children with developmental, mental, emotional disabilities and terminal illnesses. The Serenity program is designed for more serious developmental delays, physical and motor disabilities like spina bifida and muscular dystrophy.
5709 N Lagoon Dr.
Panama City Beach, FL 32408
850.230.6030; 866.449.5591
info@waterplanetusa.com
www.waterplanetusa.com
Mailing Address
203 Greenwood Dr.
Panama City Beach, FL 32407

First Words Project
A longitudinal research investigation in the Autism Institute in the College of Medicine at Florida State University. The goal of the project is to identify early red flags of developmental language disorders, autism spectrum disorders and other communication delays in children under 2 years old. The aim is to use the research to improve screening tools and early detection of communication disorders.
2611 W 23rd St Suite A
Panama City, FL 32405
850.215.4327
www.firstwwords.fsu.edu

Beyond Expectations, Inc.
Beyond Expectations utilized applied behavior analysis (ABA) and counseling services to teach and enable children on the Autism Spectrum within a loving, positive and individualized environment.
Ft Walton Beach
Main Clinic/Mailing: 44 Shell Ave NE
Counseling Clinic: 126 Shell Ave SE
Social Groups Clinic: 128 Shell Ave SE
Crestview
4100 S Ferdon Blvd
Crestview, FL 32536
850.362.6824; 850.362.6826 (Fax)
karen@beyondexpectationsaba.com
www.beyondexpectationsaba.com

Therapy

The Leaning Post Ranch
Providing equine-assisted activities and therapeutic riding to individuals with disabilities and at-risk youth in Northwest Florida.
Premier Accredited Center.
4150 Cedar Springs Rd
Molino, FL 32577
850.587.5490
info@theleaningpostranch.org
www.theleaningpostranch.org

Programs, community based employment services (job placement and supported employment), personal care, respite, community inclusion, supported living, residential group homes and retirement services.
3916 North 10th Ave.
Pensacola, FL 32503
Ph: 850-434-2638
Fax: 850-438-2180
www.arc-gateway.org

Water Planet
Panama City Beach’s Water Planet offers two distinct dolphin swim programs for children and youth with special needs. The Harmony program is designed for children with developmental, mental, emotional disabilities and terminal illnesses. The Serenity program is designed for more serious developmental delays, physical and motor disabilities like spina bifida and muscular dystrophy.
5709 N Lagoon Dr.
Panama City Beach, FL 32408
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Pensacola, FL 32503
Ph: 850-434-2638
Fax: 850-438-2180
www.arc-gateway.org
BTEC Behavioral Therapy, Inc.
BTEC provides one-on-one behavioral therapy based on applied behavior analysis (ABA) methodologies to children on the Autism Spectrum. BTEC focuses on behavior and language development, establishing social and classroom skills, and empowering parents to become active participants in their child’s development.
1508 W Garden St
Pensacola, FL 32502
850.483.1508
lauriturner@btectherapy.com
christurner@btectherapy.com
www.btectherapy.com

Recreation

Parks and Recreation Department
The Escambia County Parks & Recreation Department has installed special playground equipment for children with special needs across seven parks in the County. The implemented playground equipment is designed to stimulate sensory and motor skills while simultaneously providing entertaining playtime.

Escambia
850.436.5670
Santa Rosa
850.983.1940
Okaloosa
850.833.9576

Hawkins Recreational Park
Florida residents with disabilities and their families can enjoy Hawkins Recreational Park year-round and at no charge. The park is filled with assorted flora, fauna and accessibility to the park’s amenities.
5550 Bubba Lane
Milton, FL 32570
850.595.8351

Seastars Aquatics
Promoting and fostering the success and growth of children who are economically, physically and mentally challenged by providing individualized attention as a part of a structured competitive swim team program.
5425 Hibiscus Rd
Pensacola, FL 32504
850.418.0644; 850.418.0645
Robin M. Heller: Robin@seastarsaquatics.org
www.seastarsaquatics.org

The Miracle League of Pensacola
Providing a safe and spirited program that allows children, youth and adults with physical and mental delays to play baseball.

Mitchell Homes Miracle League Park
555 E Nine Mile Rd
Pensacola, FL 32514
Mailing Address
PO Box 17565
Pensacola, FL 32522
miracleleaguepensacola.net-at-hand.com

Referral

Okaloosa-Walton Child Care Services
Serves as a resource and referral agency for VPK and child care programs in Okaloosa and Walton counties.
Main Office
107 Tupelo Ave,
Ft. Walton Beach, FL 32548
850.833.9330
www.owccs.org
Crestview
850.689.7885
DeFuniak Springs
850.892.8560

Resources in Northwest Florida

Anencephaly

Information and Support
Share Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support, Inc.
Gulf Breeze Location
Providing comfort and support for parents and family members following pregnancy loss, stillbirth or loss of a child in the first few months of life. Share also provides information, resources and education for bereaved parents and siblings. The Gulf Breeze support group meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6pm.
Gulf Breeze United Methodist Church, Southside Campus
4115 Southside Dr.
Gulf Breeze, FL 32563
850.916.1660
www.nationalshare.org

Congenital Heart Defects

Medical
Nemours Children’s Clinic, Pensacola
A team of qualified and experienced pediatric cardiologists and nurses provide evaluation and management of heart disease for children up to 17 years of age.
5153 North Ninth Ave
Pensacola, FL 32504
850.505.4700
http://www.nemours.org/service/medical/heartdefects.html?location=nccpensacola

Down Syndrome

Information and Support
UPside2Downs
Equipping families of individuals with Down syndrome and the community with knowledge and awareness in order to establish an inclusive and accepting society.
PO Box 7546
Pensacola, FL 32534
850.287.4817
upside2downs@gmail.com
www.upside2downs.org

Down Syndrome Association of Tallahassee
Non-profit organization serving individuals with Down syndrome and their families through providing support to promote acceptance, education and awareness.
2910 Kerry Forest Pkwy D4-212
Tallahassee, FL 32309
President: Amy Toman
850.385.4722
President@dsatallahassee.org
http://dsatallahassee.org/

Gastrochisis

Medical
Sacred Heart Health System: Children’s Hospital
A team of pediatric specialists who treat numerous conditions, including gastrochisis and other congenital anomalies.
5153 N Ninth Ave Suite 307
Pensacola, FL 32504
850.416.7119
http://www.sacred-heart.org/page/?ID=860

Orofacial Clefts

Medical
Woodfin Cabassa Orthodontics
Craniofacial orthodontics focuses on the treatment of patients with congenital orofacial clefts.
4857 N 9th Ave
Pensacola, FL 32503
850.477.2180; 850.484.6447 (Fax)
http://www.gulfcoastbraces.com/

Northwest Florida Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
Focuses on treatment of patients with oral and maxillofacial problems.
4850 North 9th Avenue #1
Pensacola, FL 32503
850-478-7070
850-476-2513 (fax)
http://northwestfloridaoms.com/
Oral and Facial Surgery Center of Tallahassee
Dr. Barrett R. Tolley & Associates specialize in oral and facial surgery, including cleft lip and cleft palate repair.
Location 1:
3375-D Capital Circle NE Ste. 2
Tallahassee, FL 32308
Location 2:
1702 Riggins Rd Ste. 1
Tallahassee, FL 32308
850.386.4602; 850.386.4206 (Fax)
850.386.4602; 850.386.4206 (Fax)
www.ofsctallahassee.com

Tallahassee Memorial HealthCare: Pediatric Genetics
Ages: Up to 21 years
TMH’s pediatric geneticists offer a comprehensive evaluation for children presenting with delays, congenital anomalies and autism as well as insight into a more tailored IEP for the child’s school.
1300 Miccosukee Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32308
850.431.1155 (General)
pr@tmh.org
tmh.org/PediatricGenetics

North Florida Orthodontic Specialists: Craniofacial Orthodontics
Orthodontic specialists focusing on treating patients with birth defects such as cleft lip and cleft palate.
Daniel D. Barry, DMD, MDS
3051 Highland Oaks Terrace Unit 4
Tallahassee, FL 32301
850.656.3917
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**Information and Support**

**Ocala Autism Support Network (OASN)**
OASN aims to connect individuals on the spectrum for Autism and related disabilities with a network of services, education, support and events including therapists, doctors, state and local agencies, and schools.
352.509.1652 www.ocalaautismsupportnetwork.org

**Ability 1st**
An independent non-profit, 501(c)(3), community-based, non-residential agency that provides a range of support, advocacy and accessibility services to persons of all ages, with all types of disabilities, throughout a six county area. Direct services to consumers include peer support, independent living skills training, advocacy, linkage with other necessary services, and accessibility services which include ramp building and other home modifications, loans of durable medical equipment, accessibility surveys and consultation, and provision of disposable medical supplies.
1823 Buford Court
Tallahassee, FL 32308
Ph: 850-575-9621
Fax: 850-575-5740
www.ability1st.info

**The Arc of Florida:**
The Arc of Florida works with local, state and national partners and advocates for people with mental retardation, autism, spina bifida, cerebral palsy (CP), prader-willi syndrome and other developmental disabilities to be fully included in all aspects of their community. 2898 Mahan Drive, Suite 1 Tallahassee, FL (850.921.0460) http://www.arcflorida.org

**Florida Disabled Outdoors Association**
The Florida Disabled Outdoors Association works to enrich the lives of persons with disabilities by providing information and education about the therapeutic value of recreation, promoting leisure activity involvement and developing accessible outdoor facilities and programs.
2214 Tallahassee Dr.
Tallahassee, FL 32308
Ph: 850-668-7323
Fax: 850-562-4798
www.fdoa.org

**Florida’s Transition Project**
Ages: Birth to 6 years
Assists local communities in establishing trained teams to develop a smooth system of transition among agencies that provide services to young children with disabilities and their families.
401 SW 42nd St
Gainesville, FL 32607
352.372.2485; 352.334.1773 (Fax)
Bettianne S. Ford: bettianne@floridatransitionproject.com
www.floridatransitionproject.ucf.edu

**Medical**

**Scott Psychology**
Ages: Up to 18 years
Dr. Alicia Scott provides school psychology services to the Gainesville, Florida area with the goal of enhancing educational outcomes of children with Autism and related conditions.
2731 NW 41st St Ste B-3
Gainesville, FL 32606
352.256.2151
drscott@scottpsychology.com
www.scottpsychology.com

**Therapy**

**Summer D. Perkins, MS, CCC-SLP**
Ages: 3-17 years
A caring and certified pediatric speech language pathologist offering in-home individual therapy. Specializes in children with Autism Spectrum Disorders.
4126 SW 51st Ct
Ocala, FL 34474
352.256.1108
sperk33@gmail.com

**Stirrups ’n Strides: Therapeutic Riding Center, Inc.**
Provides therapeutic horseback riding for individuals with
Marion Therapeutic Riding Association (MTRA)
Founded in 1983, MTRA is a premier accredited therapeutic horseback riding organization for individuals of all ages with physical, mental or emotional disabilities.
6850 SE 41st Ct
Ocala, FL 34480
352.732.7300
Laurie Bruun, Executive Director: execdiretor@mtraocala.org
www.mtraocala.org

Josie Davenport: Florida School of Massage
Ages: 3 years and up
A gentle, hands-on method that teaches the essential components of movement to children with cerebral palsy and other disabilities. Families are able to learn new ways for their child to access movement potentials that enhance intellect, creativity and pleasure.
6421 SW 13th St (Rt 441)
Gainesville, FL 32608
352.514.5076
www.reachingtolearn.com

Lucky Fin Swim School: Gainesville
Ages: Up to 18 years
Certified swimming instructors build up the confidence and self-esteem of children with special needs while teaching them swimming and water safety skills. Lessons are tailored to fit the individual needs of every student.
3639 Craigsher Dr
Apopka, FL 32712
info@theswimsquad.com
www.theswimsquad.com

Pro Therapy: SLP Services, Inc.
Providing comprehensive speech/language evaluations and individual therapy sessions for children with special needs including but not limited to Down syndrome and Autism.
521 NE 25th Ave
Ocala, FL 34470
352.401.7916; 352.368.7607 (Fax)
info@protherapyslp.com
www.protherapyslp.com

ARC Madison-Jefferson Inc.
The Arc Madison-Jefferson County is a non-profit organization whose mission is to assist persons with disabilities to live and work within their communities consistent with their interests, dignity and self-respect. Services and programs provided by Arc Madison-Jefferson County include Home-maker, Companion, In-Home Support, Adult Day Training, Personal Care Assistance, Non-Residential Support, Supported Living Coach and Supported Employment.
122 S.W. Commerce Dr.
Madison, FL 32341
Ph: 850-973-4614
Fax: 850-973-4334

HOPE: Horses Helping People, Inc.
Ages: 2 years and up
Providing developmental, therapeutic and educational equine-oriented activities for children and adults with special needs.
9722 SW 153rd Ave
Archer, FL 32618
352.495.0533
Mailing Address
PO Box 1177
Archer, FL 32618
info@horseshelpingpeople.org
www.horseshelpingpeople.org

Tomorrow’s Equestrian Center
A non-profit organization providing equine-assisted therapies and recreational activities for children and adults with physical, cognitive and emotional disabilities in North Central Florida.
16510 W Hwy 326
Morriston, FL 32668
352.528.3445; 352.528.4440 (Fax)
Mailing Address
PO Box 598
Williston, FL 32696
www.tomorrowsequestriancenter.org

Resources in North Central Florida
Recreation
Noah’s Endeavor, Inc: Inclusive Community Recreation
Ages: Up to 18 years
A non-profit organization providing recreational activities for children with and without disabilities around the Gainesville community.
352.275.9639
endeavorrecreation.wikifoundry.com

Congenital Heart Defects
Medical
UF Health: Congenital Heart Center
Provides treatment for congenital heart conditions in both children and adults.
1600 SW Archer Rd
Gainesville, FL 32610
352.273.7770; 352.392.0547 (Fax); 866.696.2333
http://chc.med.ufl.edu/

C. Herman and Mary Virginia Terry Children’s Heart Center
In a partnership between Wolfson Children’s Hospital and UF College of Medicine, Jacksonville, this heart center provides services such as prenatal diagnosis of congenital heart defects, interventional treatment and advanced treatment of pediatric cardiac conditions.
Wolfson Children’s Hospital
800 Prudential Drive
Jacksonville, FL 32207
904.633.4110; 888.493.1610
http://www.wolfsonchildrens.org/centers-of-distinction/heart/Pages/default.aspx

Tetralogy of Fallot
Medical
UF Health: Tetralogy of Fallot
Provides a brief overview of the definition, causes, symptoms and treatment of tetralogy of fallot. Also provides access to a list of locations and providers able to treat tetralogy of fallot.
1.855.483.4325
https://ufhealth.org/tetralogy-fallot

Transposition of the Great Vessels
Medical
UF Health: Transposition of the Great Vessels
Provides a brief overview of the definition, causes, risk factors, symptoms, treatment and prognosis. The site also lists locations and providers appropriate for treating the diagnosis.
1.855.483.4325
https://ufhealth.org/transposition-great-vessels

Gastrochisis
Medical
UF Health: Gastrochisis Repair
University of Florida Health’s Pediatric Surgery Clinic offers information and surgical repair of gastrochisis.
2000 SW Archer Rd 2nd Floor
Gainesville, FL 32608
352.273.8800
https://ufhealth.org/gastrochisis-repair

Hypospadias
Medical
UF Health: Hypospadias Repair
An overview of the definition, signs, repair and maintenance of hypospadias. UF Health also lists locations and providers relevant to hypospadias repair in the Gainesville area.
1.855.483.4325
https://ufhealth.org/hypospadias-repair
hogansalley65@yahoo.com

Orofacial Clefts
Medical
UF Health: Cleft Lip and Palate Repair
Ages: Under 2 years
Information on the surgical procedure used to repair cleft lip and palate, the associated risks, what to expect before and after the procedure, and the outlook (prognosis). The site also provides a direct link to schedule and appointment with a UF (University of Florida) physician or dentist.
UF Health: Craniofacial Center
The UF Craniofacial Center is dedicated to caring for and treating individuals with cleft palate and other craniofacial conditions.
2000 SW Archer Rd Building A
Gainesville, FL 32608
800.726.2029; 352.334.0709
https://ufhealth.org/craniofacial-center

Recreation
UF Craniofacial Camp
Every summer the Center holds a four-day camp for children with craniofacial differences and their families who are followed in local clinics. The camp is designed to help these children develop coping skills and improve self-esteem and self-confidence. The camp, which is staffed by our team members and UF graduate students, provides an opportunity for 15-25 families to spend time with these specialists and other families with similar problems in an informal setting where they can ask questions, express concerns and develop friendships. Camp Montgomery, the site of the annual camp, is located on beautiful Lake Crystal, about 40 miles east of Gainesville and the UF campus. This camp features individual cabins for families and staff, a large dining/conference hall, a covered basketball court, and extensive lake frontage for boating, fishing and swimming.
Email: Woodgl@peds.Ufl.Edu
http://www.cleft.ufl.edu/spec_prgs.html
**Education**

**TRAIL Transition Program**
Ages: 18 - 22 years
An outcome-oriented program focused on assisting young adults with disabilities in locating appropriate vocational placement within their community. Placement based on student's senior year in high school through an IEP meeting.
Dr. Kimberli L. Halliday: 386.446.6742

**The Broach School**
Ages: Grades 1 to 12
The Broach School of Jacksonville is a non-profit, private McKay school for children with special needs. The school provides a hands-on, active learning approach that includes field trips, speakers and special projects.

- **Broach South**
  6211 Terry Rd
  Jacksonville, FL 32216
  904.674.0900
  RHerring@BroachSchool.com

- **Broach West**
  440 Lenox Sq.
  Jacksonville, FL 32254
  904.389.5106
  DJames@BroachSchool.com

- **Broach Orange Park**
  1909 DeBarry Ave
  Orange Park, FL 32065
  904.298.3500
  BJackson@BroachSchool.com

- [www.broachschooljax.com](http://www.broachschooljax.com)

**Information and Support**

**Henderson Haven, Inc.**
Ages: All (6-21 years for Free 2 Be Me)
Henderson Haven is dedicated to establishing and maintaining a one-to-one instructor-to-client ratio for individuals with special needs through services such as in-home support, advocacy, and respite. Henderson Haven also offers Free 2 Be Me, an after-school program for children with developmental disabilities ages 6 - 21 years.

- 772 Foxride Center Dr. Ste. 140
  Orange Park, FL
  904.264.2522; 866.428.3648 (both #s receive Fax)
  info@HendersonHaven.org
  [www.hendersonhaven.org](http://www.hendersonhaven.org)

**Florida Department of Education (FDLRS HRD Network):**
Assist in the location, identification, evaluation, and initiation of appropriate education or other needed services to all children and youth, birth through 21 years of age who have, or are at risk of developing, special or unique needs and are not enrolled in public school.

- 3841 Reid St. Palatka, FL 32177 (386.312.2265)

**Angelwood**
Ages: All (5 - 22 years for Summer Camp)
Providing families caring for individuals with special needs with quality services such as respite care, behavior services, summer day camp, and supported employment and transportation.

- Mailing
  PO Box 24925
  Jacksonville, FL 32241

- Admin. Office
  4674-2 Hood Rd
  Jacksonville, FL 32257

- 904.288.7259; 904.288.7260 (Fax)
  info@angelwoodjax.org
  angelwoodjax.org
Resources in Northeast Florida

**Therapy**

**Summer D. Perkins, MS, CCC-SLP**

Ages: 3-17 years
A caring and certified pediatric speech language pathologist offering in-home individual therapy. Specializes in children with Autism Spectrum Disorders.
4126 SW 51st Ct
Ocala, FL 34474
352.256.1108
sperk33@gmail.com

**Great Strides Rehabilitation**

Ages: Up to 18 years
The Great Strides Rehabilitation center consists of approximately 6000 square feet dedicated to therapy programs, Play Works Therapies, and the Great Strides School for children with developmental disabilities (ages 5 - 21 years).
12276 San Jose Blvd Ste. 508
Jacksonville, FL 32223
904.886.3228; 904.886.3297 (Fax)

**Coastal Therapy & Learning Center, Inc.**

Ages: Up to 18 years
Provides intensive one-on-one speech, physical, occupational, and reading therapy for children with a variety of diagnoses.
2730 Isabella Blvd Ste 10
Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250
904.372.4070; 904.372.4075 (Fax)
coastaltherapy.net

**Hope Therapy**

Ages: All
As Northeast Florida’s only PATH Premier Accredited Center, Hope Therapy provides occupational therapy using horses through one of most reputable hippotherapy programs in Northeast Florida.
1591 Big Branch Rd
Middleburg, FL 32068
904.291.6784
hopetherapy@bellsouth.net
www.hopetherapy.org

**Little Star Center of Jacksonville**

Ages: 1 - 12 years
Little Star Center, Inc. is a private, non-profit school offering affordable, comprehensive and individualized education and behavioral services for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and other developmental delays.
3771 San Jose Place Ste. 22
Jacksonville, FL 32257
904.928.0112
info@littlestarjax.com
www.littlestarjax.com

**Merritt Speech & Learning**

Ages: Up to 18 years
Merritt Speech & Learning develops skills in auditory, visual and motor processing skills in children who have speech, language and learning disabilities.
1309-110 St Johns Bluff Rd N
Jacksonville, FL 32225
904.721.4122; 904.721.4112 (Fax)
info@merrittspeech.com
www.merrittspeech.com

**New Heights**

Ages: All
For over 60 years, New Heights has assisted infants, children and adults with developmental disabilities in Duval, St. John’s, Clay, Nassau, and Baker counties. New Heights’ services include, but are not limited to therapy, respite, and developmental training.
3311 Beach Blvd
Jacksonville, FL 32207
904.396.1462; 904.396.1199 (Fax)
www.newheightsnefl.org

**Reaching Milestones with BCS, Inc.**

Ages: 2 - 18 years
As one of the largest Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) service providers in the Southeastern United States, Reaching Milestones is dedicated to improving the lives of children with disabilities by providing research-based and highly-effective behavioral interventions.
Jacksonville Location & Learning Center
Resources in Northeast Florida

11512 Lake Mead Ave Ste. 601
Jacksonville, FL 32256
904.374.8536; 904.379.1563 (Fax)
Foeke Rienks: frienks@rmwbcs.com
Orange Park Location
3509 US Highway 17
Orange Park, FL 32003
904.579.3280; 904.458.4918 (Fax)
Ashley Hooks: ahooks@rmwbcs.com
www.reachingmilestoneswithbcs.com

Positive Space Art Therapy
Providing individual and group art therapy sessions for children and adults with Autism, emotional and behavioral disorders, and developmental disabilities.
5270 Palm valley Rd
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082
904.543.1288
arttherapyforautism@gmail.com
arttherapyforautism.wix.com

Marsh Landing Behavioral Group
Ages: All
Offering medical and behavioral therapy to children and families coping with Autism Spectrum Disorders and similar conditions.
1538 The Greens Way Ste 101
Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250
904.543.0161
www.mlbgroup.com

Bloom Behavioral Solutions
A behavioral health care practice offering an array of clinical and on-site Applied Behavior Analysis services, specializing primarily in Autism and communicative disorders. Each individual receives a personalized treatment plan as well as suggested procedures for parents/caregivers to practice at home.
8280 Princeton Square Blvd W
Jacksonville, FL 32256
904.647.1849; 904.647.2625 (Fax)
info@bloom-behavioral-solutions.com
www.bloom-behavioral-solutions.com

Hope Haven: Children’s Clinic and Family Center
Serving as a multi-disciplinary clinic, Hope Haven provides educational, psychological and therapeutic services for children, families, and young adults with special needs.
4600 Beach Blvd
Jacksonville, FL 32207
904.346.5100; 904.346.5111 (Fax)
www.hope-haven.org

Developmental Learning Center Nurse & Learn, Inc.
Ages: Up to 22 years
A non-profit inclusion child care center for children of all abilities that includes services such as classrooms for infants, VP-K, and after school programs for children up to 22 years of age. DLC Therapy & Care is equipped with therapists, early interventionists, and developmental screenings.
DLC Nurse & Learn
904.387.0370; 904.387.0156 (Fax)
info@dlcnl.org
DLC Therapy & Care
904.389.5402; 904.388.6895 (Fax)
info@dlcnl.org
www.dlcnl.org

Ancient City Children’s Therapy
Ages: Up to 17 years
Providing occupational, physical, and speech therapy services using a variety of techniques to improve each individual child’s success with communication, peer activities, fine/gross motor and self-help skills. Also offers a therapeutic summer camp.
910 S Winterhawk Dr. #107
St. Augustine, FL 32086
904.217.3914
ancientcitykids@gmail.com
www.ancientcitychildrenstherapy.com

Recreation

The Lighthouse Learning Center
Ages: 12 months - 5 years
The Lighthouse Learning Center empowers children with
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developmental disabilities through education, therapy, and recreational opportunities. The facility provides a family-oriented and nurturing environment and involves parents in their child’s education through participation in recreational events and activities.

550 Kingsley Ave
Orange Park, FL 32703
904.264.7392; 904.264.1241 (Fax)
www.challengeenterprises.org

Ben’s Place Services, Inc.
Ben’s Place is a non-profit organization serving individuals with developmental and acquired disabilities in Northeast Florida. Ben’s place offers a safe and friendly environment for individuals with disabilities and their families to socialize and become a part of the “Community of Friends”.

773 Cesery Blvd
Jacksonville, FL 32211
904.721.5662
bensplace.org

Catholic Charities: Camp I Am Special
Ages: 5 years and up
Camp I Am Special is a 6-day, traditional and recreational overnight camp experience for individuals ages 5 years and up with physical, emotional, and mental disabilities. Camp I Am Special also offers respite for families and caregivers of disabled individuals.

235 Marywood Dr.
St. John’s, FL 32259
904.230.7447; 904.230.7465 (Fax)
campiamspecial@ccbjax.org
www.dosacamps.com

Down Syndrome

Information and Support

Down Syndrome Association of Jacksonville
Non-profit organization committed to helping people with Down syndrome achieve their full potential and helping create a community that is educated, supportive and inclusive of individuals with Down syndrome.

1050 N Davis St 4th Floor
Jacksonville, FL 32209
904.353.6300; 904.353.6322 (Fax)
Debbie Revels: admin@dsaj.org
www.dsaj.org

Fun Coast Down Syndrome Association
Providing services and support to families in Flagler and Volusia counties by offering services and advocating for individuals with Down syndrome.

3601 E Moddy Blvd
Bunnell, FL 32110
386.447.8034; 386.283.2787
funcoastdown@bellsouth.net
funcoastdownsyndrome.com

Orofacial Clefts

Medical

Nemours: Cleft & Craniofacial Anomalies
A highly-experienced team of surgeons and health care professionals able to provide life-changing surgical care and innovative treatment for children with orofacial clefts.

807 Children’s Way
Jacksonville, FL 32207
904.697.3600
http://www.nemours.org/service/medical/cleftandcraniofacial.html?location=nccjacksonville

Wolfson Children’s Hospital: Jacksonville Cleft Lip/Palate Clinic
Ages: Up to 21 years
A multidisciplinary clinic dedicating to providing comprehensive services that address the physical, social and emotional needs of children diagnosed with orofacial congenital anomalies.

820 Prudential Dr.
Howard Bld. Ste. 412
Jacksonville, FL 32207
904.633.0935; 904.633.0944 (Fax)
http://www.wolfsonchildrens.org/programs-services/programs/cleft_clinic/Pages/default.aspx

Craniofacial Orthodontics
Ages: Not Listed
A sub-specialty of orthodontics that focuses on patients with orofacial clefts.  
St. Augustine Location  
491 Prosperity Lake Dr. Ste. 301  
St. Augustine, FL 32092  
904.429.0095  
Jacksonville Location  
5114 San Juan Ave  
Jacksonville, FL 32210  
904.389.4435  

Spina Bifida  
**Information and Support**  
Spina Bifida of Jacksonville  
A non-profit organization providing support for families living with spina bifida.  
807 Children’s Way  
Jacksonville, FL 32207  
904.697.3686; 904.697.3914  
http://www.spinabifidajax.org/

Brooks Spinal Cord Support Group/Stroke Support Group  
This support group provides a unique opportunity for the patient to interact and form personal connections with people facing similar challenges.  
Web: http://www.brookshealth.org/programsservice/supportgroups/  
Brooks Rehabilitation Hospital, 1st Floor Gym  
Address: 3599 University Blvd. South  
Jacksonville, Florida 32216  
Contact: Kristen Ellison, Clinical Psychologist, Spinal Cord Injury Program  
Phone: (904) 345-7238  
Email: kristen.ellison@brooksrehab.org

Tetralogy of Fallot  
**Information and Support**  
Baptist Health: Tetralogy of Fallot  
An informative and detailed guide on the symptoms, causes, treatments, post-operative expectations and long-term prognosis of individuals with tetralogy of fallot.  
http://www.baptistjax.com/health-library/tetralogy-of-fallot

Care Coordination

Early Steps:
Early Steps is administered by Children’s Medical Services (CMS) in accordance with IDEA, Part C. Early Steps offers early intervention services for families with infants and toddlers (birth to thirty-six months) who have developmental delays or an established condition likely to result in a developmental delay.
13101 North Bruce B. Downs Blvd. Tampa, FL 33612
(813.974.0602; 1.800.549.1740)
http://www.cms-kids.com/Earlystepshome.htm

Infants & Young Children of West Central Florida, Inc. (IYC) University of South Florida, Division of Child Development (Bay Area Early Steps):
Infants and Young Children of West Central Florida is a non-profit organization dedicated to the facilitation of services, research, and education for children with special needs, as well as their families.
Mailing address: P.O. Box 82485, Tampa, Florida 33682-2485
(813.375.3981) http://www.iycwcf.org/

Child Care
Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R):
Provides quality child care services to families and the child care community through a contract with the Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County. Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) maintains a database of legally operating child care providers in the county, gives free personalized listings of child care and consumer information to any parent or guardian.
5701 E. Hillsborough Ave, Ste 2301, Tampa, FL 33610
(813.744.8941), Ext. 232
http://www.elchc.org/early_learning_parent_resources.html

UCP of Tampa Bay Early Childhood Education Center:
Accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the Center is an ‘inclusive’ setting that provides a supportive learning environment both for children with disabilities as well as those without disabilities, using developmentally appropriate practices that focus on exploration and experience through play.
2215 E. Henry Avenue, Tampa, FL 33610
(813.239.1179) or (813.404.1362)
http://www.ucptampa.org

Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners (Head Start/Early Head Start Program):
Children and families with low-income are provided a comprehensive child development program to preschool children and prenatal education, family medical, dental, mental health, nutrition and social services including those with special needs, and pregnant mothers.
Fountain Oaks Business Park 3639 West Waters Ave., Suite 500 Tampa, FL 33614
(813.272.5140) www.hillsboroughcounty.org/headstart/
Delegate program: 4350 East Ellicott Street Tampa FL 33610
(813.744.8941)Ext. 387 www.sdhc.k12.fl.us

Care Options:
The Care Options programs works with child care providers and VPK to ensure that children with special needs or behavioral issues are properly cared for and educated.
(813.837.7753 ; 813.837.7777; 813.837.7309)
http://www.ecctampabay.org/

Circle C Ranch (Child Development Center, Sally Harris):
Circle “C” Ranch Academy provides positive experiences and incorporates developmentally appropriate practices to support the cognitive, social, and emotional development of young children. (Toddlers - School Age)
6204 Interbay Blvd.; Tampa, FL 33629
(813.831.8429)
http://circlecranchacademy.com/classes.htm

Cornerstone Family Ministries (Rosa Valdez Center & Cuscaden Center):
The Rosa Valdez Intervention Center provides developmentally appropriate child care and early school readiness in conjunction with family support services, Monday through Friday. Children, birth to five years of age, are engaged in activities to prepare them socially and education-
-ally for kindergarten and provide a foundation for strong Christian children and families.
1802 N. Albany Avenue Tampa, FL 33607 (813.258.3853)

Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough:
A not-for-profit organization that specializes in the funding and delivery of quality early childhood care and education programs and services to the children and families of Hillsborough County. Available programs include: Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK), School Readiness, Five Stars For Kids, and Early Learning Parent Resources.
1002 E. Palm Avenue, Tampa, FL 33605 Main Phone: (813.202.1000); Direct Line: (813.204.1784); Fax: (813.204.1711) Email: twhite@elchc.org
www.elchc.org

Easter Seals (Early Intervention Program):
The Murray Child Development Center offers early care and education, early intervention, therapy evaluation and services and family support to children of all abilities and their families.
2401 E. Henry Avenue Tampa, FL 33610 (813.236.5589), (813.988.7633)
http://fl.easterseals.com

Hillsborough County Parks & Recreation Department (After School):
Provide after school activities for children with disabilities. Offers camps in the summer and after school activities, at various locations throughout the county (Camp Sparks).
6106 East Sligh Ave Tampa, Fl 33617
6107 East Sligh Ave Tampa, Fl 33617(813.744.5978)
www.Hillsboroughcounty.org/parks

A Brighter Community:
A Brighter Community, Inc. is a non-profit, United Way supported, nationally accredited preschool and family support program. Through community collaborations we offer access to speech, occupational, and physical therapy along with mental health counseling. We serve economically and environmentally at risk children, ages 3-5 years
1613 North Marion St. Tampa, FL 33602 http://www.abrightercommunity.org/

Hillsborough County Public Schools (School Audioll Programs):
The Agency provides subsidized child care services to families and the child care community through a contract with the Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County. The School Readiness Programs (SRP) determine eligibility and enroll low-income families in subsidized child care. The School Readiness Programs serve families in Hillsborough County that meet funding and eligibility criteria.
5701 E. Hillsborough Ave, Ste 2301 Tampa, FL 33610 (813.744.8941 Ext 226)
www1.sdhc.k12.fl.us/%7Eearly.child/schoolreadiness.htm

Hillsborough County Public Schools (Voluntary Prekindergarten (VPK) Education Program):
The Agency administers Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program (VPK) eligibility and registration of children and providers in Hillsborough County through a contract with the Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County. The VPK program serves any child 4 years old on or before September 1st who resides in the state of Florida and has chosen to enroll in a VPK Program in Hillsborough County.
9325 Bay Plaza, Suite 210, Tampa, FL 33619 (813.740.4713 )(select 3) www.elchc.org

Florida Kinship Center at USF (Kin as Teachers):
Kin as Teachers specializes in working with caregivers raising children from birth to kindergarten entry. The Kin Educators’ goal is to empower the caregiver to feel successful in parenting and preparing his/her child for school.
4202 E. Fowler Ave. MGY 132 Tampa, FL. 33520 (813.974.8603) www.flkin.org

Tampa Metropolitan Area YMCA:
The target population is the elementary school age students of Sulphur Springs (and their families). The CLC after-school program provides tutoring and common core-
基于课程 curriculum for K-3rd grade students heavily focused on the improvement of reading scores. The CLC will utilize a Positive Behavior Support (PBS) model proven to improve student's social skills and attendance rates. The CLC will also implement the B.E.S.T. “Neighboring” program that promotes parent/resident engagement through community events and projects, as well as training future community.

110 East Oak Avenue, Tampa, FL 33602 (321.217.1550)  
www.mike.mccollum@tampaymca.org

Greater Palm River, POINT, CDC Go-4-Kids club:  
The Go-4-Kids Club serves Clair-Mel Elementary School students in the First, Second and Third Grades. The Go-4-Kids Club provides enrichment and hands-on science and math activities. Goals are to get students on grade level and promoted to the next grade.

7454 Palm River Road, Tampa, FL 33619 (813.628.9179)  
www.mypalmerivercdc.com

Community Services

Healthy Start Coalition (Healthy Families Hillsborough):  
Voluntary home visiting program for expecting and new parents in Hillsborough County. Trained Family Support Workers (FSW) offer weekly home visits and help parents manage the stressors of being a new parent, provide support in parenting, and encourage parents in achieving personal and family goals. FSW begin home visits before or after the birth of the baby and continue for 5 years. Serves specific zip codes in Hillsborough County.

2806 N. Armenia Ave. Tampa, FL 33607 (813.233.2800, Ext 118)  
www.healthystartcoalition.org

Hillsborough Achievement & Resource Centers (HARC):  
Since 1953, The Hillsborough Association for Retarded Citizens, a community based non-profit organization, has been providing youths and adults with developmental disabilities with opportunities, resources, and advocacy through all facets of their lives. Provides residential, employment, and transportation services and life-skills training.

HARC Information Center P.O. Box 9537, Tampa, FL 33574 (813.273.6364)  
www.hillsarc.com

Hillsborough County Health Department:  
State funded service under the Florida Department of Health that provides services, resources and vital records to all individuals living in the county.

http://hillscountyhealth.org/

St. Joseph’s Children’s Hospital of Tampa (Children’s Advocacy Center):  
The Children’s Advocacy Center provides health and safety education programs and services to children and families throughout the community. The Center focuses on children’s health and wellness, community and school-based education, injury prevention, and legislative advocacy. Programming includes asthma education, unintentional injury prevention, child passenger safety, mobile medical services, obesity prevention, social injury prevention, Children’s Advocacy in the Emergency Center, Florida KidCare Insurance Outreach, Be Our Best health education classes, mobile medical services, The Safety Store at St. Joseph's Children's Hospital and Safe Kids Tampa.

1401A E. Fowler Ave. Tampa, FL 33612 (813.615.0589), Ext. 223  
www.sjbhealth.org

Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library (Early Literacy):  
Youth Services is a department within the Library that focuses on programs for children birth to age 18. Programs for children birth to age 5 focus on early literacy in an effort to prepare children to start school. Information is offered on how to read to children, why reading to young children is important, age appropriate books, activities that encourage language development and other early literacy-related topics. Programs for children birth to age 5 – 18 are offered to encourage lifelong library use, to develop literacy and a love of books, complement school curriculum and homework help, promote recreational and technology interests and needs.

900 N. Ashley Drive Tampa, FL 33602 Main Number:
Resources in West Central Florida (Tampa Bay)

(813.273.3652)
www.hcplc.org

Glazer Children’s Museum:
Provide a variety of educational programs during the weekdays and no-cost access for students attending Title One elementary schools. Serves: Caregivers, families, Title One elementary schools, and children ages birth to ten (10) years visiting the Museum to receive educational programming.
110 W. Gasparilla Plaza, Tampa FL 33602 (813.443.3802)
www.glazemuseum.org

Gulf Coast Jewish Family and Community Services, Inc.:
The Woman to Woman Program provides structured mentoring and support services for a total of 42 adolescent mothers and pregnant teens and their children for up to two years Countywide. The goal of the project is that Children are Developmentally on Track. The program provides Outreach and Engagement, Parent Education and Support, Developmental Screening, Home Visitation, Coordination/Case Management and Mentoring.
14041 Icot Boulevard, Clearwater, FL 33760 (813.558.1370)
www.gulfcoastjewishfamilyandcommunityservices.org

Metropolitan Ministries, Inc.:
Homeless families receive immediate assistance at their location through community based mobile response team. Services to mitigate the effects of trauma, stabilize the families housing situation, and engage the family in educational supports are offered using home visitation, critical time intervention and trauma informed care strategies. Childcare/school enrollment, developmental and health assessments, intensive case management and support services will ensure rapid family stabilization, increased social supports, reduced stress and positive education outcomes for participants.

Metropolitan Ministries First Hug Program:
First Hug is a no-cost, in-home service. Our goal is to work with families to provide family stability and self-sufficiency, and school success. The Case Manager will provide weekly visits to develop support plan goals that center on education and housing. Families will need to commit to attendance every day for your child in childcare/school, commit to participate in child’s education, and participate in all case management and case plan goals.
2002 North Florida Ave, Tampa, FL 33602 (813.209.1058)
Web Site: www.metromin.org

Homeless Emergency Project:
HEP is a registered 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Since 1986, our mission has been to provide homeless and very low-income individuals and families with housing, food, clothing and support services necessary to obtain self-sufficiency and improved quality of life. Services include case management, dental care, education & vocation, financial & legal assistance, food & nutrition, medical care, mental health & substance abuse treatment, personal care, transportation, veterans assistance, and youth enrichment.
1120 North Betty Lane Clearwater, FL 33755 (727.442.9041) www.ethep.org

The Children’s Home, Inc.:
SEEDS is a case management program designed to support and empower families in their child’s educational, social, and developmental experience. Families engaged in the SEEDS program partner with school personnel to ensure their child’s success in school. They also become active in their neighborhoods and communities, promote safety, engage in growth promoting activities with their children and capitalize on family strengths in an effort to create positive changes within their family.
5520 West Idlewild Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33634 (813.901.3442)
www.childrenshome.org

Education

Dreams Are Free Catholic School
Ages: Up to Grade 8
Aims to develop a strong foundation of faith, values and learning for students with special learning needs (e.g., Autism Spectrum Disorders) while aspiring to challenge each student to achieve their learning potential.
4380 Fruitville Rd
Sarasota, FL 34232
Achievement Academy
Through quality education, therapy, and support, Achievement Academy assists children up to 6 years of age with special needs in reaching their maximum potential.
Lakeland Facility
716 E Bella Vista St
Lakeland, FL 33805
863.683.6504; 863.688.9292 (Fax)
Bartow Facility
695 E Summerlin St
Bartow, FL 33830
863.533.0690; 863.534.0798 (Fax)
Winter Haven Facility
2211 28th St NW
Winter Haven, FL 33880
863.965.7586; 863.968.5016 (Fax)

Hamilton Disston
Ages: 5-22 years
The ESE program at Hamilton Disston provides services for students with disabilities such as therapy, special transportation, and technology devices at no extra charge.
5125 11th Avenue South
Gulfport, FL 33707
727.893.1115; 727.893.2131 (Fax)
www.hamilton.pinellas.k12.fl.us

Central Florida Parent Center:
Providing parents of children with disabilities with information, training, assistance, and support. Provides resources, listservs, newsletters, face to face and internet workshops.
1021 Delaware Ave. Palm Harbor, FL 34683
(727.789.2400)
http://www.cflparents.org/index.htm

Child Abuse Council (Fathers Resource and Networking Center (FRANC):
FRANC is an educational program that provides nationally recognized evidence based fathering classes to help fathers and father figures in Hillsborough County develop positive, nurturing parenting skills. FRANC also provides group-based psycho-educational Nurturing Parenting classes for parents/caregivers and their children. Additionally, FRANC offers Boot Camp for New Dads. The class teaches the basics of caring for infants (and new mothers) utilizing the expertise of veteran dads and their infants.
3108 W Azeele St. Tampa, FL 33609 (813.673.4646)
http://www.childabusecouncil.com/programs.html

Child Abuse Council (Parents as Teachers):
Parents as Teachers (PAT) provides parent education and family support throughout pregnancy and until their child enters kindergarten. Parent Educators help parents to understand each stage of development and what to expect so that they can easily capture the teachable moments in everyday life to enhance their child’s language development, intellectual growth, social development, and motor skills. Families are offered personal home visits, group meetings, screening and resource referrals. We serve any family, any baby throughout pregnancy and until the child enters Kindergarten.
3108 W Azeele St. Tampa, FL 33609 (813.356.1293)
(813-673-4646)
http://www.childabusecouncil.com/programs.html

Champions for Children (Baby Bungalow):
Baby Bungalow is an early childhood resource center serv-
Champions for children (Layla’s House):
Layla’s House is an early childhood resource center providing a continuum of services from pregnancy to age five (5) for parents and caregivers of infants and young children. Layla’s House is dedicated to family strengthening, keeping children safe and healthy and working as co-producers with parents to achieve positive outcomes for their children.
1506 E. Eskimo Street, Tampa, FL 33604
(813-443-5004) www.laylashouse.com

Compassionate Friends:
The Compassionate Friends offers meeting locations for bereaved parents, siblings, and grandparents meet together to talk, listen, share, and provide emotional support for families that are dealing with the devastating death of a child. Meet on the 4th Saturday of every month 8:30am Albert Whitted Airport in the Hanger restaurant; also meet at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church on 2nd Sunday of each month 7:30pm.
455 Missouri Ave N, Largo, FL 33770 (Across the street from Largo High School); Albert Whitted Airport, 8th Avenue Southeast, St. Petersburg, FL (727.561.7633)
http://www.compassionatefriends.org

Crisis Center of Tampa Bay (2-1-1 Tampa Bay):
2-1-1 Tampa Bay, a division of the Crisis Center of Tampa Bay, offers a safe place to call for help 24-hours-a-day, 365 days a year. 2-1-1 is the community’s gateway to health and human services, helping people navigate the complex and ever-growing maze of human service programs and agencies.
One Crisis Center Plaza Tampa, FL 33613 (813.969.4936)
www.211atyourfingertips.org

Early Childhood Council (Care Options/Inclusion Warm Line):
A child care provider resource program to support inclusion of children with special needs in community early care and education programs. The program provides: training; on-site technical assistance; information and referral; materials and light equipment to support inclusion of specific children; develops intervention plans for classroom implementation (with other team members); and linkages to community resources. Child must live in Hillsborough County and be enrolled in a Hillsborough County licensed child care program (center or family child care home).
4210 W. Bay Villa Ave. Tampa, FL 33611 (813.837.7903)
www.ecctampabay.org

Early Childhood Council (Kid Connection Network):
Kid Connection Network helps provide a coordinated system of information and referral (I&R) to early childhood services in Hillsborough County.
4210 W. Bay Villa Ave. Tampa, FL 33611 (813.837.7706)
www.ecctampabay.org

Positive Spin, INC, E.A.C.H One Initiative:
The EACH One Initiative is designed to empower families with the necessary tools needed to remove barriers parents face that keep them from actively participating in the early school success of their children’s education, and the readiness of their children to read by third grade (Case Management, Supportive Housing, Computer Literacy).
Serves parents and caregivers, pregnant mothers, families residing in East Tampa 33610.
7628 N. 56th Street, Suite 18, Tampa, FL 33617 (813.977.7677), Ext.102
http://www.positivespinfl.org/

Family Network on Disabilities, Inc.:
The mission of Family Network on Disabilities is to ensure through collaboration that individuals have full access to family-driven support, education, information, resources, and advocacy and to serve families of children with disabilities, ages birth through 26, who have the full range of disabilities described in section 602(3) of IDEA. Also, they provide information to the families of children with special health care needs to make informed decisions from a full continuum of services and delivery options.
2196 Main St Suite K Dunedin, FL 34698 (727.523.1130)
http://fndfl.org

FDLRS Hillsborough (K.I.D.D.s. Keys for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities):
This group was created for those involved with the deliv-
opmental disabilities community. The goal of this group is to access resources in areas such as advocacy and education. We feel strongly that to educate not only ourselves but also those around us will be of great benefit to our children. K.I.D.D.s. is a project of FDLRS Hillsborough and sponsors informational workshops.

(813.837.7777) 4210 W. Bay Villa Ave., Tampa, FL 33611 debora.valdes@sdhc.k12.fl.us

Florida Center for Inclusive Communities (FCIC):
The FCIC is a University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research and Service or UCEDD. FCIC focuses on research and evaluation, theory, policy, capacity building, and practice in the areas of: Community Supports, Early Childhood, Transition, Education, Employment, Health, Interdisciplinary Training, Public Policy, and Cultural Competence.

13301 Bruce B. Downs Blvd. MHC 2113A, Tampa, FL 33612
(813.974.3126; 866.818.4797) http://flfcic.fmhi.usf.edu/

Florida Commission on Human Relations (Agency for Persons with Disabilities):
Individualized services funded by the Agency Medicaid Waiver range from meaning day activities such as supported employment, adult day training, companion and non-residential supports and services, and extend to residential services that include specialized medical or behavioral services.

1313 North Tampa Street Suite 515 Tampa, FL 33602
(813.233.4300)
http://www.apd.myflorida.com/

Healthy Start Coalition (Family Support & Resource Centers):
Family Support & Resource Centers are warm and welcoming places right in your neighborhood where any individual or family can come as a regular part of their day-to-day life. All programs and services are free.

2806 N. Armenia Ave. Suite 100 Tampa, FL 33607
(813.233.2800)
www.familysupporthc.org

Holladay Child Development Services, LLC:
A privately owned company dedicated to providing highly effective best practice services with research-based teaching based on the principles of applied behavior analysis. Services include Autism/PDD/Asperger's, Learning Disabilities/ADD/ADHD, Problem Behavior, Parent Training, School Consultation and Professional Training. 5302 South Florida Avenue, Suite 206 Lakeland, FL 33813
(863.937.8067) www.hcds.org

Hillsborough County Center of Excellence, Inc. (HIPPY):
Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters, or HIPPY, is a home-based early intervention school readiness program that empowers parents as the primary educators of their children ages 3-5. The program has a structured 30-week curriculum in English and Spanish for ages 3, 4 and 5 which include 26 storybooks that are provided free to participating families.

7655 N. 56th Street Tampa FL 33617
(813.974.4909) Administration Office: (813. 224.0558) www.hccoe.org

REACHUP, Inc. Central Hillsborough Healthy Start Project:
The Federal Central Hillsborough Healthy Start Project (CHHS) is a program of REACHUP, Inc. The purpose of CHHS is to narrow the gap in the existing racial disparities in perinatal outcomes in Tampa neighborhoods where black infants die in the first year of life at a rate more than twice that of white infants. Population Served: Pregnant women, new mother, infants and dads who live in East Tampa.

2902 N. Armenia Ave., Tampa, FL 33607 (813.712.6300) www.reachupincorporated.org

Sun coast Kids Place:
Providing peer support groups for kids age 3 – 18 years who have experienced a significant death of a loved one in their lives. Age 3 – 18 and experienced a significant death of a loved one in their lives.

17030 Lakeshore Dr., Lutz, FL 33558 (813.990.0216) www.suncoastkidsplace.org
Hillsborough County Public Schools (Parent Services Parent Liaison Project & Parent Press):
"Parent Liaison Project. The HCPS ESE Department and FDLRS Parent Services offer a project to benefit parents of exceptional students in Hillsborough County. Parent Liaisons guide and empower parents to become collaborative, effective supporters for their children with disabilities by providing technical information and support. 4210 W. Bay Villa Avenue Tampa, FL 33611 (813.837.7732); (813.837.7777) www1.sdhc.k12.fl.us/~fdlrs/parent_services.htm

Hispanic Services Council (Family Support Program):
Hispanic Services Council (HSC) assists Hispanic families through Information & Referral, Case Facilitation, STEP Parenting ESOL classes, and Citizenship classes as they integrate & become successful in the community. 1502 W. Busch Blvd., Suite J Tampa, FL 33612 (813.936.7700)
www.hispanicservicescouncil.org

Hispanic Services Council (Family and School Support Team, FASST):
Provides services to Latino families and children for case management, information and referral, parenting classes and other services for children birth to fifth grade who have developmental delays. 400 Frandorson Circle, Ste 103, Apollo Beach, FL 33572 (813.641.3565)
www.hispanicservicecouncil.org

Hispanic Services Council, Inc.:
The program engages parents in their children's academic life through a series of educational and leadership development opportunities. Serves: Parents with children age three (3) to eight (8) that live within: City of Plant City, Drew Park, Palmetto Beach, North Tampa, and Wimauma. 2902 N.Armenia Avenue, suite 201, Tampa,FL 33607 (813.936.7009)www.hispanicservicecouncil.org

Mental Health Care Inc. (Winning At Parenting):
Program is designed to preserve and strengthen families by keeping them together while working out problems. For additional information regarding the program contact main number listed above. Birth to 18. 2212 E. Henry Avenue Tampa, FL 33610 (813.272.2882) www.mhcinc.org

Self-Reliance Center for Independent Living:
Our mission is to promote independence through empowering persons with disabilities and improving the communities in which they live. We are a cross disability agency providing services to both children and adults with disabilities (regardless of age and type of disability) to identify and overcome barriers to independence in their lives. Services are provided free of charge. 8901 N. Armenia Ave, Tampa, FL 33604 (813.375.3965); Videophone: (813.375.3966) VP Relay: (1.866.327.8877) www.self-reliance.org

South Tampa Therapy and Mediation (Kathy’s Place - A Center for Grieving families):
A community of trained volunteers who provide a safe and compassionate place for children, adolescents, and families to grow through grief and bereavement. This goal is met through usual activities such as play, arts and crafts and conversations. 730 Sterling Ave, Tampa, Florida (813.541.2672) 425 S. Orleans Ave. Tampa, Florida 33606 (813.240.3237) http://www.southtampatherapy.com/ South_Tampa_Therapy/Home.html

Tampa Bay Moms Like Me:
Support group www.facebook.com/momslikeme.tampabay#1/momslikeme.tampabay

H.A.P.P.E.N.:
Support group for parents and relatives of children on the Autism Spectrum. 1273 Kass Circle Spring Hill, FL 34606 352.683.0209
HernandoAutism@aol.com

Circle of Friends Ministry
Ages: Up to 18 years
Non-profit Christian organization that provides support and friendship to children with special needs and their families. Circle of Friends also offers families after school programs, jobs placements and independent living homes for individuals with special needs.
105 E Stuart Ave
Lake Wales, FL 33853
863.679.2507 www.circleoffriendsministry.org

Families & Friends Reaching for the Abilities (FFRA)
A non-profit organization providing activities, educational and informative speakers, and support for parents and guardians of individuals with special needs and disabilities.
6035 E Tudor St
Innverness, FL 34452
352.382.7819
president@ffracitrus.org
ffracitrus.org

Big Brothers, Big sisters of Tampa Bay, Inc.
Provides one-on-one, professionally supported, mentoring services to children who can benefit from a caring and supportive mentoring relationship that will help them succeed in school and make positive decisions. Volunteers, parents of these mentored youth, and the youth themselves must commit to actively participate in this mentoring relationship for a minimum of one year (hopefully longer), in order to achieve these positive outcomes.
711 South Dale Mabry Highway, Suite 300, Tampa, FL 33609 (813.769.3629)
www.bbbsfl.org

Devereux Florida - Devereux Kids:
Provides Family Team Conferences, sponsors a Youth Council, and provides PCAT, an after-school literacy program. Eligible families must live in the Sulphur Springs neighborhood. To qualify for a Family Team Conference, families must have a child under the age of nine (9) living in the home with the family and not be currently involved in formal child welfare case management service.
1419 W. Waters Ave. Suite 117, Tampa, FL 33612 Phone: (813.915.7101)
www.devereux.org

Seniors in Service of Tampa Bay Inc. Lowry Park Neighborhood Initiative:
Services provided include parent engagement and support and mentoring. Parents As Teachers provide home based visitations for development strategies. Seniors In Service provide tutoring and mentoring to young children in Head Start classrooms at Cleveland and Egypt Lake Elementary Schools utilizing Lowry Park Zoo materials. 1306 West Sligh Avenue, Tampa, FL 33604 Phone: (813.932.5228)
www.seniorsinservice.org

Florida Institute for Community Studies, Inc.:
Community-based program to assess and refer children ages four (4) to eight (8) to the appropriate services in Ruskin and Wimauma. Provides outreach, screening, referrals and support for up to 400 families with children ages four (4) to eight (8) who are in need. FICS can accept referrals from providers or schools.
P.O. Box 16745, Tampa, FL 33687 (813.249.8100)
www.ficsinc.org

Bridges, a JUST neighborhood Collaborative:
Universal services are provided to enhance parent/guardian involvement with their child(ren) in order to increase their engagement with their child(ren)’s education and healthcare. High Quality Wraparound services and Trauma Informed Care supports will be provided to those youth and families with complex, multiple issues requiring intensive case management. Children three (3) years old through 3rd grade attending Just Elementary School and their families are eligible for universal services. 5301 West Cypress Street, Tampa, FL 33687 (813.341.9101) Ext. 2180
www.thafl.com

Boys and Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay, Inc. 21st Century Community learning Centers:
Provides academic and enrichment services to K-5th Grade students, engages their family members, and builds com-
munity sustainability. Includes K-5th Grade students at Just, Dunbar, West Tampa, Lockhart, Edison, Potter, and Washington Elementary Schools (public schools) and St. Peter Claver Catholic School (private school) and the communities surrounding them.
1307 North MacDill Avenue, Suite 300, Tampa, FL 33607   (813.769.7528)  www.bgctampa.org

**Drug Abuse Comprehensive Coordinating Office, Inc. (DACCO):**
This is a neighborhood substance abuse screening and intervention program to address the prescription drug epidemic in targeted neighborhoods, particularly affecting pregnant women and women with children. The goal of the project is that children are healthy and developmentally on track.
4422 East Columbus Drive, Tampa, FL 33605  (813.384.4136)  www.dacco.org

**Alpha House of Tampa, Inc.: Homeless Pregnant/Parenting Women and Teens:**
Women, 18 years of age or older, who are homeless and pregnant or parenting and meet the federal guidelines for homelessness. Alpha House of Tampa, the only licensed maternity home in Hillsborough County, provides a maternity-based comprehensive residential program for up to 23 pregnant women, foster care teens and their infants and a transitional Housing program for 16 homeless women who are newly parenting.  201 South Tampania Avenue, Tampa, FL 33609  (813.875.2024) Ext.1013  www.alphahouseoftampa.org

**The Spring of Tampa Bay:**
The Spring of Tampa Bay is the Department of Children and Families certified Domestic Violence Center for Hillsborough County. The mission of The Spring of Tampa Bay is to prevent domestic violence, protect victims and promote change in lives, families, and communities.
PO BOX 5147 Tampa, FL 33675  (813.247.7233)  www.thespring.org

**The Williams Syndrome Association:**
The WSA is the most comprehensive resource for people affected by Williams syndrome and the doctors, researchers and educators who help them. The WSA provides resources, support and the latest medical information to help children with Williams syndrome today and throughout their lives. Williams syndrome is a genetic condition that is present at birth and can affect anyone. It is characterized by medical problems, including cardiovascular disease, developmental delays, and learning disabilities. These occur side by side with striking verbal abilities, highly social personalities and an affinity for music.
22 Paradise Lane  Treasure Island, FL 33706  (727.424.0101)  www.williams-syndrome.org

**Camelot Community Care:**
Each day, Camelot provides services to over 5,000 children and families who have experienced the trauma of abuse and neglect and/or may be in need of behavioral health services. Our services aim to protect children, preserve families, and achieve permanency and stability for the children in our care. Only through the support of our generous funders and donors can we successfully achieve our mission. 4910-D Creekside Drive Clearwater, FL 33760  (727.593.003)  http://www.camelotcommunitycare.org/

**Homeless Coalition of Hillsborough County, Inc.**
**Unity Information Network:**
Manages the countywide Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), which allows client information sharing and the collection of valuable data needed to document the needs of the homeless in Hillsborough County, including unmet needs. P.O. Box 360181, Tampa FL, 33673  (813.223.6115)  www.homelessofhc.org

**The Children’s Board Heart Gallery of Tampa Bay:**
The Children’s Board Heart Gallery of Tampa Bay serves foster children of Hillsborough County who are available for adoption and potential adoptive parents. Criteria for foster youth include any one of the following: special needs (medical, emotional, therapeutic, physical disabilities), minorities, teens, and children with siblings who wish to be
adopted together. The Children’s Board Heart Gallery of Tampa Bay is a unique recruitment tool used to increase public awareness of adoption and the needs of foster children by developing a safe interface between the public at large and children waiting to be adopted.

5520 W. Idlewild Avenue, Tampa, FL 33634-8015
(813.476.2103) www.heartgallerytampabay.org

BayCare Behavioral Health:
Provide help with behavioral health problems in children, adolescents & adults of all ages. BayCare Behavioral Health offers a wide range of outpatient services that can help individuals coping with behavioral health or chemical dependency issues. Counseling can help those who have struggled with emotional problems for years and those who find themselves in need of support in order to lead more productive and independent lives.

7074 Grove Road Brooksville, FL 34609 (352.540.9335)
2727 W. Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd. Tampa, FL 33607
7074 Grove Road Brooksville, FL 34609 www.baycare.org

BayCare Child/adolescent Crisis Stabilization Unit:
The Crisis Stabilization program provides a safe, therapeutic environment for medically stable children and adolescents who require 24-hour nursing care and supervision due to a mental health crisis. While on the unit, the primary goal is to stabilize the crisis through psychiatric interventions by a psychiatrist and/or advanced registered nurse practitioner (ARNP). Nurses and certified behavioral health technicians provide close observation and structured unit activities, including psycho-educational groups and skills trainings.

8132 King Helie Blvd. New Port Richey, FL 34653
(727.834.3965) www.baycare.org/Crisis-Stabilization-Program

Behavioral Health: Home-Based Services:
Behavioral Health specializes in providing services to children and adolescents diagnosed within the autism-spectrum disorder, as well as those with developmental disabilities, complex behavioral and emotional problems, language delays, social and emotional deficits or other mental health issues. Services provided include Early Intervention Day Services, Behavioral Health Day Services, Applied Behavior Analysis, Mental Health Counseling, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychology, One to One Behavioral Therapy, Parent Training/Seminars and Developmental Screening.

4602-C North Armenia Ave. Tampa, FL 33603
(813.769.1170) www.pediatrichc.com/BHS.html

Coaching 4 Kids:
Coaching for Kids teaches children how to effectively communicate and gain experiences in problem solving. Nancy Russell has over 20 years of experience in early childhood development and working with hearing, deaf, and hard of hearing clients. Utilizes both play therapy, art therapy, interactive counseling methods, and her understanding of the complications children face in adjusting as they age. Coaching 4 Kids also provides behavioral counseling and mental health services as well as parent training.

6737 1st Avenue South St. Petersburg, FL 33707
(727.341.1000) www.coaching4kids.com/

Direction For living: Children’s Specialty Center:
Offering behavioral health services for adults and children in need of mental healthcare or substance abuse treatment, Child Safety and Family Preservation programs which include diversion services, adoption, foster care, and dependency case management, and Prevention, Wellness, and Recovery Services which feature homeless outreach, case management, early childhood consultation, our New Beginnings recovery center, and even primary care services so you can see all of your care providers in one trip. Directions for Living is dedicated to serving as an advocate and partner for all adults, children, and families in the greater Tampa Bay area.

8823 115th Avenue North Largo, FL 33773 (727.547.4566)

Direction for Living: Dependence Case Management:
8550 Ulmerton Road, Suite 130 Largo, FL 33771 (727.456.0600)
Direction for Living: Outpatient Counseling & Psychiatric Services:
1437 South Belcher Road Clearwater, FL 33764
(727.524.4464)
www.directionsforliving.org

Tampa Jewish Family Services (TIKVAH Special Needs Program):
The TIKVAH Special Needs Program offers support services to families of children with special needs. Services include: individual and family counseling; children’s play therapy; information and referral; parent groups and parent and community education. Services are provided by licensed, professional staff.
13009 Community Campus Drive Tampa, FL 33625
(813.960.1848) Ext. 4109 www.tjfs.org

Tampa Jewish Family Services ProActive Parenting:
Monthly parenting workshop with topics that have included: bullying, building self esteem, raising a gifted child, tantrums and anger management, coping with stress, and the impact of media and technology on children. 13009 Community Campus Drive, Tampa, FL 33625 (813.960.1848) www.tjfs.org

University of South Florida Department of Pediatrics
(Center for Infant and Child Development (CID):
The HOT DOCS program offers caregivers a problem-solving approach for understanding children’s needs and solving everyday behavior problems by using proactive behavioral principles and positive behavior supports. Over the course of six weeks, caregivers understand what may be underlying behavior problems, how children learn, and what solutions will work best with their child. HOT DOCS trainers assist each family in developing and implementing an individualized support plan to improve their children’s behavior by teaching them new skills. HOT DOCS classes are available in both English and Spanish, and are offered several times a year at USF in the Children’s Medical Services (CMS) building. Caregivers and service providers of children from birth to 7 years. 13101 N. Bruce B. Downs Blvd. Tampa, FL 33612 (813.974.1048) http://health.usf.edu/medicine/pediatrics/child_dev_neuro

Reachup, Inc. Black Infant Health Practice Initiative (BIHPI) Get Smart - 24/7 Dad:
24/7 Dad Curriculum is designed to increase pro-fathering knowledge, skills, attitudes thereby decreasing their anti-fathering expectations and the social, emotional, and physical ills of their children. Available to fathers of children birth to age eight (8) and male partners of prenatal and post partum women residing in East Tampa including zip codes: 33602, 33603, 33605 and 33610.
2902 North Armenia Avenue, Suite 100 Tampa, FL 33607 www.reachupincorporated.org (813.712.6302)

Florida Mentor Network:
Florida MENTOR’s services and supports are focused on helping adults and children with intellectual and developmental disabilities and youth with emotional, behavioral or medically complex conditions build increasingly healthy, independent lives. From our Waiver Group Homes for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities to our Therapeutic Foster Care program for children and Family Support Services for youth and their families, we provide an array of residential and community-based programs that promote learning and growth. 3258 Parkside Center Circle Tampa, FL 33619 (813.630.1746) http://fl-mentor.com/welcome.aspx

Hogan’s Bridge LLC:
"Your Connection To Choice" We are dedicated to improving the quality of life for persons with intellectual disabilities. We are focused in promoting choices and protecting your rights. We are committed to assisting persons with intellectual disabilities to achieve their highest level of independence and self worth by providing appropriate supports. Services include respite, in-home support, independent living services, and behavioral health services.
12415 Kildeer Road Brooksville, FL 34614 (352.597.4943) hogansalley65@yahoo.com

The Family Justice Center of Hillsborough County:
Family violence affects all age groups, social classes, and Ethnicities. It is not restricted to any particular group, and
often happens in total secrecy. Because of this, people affected by domestic violence often need assistance and support. Designed to provide assistance for the short-term crisis and the longer term healing, including emergency assistance, relocation, and basic needs all in one location.

**Healthy Start Coalition - Mom Care Program:**
Momcare links pregnant women with free health insurance coverage. Once accepted into the program clients will receive guidance selecting a prenatal care provider, assistance scheduling initial prenatal visits, and information about state programs for which they may be eligible. Once enrolled, the program will cover medical care and hospitalization during pregnancy. It may also cover health care bills received up to three months before enrollment. There is no cost for this coverage. Baby may also be eligible for free insurance after he or she is born. 2806 N. Armenia Avenue, Tampa, FL 33607 (813.233.2964)

www.healthystartcoalition.org

**Hillsborough County Health Department Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program:**
WIC is a federally funded supplemental nutrition program for eligible Women, Infants, and Children up to the age of 5. WIC provides nutrition education, breastfeeding support, and other health care referrals. WIC also supplies vouchers for healthy foods such as fruits and vegetables, whole grains, low-fat milk, beans, peanut butter, and some baby foods and cereals. 2002 E. 26th Avenue, Tampa, FL 33605 (813.307.8074)

www.floridawic.org

**Maxim Healthcare services: Spring Hill Homecare:**
We provide hourly care in the home for families who are overwhelmed and/or cannot work due to the continual needs of their child who has developmental and/or physical disabilities. Care can be for as much as 24 hours per day 7 days per week. We accept most private insurance, Medicaid, and Medicare. Maxim Healthcare Services does provide free in home consultations to determine if the perspective child will qualify for care. Visit website to determine Florida locations.
5005 W. Laurel St. Suite 203 Tampa, FL 33607 (813.289.0760)
3245 Commercial Way US 19 Spring Hill, FL 34606 (352.683.2885)
15950 Bay Vista Dr. Suite 100 Clearwater, FL 33760 (727.524.2727)
1387 Oakfield Dr. Suite 89 Brandon, FL 33511 (813.643.0768)
www.maximhomecare.com

**PARC:**
PARC is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide opportunities for children and adults with developmental disabilities to exercise their independence and experience life to the fullest. Since 1953, PARC has grown into a large social service agency that serves more than 800 children and adults with developmental disabilities in the Tampa Bay area. PARC offers over 40 unique services and continues to be an advocate and a voice for individuals with developmental disabilities locally, statewide and nationally. Provides many services for adults and children, including respite care, adult day program, transportation, group homes, and early intervention services to infants and toddlers.
190 Tyrone Boulevard North St. Petersburg, FL 33710 (727.345.9111) http://www.parc-fl.org/

**BabyCenter:**
BabyCenter is a global interactive parenting network online that new and expectant moms can turn to for information. An advisory board of doctors and other professionals working in the field, help make sure BabyCenter provides the most complete and accurate pregnancy and parenting information possible. http://www.babycenter.com

**Baby Signs By Lisa Fields:**
The Baby Signs Program helps children develop both language and cognitive skills. Studies show that babies who sign actually develop speech sooner and have larger vocabularies when they do start talking. Baby Signs is based on research which began an international movement to teach
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hearing babies to sign. Baby Signs offers many workshops; to teach babies and toddlers, parents, caregivers and child care professionals how to use Baby Signs every day. 3130 W. Powhatan, Tampa, FL 33614 (813.353.0957) www.babysignsprogram.com/

The Kidz Club: Pediatric Medical Day Treatment Facilities:
The Kidz Club is a very special place for children who are medically fragile. We are a Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care (PPEC) facility, a special needs daycare that aims to provide the safest, most up-lifting, and cost effective medical treatment available in a fun, clean, and comfortable setting. An outstanding full day program for children who are medically fragile and their families. 850 3rd Avenue South St. Petersburg, FL 33701 (727.821.5439) http://www.thekidzclub.com/

Bridge Learning Community:
Bridge is a non-profit school for children with autism spectrum disorders. We specialize in understanding the specific needs of each child and what we need to do to help. Our autism school is an experienced and skills based program which applies best-practices recognized for helping students with autism. Our program is an interdisciplinary approach which combines autism therapy and academics at our location and at home. 2702 Causeway Center Drive Tampa, FL 33619 (813.317.3227) http://www.bridgelearningcommunity.org/

Gulf Coast Autism Association:
Gulf Coast Autism Association, Inc. is a 501(c) (3) non profit organization founded in 1976 by a small group of parents. Established as a volunteer organization, GCAA has relied only on volunteer parents who have given their time and understanding to help improve the lives of all affected by autism. Our mission is to expand opportunities and enhance the quality of life of all individuals with autism spectrum disorders and their families, while sharing information, advocating, and raise public awareness. Services include referrals, advocacy, public awareness, information to families through our website, social events, support meetings, and social life/skills groups. We are NOT a service provider. PO Box 21105 St. Petersburg, FL 33742 (727.786.4292) http://www.gulfcoastautism.org/

Central Florida Autism Institute:
Our mission is to improve the lives of all affected by Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Services include behavior management, social skills, academics, engagement, daily living, inclusion, parent education, center-based therapy, in-home therapy, intern program with local colleges and universities, toilet training, communication and language development, play and toy engagement. 5147 South Lakeland Dr. Suite 3 Lakeland, FL 33813 (863.816.5886) www.cfaii.org

Easter Seals THRIVE program:
Easter Seals provides hope and help to families and individuals with special needs by providing exceptional advocacy, therapy, education, recreation, and support services. THRIVE is a parent training program and a monthly support group for parents of children with autism. 10335 Cross Creek Blvd. suite E Tampa, FL 33647 (813.988.7633) Ext. 15119 http://fl-vf.easterseals.com/site/?

Warriors for Autism Support Squad
Meetings, play dates and social events are organized by this organization in order for parents to share ideas and network together. The group includes parent members who are familiar with the educational and legal system involved with Autism advocacy. http://www.meetup.com/Warriors-For-Autism-Support-Squad/

Tampa Bay Autistic Families
A support group designed for Autistic families in Tampa Bay area. http://www.meetup.com/TampaBayAutisticFamilies/

Central Florida Parent Center, Inc.
A non-profit organization providing parents of children and young adults with all disabilities and special needs (Up to 26 years of age) in central and northeast Florida with
accurate information, interactive training, quality assistance and empathetic support.
1021 Delaware Ave
Palm Harbor, FL 34683
888.612.9273; 727.789.2400; 727.789.2454 (Fax);
727.498.5725 (eFax)
cfpc@cflparents.org

**Therapy**

**Autism Early Intervention Clinics**
Ages: 2-12 years
The Autism Early Intervention Clinics design an individualized therapeutic program for each child based on a thorough assessment of both basic language and learning skills. The therapy programs include treatment for behavioral problems, language delays, and deficits in social and academic skills.
8950 Dr. ML King St N Ste. 170
St. Petersburg, FL 33702
727.576.7600
autismclinics@gmail.com
autismclinics.moonfruit.com

**Foundation for Dreams, Inc.: Dream Oaks Camp**
Ages: 7-17 years
A non-profit organization providing therapeutic camping programs for children and youth with special needs and chronic/terminal illnesses. Also provides year-round residential and day sessions, including respite services for parents and caregivers.
16110 Dream Oaks Place
Bradenton, FL 34212
941.746.5659; 954.745.1409 (Fax)
www.foundationfordreams.org

**Holladay Child Developmental Services, LLC.**
Ages: Up to 18 years
Aims to provide best practice Applied Behavior Analysis services to individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders and similar disabilities.
5302 S Florida Ave Ste. 206
Lakeland, FL 33813
863.937.8067

**Therapeutic Recreation: Camp Redbird**
Ages: Up to 17 years
Redbird summer play camp consists of three therapeutic recreation programs for youth, teen and adult participants with developmental disabilities. Accommodations are made on an individual basis.
Parks and Recreation Administration
1400 19th St N
St. Petersburg, FL 33713
stpeteparksrec@stpete.org
www.stpeteparksrec.org/camp-redbird.html

**Dana L. Johnson: Pediatric Therapy Services**
Ages: Up to 17 years
Providing children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and other developmental disabilities with DIR/Floor time intervention therapy in the Tampa Bay Area.
1724 Sweetspire Dr.
Trinity, FL 34655
727.326.7791
Dana L. Johnson: info@autismchildtherapy.com
www.autismchildtherapy.com

**Brain Balance Achievement Center:**
The Brain Balance Program is an individualized and comprehensive approach to helping children with neurobehavioral and learning difficulties surmount their unique challenges. A brain-based, not drug based. We subscribe to the theory that the brain can be changed—something once thought impossible. To gain a full understanding of your child’s difficulties we first conduct a comprehensive assessment of all areas of their brain and body function. Then, by integrating physical and cognitive exercises with dietary change, we are able to improve the underlying imbalance, improve function and reduce/eliminate negative behaviors.
4022 Tampa Rd., Suite 6, Oldsmar, FL 34677
(813.475.6977) www.brainbalancecenters.com

**Easter Seals (Children’s Murray Center):**
Child development center and Daycare located in Tampa, inclusions classes and therapy offered during school hours.

www.hcds.org
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Also, offers therapy speech, occupational, and physical therapy, workshops.

2401 E. Henry Avenue; Tampa, FL 33610 clarsont@easterseals.com Daycare: (813.236.5589); Therapy: (813.988.7633) www.FLeasterseals.com

Cued Speech:
The Cued Speech Initiative is aimed at promoting Cued Speech as a communication option and literacy tool for deaf children and other children who have difficulties with phonemic awareness in the Tampa Bay area. Our mission is to 1) expand the language and communication options for deaf and hard of hearing children and their families, and 2) facilitate deaf and hard of hearing children’s development of traditionally spoken languages for the subsequent acquisition of literacy skills. cuedspeech@usf.edu (813.402.8377)

Independent Living Inc.:
Specialize in home, clinic, and school based pediatric therapy services.
Citrus Park Professional Center (813.963.6923)
6508 Gunn Highway Tampa, FL 33625; Summergate Professional Center 27650 Cashford Cir., Suite 102 Wesley Chapel, FL 33544

Pathway Mental Health Services:
Provides mental and behavioral therapy services as well as any early intervention services that are needed.
7402 N 56th St, Tampa, FL 33617 (813.374.2237 kcrowe@pathwaysofflorida.com

Therapy Station:
Provides occupational, physical, and speech therapy as well as early intervention services.
13139 W Linebaugh Ave Unit 201 Tampa, FL 33626 (813.932.3013) Kids@Therapystation.com, http://therapystation.com/

Total Therapy:
A small dedicated team of therapists, who are committed to providing quality therapy. Provides multiple therapy services to children with special needs.
11964 Boyette Rd Riverview, Florida 33569 (813.663.9828) totaltherapy@usa.com (Team Leader is Jennifer Leigh)

Traverse Kids:
TRAVERSE is a program of experiential group therapy which works with an equestrian theme to assist children in the healing process from trauma or loss. Horsemanship provides the context and motivation for group treatment which integrates relationship, developmental, cognitive, behavioral, trauma, and group theory. The program is specifically designed to meet the needs of children who have been physically, sexually, or emotionally abused, or children who have lost family to death or divorce. 11408 Walker Road Thonotosassa, FL 33592 (813.924.0488) http://www.traverseinc.org/

Kid Pro Therapy Services:
Pediatric therapy practice that specializes in the treatment of children with speech, language, sensorimotor disorders, and challenging behavior. We treat children birth through age 21 with a variety of diagnoses including Down Syndrome. 16546 N. Dale Mabry Hwy. Tampa, FL 33618 (813.964.8481) http://www.kidprotherapy.com/

United Cerebral Palsy of Tampa Bay:
The mission of UCP is to guide and assist families and individuals with any disability or other barriers to achieve their full potential, resulting in community inclusion and independence. UCP’s Therapy Services offer evaluation, consultation and treatment services at our Henry Avenue, Sun City, and Tampa Palms locations. Our licensed pediatric therapists offer comprehensive speech, physical, and occupational therapy in a center-based environment for children ranging in age from infancy to adolescence. Children receive one-on-one intervention to address their development needs. Our comprehensive approach is characterized by a focus on the entire family, based on the goals of the client, with measurable outcomes and results.
2215 E. Henry Avenue, Tampa, FL 33610 (813.239.1179; 800.749.5155) www.ucptampa.org

http://www.totaltherapy.biz/
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Northside Mental Health Center Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF):
TANF is an outreach, case management and therapy program. TANF therapy services are provided at no charge contingent on continued eligibility. Live in Hillsborough County, have children in FL, have no insurance and meet financial criteria. Parents of children in the child welfare system in Florida may qualify if they have a case plan / reunification goal.
12512 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., Tampa, FL 33612
(813.644.6311) or (813.644.6382)  www.northsidemh.org

Children's Choice for Therapy, Inc.:
Children's Choice For Therapy, Inc. provides comprehensive pediatric therapy services by experienced and enthusiastic therapists. All of our therapists are specially licensed and trained to provide our children the best and most current therapy programs. In addition to therapy services, Children's Choice For Therapy, Inc. offers comprehensive psychological services including social skills therapy/classes. Services include occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech-language therapy, social skills therapy, comprehensive psychological services, interactive metronome treatment, handwriting groups, therapeutic listening, OT vision training and summer camps. Up to 18 years old.
6924 W. Linebaugh Ave.  Tampa, FL 33625  (813.962.6766 )  http://www.childrenschoicefortherapy.com/

Family Learning solutions, LLC:
Family Learning Solutions, LLC offers counseling and educational consultation services to children, adolescents, adults, and families. We specialize in helping families with special needs, specifically Autism Spectrum Disorders, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, Developmental Delays, and Learning Disabilities. Services include anger management, anxiety disorders, attention problems, autism spectrum, behavioral concerns, depression, homeschooling, learning disabilities, educational interventions, mental health counseling, sibshops, social skills and insurance. 65 3rd Street NW, Suite 201 Winter Haven, FL 33881
(863.293.1744)  http://familylearningsolutions.com/

Lampert's Therapy Group:
At Lambert's Therapy Group we offer Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Behavioral Analysis to children and adults with developmental disabilities in the community. We specialize in the Intensive TheraSuit Method and provide traditional Occupational, Physical, Speech-Language, and Feeding Therapies in our state-of-the-art pediatric clinic located in Largo. 8254 118th Ave. North suite 100 Largo, FL 33773
(727.541.5304)  www.lampertstherapy.com/

Littke & Associates ABA Therapy:
We Provide Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Therapy in the Gulf Coast Region of Florida to individuals with Autism, Developmental Disabilities, or anyone in need, who engage in non-compliance, aggression, self-injurious behavior, verbal aggression, or have limited social or daily living skills. We assist children and adults with learning Social Skills, Anger Control/Coping Skills, Functional Communication Skills, Compliance, and more. We are currently accepting new clients with Florida Medicaid and Florida Medwaiver!
6251 Park Blvd. Pinellas Park, FL 33781  (727.742.8697)  www.littkebehavior.com

Enid Gildar and Associates:
A group of speech language pathologists specializing in disorders of auditory processing, voice, apraxia, feeding, fluency, autism, articulation. Two full time bilingual therapists are on staff. Occupational therapy is also offered. Conditions: ADHD / ADD, Asperger's Syndrome, Autism, Behavioral Difficulties, Cerebral Palsy, Cleft Palate, Craniofacial, Developmental Delays/Disabilities, Down Syndrome, General, Language/Communications Disorders, Learning Disabilities, Social Skills Deficits
3750 Gunn Highway Suite 1-ATampa FL 33618
(813.933.7300)

Supporting Bright Stars:
Early intervention therapy provider for children with special needs. For bilingual services contact Yezenia Gonzalez and Maria de Mora.
708 Pearl Cir Brandon, FL 33510  (813.431.8051)  supporting.bright.stars@gmail.com
Behavioral Consulting specializes in providing quality behavioral services for children with autism and related disorders and typically-developing children who engage in problem behavior. Our programs are based on the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis and are individualized for each child. Our services include behavior assessment and intervention programs, verbal behavior skill acquisition programs, intensive feeding and toilet training programs, school observation and shadowing, parent and teacher training, consultations, and workshops.

(1) 6951 Pistol Range Road, Suite 101 Tampa, Florida 33635 (813.814.2000)
(2) 3717 Turman Loop, Suite 102, Wesley Chapel, FL 33544 (813.345.8584)
http://www.bcotb.com/index.php

Loretta Gallo-Lopez, LMHC:
Loretta has worked with children and adolescents with autism spectrum disorders for over 20 years, utilizing a highly successful developmental play/relationship based approach combined with parent coaching and behavioral supports. Treatment specialization includes: child therapy, play therapy, family therapy, behavior issues, autism spectrum disorder, parent coaching, blended families, trauma related issues, depression/anxiety, panic attacks/phobias, relationship problems, stress management, conflict resolution, and children/adolescents with special needs. 806 West DeLeon Street Tampa, FL 33606 (813.355.7684) www.playandcreativetherapy.com

Autism Early Intervention Clinics:
ABA Therapy for children and adolescents with autism and other developmental disabilities. Use the basic principles and strategies of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) and other strategies associated with problems specific to the fields of speech-language pathology and occupational therapy. 8950 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Street, Suite 170 St. Petersburg, FL 33702 (727.576.7600) www.autismclinics.com

Beth Ingram and Associates:
Community-based private physical, occupational and speech language therapy practice committed to professional assessment and treatment of a wide variety of functional limitations. We not only serve pediatric patients birth-21 years of age but also the adult population.

(1) 1344 W. Fletcher Ave. Tampa, FL 33612 (813.961.1666)
(2) 602 Vonderburg Dr. Suite 200, Brandon, FL 33511 (813.653.1149)
(3) 2111 West Swann Avenue Tampa, FL 33609 (813.251.1618)
(4) 1818 Harden Blvd. Suite 160 Lakeland, FL 33803 (863) 683-4726
(5) 11305 Countryway Blvd. Tampa, FL 33626 (813) 818-0404 http://www.bethingram.com/

Rehab Ideas:
Rehab Ideas was founded by a group of rehabilitation engineers, specialists, and experts in the health care industry, with a mission to apply the latest in technology and engineering to increase the independence of people with disabilities. (813.600.3058) Ext. 113 www.rehabideas.com

Pediatric Therapy Services, Inc.
Physical Therapy: We work on skills such as balance, strength, flexibility, coordination, and large motor skills using a variety of treatments.
Occupational Therapy: This therapy is based on the engagement of meaningful activities in daily life, such as self-care skills, education, a child's work, and social interaction. Occupational therapy helps children achieve independence in all facets of their lives by working on such skills as dexterity, self-care, problem solving, social skills, and fine motor skills.
Speech, Language, & Feeding Therapy: This includes both...
speech (articulation, intonation, rate, and intensity) and language (phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, and pragmatics) in both receptive and expressive language, including reading and writing.

1215 E Orange Street Lakeland, FL 33801 (863.802.3800)
206 Ridgewood Avenue Brandon, FL 33510 (813.662.1060)
www.pediatrictherapytampalakeland.com

Music Sweet Music, Inc.
A non-profit organization that provides special music instruments and music therapy for children with illnesses, diseases and disorders.
1134 S Pasadena Ave Ste. 305
South Pasadena, FL 33707
727.381.9095
www.musicsweetmusic.org

Engage Behavioral Health (Formerly Advanced Behavioral Systems)
Provides individuals with autism and other behavioral challenges with an individualized approach to behavioral therapy. Services provided include clinic-based treatment, in-home treatment, school-based treatment, academic tutoring, social skills groups, and individual behavior plans and verbal behavioral programs. Serving Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco and Pinellas Counties.
6543 Gunn Highway
Tampa, FL 33625
813.374.2070
info@EngageBehavioralHealth.com
www.engagebehavioralhealth.com

Golden Rainbow Ranch
Ages: Up to 18 years
A non-profit organization offering hands-on farm and nature activities for children with special needs in an ideal country environment. The 10 acre farm in Brooksville, FL provides an area for exploration, quiet meditation and educational tours.
14412 Snow Memorial Highway
Brooksville, FL 34601
352.799.5425
www.goldenrainbowranch.org

Superior Therapy Services, Inc.
Superior Therapy Services, Inc. is a family-centered company that provides services to children, teens, and adults utilizing a diverse group of therapists and tutors with a passion for providing quality and individualized care.
Crystal River
315 NE 10th Ave
Crystal River, FL 34429
352.795.7006; 352.795.7008 (Fax)
Brooksville
297 N Broad St
Brooksville, FL 34601
352.796.0069
www.superiortherapyservices.com

Healing Horses; "One Child at a Time" Inc.
Assisting children with special needs or trauma in developing confidence, balance, core strength, coordination, fine and gross motor skills, and social skills through interaction with horses.
28821 Bennington Drive
Wesley Chapel, FL 33544
813.900.6305
healinghorses11@aol.com
www.healinghorsesonechildatatime.com

Loretta Gallo-Lopez, LMHC
With over 20 years of experience with working with children with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), Loretta Gallo-Lopez continues to utilize a highly successful developmental play/relationship based approach combined with parent coaching and behavioral support to enrich the lives of those with ASD. Treatment specialization includes areas such as child therapy, play therapy, family therapy, parent coaching, blended families, behavior issues, ASD, and children/adolescents with special needs.
806 West DeLeon St
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KidPro Therapy Services
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16546 N Dale Mabry Hwy
Tampa, FL 33618
813.964.8481; 813.964.8431 (Fax)
kidprogang@yahoo.com
www.kidprotherapy.com

**Independent Living, Inc.**
Ages: Up to 18 years
Providing learning experiences and therapy for children with special needs to ensure that each child succeeds in the community, at school and at home. Family members and caregivers are included in the planning process of activities and therapeutic goals. The site also provides links to various support groups within the Tampa Bay area.

Citrus Park (Tampa)
6508 Gunn Hwy
Tampa, FL 33625
St. Petersburg
Wittner Centre E
5959 Central Ave Ste 102
St. Petersburg, FL 33710
Wesley Chapel
Summergate Professional Center
27650 Cashford Cir Ste 102
Wesley Chapel, FL 33544
Main Number: 813.963.6923; 813.264.0768 (Fax)
www.independentlivinginc.com

**Bakas Equestrian Center: Horses for Handicapped**
Ages: 4 years and up
A non-profit organization specializing in providing therapeutic horseback riding for children and adults with disabilities.
11510 Whisper Lake Dr.
Tampa, FL 33626
813.264.3890
info@bakasridingcenter.com
www.bakasridingcenter.com

**Central Florida Autism Institute**
Improving the lives of all affected by Autism Spectrum Disorder by focusing on meaningful participation and self-determination in all aspects of life for individuals on the spectrum and their families. The Central Florida Autism Institute promotes informed individual, parental and guardian choice to assure that individuals on the spectrum are treated with dignity and respect. Services include in-center and in-home/school behavior analysis therapy, early intervention, parent training, in-center consultation and academic tutoring.

Mailing Address
5147 S Lakeland Dr. Ste. 3
863.816.5886
terry@cfaii.org
www.cfaii.org

**Recreation**

**Florida Lions Camp**
Ages: 5 years and up
A private, non-profit organization serving as an inclusive camp for children and youth of varying ability levels, and adults with physical and developmental challenges. Florida Lions Camp is considered to be one of the leading inclusive facilities of its type in the United States.

2819 Tiger Lake Rd
Lake Wales, FL 33898
863.696.1948; 863.696.2398 (Fax)
Executive Director: bjcage@hotmail.com
www.lionscampfl.org

**Autism Connection Inc., Therapeutic Camp**
Ages: Up to 17 years
Available as a structured after-school and holiday or summer camp for children with autism and related disabilities. The camp is run by qualified and certified staff including teachers, therapists, and paraprofessionals.

2725 Park St N
St. Petersburg, FL 33710
727.366.0323
Annie Koukoulis: autismconnection09@gmail.com
http://autismconnection09.wix.com/autismconnectioninc#!

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http://autismconnection09.wix.com/autismconnectioninc#!

Camp Bayou Outdoor Learning Center Nature Stations:
Variety of programs exploring nature through hands on activities. Population Served: Pre-K through adult.
4140 24th St SE, Ruskin, FL 33570 (813.641.8545)
www.campbayou.org

Camp Redbird - St. Pete Parks and Recreation:
City of St. Petersburg summer play camp for youth and adults with disabilities. Every day at Camp Redbird has something different to offer. Our staff to camper ratios are typically much smaller than other summer camps and the program provides campers the enhanced structure that they need to be successful. Activities include a variety of games, arts & crafts, sports, exercise, field trips and swimming. Therapeutic recreation and leisure activities are planned to foster each individual’s motor, cognitive and social skills development. Camp Redbird consists of three separate groups for youth (ages 6-11), teens (ages 12-17) and adults (ages 18 and up). 1600 72nd Street N, Azalea Recreation Center St. Petersburg, FL 33710 (727.893.7899) http://www.stpeteparksrec.org/camp-redbird.html

Cedarkirk Christian Camp & Conference Center Hillsborough County (Summer Camp):
Reach Out is a unique experience for adults (18 and older) with developmental disabilities. Campers have the chance to be part of a supportive community while having the time of their lives swimming, creating crafts, singing, and showing off at the talent show. $350 for five days.
1920 Streetman Drive, Lithia, FL 33547-1822
(813.685.4224)
http://www.cedarkirk.org/summer/Reach%20Out.html

Chris Welbon Karate Clubs:
Special Needs Karate Program is a karate program designed to meet the physical, cognitive, social, and emotional needs of it’s participants. Our instructors, through karate, help to instill in our students improved balance and coordination, stamina, strength, breathing techniques, focus and attention, self control, self esteem and social skills. We believe in each student's own expression of karate given his/her limitations yet we encourage each participant to expand his/ her own expectations.
602 South Collins Street Plant City, FL 33563
(813.752.9800) http://www.chriswelbonkarate.com/en

Florida Top Dog Cheerleading All Stars (Top Dog Too Special Needs Cheerleading Team):
Cheerleading squad for children with special health care needs.
1200 Starkey Rd. Ste. 210 Largo, FL 33771
(727.585.7777) http://www.floridatopdog.com/

Freedom Playground:
Our mission is to design and build Tampa’s first universally accessible playground. Stimulating and challenging structures will be installed on accessible surfacing. Traditional play equipment will be integrated with the elements of art, nature and water for children and families of all abilities to share the joy and freedom of play. 1700 N Macdill Ave, Tampa, FL 33607 (813.348.1180)

Hillsborough County Parks & Recreation Department (Camp Sparks):
Hillsborough County Parks, Recreation, and Conservation Department offers a 9 week summer day
camp for children ages 6 - 22 with most types of disabilities. Campers must be able to function in a 1 to 6 staff to client ratio and must not have high medical needs. Registration is limited to Hillsborough County residents unless the camp is not at capacity by June 9th. The cost is $300.00 for the whole summer, payable in two installments, plus the cost of field trips and snacks. Similar after school programs are offered throughout the school year as well. 6105 East Sligh Ave Tampa, FL 33617 (813.744.5978) www.Hillsboroughcounty.org/parks

Little League Challenger Programs for Special Needs Children:
National program, with Little League of America. Provides an opportunity to have success at learning to playing baseball. Adapt the game to suit the kids needs. Informal support group has developed among parents. (570.326.1921)
Bloomingdale: 2215 Bloomingdale Ave Valrico, FL 33596 (813.684.8422) http://www.blflf.com/
East Bay: 13012 Bullfrog Creek Rd, Gibsonton, FL 33534 (813.677.2772)
http://www.leaguelineup.com
New Tampa: 9190 Imperial Oak Blvd. Tampa, FL (813.892.9957)
www.facebook.com/newtampachallengers
North side: 2640 North Lakeview Drive, Tampa, FL (813.974.7415)
Palma Ceia (Ages 5 through 21): 4501 S Himes Ave, Tampa, FL 33611 (813.784.8182) pcll.org
Skyway Little League: 4840 Independence Parkway, Tampa, FL

Golden Rainbow Ranch:
Golden Rainbow Ranch is a non profit organization, offering an ideal country environment for hands-on farm and nature activities. Families, youth groups, school field trips, and people with special needs are welcome to visit this beautiful 10 acre farm in Brooksville, FL. Our main goal is to provide a nature connection for kids who might not otherwise have a chance to visit a farm. Autistic children, developmentally disabled kids, and kids from disadvantaged backgrounds all benefit tremendously from being around farm animals in a peaceful setting. Golden Rainbow Ranch provides a space for exploration, quiet meditation, or an educational tour of the farm. Our non-profit is set up to give these special kids this experience for a suggested donation of only $10.00 per child. 14412 Snow Memorial Highway Brooksville, FL 34601 (352.799.5425) www.goldenrainbowranch.com

LYF, Inc. (Learning Your Function):
LYF will fulfill individuals with disabilities need for life skills attainment, independent choice making and environment specific learning by maximizing a quality of life approach. Between the hours of 8:00am and 3:00pm, Monday through Friday, LYF Inc. will provide supervision, practice daily living skills, community-based instruction and entertainment education for individuals with intellectual disabilities. 26211 County Line Road Wesley Chapel, FL 33544 (813.469.2455) http://www.lyfinc.com/

Creative Clay Cultural Arts Center:
Creative Clay's mission is to make the arts accessible for every interested member of the community regardless of age, gender, ability and/or race. Creative Clay has been providing local artists with developmental, physical and/or emotional disabilities an opportunity to pursue their passion for art making. Our arts programs consist of studio and community based activities. We serve people with developmental, physical and emotional disabilities, as well as people in healthcare settings, children and veterans. 1124 Central Avenue St. Petersburg, FL 33705 (727.825.0515) www.creativeclay.org/

Clearwater Little League, Challenger Division:
A baseball program designed for the needs of children that live with physical or mental disabilities. 1440 Orange Street Clearwater, FL 33756 (813.441.9047) www.eteamz.com/clearwaterlittleleague/

St. Petersburg Association of the Deaf, Inc.:
Non-profit organization in Tampa Bay area that acts in the best interests of the Deaf community by offering Bingo, workshops of interest, entertainment events, hosting fundraisers, and sponsoring events. Its goals are to promote social, cultural, and activities among Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals; promote civic and educational programs on behalf of Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals; and provide appropriate referral services. P.O. Box 8543 Clearwater, FL 33717 (727.483.7689) www.spaddeaf.org
Camp Coast:
Camp COAST (Children on the Autism Spectrum Together) is a YMCA program for children with autism and developmental disabilities. With a cap of just 15 children per session, campers get 1-on-1 supervision in activities such as bowling, sailing, and various field trips. 1005 South Highland Ave. Clearwater, FL 33756 (727.461.9622)
www.ymcasuncoast.org

Art for Autism:
To offer programs and services that can help people diagnosed with Autism lead more fulfilled, independent and happier lives.
500 N Willow Tampa, FL 33606 (877.272.7066)
www.artforautism.org

Autism and Special Needs Friendly Movies at AMC
Movies are offered once a month for people with Autism Spectrum Disorder and other special needs. AMC offers a more accepting and comfortable setting for people with autism and other disabilities. No previews will be shown before the movie and the audience are free to get up, move around, walk, shout, or sing unless the safety of the audience is in question. Parents are able to bring snacks their child prefers.
2496 West Brandon Blvd. Brandon, FL 33511 (813.243.4955)
http://www.amctheatres.com/

Autism Connection Inc., Therapeutic Camp:
A therapeutic integration service that is available as a structured after school and holiday/summer camp program for children with autism and related disabilities. Autism Connection is run by certified teachers, speech and language therapists, occupational therapists and experienced paraprofessionals.
2725 Park Street North St. Petersburg, FL 33710 (727.366.0323)
http://autismconnection09.wix.com/autismconnectioninc#dates-and-fees

Pyramid:
A non-profit organization created to serve individuals with developmental disabilities by seeking new ways to engage the students and to provide an environment in which they can find excitement and meaning. Best known for unique arts program which offers a full range of visual and performing arts, catering to each student’s level of ability and interest. Multiple locations throughout the state. http://www.pyramidinc.org/about.htm
Tampa: 1508 W. Sligh Ave. Tampa, FL 33604 (813.931.3986)

Shriners Hospitals for Children (Tampa No Limits Sports Day):
Shriners Hospitals for Children® – Tampa will co-host the event with the Hillsborough County Parks, Recreation and Conservation department’s Paralympic Sport -Tampa Bay Program. Kids and young adults, ages 6 to 21, with physical disabilities are welcome to take part in this exciting, safe and educational event.
6105 E. Sligh Ave. Tampa, FL (813.975.7142)
http://www.shrinershq.org/Hospitals/News/NoLimits2011?hospital=Tampa

Special Kids Dance and Performing Arts (Dance Classes):
Providing classes in Dance, Music, Art, Drama and Martial Arts to children and young adults with special needs. To enhance the lives of children and young adults with disabilities by giving them every opportunity as their typical peers, improving their health, fitness, coordination, self-confidence and social skills. (727.394.2636)
www.specialkidsdance.org/index.html
Tampa Metro YMCA:
Provides special classes and adaptive movements to allow children and adults of all physical and mental ability to join the activities they provide at multiple locations throughout the Tampa area.
110 E. Oak Ave., Tampa, FL 33602 (813.224.9622) http://www.tampaymca.org

Special Kids Dance and Performing Arts
Special Kids Dance & Performing Arts is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization providing classes in Dance, Music, Art, Drama and Martial Arts to children and young adults with special needs. 5796 Ulmerton Rd. Mariners Cove Clubhouse Clearwater, FL 33760 (727.394.2636)
www.specialkidsdance.org
LaFleur’s Tampa:
LaFleur’s Gymnastics in Tampa, Florida offers gymnastics for boys, girls, tots (pre-school age) and adults. 10205 Anderson Rd. Tampa, FL 33624 (813.264.5000)
http://www.lafleurstampa.com/index.shtml

Tennis For Fun:
Tennis For Fun, a free tennis clinic for athletes with special needs, is a volunteer organization that provides athletes with an opportunity to have fun playing tennis, to learn basic skills and to socialize with other. Our program specializes with athletes of all ages that are intellectually handicapped, especially those with Down Syndrome, but other special needs athletes are also welcome to join the program.
Brandon Sports & Aquatic Center 405 Beverly Boulevard Brandon, Florida 33511
Judy Moore: (813) 685 3923 or (813) 417-3751
Hillsborough Community College 3901 West Tampa Bay Boulevard Tampa, Florida 33614
Anthony Guagliardo (813) 802-9672

Bekas Equestrian Center:
The Bekas Equestrian Center hosts riding lessons for children and adults who have physical and/or mental disabilities. It offers introductory riding lessons, games on horseback, basic to advanced riding skills, competition in Special Olympics and challenge shows, driving with horse and carriage, trail rides and more. It also offers riding to the general public, including scheduled trail rides and birthday parties 11510 Whisper Lake Drive, Tampa. Florida 33626 (813.264.3890)

Adaptive Basketball:
This is for children and adults, ages 10 years and up to come and enjoy playing basketball as well as crafts. Families are welcome to hang out and watch the action or relax in our Coffee House on campus (when open). Janet Atkinson Special Needs Coordinator: (813.240.5218)
jatkinson@ywcf.org.com
17030 Lakeshore Rd., Lutz, Florida 33558

Buddy Baseball of Temple Terrace:
Buddy Baseball is a non-competitive recreational league for boys and girls with special needs in Tampa, FL. Each player is paired with a “Buddy” to assist the player as needed. The league fosters friendships and breaks down barriers. Buddy Baseball is an opportunity like no other for children with special needs. Not only do the players experience the thrill of participating, they also get to experience team play and camaraderie.
Russ Oberbroeckling (813.416.5742) buddybaseball@verizon.net Temple Terrace Recreation Complex softball fields
6700 E. Whiteway Drive Temple Terrace, FL 33617 www.buddybaseball.org/

Respite

Nathaniel’s Hope (Buddy Break Free Respite):
Buddy Break is a FREE respite program designed to give caregivers of kids with special needs (VIP kids) a break from their ongoing care-giving responsibilities for three hours on Friday nights or Saturday mornings (depending on the location). Each VIP kid at Buddy Break is paired up with a Buddy for one-on-one attention as everyone has fun playing games, hearing and seeing great children’s stories, videos, music and more...and the caregivers get a break! Locations in Longwood, Orlando, Tampa, and Winter Park.
2300 Jetport Drive, Orlando, FL 32809 (407.857.8224) www.nathanielshope.org

Buddy Break:
The Special Needs Ministry at Idlewild Baptist Church is dedicated to serving individuals of all ages with disabilities and their families. We recognize the value of each person regardless of their physical or mental disability. We provide a safe, loving, Christ-centered program for the special needs child or adult while parent(s) and siblings attend worship service, Bible Fellowship class or serve in the church.
Idlewild Baptist Church: 18371 Dale Mabry Hwy N, Lutz, FL 33548 Special Needs ministry www.idlewild.org/special-needs (813.264.8773)
Wesley Memorial UMC: 611 Memorial Hwy., Tampa, FL 33615
Buddy Break Coordinator: Julie Preston @ 813-886-2536 or BuddyBreak@idlewild.org & BuddyBreak@gmail.com
Embrace:
Embrace was designed for families who need a break. Our goal is to support you, and to provide a fun, safe place for your children while you have a much deserved morning out. Brother's and Sisters are welcomed at Embrace, and encouraged to stay and participate in our siblings group. Embrace provides fun, safe place for special needs children while parents get a morning out each month. It is designed for children 4 to 17 years of age, and usually meets the second Saturday of each month. The children are paired up with a buddy as they rotate through various fun stations, such as: arts and crafts, bounce houses, manipulative, music and games. Registration is required. vandyke.org/event registration. Gloria Harmon (813.476.1734)
17030 Lakeshore Road, Lutz, FL 33558

Medical
All Children’s Hospital:
Specialty licensed children’s hospital dedicated to advancing treatment, education, research and advocacy in child health. The Pediatric Developmental Medicine Department provides evaluation and management services for children with neuro-developmental and related learning disorders from birth to 15 years of age, including birth defects.
501 6th Avenue South St. Petersburg, FL 33701 (727.898.7451)
http://www.allkids.org

Children's Dentistry:
Practitioner addresses basic care and treats children with special health care needs. 10317B Cross Creek Blvd. Tampa, FL 33647 (813.973.3100)
http://www.drgreg-childrensdentistry.com/specialneeds.html

Children's Medical Services (CMS):
The Children's Medical Services (CMS) program provides children with special health care needs with a family centered, managed system of care. Children with special health care needs are those children under age 21 whose serious or chronic physical, developmental, behavioral or emotional conditions require extensive preventive and maintenance care beyond that required by typically healthy children.

13101 N. Bruce B. Downs Blvd. Tampa, FL 33612 (813.396.9743)
3491 Gandy Blvd. Pinellas Park, FL 33781 (727.217.7800)
200 N. Kentucky Ave. suite 114 Lakeland, FL 33801 (863.413.3580)
http://www.cms-kids.com/home/contact/tampa.html

Early Childhood Council (ECC) FDLRS (ECC/FDLRS Early Childhood Developmental Screening Program):
Children living in Hillsborough County who are birth to 5 years of age are screened in the areas of vision, hearing, speech/ language, cognitive, motor development, and behavior. 4210 W. Bay Villa Ave. Tampa, FL 33611 (813-837-7721) www.ecttampabay.org

Healthy Start Coalition [Help U Grow (HUG)]:
The HUG Program provides screening, parent support, information and referrals to families whose infants are currently in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) or have recently been discharged.
2806 N. Armenia Ave., Suite 100 Tampa, FL 33607 (813.233.2800); Care Coordinator: (813.872.2968)
www.healthystartcoalition.org

Hillsborough County Public Schools Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program Seminole Audiology:
Comprehensive hearing aid checks and hearing evaluations including hearing acuity, middle and inner ear function. Fitting and monitoring FM equipment for eligible Hillsborough County Public School students. Consultations with parents and school personnel regarding hearing needs.
1) Audiology @ Colson Elementary 1520 Lakeview Ave. Seffner
2) Audiology @ Doby Elementary 6720 Covington Garden Drive, Apollo Beach
3) Audiology @ Seminole Elementary 6201 Central Ave. Tampa
   (813.276.5561) for appointments only
www.sdhc.k12.fl.org

University of South Florida Department of Communications Sciences and Disorders Bolesla:
Teaching listening and spoken language to children who are hearing impaired. Population Served: Infants through adults
who are deaf or hard of hearing.
4202 E. Fowler Ave. PCD 101, Tampa, FL 33602
(813.974.5733)
http://bolest.ca.cbs.usf.edu/

University of South Florida Department of Communications Sciences and Disorders Speech-Language Hearing Center:
Clients of all ages receive services at USF-SLHC, including, but not limited to: Children in pre-school and school-age programs; children and adults in fluency, voice, aphasia, TBI, cranio-facial and other syndromes, audiology, cochlear implant evaluation and treatment, auditory processing, aural rehabilitation treatment, auditory neuropathy and dysynchrony, hearing aid evaluation and dispensing. Our clinic also provides accent reduction for working adults and college students.
4202 E. Fowler Ave. PCD 1017, Tampa, FL 33602
(813.974.9844) http://csd.cbs.usf.edu/

Muscular Dystrophy Association:
MDA is the nonprofit health agency dedicated to curing muscular dystrophy, ALS and related diseases by funding worldwide research. The Association also provides comprehensive health care and support services, advocacy and education. Comprehensive services program includes diagnostic and follow-up medical consultations, flu shots, support groups, MDA summer camps for youngsters, a national medical equipment program, assistance with equipment repairs and modifications, and resource referrals.
Monroe Building 9720 Executive Center Drive North # 110
St. Petersburg, FL 33702 (727.577.1700) http://mda.org/locate/state/fl

Hillsborough County (Florida KidCare Outreach Project):
The goal of the Hillsborough County Florida KidCare Outreach Project is to change the number of children under 19 without health insurance and increase enrollment in Florida KidCare. 1401 E. Fowler Ave. Tampa, FL 33612
(1.888.540.5437) www.healthykids.org

Hillsborough County Public Schools (FDLRS Child Find):
Child Find is responsible for providing information, awareness, outreach, and evaluation activities to help identify preschool-age children who have or are at risk for disabilities.
4210 W. Bay Villa Ave. Tampa, FL 33611 (813.837.7777)
http://fdlrs.mysdhc.org

Prevent Blindness Florida Vision Screening:
Prevent Blindness collaborates with the Florida Department of Health and other partners to provide vision screenings and assistance to adults and children in need. Serves under insured and uninsured. Kids are free.
1112 E. Kennedy Blvd. Tampa, FL 33602 (813.874.2020) Ext.108

Shriners Hospitals for Children (Tampa Orthopedic Services):
Expert orthopedic care provided at no charge to the family; is delivered in multiple settings including outpatient clinic, surgery, specialty care and inpatient units. 12502 USF Pine Dr. Tampa, FL 33612 (813.972.2250) Ext. 7214
www.shrinershq.org/hospitals/tampa

St. Joseph’s Children’s Hospital of Tampa:
Children’s Hospital committed to providing everything needed for the health and well-being of children. St. Joseph’s Children’s Hospital is best described as an innovative, family-centered hospital known for its high-tech medical care in a child-friendly environment. 3001 W. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Tampa, FL 33607 (813.554.8500) www.sjbhealth.org/

Tampa General Hospital:
The Fetal Care Center team includes highly skilled and caring professionals who provide specialized care for mothers whose pregnancies are complicated by illness or fetal abnormality. We see patients at Tampa General Hospital (TGH), University of South Florida (USF) Health South Tampa Center, and USF Children’s Medical Services.
1 Tampa General Circle Davis Islands Tampa, FL 33606 Fax: (813.259.0839)
http://health.usf.edu/medicine/obgyn/fetalmd/index.htm
http://fetalmd.hsc.usf.edu

Pediatric Epilepsy and Neurology Specialists (PENS):
Pediatric neurologists are specialists of the brain, spinal cord, peripheral nerves, and muscles. This specialty consists of training in pediatrics followed by neurology with an emphasis in child neurology. At PENS, we provide evaluation and treatment for most types of neurological disorders including seizures, headaches, ADHD, autism, and cerebral palsy.

508 South Habana Avenue Tampa, FL 33609
(813.873.7367)  http://www.pensoftampabay.com/

**Mental Health**

**Florida’s Positive Behavior Support Project:**
This project is designed to support teachers, administrators, related services personnel, family members, and outside agency personnel in building district-wide capacity to address challenging behavior exhibited by students in regular and special education programs. 13301 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., Tampa, FL 33612-3899 (813.974.6440)
www.flpbs.fmhi.usf.edu

**Mental Health Care Inc. (Behavioral Health Network):**
Work in collaboration with Children’s Medical Service under Title XIX (Kid Care) to provide behavioral health services to children with identified mental health diagnoses. Services include but are not limited to therapy, behavioral management, therapeutic behavioral onsite support services, targeted case management, psychiatric services, medication management and alternative services. Children ages 5-18.
5800 N Nebraska Ave Tampa, FL 33604 (813.239.8222)
www.mhcinc.org

**Families of Kids with Mood and Anxiety Disorders, Inc.:**
Supports child and teen mental health by empowering West Central Florida families through increased community awareness and stigma reduction programs. We passionately strive to involve the whole community in education, care and support programs to reduce stigma and increase self-confidence so all youth may openly be accepted and understood for who they are.
www.familiesofkids.org

**Mental Health Care Inc. (MHCB Program):**
Like Skills & In-home Mentoring Services. Birth to 18 years old.
5800 N Nebraska Avenue Tampa, FL 33604 (813.239.8205)
www.mhcinc.org

**Federation of Families for Children’s Mental Health of Hillsborough County, Inc. (Bilingual):**
Families at risk with one or more children birth to eight (8) years old that are in need of family strengthening, support and/or mentoring due to many factors. Faith Based Community Providers will provide long-term support families as needs are identified through a family wellness plan.
Larry English, Executive Director . 7402 North 56th Street, Bldg. 800
Suite 880 Tampa, FL 33617 (813-220-9258)
http://www.federationoffamilies.org/contactjoin.html

**USF Autism Clinic:**
The Autism Spectrum Assessment and Treatment Center, housed within the Silver Child Development Center on the USF Tampa campus, is dedicated to providing trans disciplinary care to children with autism and their families. In addition, as a University based center, there is a strong commitment to researching the assessment and treatment of autism. The Autism Center staff is comprised of clinicians and scientists from several disciplines, including Clinical Psychology, Psychiatry, School Psychology, and Speech and Language. 3515 E. Fletcher Ave. Tampa, FL 33613  (813)974-8900
http://www.health.usf.edu/medicine/psychiatry/autism_clinic/index.htm

**Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute at USF Center for Autism & Related Disabilities (CARD):**
The Center for Autism & Related Disabilities (CARD) at the University of South Florida (USF) is a community-based project that provides information and consultation to individuals diagnosed with autism spectrum disorders and related disabilities. CARD serves children and adults of all levels of intellectual functioning who have autism spectrum disorder
13301 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., MHC 2113A Tampa, FL 33612-3899
(813) 974-2532 http://card-usf.fmhi.usf.edu
Behavioral Consulting of Tampa Bay:  
Develops and implements skill acquisition and/or behavior reduction programs for children with autism or similar disorders as well as children who engage in disruptive behavior.  
6951 Pistol Range Road, Suite 101  (813) 814-2000  
3717 Turman Loop Wesley Chapel, FL 33544  (813)345-8584  
9225 Bay Plaza Blvd. Tampa, FL 33619  (813)440-4933  
Tampa, Florida 33635 http://www.bcotb.com/links.html

Mental Health Care, Inc. / Grace point; Family and School Support Team (FASST):  
Family and School Support Team (FASST) a program of Mental Health Care, Inc. (MHC) continues its 21-year commitment to supporting children and families. FASST, a strength based early intervention case management program, supports the individualized treatment of behavioral health and social emotional challenges of children and promotes wellness. FASST can provide assessments for behavioral health concerns, counseling / therapy (in home if a child qualifies) and direct access to psychiatric services.  
2905 East Henry Ave., Tampa, FL 33610  
(813.239.8254) (Lisa) OR (813.239.8310) (Pamela)  
Web Site: www.fasstonline.com

Susan Sorensen Counseling & Coaching:  
Susan Sorensen works with children individually and group settings dealing with issues such as anger management, poor personal skills, and low self-esteem, and with diagnosis such as bipolar disorder, depression, aspergers, autism, oppositional defiant disorder and ADD/ADHD. When appropriate I offer a sliding fee scale based on income. Please inquire about these rates when you first call for a consultation. My rates for group therapy are often reflective of the copays required by insurance companies for individual counseling.  
13801 N. Florida Avenue Tampa, FL 33613  
(269.277.3498)  
www.unchartedliving.com

The House of Mercy & Encouragement Foundation:  
HOME provides play therapy, family counseling, marriage counseling, behavior management, mental health workshops and assessments, referral networking to parents, neurofeedback, educational support and tutoring. We serve children 2 years old through adolescence. HOME provides services for children with the following identified conditions: Attention Deficit Disorder, General Anxiety Disorder, Adjustment Disorder, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, Clinical Depression, Reactive Attachment Disorder, Bipolar Mood Disorder as well as children who are grieving the loss of a loved one through death or divorce.  
557 Park Street Dunedin, FL 34698  
(727.786.7951)  
http://www.houseofmercy-fl.org/

Personal Enrichment Through Mental Health Services (PEMHS):  
PEMHS is a private, non-profit behavioral health care organization located in Pinellas County, Florida. Programs include a 24-hour suicide hotline, emergency screening and crisis intervention services, inpatient services for adults and children, residential services for children and community based programs.  
11254 58th Street North Pinellas Park, FL 33782  
(727.545.6477) http://www.pemhs.org/

MTS Health Services, LLC.:  
Services include applied behavior analysis, parent training, classroom consultation, mental health services, clinical review and staff development. MTS Health Services specializes in providing in home and community based behavior analysis and mental health services throughout central Florida. MTS Health Services provides an extensive array of behavioral support services, consultation, therapeutic treatment, clinical assessment and review  
4511 North Himes Ave suite 200 Tampa, FL 33614  
(877.698.4681) www.mtshealthservices.com/  
Home_Page.html

Oasis Counseling:  
Their mission is to enrich and empower the families that they serve and to inspire youths to make positive decisions that will help them develop into productive citizens.  
713 West Lumsden Road, Brandon, FL 33511  
(813-685-6700 ) www.myoasiscounseling.com
**Success 4 Kids & Families (S4KF) (THINKKids):**
THINKKids is a comprehensive case management program for children with emotional, behavioral, and/or mental health needs, and at-risk youth. We provide “wraparound” support that brings services to the child and family to meet their needs. 1311 N. Westshore Blvd., Suite 302, Tampa, FL 33607 (813.490.5494) Ext. 210 www.s4kf.org

**Other**

**21st Century Financial, Inc. (Financial Advisor):**
Does not charge any fees for meeting with a family or developing a financial plan, paid on a strictly commission basis. Also a financial provider for the Hillsborough County Children’s Board ASO.
600 North Westshore Blvd., Suite 200 Tampa, FL 33609-1117
John Disselkoen (813.281.9200)

**Caregiver Advocacy Program (Bay Area Legal Services):**
Provides legal services to relative caregivers of minor children at no charge.
829 W. Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd., Ste 200, Tampa, FL 33603 (813.232.1222 ) Ext. 137 Laura Ankenbruck (lankenbruck@bals.org); Heather Tager (htager@bals.org)

**Home Safe (Home Safety):**
Making life accessible. We cover all of Florida. Whether you are looking for an addition to a pre-existing home, cabinet installation, putting in a new floor or making a home handicap accessible. Specializing in: Barrier-free bathrooms, accessible kitchens, wheelchair lifts, shower chairs, ceiling lifts, grab bars, and ramps. We accept the Home & Community Based Services Waiver (Big Waiver) and the FL Supported Living Waiver (Little Waiver.)
Licensed contractor: QB20996 / CGC0576785914
Jet Port Industrial Blvd. Tampa, FL 33624 (813.890.8809); (877.854.8897) http://home-safe.org/

**MacDonald Training Center, Inc. (Employment Services):**
Provide job development, placement, and training services to adults with disabilities. 5420 West Cypress St. Tampa, FL 33607 (813.870.1300) www.macdonaldcenter.org

**Medicaid Waiver Program ("MedWaiver"):**
Individualized services funded by the MedWaiver Program include day activities such as supported employment, adult day training, companion and non-residential supports and services and extend to residential services that include specialized medical or behavioral services. All services must be medically necessary and meet conditions established by the Agency for Health Care Administration.1313 N. Tampa St., Suite 515 Tampa, FL 33602 (813.233.4318) www.apd.myflorida.com

**Success 4 Kids & Families (S4KF) (Healthy Start Program):**
The Healthy Start Program provides home-based services to expectant and new mothers in order to reduce the incidence of low birth weight and to improve health and developmental outcomes for babies. Families are taught about health issues related to pregnancy and infant development.
3108 W. Azeele St. Tampa, FL 33609 (813. 673.4646) Ext. 291 www.childabusecouncil.com

**Medicaid HMO:**
Provides assistance in the community with educational materials and assistance in health fairs, baby showers, school activities and program, planned community events and much more. Serves: Medicaid in Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Osceola and Seminole Counties.
3350 Buschwood Park Drive, Ste. 245, Tampa, FL 33618 (813.753.8204) www.molinahealthcare.com

**Boley Centers:**
Boley Centers, Inc., is a private, not-for-profit organization serving individuals with mental disabilities, the homeless and the youth. With 42 housing and service center locations...
scattered throughout Pinellas County, the Organization provides a wide variety of treatment, recovery and vocational services; a network of living opportunities in community residences and apartments; and a large staff of people dedicated to improving the lives of individuals with disabilities.

445 31st Street North  St. Petersburg, FL 33713
(727.821.4819)  http://www.boleycenters.org/

Special Kids Academy of Arts:
Special Kids Academy is a Private School for High Functioning Physically & Intellectually Challenged Children, Grades 1 -12. Offering a computer based curriculum designed for the student's level and pace. Laptops are provided for each student. Classes in ballet and modern dance, drama, art and music therapy. A daily living skills class with weekly hands on opportunities and an adapted PE program. 8505 113th Street Lake Seminole Presbyterian Church Seminole, FL 33772 (727.394.2636)
www.specialkidsacademy.org

Wheelchairs 4 kids, Inc.:
Provides wheelchairs, small home and vehicle modifications as well as other assistive devices for children up to the age of 21. Although our name may be Wheelchairs 4 Kids, our plan involves so much more than providing wheelchairs for America's disabled children. Our goal is to give every child with mobility challenges the best opportunity to live life at its' fullest. To give them full access, if you will! 1976 S. Pinellas Ave  Tarpon Springs, FL 34689 (727.946.0963)
http://wheelchairs4kids.org/

Anencephaly

Information and Support

Suncoast Stepping Stones Perinatal Loss Program
Provides comforting counseling and support to parents and families experiencing pregnancy loss, perinatal loss or death of a baby shortly after birth.
727.467.7423
www.thehospice.org/Infant-Loss

The Mending Tree
Providing compassionate and caring support to expectant parents and their family members who are facing a terminal or life-limiting prenatal diagnosis. Available only in Hillsborough County.
813.357.5657
www.chaptershealth.org/Services/Grief-Services

AMEND
A Tampa-based organization providing moral support and comfort for parents and families who have experienced the loss of an infant during or after pregnancy. The in-person support group meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 8pm to 10:30pm. Location and directions provided by Karen M. Frazier.
Karen M. Frazier: 813.631.9519
director@amend-fla.org
www.amend-fla.org

Life Impact Network: Perinatal Comfort Care of Tampa
Providing support, comfort and guidance for parents expecting a baby with a fatal diagnosis that will result in either preborn or newborn death. The program and support offered comes at no charge to the family.
Life Impact Network
14492 University Cove Place
Tampa, FL 33613
813.498.0474; 813.931.1693 (Fax)
Kathy DeSanto: kdesanto@awpm.net
comfortcaretampa.com

Congenital Heart Defects

Advocacy

The Children's Heart Foundation: Florida Chapter
The Florida chapter of The Children's Heart Foundation aims to raise money through fundraisers and events in an effort to promote research on congenital heart defects.
PO Box 1164
Oldsmar, FL 34677
727.772.7699
chfl@childrensheartfoundation.org
http://florida.childrensheartfoundation.org/

Medical

St. Joseph’s Children’s Hospital
Ages: Up to 21 years
Pediatric cardiac specialists working to treat and improve the lives of children with congenital heart defects.

St. Joseph's Children's Heart Center
813.870.4135
Gary S. Haas, MD, Pediatric Cardiac Intensive Care Unit (PCICU)
2nd Floor, St. Joseph's Children's Heart Center
813.870.4040
Pediatric Cardiac Surgery
Healthline Office Building, St. Joseph's Hospital
3003 W Martin Luther King Blvd
Tampa, FL 33607
813.554.8343; 813.554.8345 (Fax)
Pediatric Cardiology Associates
1st Floor, St. Joseph’s Children's Heart Center
813.554.8701; 813.870.4911 (Fax)
Health Centers of Excellence - Pediatric Division
Tampa Medical Tower
2727 W Martin Luther King Blvd Ste. 818
Tampa, FL 33607
813.874.1667

All Children’s Hospital: Congenital Heart Defects
Ages: Up to 21 years
All Children's Hospital's website offers a brief synopsis of various forms of congenital heart defects. Moreover, parents and family members can select from a variety of physicians specializing in pediatric cardiology.
501 Sixth Ave S
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
800.456.4543; 727.898.7451
http://www.allkids.org/body.cfm?id=1905&action=detail&ref=20039

Tetralogy of Fallot
Information and Support
All Children’s Hospital: Tetralogy of Fallot
Ages: Up to 21 years
An informative guide to the types, symptoms and treatments of tetralogy of fallot for parents.
501 Sixth Ave S
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

Down Syndrome
Information and Support
Down Syndrome Association of Polk County
A non-profit organization that offers hope, encouragement and acceptance through advocacy, education and awareness for individuals with Down syndrome and their families.
PO Box 10
Lake Alfred, FL 33850
Karyn Spencer: karyn@dsapolk.org
863.701.5136
Tracy Garcia: tracy@dsapolk.org
863.651.2011

Down Syndrome Network of Tampa Bay, Inc.
A proactive and dynamic support group for all individuals with Down syndrome and their families.
PO Box 523
Largo, FL 33779
727.462.2274
upwithdownsofpinellas@yahoo.com
www.downsyndromenetworkofpinellas.com

Manasota BUDS: Bringing Up Down Syndrome
Providing families with a neutral and supportive forum for sharing and networking while promoting acceptance and understanding of Down syndrome.
8374 Market St Box 113
Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202
941.907.0499
info@manasotabuds.org
www.manasotabuds.org

Alliance 21 of Tampa Bay (Down Syndrome & Special Needs support group):
Provide people with special needs along with their families, opportunities to enhance their lives through networking,
Resources in West Central Florida (Tampa Bay)

programs, family support and community involvement. (727.432.0061)
AllianceTwentyOne@gmail.com; http://www.facebook.com/Alliance21

Child Abuse Council (UPSide):
A weekly playgroup for children with Down Syndrome birth to age 4.
3106 W. Azeele St. Tampa, FL 33609 (813.356.1293) Ext. 247
www.childabusecouncil.com

Down Syndrome Social Club:

F.R.I.E.N.D.S. (Families Raising, Inspiring, Educating, & Nurturing Down Syndrome):
FRIENDS is a Down syndrome family support group serving the Tampa/Brandon area. They have a Facebook Group where parents can post questions to get advice anytime of day from other parents. Monthly meetings 1st Friday of each month (6:45pm—8:45pm) at the Impact Academy, 1301 S. Parsons Ave, Seffner, Fl. 33583 (813.245.2782)
http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/102196983607/; 
www.friendssupport.org

Down Syndrome Association of Polk County:
The Down Syndrome Association of Polk County is a not-for-profit association, founded in 2006, by parents of children with Down syndrome. It has grown from a few families to almost 100 individuals, families and supporters. We are governed by a volunteer board of directors and do our best to serve families here in Polk County that are touched by Down syndrome. We offer hope, encouragement and acceptance through advocacy, education and awareness so that each may realize their potential as members of our community.
PO Box 10 Lake Alfred, FL 33850 (863.701.5136) http://www.dsapolk.org/

Down Syndrome Network Of Tampa Bay:
Our mission is to be a proactive, dynamic support group to all people who have Down syndrome and their families. We are a non-profit organization and an affiliate of both the National Down Syndrome Society & National Down Syndrome Congress. PO Box 523 Largo, FL 33779 (813.251.1392) 
(727.462.2274) http://www.downsyndromenetworkofpinellas.com/

Education
Family Network on Disabilities (FND) Manasota, Inc.
A non-profit organization empowering families of children with disabilities in Manatee and Sarasota counties through education, advocacy and caregiver support.
PO Box 110025
Bradenton, FL 34211
Mary Smith: 941.928.0682
www.fndmanasota.org

The Monarch School
Ages: Up to 18 years
The Monarch School was established to enrich the educational experiences of students with Autism and related disorders.
1736 New Jersey Rd
Lakeland, FL 33803
863.680.1290; 863.680.1296 (Fax)
www.themonarchschool.org

Recreation
Down Syndrome Social Club
A support group designed for families and friends of children with Down syndrome to socialize, enjoy fun activities and share great ideas. The club hosts informal meet-ups to include children of all ages and their siblings.

Buddy Cruise Inc.:
Buddy Cruise Inc. provides education and promotes public awareness of Down syndrome by arranging and conducting special events, namely cruises.
PO Box 162 Lithia, FL 33547
(1.877.239.2789) http://buddycruise.org/home.aspx

Gastroschisis
## Resources in West Central Florida (Tampa Bay)

### Medical

**St. Joseph’s (Women’s Hospital):**
Maternity and NICU services available for Gastroschisis diagnosis and repair surgery.  
3030 West Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd. Tampa, FL 33607 (813.879.4730)

**Tampa General Hospital [Children’s Medical Center (CMC)]:**
Our dedicated team of healthcare professionals is committed to caring for children and provides a comprehensive range of medical, surgical and rehabilitative services for infants, children and adolescents.  
1 Tampa General Circle Tampa, FL 33606  
(813.844.7000)  
http://www.tgh.org/CMCcare.htm

### Limb Reduction Medical

**Advanced Orthopedics & Prosthetics:**
Provides prosthetics, braces, and orthopedic services.  
Require a referral from the doctor. 5402 Crafts St. New Port Richey, FL 34652  
Main Phone: (727.849.5462); Fax: (727.849.9438)  

**Orthotic & Prosthetic Centers - Tampa:**
Provides prosthetics.  
4302 N Habana Ave, Suite 200 Tampa, FL 33607  
Main Phone: (813.877.3332); Fax: (813.877.6118)  
http://www.op-centers.com/index.htm

**Shriners Hospitals for Children:**
Orthopedics department has a large full-time staff of pediatric orthopedic surgeons able to treat children with a variety of limb reductions. Services are free of charge. 12502 USF Pine Dr., Tampa, FL 33612-9411  
Main Phone: (813.972.2250; Fax: (813.975.7125)

### West coast Brace & Limb:
Provides external prosthetic appliances (EPA) or external substitutes and replacements for human body parts.  
(1) North Tampa 5311 E. Fletcher Ave. Tampa, FL 33617 (813.985.5000)  
(2) West Tampa 2727 W Dr.M.L.King Jr. Blvd., Suite 690 Tampa, FL 33607 (813.354.0100)  
(3) Brandon 620 Oakfield Dr Brandon, FL 33511 (813.684.5525)  
Toll free: (888.552.2555)

### Orofacial Clefts

**Information and Support**

**Florida Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association, Inc.:**
Offers assistance in matching families and professionals with centers closest to their community and assistance with scheduling specialists from various craniofacial centers  
Tampa/St. Petersburg Craniofacial Center  
13101 N. Bruce B. Downs Boulevard Tampa, FL 33612  
Heather Sabella, RN Phone: (813.396.9711) or (866.300.6878)  
Taryl Crisp, RN (727.893.2775) Ext.156  
http://www.floridacleft.org/index.html

**Medical**

**Michael C. Gallant, MD**
Ages: Up to 18 months (reparative surgery)  
Dr. Gallant is a pediatric plastic surgeon with 30 years of experience and the founder of the cleft palate program at All Children’s Hospital.  
601 5th St S  
3rd Flr. Dept. 70-7895  
St. Petersburg, FL 33701  
727.767.4920; 727.767.4923 (Fax)  
http://www.allkids.org/body.cfm?
### Ernesto J. Ruas, MD

**Ages**: Up to 18 months (reparative surgery)

Dr. Ruas is a pediatric plastic surgeon and a member of All Children’s Specialty Physicians.

603 S Blvd
Tampa, FL 33606
813.259.1550; 813.258.1287 (Fax)
http://www.allkids.org/body.cfm?id=720&action=detail&ref=169

### Craniofacial Orthodontics

Combining multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary treatment of patients with craniofacial congenital anomalies such as cleft lip and palate. The site also has additional craniofacial resources for individuals and families.

11908 Sheldon Rd
Tampa, FL 33626
813.920.1935
info@durrettorthodontics.com
http://www.durrettorthodontics.com/craniofacial-orthodontics

### Pedro M. Soler, MD

**Ages**: Up to 18 months (reparative surgery)

Dr. Soler is a pediatric surgeon who performs cleft lip and palate repairs.

4144 N Armenia Ave, Ste. 250
Tampa, FL 33607
813.878.9889; 813.872.9560 (Fax)

### St. Joseph’s Children’s Hospital: Physician Specialty Center

**Ages**: Up to 21 years

The Cleft & Craniofacial Center offers family-centered outpatient care for children.

3001 W Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
Tampa, FL 33607
813.870.4899
www.sjbhealth.org/body_childrens.cfm?id=672

### Dentofacial & Cosmetic Surgery Institute

**Ages**: All

A team of physicians specializing in dentofacial and cosmetic surgery, including cleft lip and cleft palate repair.

**Spring Hill Office**

32 Seven Hills Dr
Spring Hill, FL 34609
352.688.4556; 352.688.6238 (Fax)

**Lecanto Office**

591 N Lecanto Hwy
Lecanto, FL 34461
352.527.8000; 352.527.8087 (Fax)

### Todd J. Reuter, DMD, MD: Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery

**Ages**: All

Dr. Todd Reuter, an active member on the Sarasota Cleft Lip and Palate Team, offers reparative surgical procedures for congenital orofacial clefts in Sarasota.

3300 S Tamiami Trl Ste. 7
Sarasota, FL 34239
941.365.3388; 941.954.0521
http://sarasotaoms.com/default.aspx

### Scott Orthodontic Associates

Dr. Scott and his team offer individuals with congenital cleft palate specifically designed orthodontic equipment, such as the rapid palatal expander, to better their dental health.

5110 S Lakeland Dr.
Lakeland, FL 33813
863.709.1941; 863.709.8091 (Fax)
Scheduling: peggy@lakelandorthodontics.com
Financial Questions: sharon@lakelandorthodontics.com
Insurance Questions: michelle@lakelandorthodontics.com
http://www.lakelandorthodontics.com/

### Children’s Craniofacial Association (Local Provider):

List of craniofacial plastic reconstructive surgeons who are members of the International Society of Craniomaxillofacial Surgeons.

205 W. Martin Luther K Jr. Ave. Tampa, FL 33603-3301
DeDomenico Orthodontics:
Welcome children needing braces after cleft lip/cleft palate surgery.
6336 Fort King Rd. Zephyrhills, FL 33542 (813.788.7595)
18926 N. Dale Mabry, Suite 102 Lutz, FL 33548 (813.949.6664)
11012 North Dale Mabry Highway Tampa, FL 33618 (813.961.1313)
8734 N. Mobley Rd. Odessa, FL, 33556 (813.920.6333)
650 W. Jefferson St. Brooksville, FL 34601 (352.796.9911)
humanitarianfoundationgrottoesofnorthamerica.org

Tampa Bay Prosthodontics (Frederick S. Muenchinger, DDS, MS):
Practitioner addresses and corrects problems in dentistry resulting from cleft palate. 3450 E. Fletcher Ave, Suite 320 Tampa, FL 33613 (813.972.2551) humanitarianfoundationgrottoesofnorthamerica.org

Rushing Orthodontics:
Provides orthodontic care after corrective surgery, Dr. Rushing is also an orthodontic consultant for the Cleft and Craniofacial Team at St. Joseph’s Hospital. She also maintains a private practice.
13301 North Dale Mabry Hwy., Suite G Tampa, FL 33618 (813.962.3333)
11012 N. Dale Mabry Highway Tampa, FL 33616 (813.968.2483)
3739 Neptune Street Tampa, FL 33629 (813.254.8005)
http://www.rushingortho.com

Shriners Hospitals for Children (Cleft lip/palate clinic):
Patients with cleft lip/palate are treated by a multidisciplinary group of experts who work together to improve the child’s ability to eat, communicate, breathe and even feel good about their looks.
12502 USF Pine Dr. Tampa, FL 33612-9411 (800.237.5055)

St Joseph's Craniofacial Center:
Cleft Lip and Cleft Palate Craniofacial team located in Hillsborough County. Patient Age Range: 0-21. 3001 W Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd (Medical Arts Building) Tampa, FL 33607
Pat Ricalde, DDS, MD (813.870.4565) ricalde@verizon.net
http://www.sjbhealth.org/

Spina Bifida
Information and Support
**Medical**

**Shriner's Hospital for Children - Tampa**
Ages: Up to 18 years
Pediatric clinic specializing in treating children with spina bifida.
Spina Bifida Clinic
12502 N Pine Dr
Tampa, FL 33612
813.975.7137
http://www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/Hospitals/Locations/Tampa.aspx

**All Children's Hospital: Spina Bifida Clinic**
Ages: Up to 18 years
Pediatric clinic specializing in treating children with Spina Bifida.
957 4th St South
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
727.893.2775
www.allkids.org

**Advocate Medical Services, Inc.:**
A vendor which provides bowel and bladder care products.
Offers national shipment and deals with Medicare and Medicaid.
1202 Tech Blvd. #105 Tampa, FL 33619

Main Phone: (813.622.6459); En Español: (877.968.7260);
Advocacy

My Child Wins
Ages: Up to 18 years
Advocates for appropriate and effective education for children with special needs within Florida's public school system. My Child Wins provides concerned parents with a professionally prepared Educational Needs Assessment based on the child’s educational records and an interview with the parents.
Jamison Jessup, Inc.
557 Noremac Ave
Deltona, FL 32738
800.742.6390; 386.628.0295
www.mychildwins.com

Education

Passport School, Inc.
Ages: 4 to 13 years
Providing instruction to students based on the individual needs of each child in an inclusive environment. Children with special needs and disabilities are educated alongside their non-disabled peers.
5221 Curry Ford Rd
Orlando, FL 32812
407.658.9900; 407.658.9911 (Fax)
info@passportcharter.org
www.passportcharter.org

Princeton House Charter School
Ages: PK to 5th grade
Providing education to children with autism of all severity levels, from Asperger’s Syndrome to severe disabling autism.
1166 Lee Rd
Orlando, FL 32810
info@princeton-house.org
407.523.7121; 407.523.7187 (Fax)
www.princeton-house.org

Our Children’s Academy
Ages: Up to 16 years
A non-profit organization serving as a place for children with special needs to learn and develop communication skills, social skills, academic/technical skills and self-confidence in a safe and nurturing environment. The Academy is free for families to attend. Early morning and after-care provided for a small fee.

Winter Haven
150 Ave B SE
Winter Haven, FL 33880
863.294.1429

Lake Wales
555 Burns Ave
Lake Wales, FL 33853
863.679.3338

Lake Wales Middle Academy
16th 3rd St N
Lake Wales, FL 33835
863.679.7500
Executive Director: Sharon.McManus@ourchildrens.org
ourchildrens.org

Information and Support

University of Central Florida (UCF):
Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD)
Provides support to families of children with autism and other related disabilities in the Central FL area: Brevard, Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Sumter, and Volusia Counties.
407.823.6011; 407.823.602 (FAX); 800.9.AUTISM
http://www.ucf-card.org/

Exceptional Parents Place
Ages: 18+ years
A support group dedicated specifically for parents of children with special needs. Exceptional Parents Place gives parents the opportunity to relieve their stress and encourage each other in raising a child with special needs.
9222 Leswood St
Orlando, FL 32825
352.575.0066
Linda James Bennett: info@LindaJamesBennett.com

PEACE: Parental Education & Encouragement for Autism in Children Everywhere
Ages: 2 to 17 years
**Educating, empowering and providing a positive and supportive environment for families of children with Autism Spectrum Disorders.**
863.686.1221 Ext 228  
nikki73170@aol.com  
www.peacelakeland.com

**March of Dimes:**  
Nonprofit organization that works to improve the health of mothers and their babies. March of Dimes works to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature births, and infant mortality.  
1275 Mamaroneck Avenue White Plains, NY 10605  
(914.997.4488)  
Florida Chapter: Address: 341 N. Maitland Avenue, Suite 115, Maitland, FL, 32751  
Phone: (407.599.5077) Fax: (407.647.9636)

**Bright Feats:**  
Bright Feats directory is a list of medical providers and commercial businesses that is helpful to families with children of ranging abilities. We bring to this directory our own expertise as a nurse and a teacher who are both parents of special needs children. Bright Feats is a full color publication distributed quarterly.  
www.tampa.brightfeats.com/default.htm  
(407. 620.9355)  
321 Montgomery Rd. #161602 Altamonte Springs, FL 32716

**Bright Feats Directory**  
Ages: All  
Owned and operated by Simple Life Connections, LLC., Bright Feats provides information about local community services, offers support to families and helps businesses covey what they have to offer the special needs community.  
321 Montgomery Rd #161602  
Altamonte Springs, FL 32716  
Rori Becker: 407.620.9355  
Rori@BrightFeats.com  
www.brightfeats.com

**Birth Defect Research for Children, Inc.:**  
Parent matching - with parents within the country as best as possible to match parents together with similar defects and disabilities.  
976 Lake Baldwin Lane, Suite 104, Orlando FL 32814  
http://www.birthdefects.org/

**Medical**

**Threshold: Center for Autism**  
Ages: 3 years and up  
Serving as a medical, dental and behavioral home that guides and provides family-centered care for children and adults with autism and related developmental disabilities.  
3550 N Goldenrod Rd  
Winer Park, FL 32792407.671.7060; 321.527.2064 (Med Clinic); 321.527.2062 (Dental Clinic)  
threshold-center.org

**Brightstart Pediatrics (Orlando and Sanford Locations Only):**  
A nursing and therapy center for medically fragile infants and children. Provides on-site physical, speech, occupational and respiratory therapy as well as other medical services.  
12377 S. Orange Blossom Trail Orlando, FL 32837  
(407.857.1212)  
1133 West Airport Blvd. Sanford, FL 32773 (407.321.9570)  
www.brightstartpeds.com

**Center for Child Development**  
Ages: Up to 14 years  
The Center for Child Development provides treatment and therapy in a comfortable and family-friendly environment for a variety of development and behavioral conditions including Asperger’s, Autism, Cerebral Palsy, etc.  
615 E Princeton St Ste. 300  
Orlando, FL 32803  
407.898.6005  
www.centerforchilddevelopment.com

**Therapy**

**UCP of Central Florida**  
Provides children up to age 21 years with education, therapy, and support within personal homes as well as six locations
Resources in East Central Florida

across Central Florida (Kissimmee, Downtown Orlando, Lake Mary, West Orange, East Orange, and Pine Hills)
http://www.ucpcdc.org

Comprehensive Music Therapy Services
Empowering and supporting children and adults with special needs through compassionate and expert music therapy. 
386.547.7159
Vicki L. Gross: vickigrossmt@gmail.com
www.vickigross.com

Developmental Pediatric Therapy Clinic
Offers physical and occupational therapy for gross and fine motor delay, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, autism and spectrum disorders, sensory integration dysfunction, muscular dystrophy, torticollis, and other neurological and orthopedic disorders.
385 Centerpointe Cir Ste. 1325
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
407.774.6421
www.dev-clinic.com

Florida Pediatric Therapy:
Provides effective evaluation and treatment for children with speech, language, feeding, oral motor, and other related communication disorders including severe communication and feeding disorders.
2000 Derby Glen Drive, Orlando, FL 32837 (321.947.6282)
info87@floridapediatrictherapy.com; caroline@floridapediatrictherapy.com

Conductive Education Center of Orlando
Ages: 6 months to 22+ years
Enhancing the independence of children and young adults with motor disabilities, such as cerebral palsy, through a holistic and individualized program utilizing physical, social, and educational elements in a group setting. Features include one-to-one student to staff ratio, individualized developmental plans, and comprehensive quarterly skills evaluations.
3377 Forsyth Rd
Winter Park, FL 32792
407.671.4687; 407.647.3833 (Fax)
info@cecfl.org

Bridge of Hope of Central Florida
In partnership with Bridge of Hope, Inc., Bridge of Hope of Central Florida aims to provide services to children with disabilities of families with or without health insurance. Affordable speech, occupational, and physical therapies at little to no cost at all.
1300 Kevstin Dr.
Kissimmee, FL 34744
407.575.4630
www.bohcf.com

Optimum Pediatric Rehabilitation
Clinic-based private practice offering physical, occupational, and speech therapy for children with developmental disabilities.
Susan Horwath, PT
2500 W Lake Mary Blvd Ste. 208
Lake Mary, FL 32746
407.323.6955
optimumreh@aol.com
www.optimumpediatricrehab.net

Whole-Sum Therapies, Inc.
Serving most of Central Florida, Whole-Sum Therapies aims to make a difference through speech, occupational, and physical therapies. Using cooperation between therapies, caregiver education, and home carry-over support, Whole-Sum Therapies attempts to treat each individual wholly and thoroughly in order to achieve the most progress.
933 Lee Rd Ste. 101
Orlando, FL 32810
407.622.7177; 407.730.6995 (Fax)
wholesumoffice@yahoo.com
wholesumtherapies.com

Freedom Ride: Horsepower for the Spirit
A non-profit volunteer-based organization enriching the lives of children and adults with disabilities through therapeutic horseback riding and similar activities in Central Florida.
1905 Lee Rd
Orlando, FL 32810
Resources in East Central Florida

407.293.0411
www.freddomride.com

Kinder Institute
Ages: Up to 18 years
A non-profit agency designed to serve children and teens with special needs through intervention programs focused on early intervention and the "whole child". Services include but are not limited to applied behavior analysis (ABA), personal care coordination, therapy (speech, physical, art, etc.), support/social skills groups, tutoring, and life skills training.
2479 Aloma Institute
Winter Park, FL 32792
407.898.7798; 321.233.0222 (Fax)
info@thekinderinstitute.com
thekinderinstitute.com

K&L Therapy Services, Inc.
Ages: Birth to 21 years
A team of professionals committed to providing pediatric therapy to children with special needs within their home, school, daycare or clinic.
7209 Curry Ford Rd Ste. E
Orlando, FL 32822
407.421.7284; 407.382.4210 (Fax)
contact@kandltherapy.com
www.kandltherapy.com

Hop, Skip and a Jump Pediatric Therapy
Ages: Up to 18 years
Providing safe, effective and fun physical therapy sessions for children with special needs. This facility also provides hippo-therapy (horseback physical therapy).
Mailinig Address
854 Shadowmoss Dr.
Winter Garden, FL 34787
Clinic Address
886 S Dillard St
Orlando, FL 34787
407.905.8908
Katy Guardia, DPT: GuardiaPT@gmail.com
407.461.1998; 407.905.8958 (Fax)
www.orlandokidstherapy.com

Herman and Associates Pediatric Specialists, Inc.
Ages: Birth to 21 years
A practice of over 40 therapists and support personnel providing children with special needs with speech, occupational and physical therapy.
4401 E Colonial Dr. Ste. 107
Orlando, FL 32803
407.898.5060; 407.898.5185 (Fax)
www.hermanandassociates.com

Innovative Children’s Therapy, Inc.
Ages: Up to 18 years
Innovative Children’s Therapy is a pediatric rehabilitation center offering intensive suit therapy and traditional physical and occupational therapy to children with special needs and disabilities.
5423 Lake Howell Rd
Winter Park, FL 32792
407.679.STEP(7837)
info@innovativechildrenstherapy.com
innovativechildrenstherapy.com

Beyond Therapy
Ages: Up to 10 years
Offering play-based treatment sessions in homes, daycares, schools and other natural environments for children with special needs in Central Florida.
4219 Flora Vista Dr.
Orlando, FL 32837
Rachel Shockley: rachel@centralfltherapy.com
407.857.6285; 407.857.9566 (Fax)
centralfltherapy.com

Joyful Music Therapy
Provides music therapy for children and adults with special needs within their homes, schools, community centers, or at the Joyful Music Therapy studio.
2435 Lee Rd
Winter Park, FL 32789
866.621.6021; 407.489.1783
info@joyfulmusictherapy.net
www.joyfulmusictherapy.net

Pediatric Potentials, Inc.
Resources in East Central Florida

Ages: Up to 17 years
An internationally recognized private pediatric therapy clinic specializing in identifying and treating children with Sensory Integration Disorders. Pediatric Potentials' programs are family oriented in design and emphasize parental involvement in their child's therapy regimen.
295 Waymont Ct
Lake Mary, FL 32746
407.322.3962; 407.323.1614
info@pediatricpotentials.com
pediatricrehabcenter.com

Triple Diamond Ranch
Provides therapeutic riding for individuals with developmental disabilities. Triple Diamond Ranch's riders may also be eligible to participate in local, regional and state Special Olympic Equestrian Competitions.
32100 Root Rd
Eustis, FL 32736
Vicki Prettyman: 352.589.6661 (Land Line)
dx3ranch@aol.com
Steve & Kay Miraglia: 407.617.0742; 407.617.0754
smiraglia@cfl.rr.com
www.tdranch.net

Hope Reins, Inc.
Ages: 4 years and up
A non-profit organization providing a high-quality therapeutic riding programs designed to rehabilitate a wide range of physical, mental and emotional disabilities of individuals with special needs.
3804 Pioneer Trail
New Smyrna Beach, FL
386.424.0123; 386.295.8560
contact@hopereinsinc.org
www.hopereinsinc.org

Chapman & Associates Therapy Solutions, LLC.
Ages: Birth to 21 years
Dedicated to helping children with developmental delays reach their maximum potential by providing family-focused and collaborative pediatric speech, occupational and physical therapy. Therapists provide therapy within the child's home, school or daycare.
PO Box 622437
Oviedo, FL 32762
407.810.2225; 800.497.1372 (Fax)
www.chapmantherapy.com

Baby Steps Therapy Services, Inc.
Ages: Up to 21 years
An outpatient clinic that serves as a rehabilitation center providing intensive individualized treatment like occupational, physical and speech therapy for children and young adults with special needs.
790 6th St NW
Winter Haven, FL 33881
863.229.8319; 863.229.8492 (Fax)
Admin@BabyStepsRehab.com
www.babystepsrehab.com

Achieve Pediatric Therapy
Ages: Up to 18 years
Therapist owned private physical and occupational therapy practice working with Florida Speech to provide collaborative physical, occupational and speech therapy services.
East Orlando
1525 S Alafaya Trail Ste. 101
Orlando, FL 32828
407.277.5400; 321.281.4942 (Fax)
Dr. Phillips
7758 Wallace Rd Ste. I
Orlando, FL 32819
407.668.4923; 321.281.4959 (Fax)
www.achieveypepediatrictherapy.com

Child Life Therapy, LLC.
Ages: Up to 18 years
Pediatric therapy center focused on providing services for children with Sensory Processing Disorders (SPD) such as Autism Spectrum Disorders.
1486 Swansom Dr.
Oviedo, FL 32765
407.977.4448; 407.977.4402 (Fax)
childlifetherapy_llc@yahoo.com
www.childlifetherapy.org

Recreation
Resources in East Central Florida

Angels Bridging Gaps Autism Support Group
An Autism Spectrum Disorder Support Organization in the Palm Bay area dedicated to educating parents about local resources, building community partnerships, and providing social and recreational opportunities for individuals with special needs.
1665 Malabar Rd
Malabar, FL 32950
Jackie Yearby: jbyearby@angelsbridginggaps.org
www.angelsbridginggaps.org

Camp Challenge
Easter Seals’ Camp Challenge provides a variety of fun and safe recreational activities for children and adults with cognitive or physical disabilities.
31600 Camp Challenge Rd
Sorrento, FL 32776
352.383.4711
http://fl.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=FLDR_CampChallenge

Nathaniel’s Hope Buddy Break
Ages: 2 to 16 years
Free respite program where kids with special needs get an opportunity to make new friends and participate in a variety of entertaining activities.
2300 Jetport Dr.
Orlando, FL 32809
407.857.8224
info@nathanielshope.org www.nathanielshope.org

Camp Boggy Creek
This camp serves as a safe, fun, and medically-sound environment for children with chronic or life-threatening illnesses. Campers ages 7-16 can enjoy activities like fishing, horseback riding, and climbing Boggy Creek’s ropes tower. Camp Boggy Creek promotes friendship and fellowship as children interact amongst themselves and discover new friendships.
30500 Brantley Branch Rd
Eustis, FL 32736
352.483.4200; 866.462.6449
info@campboggycreek.org

Altamonte Springs: Special Needs Recreation and Advisory Board for the Disabled, Inc.
Provides social and recreational activities for the mentally and physically challenged persons aged 13 and older of Altamonte Springs and surrounding communities.
837 Magnolia Dr.
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
407.571.8814; 407.571.8809 (Fax)
rrel-khoury@altamonte.org
www.altamonte.org

Gliding Stars: Adaptive Ice Skating Programs
An extensive program of adaptive ice skating for people of all ages and challenges.
PO Box 4492
Winter Park, FL 32793
407.965.6626
cenfla@glidingstars.org

Special Needs Story Time: Seminole County Libraries
Ages: Up to 18 years
Story time incorporating music and puppets for children with special needs. Held every 3rd Saturday of each month, alternating between the Central and East Branches.

Central Branch
215 N Oxford Rd
Casselberry, FL 32707
407.665.1500

East Branch
310 Division St
Oviedo, FL 32765
407.665.1560
www.seminolecountyfl.gov/library/kids

Easter Seals (Easter Seals Respite Camp Challenge):
Easter Seals Camp Challenge respite camp is held monthly and provides a selection of your favorite activities for persons with disabilities ages 6 and up. Camp provides a chance for individuals to socialize with friends, participate in adaptive recreational activities, and foster new independence. Programs and activities are adaptive and age appropriate.
31600 Camp Challenge Road, Sorrento, FL 32776
(352.383.4711)
http://www.fl.easterseals.com
Resources in East Central Florida

**Respite**

**Home at Last of Brevard**
Providing individuals with special needs with services such as respite, companionship, in-home support, transportation, residential habilitation, and personal care assistance.
2333 Jupiter Blvd
Palm Bay, FL 32908
321.951.1058 (Office); 321.508.4639 (Cell); 888.508.8492 (Fax)
Alvin Payne: BigDaddy45Payne@yahoo.com
www.waiverweb.com

**Partners in Healthcare:**
Provides a broad range of services from respite, basic sitter support, to skilled pediatric nursing. The nurses are skilled in dealing with multiple pediatric medical conditions including Down Syndrome, Autism, Cerebral Palsy and other pediatric conditions. 815 Orienta Ave. Suite 1060 Altamonte Springs, FL 32701 (407.788.9393)
www.OrlandoSpecialKids.com

**Anencephaly**

**Information and Support**

**The TEARS Foundation: Parents Support Group**
A support group for bereaving parents who have experienced infant loss. The group meets every third Thursday of each month from 6pm to 8pm.
Begin Again Children’s Grief Center
655 N Clyde Morris Blvd
Daytona Beach, FL 32114

**Congenital Heart Defects**

**Information and Support**

**Precious Little Hearts of Central Florida**
Ages: All
A public support group for parents and families of children with congenital heart defects. The group meets once a month at the Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children.
Post Message: preciouslittleheartsofcentralflorida@yahoogroups.com
Subscribe: preciouslittleheartsofcentralflorida-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

**Medical**

**Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children: The Heart Center**
Ages: Up to 21 years
The Heart Center is comprised of leading-edge pediatric cardiologists and other health care professionals who specialize in the diagnosis and treatment of infants and children with heart disease.
92 W Miller St
Orlando, FL 32806
407.649.9111 (General); 407.649.6907 (The Heart Center)

**Florida Hospital for Children: Pediatric Cardiology**
Ages: Up to 21 years
Offering an experienced and knowledgeable team of physicians and nurses dedicated to treating congenital heart defects.
601 E Rollins St
Orlando, FL 32803
407.303.5437

**Down Syndrome**

**Information and Support**

**Dads Appreciating Down Syndrome**
Fathers of children with Down syndrome assisting and supporting each other and their families through fellowship and action. Meetings held every third Tuesday of every month from 6:30-8:30pm at the Down Syndrome Association of Central Florida.
204 N Wymore Rd
Winter Park, FL 32789
407.504.1747
info@centralfloridadads.com
www.centralfloridadads.com

**Down Syndrome Foundation of Florida:**
Site: http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/preciouslittleheartsofcentralflorida/info
Resources in East Central Florida

A non-profit organization started by a group of parents who wanted to have a direct impact on children, families and the community as they journeyed through life with a loved one with Down syndrome. The mission of the foundation is to empower lives for a brighter future by facilitating projects that enhance the welfare, education, health, and artistic and athletic abilities of individuals with Down syndrome. PO Box 533462 Orlando, FL 32853-3462 (407.538.3537) info@dsfflorida.org; http://www.dsfflorida.org/

Down Syndrome Association of Central Florida:
Provides advocacy, education, and awareness so that each child can realize their potential as valued members of the community.
204 N. Wymore Road, Winter Park, FL 32789
Main Phone: (407.478.5621); Fax: (407.478.5698)
www.dsacf.org

Down Syndrome Association of Central Florida
Providing information, support and resources for families of children with Down syndrome throughout Central Florida.
204 N Wymore Rd
Winter Park, FL 32789
407.478.5621; 407.478.5698 (Fax)
info@dsacf.org
www.dsacf.org

Families Exploring Down Syndrome of Brevard, Inc.
Created to help parents and friends find information about Down syndrome in Brevard County.
321.480.4796; 321.698.2780 (en español)
fedsofbrevard.org

Buddy Cruise, Inc.
A non-profit organization providing educational resources and promoting public awareness of Down syndrome through a variety of special event, primarily conferences at sea. Buddy Cruise typically embarks on its annual cruise in October, as an honorary tribute to the National Down Syndrome Awareness month.
PO Box 162
Lithia, FL 33547
1.877.BDY.CRUS (1.877.239.2789)

Fun Coast Down Syndrome Association
Providing services and support to families in Flagler and Volusia counties by offering services and advocating for individuals with Down syndrome.
3601 E Moddy Blvd
Bunnell, FL 32110
386.447.8034; 386.283.2787
funcoastdown@bellsouth.net
funcoastdownsyndrome.com

The Orlando Down Syndrome Meetup
A support group for families of a loved one with Down syndrome dedicated to making new friends, sharing experiences, encouraging and supporting one another.
http://www.meetup.com/downsyndrome-52/

Gastroschisis

Medical

Advanced Pediatric Surgical Specialists
Ages: Not Specified
Provide an overview of gastroschisis and offer treatment for diagnosed infants.
Main Location
2501 N Orange Ave Ste. 200
Orlando, FL 32804
407.303.7280; 407.303.7265 (Fax)

Port Orange Clinic
5535 S Williamson Blvd Ste. 722
Port Orange, FL 32128

Melbourne Clinic
8061 Spyglass Hill Rd Ste. 103
Viera, FL 32940

Celebration Clinic
1530 Celebration Place Ste. 101
Celebration, FL 34741
407.303.7280; 407.303.7265 (Fax)
http://www.advancedpediatricsurgery.com/services-and-specialties/conditions/gastroschisis
Resources in East Central Florida

Orofacial Clefts

**Medical**

**Florida Hospital for Children**
Ages: Up to 21 years
The only craniofacial and cleft palate clinic in Central Florida to employ state of the art endoscopic procedures performed by both pediatric neurosurgical and plastic surgical doctors with at least 20 years of experience each.
601 E Rollins St
Orlando, FL 32803
407.303.5437
http://www.floridahospitalforchildren.com/specialties-and-programs/cranial-facial-surgeries

**Central Florida Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery, P.A.**
A team of ten doctors specializing in orofacial surgery and procedures, including cleft lip and cleft palate repair.
**Orlando Location**
610 N Mills Ave #100
Orlando, FL 32803
407.843.2261
**Oviedo Location**
2075 Pine Bluff Place
Oviedo, FL 32765
407.977.6725
**Clermont Location**
265 Hatteras Ave Ste. 1
Clermont, FL 34711
352.242.5331
**Orange City Location**
1095 Town Center Dr.
Orange City, FL 32763
386.775.6966
www.cforalsurgery.com

**Spina Bifida**

**Information and Support**

**Spina Bifida Association of Central Florida**
Promoting the prevention of Spina Bifida and enhancing the lives of all affected.
100 W Lucerne Circle Ste. 100-M
Orlando, FL 32801
407.248.9210
http://sbacentralflorida.org/contact/

**Medical**

**Arnold Palmer Hospital/Spina Bifida Program**
Ages: Up to 21 years
Program specializing in treating children with spina bifida.
Orlando Health MP358
83 W Columbia St
Orlando, FL 32806
321.841.5683
kayleen.ala@orlandohealth.com
www.orlandohealth.com/arnoldpalmerhospital/index.aspx

**Recreation**

**Camp Boggy Creek (Lake County):**
Camp Boggy Creek is a permanent, year-round facility where children between the ages of 7-16 with chronic or life-threatening illnesses can come at no charge to them or their families. Camp Boggy Creek provides a safe and exciting camp experience that is exciting, empowering, memorable, safe, and medically sound, at no cost to them.
Camp Boggy Creek 30500 Brantley Branch Road, Eustis, FL 32736.
(866-462-6449 or 352.483.4200) info@boggycreek.org; www.boggycreek.org
Resources in South Central Florida

**Information and Support**

**Hand of Angels, Inc.**  
Ages: Up to 26 years  
A non-profit organization working with parents of children with disabilities. Hand of Angels, Inc. provides summer inclusion camps for all children, workshops and support groups for parents, and resources.  
1224 SW Scott Dr.  
Arcadia, FL 34266  
888.743.6185; 863.494.0972  
terryw@hand-of-angels.org  
www.hand-of-angels.org

**Medical**

**Heartland Horses and Handicapped, Inc.**  
Helping children and adults with special needs improve their physical and mental health through equine-related activities.  
118 College Dr.  
Avon Park, FL 33825  
863.452.0006  
Mailing Address  
PO Box 3787  
Sebring, FL 33871  
HeartlandHorses@EmbarqMail.com  
www.heartlandhorses.org
Resources in Southwest Florida

Education

IMPACT
Ages: 2 to 5 years
Providing early intervention services and education programs for children with and without special needs. IMPACT's fully inclusive preschool offers children all of the necessary preparation for a successful transition into kindergarten.
Fort Myers: 239.334.6160; 239.334.1339 (Fax)
Cape Coral: 239.242.6355; 239.458.8417 (Fax)
Executive Director: 239.851.1574 (Mobile)
Program Director: 239.851.6516 (Mobile)
www.impactforkids.org

Information and Support

Community Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (CCDHH) - Manatee and Sarasota:
The mission of the Community Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (CCDHH) is to provide services and programs which promote empowerment, equal access, education and independence to the deaf and hard-of-hearing.
1750 17th Street Bldg F Sarasota, FL 34234 (941.366.0260)
www.ccdhh.org

Beyond the Spectrum:
Beyond the Spectrum is the only non-profit therapeutic clinic and education center for children with autism in East Manatee County and Sarasota. The education center at Beyond the Spectrum offers educational programs that currently service children grades k-8, as well as a social skills program that services ages 4 - adult. 7333 International Place Sarasota, FL 34240 (941.907.3443)
www.beyondthespectrum.org

The Florida Center for Early Childhood:
A comprehensive system of family-centered services for children and their families. The Florida Center for Early Childhood provides prevention and early intervention services to young children and families at risk for academic, social, and economic failure. 4620 17th Street Sarasota, FL 34235 (941.371.8820)
http://www.thefloridacenter.org/index.php

Medical

K and H Healthkare Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics:
K&H HealthKare "Specializes in the Whole Child." Our most popular service is our Developmental-Behavioral Pediatric Evaluation. We are interested in everything – nutrition, sleep, healthy emotional climate, exercise/recreation, academics, play therapy, family and/or individual counseling, social skills, relationship building, physical fitness, mental health, medication when indicated - and all the rest. 408 Manatee Ave. East Bradenton, FL 34208 (941.922.5366) http://www.kidsdoingbetter.com/

Psych for Kids:
Dr. Duncan is a Licensed Psychologist, Licensed School Psychologist, Nationally Certified School Psychologist, and Certified Special Education Teacher with more than 15 years experience working with children, adolescents, young adults, and families in clinical and educational settings. Offers services for neuropsychological evaluations, behavioral services, parent training, IEP assistance, child advocacy services, transition planning, psychological testing, sleep difficulties, counseling, and psycho-educational testing.
5245 Office Park Blvd., Suite 105 Bradenton, FL 34203 (941.751.7545) http://www.psychforkids.com/

The Child & Family Institute:
The Child & Family Institute is a multi-disciplinary psychiatric treatment private practice providing services to families and individuals of all ages. Areas of expertise include adjustment problems, school & learning problems, ADD, severe behavioral disorders, Tourette’s disorder, mood disorders, anxiety disorders, compulsive behavior, delinquency, substance abuse, couples therapy, relationship problems, family life stage changes, alcohol & drug use, parenting parents problems, psychiatric illness and chronic medical illness.
**Therapy**

**Naples Equestrian Challenge**
Ages: All
The Naples Equestrian Challenge, a non-profit organization, strives to improve the lives of children and adults with special needs through therapeutic riding and other equine-related programs.
206 Ridge Dr.
Naples, FL 34108
239.596.2988; 239.514.2908 (Fax)
info@naplesequestrianchallenge.org
www.naplesequestrianchallenge.org

**Special Equestrians, Inc.**
Ages: 4 years and up
Special Equestrians, Inc. is a non-profit organization that helps children and adults with disabilities by providing a structured therapeutic horseback riding program and equine-assisted activities.
5121 Staley Rd
Ft Myers, FL 33905
239.226.1221; 239.226.1279 (Fax)
Mailing Address
PO Box 61528
Ft Myers, FL 33906
spequestrians@gmail.com
www.specialequestrians.net

**Cape Speech Therapy**
Private practice of speech-language pathology dedicated to improving the individual skills of both children and adults.
2804 Del Prado Blvd Unit 109
Cape Coral, FL 33904
239.540.8255
www.capespeechtherapy.com

**Able Academy**
Ages: Up to 17 years
Able Academy is a non-profit organization that specialized in Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services for children with special needs. In addition to ABA, the Able Academy provides services such as therapy, LEAP and LIFE programs.
5860 Golden Gate Pkwy
Naples, FL 34116
239.352.7600
www.theableacademy.org

**Building Blocks, Inc.**
Ages: Up to 18 years
A private, integrated practice specializing in speech, language, behavioral and occupational therapy services for children. Building Blocks offers treatment for communication, speech, behavior, and sensory and fine-motor deficiencies.
671 Goodlette Rd N Ste. 140
Naples, FL 34102
239.434.9512; 239.643.5908 (Fax)
charlenewestman@yahoo.com
www.bbinaples.com

**Katz Counseling & Educational Psychology**
Ages: All
Provides family counseling, evaluation, and psychological services for children with autism spectrum disorders.
12791 World Plaza Ln Bldg. 89
Ft Myers, FL 33097
239.247.1756
info@katzpsychology.com
www.katzpsychology.com

**MF Therapy Group**
Ages: Newborn to High School
Providing occupational therapy to children with special needs and developmental disabilities in order to improve their ability to perform tasks in life skills and promote independence.
5691 Naples Blvd
Naples, FL 34109
239.592.6100; 239.592.6156 (Fax)
mary@mftherapygroup.com
www.mftherapygroup.com

**Vursatyle Learning & Fitness Institute**
Ages: Up to 18 years
Providing Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and other disabilities in a friendly environment comprised of academics, fitness, language acquisition and social skills.
534 SE 16th Place
Resources in Southwest Florida

Cape Coral, FL 33990
239.673.6635
info@vursatyle.com
www.vlfi.vursatyle.com

Conductive Education Center of Sarasota-Bradenton:
The Conductive Education Center of Sarasota-Bradenton is a non-profit organization and provides intensive, developmental sessions to children and adults who have motor disorders of neurological origin such as Cerebral Palsy, Parkinson’s disease or multiple sclerosis.
350 Braden Ave. Sarasota, FL 34243 (941.355.7637) Ext. 438

Advanced ABA:
Specializing in autism, feeding/toileting, aspergers syndrome, communication delays, anxiety, social skills development, ADD, anger/frustration, sibling rivalry, vocational training/planning, inclusion and cognitive/academic delays. Our primary goal is to help children to reach their fullest potential. Therapy sessions must be both productive and motivating to bring about successful and lasting change. We provide comprehensive assessment, instruction, and consultation to meet each child's individual needs. 6215 Lorraine Road Bradenton, FL 34202 (941.758.4707)
www.advancedaba.com

Kids in Motion Therapy Services, Inc.:
Pediatric Occupational Therapy, Sensory Integration Therapy, Behavior Interventions, Handwriting Without Tears-pre-writing/printing, Sensory, Art, Behavior (SAB) class, Sensory, Art, Motion (SAM) class, fine motor/visual motor skills, balance, parent training - developmental skills.
4501 Mawww.kids-in-motiontherapy.com/
Manatee Ave. W. Bradenton, FL 34209 (941.524.6773)

Positive Behavior Interventions, Inc.:
We are providers of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Therapy Services for families of children & adults with special learning and social-emotional needs. We provide effective therapy to those diagnosed with Autism and other Developmental Disabilities with specialized treatments based on the needs and goals of the family and individual.

12327 Winding Woods Way Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202
(941.739.6198) www.positivebehaviorinterventions.com/

Recreation

Dinosaur Playground
Ages: Up to 18 years
An indoor playground designed for kids of all ages and abilities to learn, play and socialize with peers.
1895 Seward Ave Unit 1
Naples, FL 34109
239.287.6249
www.facebook.com/dinosaurplayground

Camp Able:
Camp Able is specifically designed for persons with special needs. It is NOT about disabilities, but rather about ABILITIES! Camp Able is located at: DaySpring Episcopal Conference Center is located on the banks of the Manatee River in Parrish, Florida. 2012 Session is July 16-21 Ages 12 & up. 8411 25th Street East Parrish, FL 34219 (239.394.7242)
www.campable.org

Special Kids Dance, Inc.: Ft. Myers
A non-profit organization providing classes in Dance, Music, Art, Drama and Martial Arts to children and young adults ages 3 to 18, with special needs in order to improve strength, flexibility and self-confidence.
First United Methodist Church
15690 McGregor Blvd
Ft Myers, FL 33908
Alyson Lindsay: 239.590.0085
www.specialkidsdance.org

Dream Oaks Camp:
Dream Oaks Camp is located in Bradenton, Florida on beautiful Manatee River. We provide year round residential and day sessions for children with varying ability levels (both physical and developmental) and chronic/terminal medical conditions including: (but not limited to) autism, spina bifida, cerebral palsy, developmental delays and cancer patients. Our goals are to provide a special place for children and give them the opportunity to bond with others, build steps toward a greater self confidence, as well as strengthen activities of
daily living and life skills, while giving the parents and/or caregivers a much needed break from the daily routine of caring for a child with special needs.
16110 Dream Oaks Place Bradenton, FL 34212
(941.746.5659)
http://www.foundationfordreams.org/

TOPSoccer:
US Youth Soccer TOPSoccer is a community based training and team placement program for young athletes with disabilities, organized by youth soccer association volunteers. The program is designed to bring the opportunity of learning and playing soccer to any boy or girl, ages 5 and up, who has a mental or physical disability.
11523 Palmbrush Trail #212 Bradenton, FL 34202
Ken Muzyk: (813.657.5271) Fred Englehardt: tops@brandonsoccer.com.
http://flamesfc.com/

Anencephaly
Information and Support
Share Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support, Inc.: Naples Location
Providing comfort and support for parents and family members following pregnancy loss, stillbirth or loss of a child in the first few months of life. Share also provides information, resources and education for bereaved parents and siblings. The SW Florida Share Support Group meets the 1st Monday of every month at 7pm.
Center Point Community Church
6590 Golden Gate Parkway
Naples, FL 34105
239.455.5885; 239.298.9725
annemarienaples@gmail.com
www.swflshare.org
www.nationalshare.org

Limb Reduction

Recreation
Camp No Limits:
Non-Profit organization providing camps for children with limb loss, and education, mentorship, and support to these children and their families.
Day Spring Conference Center
8411 25th Street East, Ellenton, FL 34219-9443
campnolimits@yahoo.com

Orofacial Clefts
Medical
Westshore OMS Specialists
Oral and maxillofacial surgeons provide procedures to repair cleft lip, cleft palate or both.
Naples Office
1459 Ridge St Ste 1
Naples, FL 34103
239.263.7474; 239.263.2528
Bonita Springs Office
9540 Bonita Beach Rd Ste 105
Bonita Springs, FL 34135
239.992.9201; 239.992.7713 (Fax)
info@westshoreoms.com
**Resources in Southeast Florida**

**Advocacy**

**ARC South Florida, Inc.**
Serving over 60,000 Miami-Dade County individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, the Arc of South Florida provides an array of services and programs to enrich the lives of the participants and their families.

5555 Biscayne Blvd.
Miami, FL 33137
305.759.8500; 305.754.9223 (Fax)
www.arcsofla.org

**Arc of Palm Beach County**
A non-profit organization that improves the lives of children and adults with developmental disabilities, and their families, through education, services, and advocacy. Arc of Palm Beach supports 12 programs throughout the Palm Beach County and has impacted over 2,000 within the last year.

1201 Australian Ave.
Riviera Beach, FL 33404
561.844.3213; 561.863.4352 (Fax)
www.arcpbc.org

**Child Care**

**Chase Donoff Special Needs Program: YMCA of South Palm Beach County**
Offers school-age inclusion-based childcare afterschool and camp during the summer for children with developmental disabilities, ages 5 to 18 years.
Peter Blum Family YMCA of Boca Raton
6631 Palmetto Circle South
Boca Raton, FL 33433
800.798.4351; 561.392.6021 (Fax)
www.ymcaspbc.org

**Education**

**Anne Blanford, Esq.: Attorney at Law**
Education attorney represents students in special education and school matters, including IEP meetings, due process hearings, school disciplinary hearings and federal court.

980 N Federal Hwy Ste. 412
Boca Raton, FL 33432
561.450.5400; 561.329.2898
AnneBlanford@gmail.com

**B.L.A.S.T. Educational Services**
Age: 6-17 years
Opened in 2002, B.L.A.S.T. aims to fulfill the need for supplemental specialized social skills instruction for children and adolescents with social cognitive deficits.

9724 W Sample Road
Coral Springs, FL 33605
954.575.5998; 954.575.5098 (Fax)
Margie Pedron: blastmp@gmail.com
www.blastedu.com

**Little Flowers of Hope**
Ages: Up to 18 years
Serving as a small private school designed for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and other special needs. Little Flowers of Hope provides Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy, auditory integration training (AIT), academic tutoring and early intervention.

2751 Executive Park Dr. Ste. 203
Weston, FL 33331
941.323.5416
littleflowersofhope@gmail.com
littleflowersofhope.com

**Information and Support**

**ARC Broward**
Private, non-profit organization providing assistance and supports for children with special health care needs including but not limited to: autism, Down syndrome, Cerebral palsy, and mental delay. ARC Broward's services cover the areas of Workforce Development, Habilitation Services, Children's Services, Behavioral Health, and Health Therapies.

10250 NW 53rd Street
Sunrise, FL 33351
954.746.9400; 954.746.2954 (Fax)
www.arcbroward.com

**Moms Reach**
Ages: All
Providing general information about Autism Spectrum Disorders as a service to the Miami community.

www.momsreach.org
Resources in Southeast Florida

Parent to Parent of Miami, Inc.
Ages: All
A community parent resource center for families of children and adults with disabilities in Miami-Dade and Monroe counties and throughout the nation.
7990 SW 117th Ave Ste. 200
Miami, FL 33183
305.271.9797; 305.271.6628 (Fax)
info@ptopmiami.org
www.ptopmiami.org

Coalition for Independent Living Options, Inc.
Promote independence for people with disabilities, advocacy, independent living skills, information and referral, peer support, victim advocacy, assistance with application for public benefits, transportation vouchers, bus passes, loan closet, after school and summer program for teens with disabilities, high school transition services, etc.
6800 Forest Hill
West Palm Beach, FL 33413
Ph: 561-966-4288
Fax: 561-641-6619
www.cilo.org

Medical
Judith Aronson-Ramos, MD: Developmental & Behavioral Pediatrics of South Florida
Ages: Up to 25 years
Evaluation and treatment of pediatric patients with challenges in learning, behavior, development and social-emotional functioning (e.g., Autism Spectrum Disorders).
5350 W Hillsboro Blvd Ste. 207
Coconut Creek, FL 33073
954.531.0847; 954.531.0915 (Fax); 561.901.3965 (After Hours)
info@draronsonramos.com
help@draronsonramos.com
daronsonramos.com

Accessible Home Health Care
A full-service in-home health care company that provides medical, non-medical, convalescent, chronic and companion care to individuals of all ages. Services include therapy, skilled nursing, durable medical equipment, and pharmacy.
13899 Biscayne Blvd Ste. 148
North Miami Beach, FL 33181
305.627.3103
www.accessibleaventura.com

Ann Storck Center
The Ann Storck Center’s mission is to enrich the lives of children and adults with developmental disabilities through early intervention, creative arts, and music therapy.
Ft. Lauderdale Campus
1790 SW 43rd Way
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33317
954.584.8000; 954.321.8863 (Fax)
info@annstockcenter.org
http://www.annstorckcenter.org

Equine-Assisted Therapies of South Florida, Inc.
Providing equine-assisted therapy, including therapeutic riding and hippotherapy, for over 30 years in South Florida.
Equine-Assisted Therapies of South Florida, Inc.
Attn: Ms. Cliffette Nicholls, Office Manager
PO Box 273542
Boca Raton, FL 33427
954.974.2007

All 4 Kidz
Ages: 2K - 5th grade
All 4 Kidz Academy individualizes and tailors its special needs education program to fit each child’s needs through a variety of therapies including, but not limited to, early intervention, behavior therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, psychotherapy, acupuncture, and auditory integration.
2710 Davie Rd
Davie, FL 33314
954.434.5784
Resources in Southeast Florida

**Blossom’s Developmental Therapy Associates**
Equipped with an indoor playground along with adaptive classrooms for music, creative dance, and arts & crafts, Blossom’s therapy center provides services and programs for children with a wide range of physical, neurological, or developmental disabilities.
218 Almeria Ave
Coral Gables, FL 33134
Jennifer Burch: Director of Therapy Programs
305.444.9807 (Office); 305.967.0605 (Cell); 305.444.9808 (Fax)
blossomdevelopmental.com

**Island Dolphin Care**
A non-profit organization utilizing dolphin therapy to provide a fun and educational experience for individuals with special needs and their families.
150 Lorelane Place
Key Largo, FL 33037
305.451.5884; 305.453.5399 (Fax)
fonzie@islanddophincare.org
www.islanddophincare.org

**Angels Reach Foundation, Inc.**
Ages: Up to 18 years
Assists children with special needs, such as autism, in developing individual strengths and learning ability through innovative, comprehensive and individualized treatment. Services include but are not limited to occupational therapy, sensory integration, developmental play, speech/language therapy, and mom’s night out.
17689 NW 78 Ave
Miami, FL 33015
305.828.5276
www.anagelsreach.org

**Villa Lyan: An Alternative Path to Education**
Ages: Up to 18 years
Non-profit organization and affiliate of Creative Children Therapy (CCT) designed to meet the educational, developmental and emotional demands of children with special needs within the school setting.
12400 SW 72 St
Miami, FL 33183
305.752.0208
Regina Orfila: rorfila@creative-children.org
www.villalyan.org

**Yoga Therapy for Children with Autism and Special Needs**
Trainings and textbooks for providing therapeutic yoga for children ages 3 to 22 yrs., with special needs within the home/school setting or in conjunction with other therapies.
PO Box 93-6123
Margate, FL 33093
954.579.1604; 954.917.5356 (Fax)
Louise Goldberg: louise.goldberg@gmail.com
yogaforspecialneeds.com

**Cadenza: Center for Psychotherapy and the Arts**
The Cadenza Center provides a variety of behavioral and psychological services for children, adolescents, and adults with physical, behavioral and psychological disabilities. Services include music and art therapy, Autism treatments, camp and enrichment programs, individual therapy and group therapy.
450 N Park Rd Ste. 400
Hollywood, FL 33021
954.925.3191
www.cadenzacenter.com

**Child Provider Specialists**
Ages: Up to 18 years
Providing services for children with Autism and similar disabilities under the supervision of highly trained associates and psychologists. Services include individual and family therapy, support groups, educational interventions, specialty clinics and parent advocacy.
Locations listed on Website.
954.577.3396
www.childproviderspecialists.org
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<td>Fantasy Farms</td>
<td>5 to 11 years</td>
<td>Providing therapeutic horseback riding lessons for children with special needs.</td>
<td>9812 Front Rd, Jupiter, FL 33478</td>
<td><a href="mailto:fcec1@aol.com">fcec1@aol.com</a>, <a href="http://www.fantasyfarmsjupiter.8m.com">www.fantasyfarmsjupiter.8m.com</a></td>
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<td>Foundations Therapy, Inc.</td>
<td>Up to 18 years</td>
<td>Providing Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Therapy for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders and related disabilities in South Florida.</td>
<td>3325 N University Dr, Coral Springs, FL 33065</td>
<td><a href="mailto:info@foundationstherapy.com">info@foundationstherapy.com</a>, foundationstherapy.com</td>
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<td>Automaticity, Inc., Changing Behavior</td>
<td>All</td>
<td>Providing in-home care to individuals with developmental disabilities as an all-inclusive service provider.</td>
<td>Miami-Dade, 7715 NW 48th St Ste. 350 &amp; 360B, Doral, FL 33166</td>
<td>305.846.9807; 305.846.9711 (Fax) <a href="mailto:info@changebehiornow.com">info@changebehiornow.com</a>, <a href="mailto:resume@changebehiornow.com">resume@changebehiornow.com</a>, <a href="mailto:reports@changebehiornow.com">reports@changebehiornow.com</a>, <a href="mailto:billing@changebehiornow.com">billing@changebehiornow.com</a>, <a href="http://www.changebehiornow.com">www.changebehiornow.com</a></td>
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<td>Bit by Bit, Inc.</td>
<td>Up to 18 years</td>
<td>A non-profit corporation providing children with disabilities access to therapeutic horseback riding.</td>
<td>1600 NE 5th Ave, Pompano Beach, FL 33060</td>
<td>954.471.6119, <a href="mailto:info@bitbybittherapy.org">info@bitbybittherapy.org</a>, <a href="http://www.bitbybittherapy.org">www.bitbybittherapy.org</a></td>
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<td>ISMILE</td>
<td>2 to 6 years</td>
<td>Helping parents of young children with Autism by providing early intervention and Applied Behavior Analysis therapy. ISMILE maintains a low teacher to student ratio of 2:1.</td>
<td>Miami Springs, FL 33166, 150 Hibiscus Dr</td>
<td>305.883.5007, <a href="mailto:info@ismileflorida.org">info@ismileflorida.org</a>, ismileflorida.org</td>
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<td>Expression by Lee</td>
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<td>Expression by Lee encourages children and adults with special needs to create, explore and their feelings and emotions through expressive arts activities.</td>
<td>Miami, FL 33155, Bird Road Art District</td>
<td>4990 SW 72 Ave Ste. 110, <a href="http://www.expressionbylee.com">www.expressionbylee.com</a></td>
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<td>Autism Movement Therapy®: Spectrum Dance Therapy</td>
<td>Up to 18 years</td>
<td>Provides children with Autism a world of fun and exciting sensory/motor experiences that assist with emotional regulation through age-appropriate social activities and dance.</td>
<td>Miami Lakes, FL 33015, 17689 NW 78 Ave Miami Lakes, FL 33015, Miami Beach, FL 33160</td>
<td>305.209.6192, <a href="mailto:SpectrumDanceTherapy@gmail.com">SpectrumDanceTherapy@gmail.com</a>, <a href="http://www.spectrumdancetherapy.com">www.spectrumdancetherapy.com</a></td>
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Resources in Southeast Florida

Recreation
Good Hope Equestrian Training Center (GHETC)
GHETC provides individuals with developmental disabilities and their families unique educational, vocational and recreational programs in Miami-Dade, Monroe and Broward Counties.
22155 SW 147th Ave.
Miami, FL 33170
305.258.2838; 305.258.2902 (Fax)
Ghetc@Bellsouth.Net
www.ghetc.org

Music Together®: Miami Kids Music
Ages: Birth to 5 years
Provides a relaxing and safe environment for the whole family to participate in and enjoy non-performance-oriented musical activities and experiences that are developmentally appropriate for children and parents/caregivers regardless of musical ability.
800.728.2692 (Music Together Main)
Locations found on main site:
http://www.musictogether.com/ClassLocator.aspx

Anencephaly

Information and Support
Share Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support, Inc.: South Miami Location
Providing comfort and support for parents and family members following pregnancy loss, stillbirth or loss of a child in the first few months of life. Share also provides information, resources and education for bereaved parents and siblings. The support group meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm.
Victor E Clark Education Center
South Miami Hospital Medical Library
6200 SW 73 St
Miami, FL 33143
786.662.8106 Option 2
marshak@baptisthealth.net
www.nationalshare.org

Share Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support, Inc.: Healthy Start Coalition of Miami-Dade Location
Providing comfort and support for parents and family members following pregnancy loss, stillbirth or loss of a child in the first few months of life. Share also provides information, resources and education for bereaved parents and siblings. Support group meeting times and locations listed on www.hscmd.org/Groups.asp
701 SW 27th Ave Ste. 1401
Miami, FL 33135
305.541.0210; 305.541.0213
Natalia Coletti: share@hscmd.org
www.nationalshare.org

Play-In: A Multi-Sensory Activity Center
Ages: Up to 17 years
An indoor multi-sensory playground environment designed for children to come together to play, socialize, and grow. Use of specialized equipment and therapy offered on-site.
2501 NW 2nd Ave
Miami, FL 33127
305.576.7604 (phone/fax)
info@play-inmiami.com
play-inmiami.com

Danielle DeMarzo Foundation, Inc.
A non-profit organization dedicated to supporting resources and activities for children and adults with growth related disorders and/or special needs through recreation, education and public awareness.
PO Box 771675
Coral Springs, FL 33077
954.575.5556; 954.755.4199 (Fax); 866.295.5437
ddfoundationinc@aol.com
www.danielledemarzofoundation.org

Shake-A-Leg Miami (SALM)
With a series of programs offered seven days a week year-round, Shake-A-Leg Miami provides a number of opportunities for children, youth and adults with or without physical or mental challenges to experience the beauty of Miami’s Biscayne Bay.
2620 S Bayshore Dr.
Miami, FL 33133
305.858.5550
www.shakealegmiami.org

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701 SW 27th Ave Ste. 1401
Miami, FL 33135
305.541.0210; 305.541.0213
Natalia Coletti: share@hscmd.org
www.nationalshare.org
Resources in Southeast Florida

Share Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support, Inc.: Biscayne Location
Ages: All
Providing comfort and support for parents and family members following pregnancy loss, stillbirth or loss of a child in the first few months of life. Share also provides information, resources and education for bereaved parents and siblings. The support group meets on the 4th Monday of every month at 7pm.
The Gathering Place
5810 Biscayne Blvd
Miami, FL 33137
786.362.6213; 917.309.1618 (Tamara Taitt Cell)
info@projectmotherpath.org
https://www.facebook.com/ProjectMotherpath
https://www.theplacewegather.com/classes/schedule?task=view_event&event_id=1394

Congenital Heart Defects

Information and Support

Angel’s Pediatric Heart House
Ages: All
A non-profit organization supporting families affected by congenital heart disease.
151 N Nob Hill Rd Ste. 139
Plantation, FL 33324
954.318.2020
sperez@aphh.org
http://www.aphh.org/m_and_m.htm

Medical

Miami Children’s Hospital: The Heart Program
Ages: Up to 21 years
The Heart Program serves as a world leader in pediatric cardiology through the maintenance and care of newborns and children diagnosed with congenital heart defects.
3100 SW 62nd Ave
Miami, FL 33155
305.666.6511 (General); 305.662.8301 (The Heart Program)
http://www.mch.com/medical-services/the-heart-program.aspx

Joe DiMaggio Children’s Hospital: Cardiac Center
Ages: All
A multidisciplinary team of physicians and other health care professionals who offer a comprehensive range of services for pediatric and adult patient with congenital heart defects.
1005 Joe DiMaggio Dr.
Hollywood, FL 33021
954.265.5324
http://www.jdch.com/html/medical-specialities/cardiac/services.html/
En Español: http://es.jdch.com/html/medical-specialities/cardiac/services.html/

Down Syndrome

Information and Support

The Treasure Coast Down Syndrome Awareness Group
Supporting families, promoting public awareness, networking with other organizations and individuals, and lobbying for appropriate education, vocational, and social opportunities for children all diagnosed with Down syndrome.
PO Box 326
Hobe Sound, FL 33475
www.tcdownsyndromeag.org

Florida Keys Down Syndrome Educational Trust
Ages: 3 to 16 years
A non-profit organization funding unlimited developmental opportunity for children with Down syndrome in the Florida Keys. Through these funds, Monroe County therapists and educational specialists, professional life skills and sports coaches can receive competitive wages to work with the FKD-SET children, from age 3 to 16 years.
http://www.fkdset.org/
https://www.facebook.com/fkdset/info

Broward County Community
Dedicated to a young girl with Down syndrome, Mary, this site helps provide local information for parents and families of children with Down syndrome, primarily throughout Broward County.
jo@dsbroward.org
www.dsbroward.org
Resources in Southeast Florida

Gold Coast Down Syndrome Organization
A family support and resource organization dedicated to serving families who have children with Down syndrome from birth through aging. The organization has grown to include activities throughout each month that reach out to member families and the disability community across Palm Beach County.
915 S Federal Hwy
Boynton Beach, FL 33435
561.752.3383
gcndo@bellsouth.net
goldcoastdownsyndrome.org

Broward Gold Coast Down Syndrome Organization
Enhancing the lives of individuals with Down syndrome and helping them reach their full potential by providing family support, education and social activities.
10250 NW 53rd St
Sunrise, FL 33351
954.577.4122; 954.746.2954 (Fax)
info@bgdcs.org
bgdcs.org

Therapy
Dr. Sheri Feldman and Associates
Ages: Up to 18 years
A privately owned agency providing occupational, physical and other therapies for children and adolescents with disabilities including, but not limited to, Autism Spectrum Disorders, Down syndrome, and cerebral palsy.
2118 Tyler St
Hollywood, FL 33020
954.921.9844; 954.921.9845 (Fax)
feldmanasoc@aol.com
pediatrictherapyproviders.com

Gastrochisis
Medical
South Florida Pediatric Surgeons, PA
Ages: Up to 21 years
A team of pediatric surgeons offering reparative procedures for gastrochisis and other pediatric ailments.
Plantation Office
300 NW 70th Ave Ste. 202
Plantation, FL 33317
954.584.8500
Coral Springs Office
10167 NW 31st St Ste. 203
Coral Springs, FL 33065
954.341.7000
Palm Beach County Office
12957 Palms W Dr. Bldg. 9 Ste. 103
Loxahatchee, FL 33470
954.584.8500
rpuglis1@bellsouth.net
http://www.sflpediatricsurgeons.com/index.html

UM Health: Pediatric and Adolescent Surgery
Ages: Up to 21 years
UM Health professionals at Jackson Memorial Hospital’s Holtz Children’s Center offer reparative treatment and surgical procedures for gastrochisis and other pediatric conditions.
Jackson Memorial Hospital ACC 5B
1611 NW 12 Ave
Miami, FL 33136
305.243.2247
http://surgery.med.miami.edu/pediatric/patient-care-services
Orofacial Clefts

Medical

Oral Facial Reconstruction & Implant Center Surgeons of South Florida
A team of orofacial surgeons throughout South Florida. Locations in Plantation, Coral Springs, Aventura, Miami Beach and Pembroke Pines.
http://oralfacial.com/doctors.php
En Español: http://oralfacial.com/doctores.php

Cleft Lip & Palate Reconstruction
Cleft lip and palate surgery performed by Drs. Kelly and Herman on children and adult with congenital orofacial clefts. Dr. Kelly is a founding member of the Miami Children's Hospital Craniofacial Center.
8940 N Kendall Dr. Ste. 903-E
Miami, FL 33176
877.774.7716; 305.595.2969; 305.595.6491 (Fax)
En Español: http://spanish.miamiplasticsurgery.com/page_id_72.htm

Miami Children's Hospital: Craniofacial Center
Ages: Up to 21 years
A non-profit, free-standing specialty hospital exclusively for children with a department dedicated to pediatric craniofacial surgery.
3100 SW 62nd Ave
Miami, FL 33155
305.662.8237; 305.663.8518 (Fax); 1.800.662.8502
Craniofacialcenter@mch.com

H. James Miller, DDS, PA
Ages: Up to 21 years
Dr. Miller's practice offers temporary prosthetic devices to close a baby's cleft palate for easier feeding before undergoing a surgical procedure. Dr. Miller also offers dental bridges and special appliances called "speech bulbs" or "palatal lifts" to assist in closing the nose from the mouth.
420 NW 74th Ave
Plantation, FL 33317
954.583.1514; 954.583.7064 (Fax)
hjmillerdds@bellsouth.net

Lippisch and Engebretsen: Oral Surgery and Dental Implants
Ages: All
Offering surgical procedures to repair cleft lip, cleft palate or both.
841 E Ocean Blvd
Stuart, FL 34994
772.223.0600; 772.223.0617 (Fax)
info@omfs.com

Chance T. Kaplan, MD, FACS
Ages: All
Dr. Kaplan is a board certified plastic surgeon who offers corrective surgery for orofacial clefts. Dr. Kaplan ensures that the child is left with as little noticeable scarring as possible.
1754 E Commercial Blvd
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33334
954.772.1069

David J. Levens, MD: Plastic Surgery
Dr. Levens offers corrective surgery for children with cleft lip, cleft palate or both in Coral Springs, FL.
1725 University Dr. Ste. 300
Coral Springs, FL 33071
866.752.1020; 954.752.1020
http://www.drlevens.com/
Resources in Southeast Florida

Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital Cleft and Craniofacial Center
Ages: Up to 21 years
One of four centers licensed and approved by the Florida Department of Health to provide specialized medical care for complex cleft and craniofacial conditions. The latest techniques and comprehensive treatments are offered and utilized for children with congenital orofacial anomalies.
1150 N 35 Ave Ste. 490
Hollywood, FL 33021
954.265.6314; 954.965.6480
JDCH.com

South Florida Dental Implant & Facial Surgery Center
Ages: All
Dr. Michel Matouk offers surgical procedures to repair cleft lip, cleft palate or both.
2600 E Commercial Blvd Ste. 200
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33308
954.566.0300
http://www.implantandfacialsurgery.com/
south_florida_dental_surgery/oral_maxillofacial_surgery/
cleft_lip_palate.html

Spina Bifida
Information and Support
Spina Bifida of South Florida
A non-profit organization created to help improve the lives of individuals and families affected by spina bifida. Spina Bifida of South Florida acts as a resource which provides information and emotional support, sponsorship of social events, programs and educational conferences in Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Monroe and Lee Counties.
info@sbofsf.org
www.sbofsf.org
Statewide Resources

**Advocacy**

**Advocacy Center**
Non-profit organization providing advocacy and protection across Florida with an aim to advance the self-determination, dignity, equality, and voiced choices of people with disabilities.
http://www.advocacycenter.org

**The Family Café**
The Family Café is a non-profit organization that sponsors an annual statewide conference for individuals with special needs and their families, while also providing empowerment and advocacy for special needs.
http://www.familycafe.net

**Family Care Council**
Comprised of 15 councils throughout Florida, the Family Care Council’s primary mission is to advocate, educate and empower individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.
http://fccflorida.org

Family Network on Disabilities of Florida, Inc.
Providing family-driven support, advocacy, information for individuals with special needs and their families.
http://www.fndfl.org

**Autism Society of Florida Chapter**
Ages: All
This statewide organization supports individuals with autism and their families and caregivers. Run by volunteers, the Autism Society of Florida coordinates activities on behalf of anyone with autism on a statewide basis.
Autism Society of America
State of Florida Affiliate
407.207.3388
Toll Free
855.529.6807
email@autismfl.com

**Florida Developmental Disabilities Council (FDDC)**
Ages: All
Since 1971, FDDC has helped plan individual and family-centered supports for individuals with disabilities in Florida.
FDDC is also involved in improving the quality of life of persons with disabilities through planning and funding research, programs, and innovations.
124 Marriott Dr. Ste. 203
Tallahassee, FL 32301
800.580.7801 (Toll Free); 850.488.4180; 888.488.8633 (TDD Toll Free); 850.488.0956 (TDD)
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124 Marriott Dr. Ste. 203
Tallahassee, FL 32301
800.580.7801 (Toll Free); 850.488.4180; 888.488.8633 (TDD Toll Free); 850.488.0956 (TDD)
fddc@fddc.org
www.fddc.org

**Florida’s Voice on Developmental Disabilities**
A statewide independent advocacy and networking non-profit organization comprised of individuals, families, and friends of persons with developmental disabilities. Our united front provides a voice and support for the needs of families and individuals with persons with developmental disabilities.
Provide legal expertise in various cases (e.g., Cramer v. Chiles; Brown v. Bush).
Advocate, as needed, before members of local, state, and federal government entities and agencies.
Cooperate and interact with other advocacy groups.
Network with members (individuals, families, agencies, and professionals) to find solutions and to support those in need.
Sponsor statewide educational conferences for families, professionals, advocates, and lawmakers.

**Community Services**

**Safety Net by LoJack:**
Provides services available in Hillsborough County, Florida, to help find people with autism, Alzheimer’s disease, Down syndrome and other cognitive conditions who wander.
http://www.safetynetsource.com
Statewide Resources

**Capstone Digital:**
The Read on myON project is a collaborative effort to provide myON reader from Capstone Digital to all children from birth through 8th grade in Hillsborough County. The Children’s Board funding focuses on access for families of infants and children through age eight (8).  
www.readonmyown.com  
1710 Roe Crest Drive, North Mankato, Minnesota 33602  
(813.600.1581)

**Education**

**The Association of Early Learning Coalitions (AELC)**
Ages: Up to 5 years
Comprised of 31 locations throughout Florida, the AELC supports the role of Early Learning Coalitions to develop and administer a comprehensive school readiness program and a voluntary pre-kindergarten (VPK) program in an effort to prepare preschool children to succeed.
216 S Monroe St  
Tallahassee, FL 32301  
850.728.2093  
www.earlylearningassociation.org

**Step-by-Step Success, LLC.**
Ages: All
Provides behavioral analysis for individuals with Autism and other developmental disabilities throughout Florida. Services counties include Marion, Sumter, Lake, Volusia, Brevard, Seminole, Orange, Hillsborough, Hernando, Alachua, Polk, and Osceola.
7558 SW 61st Ave Ste. 3  
Ocala, FL 34476  
352.671.5335; 352.867.1557 (Fax)  
Step_by_StepSuccess@yahoo.com  
www.step-by-stepsuccess.net

**ChairScholars Foundation, Inc.**
Ages: 7th-11th grade students
ChairScholars Foundation offers the Florida Scholarship Program available to low-income Florida public school students enrolled in grades 7-11 with a serious physical disability. The awarded scholarships provide college or vocational school tuition with Florida Prepaid Tuition Scholarships to students with a scholastic average of a “B” or higher.
16101 Carencia Lane  
Odessa, FL 33556  
813.926.0544; 888.926.0544; 813.920.7661 (Fax)  
programs@chairscholars.org  
www.chairscholars.org

**Florida High School High Tech (HSHT)**
Ages: 14 to 22 years
Florida HSHT is designed to provide high school students with all types of disabilities the opportunity to explore jobs or postsecondary education leading to technology-related careers. There are currently 35 HSHT locations throughout Florida.
3320 Thomasville Rd Ste. 200  
Tallahassee, FL 32308  
850.224.4493; 850.224.4496 (Fax)  
info@abletrust.org  
www.abletrust.org

**Information and Support**

**CARD – Center for Autism and Related Disabilities**
CARD regionally established six nonresidential resource centers for families of children with autism and other related disabilities. Locations: UCF, UF, UM, UF Health Science Center - Jacksonville, USF, FSU  
http://card-usf.fmhi.usf.edu

**Disability Resource Diva:**
Is a Facebook page that provides Local, State and National Disability News, Resources and Information for individuals with disabilities. Follow on Twitter @D_ResourceDiva

**Love and Learning (Reading and Language Development Materials):**
Uses techniques and materials (DVDs, audio tapes, books and computer programs) to help Infants and Toddlers with Language and Reading development. Recommended for children with special needs.
9828 Melrose Livonia, MI 48150  
http://www.loveandlearning.com/home.shtml
Statewide Resources

Washington PAVE [Specialized Training of Military Parents (STOMP)]:
Offers Military families information about how to obtain services when deployed or reassigned overseas and how to maintain continuity of care. Also, members have experience dealing with special needs resources (in military communities) and how to navigate the system. Available for contact near duty station.
6316 S 12th St Tacoma WA 98465 (Headquarters)
(253.565.2266)
804 Bedford Rd Fayetteville, NC 28303 (East Coast)
http://www.stompproject.org

Wrightslaw:

National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities:
The offers several fact sheets on disabilities. Provides tips for parents and education as well as some resources.
1825 Connecticut Ave NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20009 (1.800.695.0285; 202.884.8200)
http://nichcy.org/disability/specific/downsyndrome#orgs

Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System (FDLRS):
FDLRS (pronounced Fiddlers) provides diagnostic and instructional support services to district exceptional student education programs and families of students with exceptionalities statewide.
www.paec.org/fdlrsweb/index.htm

Disability Network Inc.
The Disability Network offers links to information and support for the disabled and their families.
http://www.disabilitynetwork.com

Family Care Council SunCoast Area:
Established in 1993 by Florida Statute, the Family Care Council (FCC) advises the Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) on the needs of self-advocates and their families. The 14 local Family Care Councils work with APD in educating, advocating, and empowering families of persons with developmental disabilities (DD). They also assist APD with the delivery of services to persons receiving Med-Waiver funds. (352.753.1163)
www.fccflorida.org

Exceptional Parent
An online resource center providing information, ideas, encouragement, and support for families of children with disabilities.
http://www.eparent.com

Florida Child Care Search
Allows parents and guardians to search for childcare around their area that is suitable to their child's individual needs and requirements.
http://www.floridachildcaresearch.com

Parents Planning Programs
Dedicated to providing Florida's special needs population with a quality lifestyle, PPP serves as an informative website for family and friends of people with developmental disabilities.
http://www.pppflorida.org

Abilitations School Specialty
Ages: All
Provides information, solutions, and products for children with special needs. Abilitations offers a wide selection of tools and equipment for the development and enhancement of sensory and motor skills, communication, balance, mobility, positioning, handwriting, and literacy.
School Specialty
PO Box 1579
Appleton, WI 54912
888.388.3224; 888.388.6344 (Fax)
internationalorders@schoolspecialty.com
https://store.schoolspecialty.com

Butterfly Effects
Ages: All
Butterfly Effects offers evaluations, direct care, behavioral interventions, education support, and case management to
assist individuals with developmental disabilities in enriching their lives. With a team of 300 providers and advocates, Butterfly Effects promotes comprehensive coordinated care that aims to address every existing concern.
888.880.9270; 954.603.7885 (South Florida Main Office);
941.306.3873 (West Florida Main Office)
www.butterflyeffects.com

Ability Online Support Network
Ages: 4-25 years
A family friendly monitored electronic message system that allows children and young adults with disabilities to share information and their experiences. Enables and encourages new friendships in a free and secure online environment.
Mailing Address
250 Wincott Dr.
RPO PO Box 18515
Etobicoke, ON Canada M9R 4C8
Michelle McClure: Executive Director
416.650.6207; 1.866.650.6207
information@abilityonline.org
www.abilitygives.org

Child-Autism-Parent-Café.Com
Ages: All
This website is designed to provide a child with autism and his or her family with the information and resources on diets, toys, camps, schools, action plans, etc.
www.child-autism-parent-cafe.com

Parents Helping Parents of Florida
Ages: All
Providing many resources for parents of children with disabilities.
PO Box 830802
Ocala, FL 34483
352.624.1360
phpf2002@embarqmail.com
phpf-fountain.org

Woodbine House
Ages: All
A trusted source for books on disabilities.
6510 Bells Mill Rd

Bethesda, MD 20817
800.843.7323
info@woodbinehouse.com

Disability is Natural
Ages: All
Encouraging new ways of thinking about developmental disabilities and believing that changes in our attitudes and actions can help create a society where all children and adults with developmental disabilities have opportunities to live the lives of their dreams.
PO Box 7245
Woodland Park, CO 80863
719.687.0735; 719.687.8114 (Fax)
www.disabilityisnatural.com

Sibling Support Project
A national effort dedicated to the life-long concerns of brothers and sisters of people who have special health, developmental, or mental health concerns. Over 400 registered Sib-shops exist throughout the US and Canada; 17 in Florida.
http://www.siblingsupport.org/

Florida Directory of Early Childhood Services
Ages: 2 to 6 years
Provides statewide information and referral services for families of children who have disabilities and special health care needs, or who are at risk for developmental delays.
2807 Remington Green Circle
Tallahassee, FL 32308
800.654.4440; 850.487.6301; 850.681.9816 (Fax)
Lou Ann Long: lalong@centraldirectory.org
www.centraldirectory.org

Birth Defect: A Helping Family Resource
Ages: All
A positive and informative site striving to arm parents with the greatest tool in the battle against congenital defects: information. Available 24/7.
http://birthdefectresource.com/

FYI Transition
Ages: Young adults and up
Statewide Resources

A website designed to help individuals with special needs and their families plan for transitioning from school to adult life.
http://www.fyitransition.org/

**Going to College: A Resource for Teens with Disabilities**
Ages: High school students
A website dedicated to providing information and personal experiences on going to college with a disability. Resources and activities make it easier for high school students with disabilities and their families to plan for college.
1314 West Main St
PO Box 842011
Richmond, VA 23284
804.828.1851 (Voice); 804.828.2193 (Fax); 804.828.2494 (TTY)
Lori Briel: Program Coordinator: lwbriel@vcu.edu
www.going-to-college.org

**Girlshealth.gov: Illness and Disability**
Ages: All
An informative site for young girls with a section dedicated especially for girls with illness & disability. The site offers brief readings on types of illnesses and disabilities, dealing with medical issues, coping with feelings, maintaining a healthy body and relationships, and becoming independent. Girlshealth.gov also shares stories from celebrities and provides a glossary for tricky and uncommon terms used.
www.girlshealth.gov/disability/

**CDC: Facts About Developmental Disabilities**
Ages: All
The Center for Disease and Control Prevention provides a brief and informative source of information on the facts and specific conditions that make up developmental disabilities. (Para español)
http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/developmentaldisabilities/facts.html

**WaiverProvider.Com**
Ages: All
A directory for of Medicaid waiver providers and a source for the latest news and information that helps people with developmental disabilities and senior citizens.

Mailing Address
Clear Choice Web Solutions, Inc.
P0 Box 6842
Spring Hill, FL 34611
Aaron Nangle: 727.841.8943
WaiverInfo@aol.com

**Florida Early Steps System**
Ages: Up to 3 years
Florida's early intervention system that offers services to eligible infants and toddlers with significant delays or a condition likely to result in a developmental delay. Early intervention is provided to support families and caregivers in developing the competence and confidence to help their child learn and develop.
1.800.654.4440

**Community in FL**
Ages: All
County-by-county transportation information and services for persons with developmental disabilities and their families.
The Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, Inc.
124 Marriott Dr Ste 203
Tallahassee, FL 32301
850.488.4410; 800.580.7801; 888.488.8633 (TDD Toll Free); 850.922.6702 (Fax)
fddc@fddc.org

**Hand to Hold**
Ages: All
A site providing comprehensive navigation resources and support programs to parents of preemies, babies born with special health care needs and those who have experienced a loss due to these or other complications.
(En español)
Executive Director: Kelli Kelley
512.293.0465; 855.424.6428 Ext 3
kelli@handtohold.org
handtohold.org

**Hygeia Foundation**
Statewide Resources

A site dedicated to comforting and supporting those who grieve the loss of a pregnancy or infant. The Hygeia Foundation also lists sites for additional grief support resources and strives to improve the general awareness of the impact of pregnancy and infant loss on families.
203.389.7700; 203.389.7700 (Fax); 1.800.893.9198
info@hygeiafoundation.org
hygeiafoundation.org

A Heartbreaking Choice
Ages: All
A support site dedicated to mothers who have elected to terminate a pregnancy that received a terminal or life-limiting diagnosis.
info@aheartbreakingchoice.com
www.aheartbreakingchoice.com

Prenatal Partners for Life
Ages: All
A site that provides information and support for parents expecting a child with an adverse prenatal diagnosis and support for families raising a child with special needs.
PO Box 2225
Maple Grove, MN 55311
763.772.3868; 866.870.9175 (Fax)
mary@prenatalpartnersforlife.org
www.prenatalpartnersforlife.org

Madison’s Foundation
Ages: All
An organization that strives to improve the quality and quantity of information available to parents of children with rare, life-threatening diseases, as well as to establish effective communication among parents, physicians and other health care professionals.
PO Box 241956
Los Angeles, CA 90024
310.264.0826; 310.264.4766 (Fax)
getinfo@madisonsfoundation.org
madisonsfoundation.org

Florida’s Central Directory
A resource for families with children who have disabilities and special health care needs. The Central Directory provides information on available services. The Central Directory: Provides answers and/or possible choices within your community, education on disability related services, advocacy for families with disabilities and special health care needs, and electronically routes calls to Early Steps, FDLRS/Child Find Programs.
(800) 654-4440
www.centraldirectory.org

Florida’s Transition Project for Infants, Young Children, and Their Families.
Ages: Birth through 6 years and their families. Assists local communities in establishing trained teams to develop a seamless system of transition among agencies providing services to young children with disabilities, birth to six years of age, and their families. Florida’s Transition Project can offer community training and services in the following areas and others:
Leadership in developing community wide transition systems
Developing comprehensive interagency agreements
Information and resources
Team building activities
Effective meeting strategies
Interagency issues
Conflict resolution for interagency teams
Transition self-assessment
401 SW 42nd Street
Gainesville, FL 32607
352.372.2485
352.334.1773 (Fax)
bettianne@floridatransitionproject.com

Medical

Children’s Medical Services
A family-centered managed system of care, run through the Florida Department of Health, that provides children with special health care needs under 21 years of age.
http://www.cms-kids.com

Pediatric Health Choice:
Statewide Resources

Provide services for children with complex medical and behavioral issues at multiple locations throughout the state of Florida.

Clinical Offices: (813.870.0000) Administration: (813.880.0320) www.pediatrichc.com

Mental Health

Family Infant Toddler Treatment Services, LLC:

Family Infant Toddler Treatment Services, LLC provides confidential mental health treatment services to families/individuals with children ages 0-6. I specialize in treatment services geared toward healing past hurts, addressing behavior issues and finding individual resolutions to personal issues.

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY: (850.324.2634) Roxanne Mayorca, MS, LMHC http://www.familyfitts.org/

Recreation

Autism and Special Needs Friendly Movies at AMC

AMC offers a once-a-month movie screening suitable for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder and other special needs. The experience provides an environment where the audience can get up and freely move around as the movie is playing. Parents are also allowed to bring appropriate snacks for their child.

Locations listed on website https://www.amctheatres.com/programs/sensory-friendly-films

The Mermaid Swim School (The Special Needs Swim Program):

Offer private swimming lessons and water fitness classes for all ages and abilities in your home pool. With experienced and certified instructors Lessons may be adapted for the special needs child or adult, as well. They have experienced instructors able to give the personal attention that your child with a physical or mental disability may need. (Available in Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Manatee, Sarasota, and Charlotte counties) (941.363.1083) or (727.210.5233)
http://www.mymermaidswimschool.com/

Best Buddies Florida

Best Buddies is a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, leadership development, and integrated employment for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Locations listed on website.

State Headquarters

Best Buddies of Central Florida
3975 S Orange Blossom Trail Ste. 113
Orlando, FL 32839
407.898.0787; 407.367.4354 (Fax); 877.4BB.FLBUDY
www.bestbuddiesflorida.org

Special Olympics Florida

Ages: 8 years and up
Provides year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for individuals with intellectual disabilities.

Main State Office

1915 Don Wickham Drive
Clermont, FL 34711
352.243.9536; 352.243.9568 (Fax)
www.specialolympicsflorida.org

Referral

The Children’s Forum

Serving as the core of the Child Care Resource and Referral Network, the Tallahassee-based forum promotes early education, quality child care, and family/work solutions across Florida.

http://www.flchild.com

FloridaHATS

A collaborative program of the Florida Department of Health, Children’s Medical Services Network, Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, and other programs that serves to ensure a successful transition from pediatric to adult health care for all Floridian youth, including children with disabilities.

Project Director: Janet Hess, MPH, CHES
jhess@health.usf.edu 813.259.8604
www.floridahats.org
Statewide Resources

Easter Seals
Serving individuals with special needs and their families for over 85 years, Easter Seals ranges in offered services from child development to job training.
http://www.easter-seals.org

Easter Seals Florida
2010 Mizell Avenue,
Winter Park, FL 32792
Phone: (407)629-7881

Easter Seals South Florida
1475 NW 14th Avenue,
Miami, FL 33125-1692
Phone: (305)325-0470

Easter Seals Southwest Florida
350 Braden Avenue,
Sarasota, FL 34243-2096
Phone: (941)355-7637

Easter Seals Volusia and Flagler Counties
1219 Dunn Avenue,
Daytona Beach, FL 32114
Phone: (386)255-4568

Maxim Healthcare Services
Providing hourly in-home care and respite for parents and families of children with developmental or physical disabilities.
Locations listed on website.
7227 Lee Deforest Dr.
Columbia, MD 21046
410.910.1500
www.maximhomecare.com

Transportation

Able to Travel
Able to Travel makes is easier for individuals with disabilities to travel intra- and internationally. This full-service agency employs knowledgeable travel agents who are aware of the special needs necessary for traveling with a disability.
888.211.3635
www.abletotravel.org

Therapy

Florida Elks Children’s Therapy Services, INC
Florida Elks Children’s Therapy Services provides physical therapy and occupational therapy to Florida children who do not have easy access to these services. These services are provided in the patient’s home without regard to the ability to pay. This program strives to provide the highest quality services possible to this special population. Therapists are employed by the Florida Elks and are licensed to practice by the state of Florida. With 23 mobile units, our therapists are treating children throughout the state covering most of its 67 counties. call the Program Administrator at (1.800.523.1673) ext. 240 and request an application
http://www.floridaelks.org

Handwriting Without Tears® program:
Handwriting Without Tears® helps children with disabilities develop their fine motor skills and activities can be incorporated into therapies. Program can be ordered online.
(1) 8001 MacArthur Blvd Cabin John, MD 20818 USA
(301.263.2700)
(2) 806 W Diamond Ave, Suite 230, Gaithersburg, MD 20878
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(3) 5310 S. 107th Ave Omaha, NE 68127 USA
(402.492.2766)
http://www.hwtears.com/hwt/educators/therapists/special-needs

Anencephaly

Information and Support

Faces of Loss, Faces of Hope
A site dedicated for women to share stories and personal experiences of miscarriage, stillbirth and infant loss in hopes of connecting and finding comfort in an online support community.
PO Box 26131
Minneapolis, MN 55426
Kristin@facesofloss.com
facesofloss.com

Grieve Out Loud: Pregnancy & Infant Loss Support
A site dedicated to helping families find their way back to life after the loss of an infant. Grieve Out Loud offers a "Voices of Loss Pen-Pal Program" for connecting with others who have endured a similar loss.
grieveoutloud@gmail.com
grieveoutloud.org

Anencephaly.Net
A site with resources on support and information, grief support, selected pro-life sites, news and memorials for parents and family members of children born with anencephaly.
www.anencephaly.net

Glow in the Woods
Ages: All
A support site for parents to find comfort and share their experiences, as well as find information and resources after the loss of a baby.
www.glowinthewoods.com

BabyCenter: Miscarriage, Stillbirth & Infant Loss Support
An online support group dedicated for bereaved parents to share their stories and gain comfort from compassionate members who have endured similar experiences.
Community.babycenter.com/groups/a15155/miscarriage_stillbirth_infant_loss_support

MISS Foundation
A volunteer-based organization committed to providing crisis and long-term support to families after the death of a baby or child.
1.602.279.6477; 1.888.455.6477
info@missfoundation.org
www.missfoundation.org

Anencephaly.Info
A site offering information and stories about Anencephaly and affected pregnancies.
(En español and other languages available)
anencephaly.info

Naomi’s Circle
A Christian organization devoted to sharing the comfort received in Jesus with those walking the road of pregnancy loss. Support is provided on the site for grieving parents and family members through a Christian perspective.
803.728.1162
naomiscircle@gmail.com
www.naomiscircle.org

A Blog for Fathers When a Baby Dies
A blog designed to serve as a place for dads to share their thoughts about the experience of losing a baby and find support from other dads who endured similar experiences.
http://fathersgrievinginfantloss.blogspot.com/
The Compassionate Friends
Ages: All
A site providing highly personal comfort, hope and support to every family experiencing the death of a child, grandchild, or sibling.
630.990.0010; 877.969.0010; 630.990.0246 (Fax)
www.compassionatefriends.org

Missing Grace Foundation
A national non-profit organization that provides comfort, support, education and resources for families experiencing pregnancy loss, infant loss, infertility or adoption challenges.
763.497.0709
www.missinggrace.org
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**Good Grief Group**
A Facebook support group dedicated to supporting and helping parents who have lost a child find comfort and reassurance in their lives.
https://www.facebook.com/pages/Good-Grief-Group/119795341390888?ref=search

**Healing Hearts: Baby Loss Comfort**
A site providing a place for parents and family members to openly grieve and share the loss of their child. The site also provides links to numerous resources for additional grief support.
503.607.0607; 503.607.0667 (Fax)
www.babylosscomfort.com

**The Solace Foundation**
A non-profit organization offering comfort and support to bereaved parents following a pregnancy or infant loss.
314.329.1242
Director: Karen Rivers
karen.rivers@thesolacefoundation.org
info@thesolacefoundation.org
www.thesolacefoundation.org

**Grieving Dads Project**
A site designed to reach out to all bereaved dads and to provide a conduit to share their stories. Grieving Dads aims to bring awareness to the impacts that child loss has on fathers and to let society know that it's okay for a father to grieve the loss of a child.
Kelly D. Farley (Bereaved Father)
630.561.5989
Kelly@GrievingDads.com
Skype: GrievingDads
www.grievingdads.com

**CDC: Facts About Anencephaly**
The Center for Disease Control and Prevention provides a brief overview of the prevalence, causes and risk factors, and diagnosis of anencephaly.
www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birthdefects/anencephaly.html

**String of Pearls**
A site that aims to spread the awareness of Anencephaly worldwide.
http://www.worldwideanencephalyawareness.com/home

**Emily Rose’s Story**
A heartfelt and personal story from a mother who gave birth to a daughter with Anencephaly and enjoyed every moment of her two hours with her.

**Remembering Our Babies: October 15th**
The official site dedicated to October 15th, the day of remembrance for lost pregnancies and infants.
Robyn Bear: robyn@october15th.com
robyn.bear@att.net
www.rememberingourbabies.net

**Still Birthday**
As part of the Christian Childbirth Services, LLC., Still Birthday aims to provide bereaving families support and comfort as they experience the loss of a child. Still Birthday helps parents acknowledge that a pregnancy loss is still a birthday. (En español and other languages available)
communications@stillbirthday.com
www.stillbirthday.com

**Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep (NILMDTS)**
Offering the gift of photography to provide a keepsake of a lost baby for bereaving parents and family members. The site provides a locator service to find the most proximal photographer.
877.834.5667; 720.283.3339; 720.283.8998 (Fax)
www.nowilaymedowntosleep.org

**Florida TEARS Chapter**
Provides financial assistance to help bereaved parents and family members pay for their baby's funeral expenses. Flori-
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da TEARS also runs a Facebook support group open to all bereaving parents and family members: https://www.facebook.com/FloridaTearsRockWalk
floridawalk@thetearsfoundation.org
http://www.thetearsfoundation.org/page.php?id=69
Unspoken Grief
A site dedicated to provide support for parents and family members grieving perinatal loss and to allow them to share their stories and find comfort in numbers.
Unspokengrief.com

Birthweight Buddies
A ministry for grieving families that will custom make a stuffed animal matching the birth weight of the lost infant (up to 15lbs) for remembrance.
www.facebook.com/birthweightbuddie

Project Palmer
Project Palmer creates hand-made memories for parents facing the loss of a child including hats, photo props and blankets.
projectpalmer@yahoo.com
https://www.facebook.com/pages/Project-Palmer/337249116318905

All That Love Can Do
A private Facebook support group dedicated just for mothers who have elected to continue a terminally diagnosed pregnancy. Members provide each other with comfort, support and personal stories.
https://www.facebook.com/groups/allthatlovecando/

Prenatal Partners for Life: Anencephaly Stories
A collection of stories by parents and family members who have had a baby with Anencephaly. Offers expectant and grieving parents of a baby with Anencephaly support through viewing similar experiences and realizing they’re not alone.
http://www.prenatalpartnersforlife.org/Stories/AnencephalyStoriesIndex.htm

Carrying Colin
The Perry family shares their journey of electing to carry out their baby boy who was diagnosed with Anencephaly in order to support other parents facing the same experience.
http://www.carryingcolin.com/

Joshua’s Little Buddies: Anencephaly Support
A Facebook ministry that provides comfort and support for parents of babies with Anencephaly. Joshua’s Little Buddies also creates custom-made hats and onesies for the affected babies.
The family also has a site dedicated to their story and baby Joshua:
http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/babylange

Congenital Heart Defects

Medical
The Congenital Heart Institute of Florida (CHIF)
The largest congenital heart surgery in Florida, offering cardiac services to individuals of all ages. Locations throughout Florida with numerous providers offering services to families regardless of household income.
http://www.pediatricheartsurgery-chif.com/

Information and Support
Cardiac Kids Foundation of Florida, Inc.
Providing education, assistance and charitable health care for families of children with congenital heart defects.
3874 Tampa Rd
Oldsmar, FL 34677
727.422.1979; 727.280.6606 (Fax)
marlee@cardiackidsfl.com
http://cardiackidsfl.com/index.html

Congenital Heart Defect Coalition
A non-profit organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for all individuals affected by congenital heart defects (CHDs). Though CHD Coalition is headquartered in New Jersey, they provide links to resources throughout the United States.
973.291.4676
info@chdcoalition.org
chdcoalition.org
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**Broken Hearts of Florida**
A non-profit organization designed to support, educate and connect families affected by congenital heart defects, as well as other pediatric cardiac diseases.
850.668.5864; 850.668.5865 (Fax)
info@brokenheartsflorida.org
brokenheartsbigbend.blogspot.com

**Little Hearts, Inc.**
A national organization providing education, networking, resources and support for families affected by congenital heart defects.
866.435.HOPE; 860.635.0006 (Phone/Fax)
https://www.littlehearts.org/

**Mended Little Hearts**
A non-profit organization and part of the Mended Hearts, Inc., Mended Little Hearts strives to provide support community-wide support for children with congenital heart defects and their families. Groups located throughout FL (listed on site).
http://mendedlittlehearts.org/mlh.htm

**It's My Heart, Inc.**
A non-profit organization that provides education, resources, awareness and support for those affected by congenital heart defects and their families.
1304 Langham Creek #235
Houston, TX 77084
713.334.4244; 866.222.0334 (Fax)
888.HEART.07 (Toll Free)
En Español: 877.586.6888
info@itsmyheart.org
http://www.itsmyheart.org/

**Kids with Heart National Association for Children’s Heart Disorders, Inc.**
A non-profit organization dedicated to educating, supporting and providing resources for individuals affected by congenital heart defects and their families.
http://www.kidswithheart.org/
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/124571567596824/

**National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute**
A site dedicated to providing information and resources pertaining to heart, lung and blood conditions and disorders.
NHLBI Health Information Center
Attention: Website
PO Box 30105
Bethesda, MD 20824
301.592.8573; 301.592.8563 (Fax)
nhlbiinfo@nhlbi.nih.gov
http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/

**Congenital Heart Information Network (CHIN)**
Providing information, resources, advocacy and support for individuals with congenital heart defects and their families.
PO Box 3397
Margate City, NJ 08402
1.609.823.4507
mb@tchin.org
www.tchin.org

**American Heart Association: Congenital Heart Defects**
Detailed information on the definition, causes, symptoms, diagnosis and treatments of various congenital heart defects.
Printable information sheets available.
http://www.heart.org/HEARTORG/Conditions/CongenitalHeartDefects/AboutCongenitalHeartDefects/About-Congenital-Heart-Defects_UCM_001217_Article.jsp
En Español: http://www.heart.org/HEARTORG/Conditions/CongenitalHeartDefects/AboutCongenitalHeartDefects/Defectos-Cardiacos-Congenitos-de-los-Ninos_UCM_316714_Article.jsp

**Congenital Heart Walk**
An ongoing fundraising effort honoring and remembering the millions of individuals impacted by congenital heart disease. This annual event is held in over 25 locations throughout the U.S., with some taking place in Florida.
National Walk Headquarters
6757 Greene St Ste. 335
Philadelphia, PA
855.243.9255
info@congenitalheartwalk.org
www.congenitalheartwalk.org
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**Tetralogy of Fallot**

**Information and Support**

CDC: Facts about Tetralogy of Fallot
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides a brief and informative fact sheet on the symptoms, causes, diagnosis and treatments of tetralogy of fallot.
http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/heartdefects/tetralogyoffallot.html
En Español: http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/heartdefects/TetralogyOfFallot.htm

**Down Syndrome: Health Issues (News and Information for Parents and Professionals):**
A blog and posting site by a medical professional, who has a daughter with Downs Syndrome. Provides papers he has written and other useful information for parents and professionals. http://www.ds-health.com/

**Our Little Braveheart**
One family's story on receiving their child's tetralogy of fallot diagnosis, coping with the medical appointments and getting to see their son grow up happy and healthy. This blog is designed to helped parents affected by tetralogy of fallot find guidance and comfort in shared experiences.
http://ourlittlebraveheart.com/

**Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome**

**Information and Support**

CDC: Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides a brief and informative guide to the definition, symptoms, causes, diagnosis and treatments of hypoplastic left heart syndrome.
http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/heartdefects/hlhs.html
En Español: http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/heartdefects/Spanish/birthdefects/HypoplasticLeftHeart Syndrome.htm

Mayo Clinic: Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome (HLHS)
The Todd and Karen Wanek Family Program for HLHS brochure is an informative guide that provides a thorough definition of HLHS, its causes, diagnosis and its associated treatments.
http://www.mayo.edu/research/documents/hlhs-program-brochurepdf/DOC-10027499

**Cove Point Foundation**
The world’s largest resource for pediatric and adult congenital heart disease.
http://www.pted.org/?id=home
En Español: http://www.pted.org/?id=sp/home

**Bowen's Heart**
A family's story about having a baby with hypoplastic left heart syndrome.
bowensheart.com

**Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome (HLHS) Facebook Group**
A Facebook group emphasizing awareness of congenital heart defects, primarily focusing on HLHS.
https://www.facebook.com/pages/HLHSHypoplastic-Left-Heart-Syndrome/129399550465081+

**Down Syndrome**

**Information and Support**

Down Syndrome Pregnancy
A program administered by the Human Development Institute at the University of Kentucky to provide an honest, compassionate, and informative online support source for those in post-diagnosis pregnancy.
nancy@downsyndrempregnancy.org
downsyndrempregnancy.org
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**Communicating Partners (Articles On Down Syndrome):**
Provides articles and online resources to help parents and educators understand language delays and treat them. Also, offers online discussion groups to talk to other parents about common problems.
332 Mimring Columbus, OH 43202 (614.447.0768)
macdonald.3@osu.edu; http://jamesdmacdonald.org/Articles/DownSyndrome.html

**Down Syndrome Foundation of Florida**
The Down Syndrome Foundation of Florida believes that "when potential is given opportunity, the outcome is success."
PO Box 533462
Orlando, FL 32853
407.538.3537
info@dsfflorida.org
http://www.dsfflorida.org/

**National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities:**
The offers several fact sheets on disabilities. Provides information for parents and educators as well as some resources.
1825 Connecticut Ave NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20009 (1.800.695.0285); (202.884.8200)
http://nichcy.org/disability/specific/downsyndrome#orgs

**Brighter Tomorrows**
Supporting families with accurate information about Down syndrome.
http://www.brightertomorrows.org/

**Light at the End of the Tunnel**
An online booklet sharing reflections from parents whose child with Down syndrome was diagnosed before birth.
http://www.kcdsg.org/files/content/Light%20at%20the%20End%20of%20the%20Tunnel.pdf

**National Down Syndrome Congress**
Based in Georgia, the National Down Syndrome Congress aims to create a national climate in which all people will recognize and embrace the value and dignity of people with Down syndrome.
1370 Center Dr. Ste. 102
Atlanta, GA 30338
800.232.6372; 770.604.9500; 770.604.9898 (Fax)
info@ndscenter.org
www.ndscenter.org

**The Journey Ahead**
A video providing a brief look into what it's like to raise a child with Down syndrome.
http://vimeo.com/2853317

**What Parents Wish They'd Known**
An online booklet providing reflections on parenting a child with Down syndrome.

**Einstein Syndrome: Down Syndrome with a Positive Attitude**
Providing parents and families of children with Down syndrome a positive outlook on the diagnosis.
Miriam Kauk: miriam@bethchokmah.com
einstein-syndrome.com

**Downsyndrome.com**
Making communities more informed and accommodating with Down syndrome.
http://downsyndrome.com/

**Global Down Syndrome Foundation**
Dedicated to significantly improving the lives of people with Down syndrome through research, medical care, education and advocacy.
3300 E First Ave Ste. 390
Denver, CO 80206
303.321.6277
www.globaldownsyndrome.org

**Puerto Rico Down Syndrome Foundation (Spanish)**
http://www.sindromedown.org/fsd/

**International Mosaic Down Syndrome Association**
Designed to support any family or individual whose life has been touched by mosaic Down syndrome (mDs) through pursuing research opportunities and increasing awareness in the medical, educational and public communities throughout the world.
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Se habla español.
PO Box 354
Trenton, OH 45067
1.855.1MDSA21
www.imdsa.org

National Down Syndrome Society
Serving as a national advocate for the value, acceptance and inclusion of people with Down syndrome.
666 Broadway 8th Floor
New York, New York 10012
800.221.4602
info@ndss.org
www.ndss.org

Down Syndrome: Health Issues
A series of essays on health issues associated with Down syndrome written by a pediatrician and father of a child with Down syndrome.
http://www.ds-health.com/

National Association for Down Syndrome
The oldest organization in the country serving individuals with Down syndrome and their families by providing support and information on Down syndrome.
Se habla español.
1460 Renaissance Dr. Ste. 405
Park Ridge, IL 60068
630.325.9112
info@nads.org
www.nads.org

March of Dimes - Down Syndrome (Spanish)
An informative source on the Down syndrome diagnosis and its associated health conditions.
http://www.nacersano.org/centro/9388_9974.asp

KidsHealth: Down Syndrome
A brief description of Down syndrome and its causes formatted for parents, kids, and teens; lea este articulo en Español.

Somos Mas Parecidos que Diferentes (Spanish)
A wonderful and inspirational video on the diverse and exciting lives of adults living with Down syndrome from the Down Syndrome Association of Costa Rica.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=glE7SdpOt-g#t=175

Real Life: Down Syndrome
A comprehensive look into raising a child with Down syndrome: for parents, by parents.
http://reallifedowns syndrome-resources.blogspot.com/

Medical
Specs 4 Us (Eye glasses):
A website where for ordering glasses specifically designed for children with Down Syndrome. Also provides a provider list of all carriers in every state and several countries. 13801 West Center Street Unit #4 Burton, OH 44021 (800.586.1885) http://www.specs4us.com/index.html

Other
Downs Designs: Special Clothes for Special People
Downs Designs makes and sells clothing designed specifically for the unique shape of an individual with Down syndrome. Many features of Downs Designs clothing ensure that the wearer is comfortable and confident. The Exclusive Try-On Service allows customers to try on items hassle free.
8796 Tyler Blvd
Mentor, OH 44060
440.290.8903; 877.390.4851; 440.290.8937 (Fax)
questions@downsdesigns.com
downsdesigns.com

Gastroschisis

Advocacy

Digestive Disease National Coalition (DDNC)
DDNC is an advocacy organization composed of major national voluntary and professional societies dedicated to digestive diseases.
National Office
507 Capitol Ct NE Ste 200
Washington, DC 20002
202.544.7497; 202.546.7105 (Fax)
http://www.ddnc.org/Home_Page.html
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**Information and Support**

*Avery's Angels Gastroschisis Foundation*
A non-profit organization created to support expectant, existing and mourning parents of babies born with gastroschisis. Avery’s Angels also encourages research to find the cause of Gastroschisis and bring awareness to the public. (Haga Clic Aquí Para Español)

PO Box 58312
Raleigh, NC 27658
855.692.8379
sheila@averysangels.org
www.averysangels.org

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/averysangels?filter=2

**Melody Purkey: Celebrating Life Every Day in Every Way**
An inspirational and heartwarming story of one mother’s experience with having a baby with gastroschisis. Melody’s story provides a positive outlook on the prognosis of gastroschisis.
http://www.wenourish.com/docs/issue31_Melodys_Song.pdf

**Gastroschisis.net**
A site providing guidance, resources and personal experience stories for parents and loved ones of babies diagnosed with gastroschisis.
http://gastroschisis.net/index.html

**Avery's Angels (Facebook support group):**
A non-profit foundation dedicated to Gastroschisis research, awareness and family support. Po Box 58312 Raleigh, NC 27658-8312
info@averysangels.org;  www.averysangels.org

**I Have Gastroschisis (Online support group):**
A Gastroschisis anonymous support group with information on diagnosis, treatment, symptoms, along with personal stories and experiences with Gastroschisis.
http://www.experienceproject.com/groups/Have-Gastroschisis/94808

**Short Gut Syndrome Parents' Support Group:**
Support group run by parents for parents dealing with Gastroschisis and any complications that result from gastrointestinal issues.
4213 Barker Road, Taylorsville, UT 84119 (801.955.6526)
support@shortgutsupport.com
http://www.shortgutsupport.com/about.php

**CDC: Facts about Gastroschisis**
The Center for Disease Control and Prevention offers an informative and thorough fact sheet on the risk factors, diagnosis and treatments for gastroschisis.
800.232.6348; 800.232.6348 (TTY)
http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birthdefects/gastroschisis.html

**Johns Hopkins Children's Center**
A quick and informative information sheet on the definition, symptoms, diagnosis and treatment of gastroschisis.
http://www.hopkinschildrens.org/gastroschisis.aspx

**GEEPS: Gastroschisis Exomphalos Extrophies Parents Support**
An international network of families and friends of children born with abdominal congenital anomalies. GEEPS offers support through discussion boards and experiences pages on the site.
geeps@btinternet.com
www.geeps.co.uk/geeps.htm

**Gastroschisis Support Network**
A site dedicated to the journey of one little girl born with gastroschisis. Parents, families and friends of babies born with gastroschisis can utilize the support network by sharing personal stories, posting photos, participating in the forums and finding sources of information.
luvshooz@hotmail.co.uk
http://southenglandgastroschisis.webs.com/

**Parents' Resource Guide: Gastroschisis**
An easy-to-read and informative PDF booklet on gastroschisis. This resource guide for parents provides information on the definition, causes, treatment and frequently asked questions associated with gastroschisis.
www.nationwidechildrens.org/Document/Get/30089
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### Gastroschisis
A short informative guide on gastroschisis.
http://www.in.gov/isdh/files/gastroschisis.pdf

### Medical
**Lifescript Doctor Review: FL Doctor Diagnosing/Treating Gastroschisis**  
Ages: Not Specified  
An alphabetical list of cities in Florida and associated pediatric providers specializing in diagnosing and treating gastroschisis.
http://www.lifescript.com/doctor-directory/condition/g-gastroschisis-fl.aspx

### Hypospadias
**Information and Support**
**CDC: Facts about Hypospadias**  
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides a brief and informative fact sheet on the signs, causes, diagnosis and treatments of hypospadias.
http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birthdefects/hypospadias.html  
En Español: http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/Spanish/birthdefects/Hypospadias.html

### Limb Reduction
**Information and Support**
**Limb Differences**  
An online resource for families and friends of children with limb differences.
http://limbdifferences.org/

**Helping Hands Foundation:**  
Provides support, information and a forum for sharing experiences for parents, affected children and their siblings through online support groups, blogs and information. P.O. Box 332 Medfield, MA 02052  
http://www.helpinghandsgroup.org

**Superhands Kids & Heroes:**  
Provides stories and links to other online support groups for families and individuals with limb differences. Also, provides inspirational stories of adults and children who have thrived with reductions. 515 NW Saltzman Rd #767 Portland, Oregon 97229-6098  
(503.292.0654) http://www.superhands.us/

**The Amputee Coalition**  
The nation's leading organization on limb loss whose mission is to enhance the quality of life for amputees, individuals born with limb reductions and their families. The Amputee Coalition raises awareness and encourages limb loss prevention through the generous support of the public.  
Headquarters  
9303 Center St Ste. 100  
Manassas, VA 20110  
888.267.5669; 865.525.4512 (TTY)  
http://www.amputee-coalition.org/

**Unlimbited Possibilities, Inc.**  
A community where families of children with upper limb differences can communicate, share information and gather support.  
PO Box 595  
North Bellmore, New York 11710  
president@unlimbitedpossibilities.org  
http://www.unlimbitedpossibilities.org/index.html

**Helping Hands Foundation**  
Providing support, information and an opportunity for parents and families of children with upper limb anomalies to share their personal stories and experiences.
http://www.helpinghandsgroup.org/
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**CDC: Facts about Upper and Lower Limb Reduction Defects**

**DysNet: The Online Dysmelia Community**
Dysmelia, otherwise known as the general term for congenital limb differences, serves as an inspiration for DysNet. DysNet is a site dedicated to information, education and support for individuals with congenital limb differences and their families.
info@edric.eu
http://www.dysnet.org/

**Orofacial Clefts**

**Education**

**The Florida Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association (FCPA)**
Assisting educating, empowering and understanding professionals and families who care for children with craniofacial conditions. Locations throughout Florida.
Statewide Contact
UF Department of Pediatrics
1701 SW 16 Ave Bldg. A
Gainesville, FL 32608
352.334.0709; 1.800.726.2029; 352.334.0245 (Fax)
lwwharton@ufl.edu
www.floridacleft.org

**Cleft Palate Foundation**
A non-profit organization that serves individuals and families affected by cleft lip/palate and other craniofacial conditions by providing education, connection to team care, and offering personal support. (En Español: http://www.cleftline.org/es/en-espanol/)
1504 E Franklin St, Ste. 102
Chapel Hill, NC 27514
800.242.5338; 919.933.9044; 919.933.9604 (Fax)
info@cleftline.org
www.cleftline.org

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**All Children’s Hospital: Cleft Lip and Palate**
Provides easy to understand information on cleft lip and palate, their causes, associated problems and treatment.
http://www.allkids.org/body.cfm?id=1905&category=138&ref=22974
En Español:
http://www.allkids.org/body.cfm?id=1905&category=20261&ref=47390

**Children’s Craniofacial Association (Family Networking):**
Family networking is a program of CCA in which a family member mom/dad/child is introduced to another family who is going through similar experiences to interact with. 13140 Coit Road, Suite 517 Dallas, TX 75240
(800.535.3643) http://www.ccakids.com

**Cleft Advocate**
An online state resource guide with links to services, support and laws pertaining to orofacial clefts.
Debbie Oliver, Executive Director
PO Box 751112
Las Vegas, NV 89136
888.486.1209; 702.769.9264; 702.341.5351 (Fax)
debbie@cleftadvocate.org
www.cleftadvocate.org

**American Society of Plastic Surgeons**
Provides information on orofacial clefts, their causes, information on the process and costs of repair, as well as a list of specialists that typically help with orofacial clefts.
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Children's Medical Services: Craniofacial/Cleft Lip & Cleft Palate Program
An informative page providing an overview on orofacial clefts as well as several Florida resources pertaining to the condition.

Local Resources for Cleft Palate and Cleft Lip
Provides a locator service for orofacial cleft services throughout Florida and the rest of the United States.

Friendly Faces
A website providing an abundant list of resources for various congenital facial conditions, including orofacial clefts.
smile@friendlyfaces.org
http://www.friendlyfaces.org/resources.html

Tips for Feeding an Infant with Cleft Lip
Ages: Birth to infancy
An online guide as well as a printable brochure on the proper procedures of breastfeeding and bottle feeding babies with cleft lip.

Health Encyclopedia: Cleft Lip and Palate
An informative site on the causes, symptoms, treatments and expectations pertaining to orofacial clefts.
http://www.floridahealthfinder.gov/HealthEncyclopedia/Health%20Illustrated%20Encyclopedia/1/001051.aspx

FACES: The National Craniofacial Association
Provides information on orofacial clefts as well as a downloadable PDF Facts Sheet and resources for families.
PO Box 11082
Chattanooga, TN 37401
800.332.2373; 423.266.1632
face@faces-cranio.org
http://www.faces-cranio.org/Disord/Cleft.htm

The Cleft Lip/Palate Resource
A website serving as an informative guide to orofacial clefts for parents, families, professionals and students wanting to learn more on the congenital anomalies.
http://www.cleftlippalate.org/index.html

Cleft Lip and Palate Foundation of Smiles
A members-only Facebook group dedicated to educating, supporting and bringing global awareness to individuals affected by orofacial clefts and their families.
https://www.facebook.com/groups/Smiles2009/?fref=ts
Official Organization Website
http://www.cleftsmile.org/

Circle of Moms
A website designed for mothers to share their personal stories and experience as well as access information on various subjects pertaining to parenting, pregnancy, family life and food. The search bar provides an easy way to locate desired topics of discussion, such as Cleft Tips & Advice: http://www.circleofmoms.com/search/cleft

Mayo Clinic: Cleft Lip and Cleft Palate
An easy to understand overview of the definition, symptoms, causes, risk factors, complications, diagnosis, treatments and support pertaining to congenital orofacial clefts.
http://www.mayoclinic.com/health/cleft-lip/DS00738

CDC: Facts About Cleft Lip and Cleft Palate
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides a comprehensive and easy-to-understand fact sheet on congenital orofacial clefts.
http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birthdefects/cleftlip.html
En Español: http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/Spanish/birthdefects/CleftLip.html

Cleft Palate and Cleft Lip
An informative and thorough overview of the types of congenital orofacial clefts, their diagnosis, implications, treatment and surgical repair.
http://www.yourdentistryguide.com/cleft/
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**Best Age to Have Surgery to Repair a Cleft Lip or Cleft Palate?**
A brief overview on what age is ideal for cleft lip or cleft palate surgical repair. Information derived from reputable academic sources.
http://plasticsurgery.about.com/od/reconstructiveprocedures/f/how_old_cleft.htm

**NHC Healthcare Systems: Cleft Lip/ Cleft Palate**
A thorough and detailed information source on the definition, causes, symptoms, associated complications, feeding guides, and treatment of congenital orofacial clefts.

**Medical**

**SHARES Cleft Lip and Palate**
SHARES International consists of a network of physicians and health care professionals dedicated to providing ongoing care to children born with abnormal orofacial conditions. Locations of Florida Hospital SHARES networks listed on site.

**Operation Smile (U.S. Care Network referral service):**
Provides referrals and other services to help individuals locate service providers in the United States.
6435 Tidewater Drive Norfolk, VA 23509 (888.OPSMILE; 757.321.7645)
http://www.operationsmile.org

**Humanitarian Foundation Grottoes of North America:**
The Grottoes of North America Humanitarian Foundation is a nonprofit organization that brings “Special Smiles” to children with special needs by providing them much-needed dental care. The program helps cover the costs of dental treatment, including hospital and anesthesia costs, when needed, for children with cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy and related neuromuscular disorders, those with mental retardation, and organ transplant recipients. Covers uninsured families, amounts that personal or Medicaid does not cover. Local contact Willy Carreras WCDr-Smiles@verizon.net (813.671.3300)

**American Cleft Palate - Craniofacial Association (ACPA)**
An international, non-profit association of health care professionals who treat and/or perform research on congenital anomalies associated with the head and face. The ACPA strives to optimize interdisciplinary care of individuals affected by orofacial clefts and other related anomalies.
1504 E Franklin St Ste 102
Chapel Hill, NC 27514
919.933.9044; 919.933.9604 (Fax)
info@acpa-cpf.org
www.acpa-cpf.org/

**Other**

**Enfamil: Bottles and Nursers**
Ages: Up to 3 years
Enfamil offers specially designed cleft lip and cleft palate disposable nursers.

**Early Feeding Supplies for Cleft Lip and Palate Babies**
Ages: Up to 3 years
A list of specialized feeding bottles and supplies designed for babies with orofacial clefts.
http://www.cuadrosmd.com/forms/feedingsupplies.pdf

**Spina Bifida**

**Information and Support**

**Children and Adults with Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus**
Resources and links for individuals affected with Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus including tips for parents, associated diagnoses, information for new and expectant parents, research, awareness and regional U.S. chapters.
rowley@waisman.wisc.edu
www.waisman.wisc.edu

**Spina Bifida Association:**
The SBA National Resource Center has gathered the most frequently asked questions about Spina Bifida to allow easy
access to important information. Provide accurate information and promote prevention.

100 W. Lucerne Circle, Suite 100-M, Orlando, FL 32801  
(407.248.9210)

4590 MacArthur Boulevard, NW Suite 250 Washington, DC 20007

Main Phone: (202.943.285); Toll Free: (800.621.3141); Fax: (202.944.3295)

sbaa@sbaa.org

**National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke**

General medical information on spina bifida prognosis, treatment and organizations dedicated to the condition.

http://www.ninds.nih.gov/disorders/spina_bifida/spina_bifida.htm

**Spina Bifida Resource Center**

Ages: Children

A site offering information and links for local clinics, charities, recreational activities and camps for children with spina bifida.

http://www.spinabifida.net/spina-bifida-florida/

**International Federation for Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus**

Improving the quality of life of people with Spina Bifida and/or Hydrocephalus throughout the world and decreasing the prevalence of Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus by primary prevention.

info@ifglobal.org

www.ifglobal.org

**What is Spina Bifida?**

A site dedicated to providing information on the causes, treatments and available resources for individuals diagnosed with Spina Bifida.

www.whatisspinabifida.com

**The National Spinal Cord Injury Association**

An informative site providing medical information on spina bifida, prevention and life with the condition.


**Spina Bifida Association Frequently Asked Questions**

This site provides a list of the most frequently asked questions about Spina Bifida, allowing easy access to important information.


**Spina Bifida Kids**

A support group for parents of children with Spina Bifida, including expectant mothers, designed for questions, support and new friendships.

http://community.babycenter.com/groups/a3825/spina_bifida_kids

**United by Spina Bifida**

A Spina Bifida resource blog created to educate, inspire and encourage families who live with Spina Bifida or are just learning about the condition.

Kari.Leann@hotmail.com

www.spinabifidakids.blogspot.com

**VA - Birth Defects Assistance**

Natural children of Vietnam and Korea Veterans may be eligible for a monthly monetary allowance.

http://www.benefits.gov/benefits/benefit-details/282

**What Do You Do Dear?**

A wonderful and uplifting blog from one enthusiastic mother of a baby boy with Spina Bifida. The site offers Q&A, personal experiences, and a glimpse at what to expect with Spina Bifida and how to overcome common struggles.

Mary Evelyn: mevlyn@gmail.com

www.whatdoyoudodear.com

**Our Little Blessing: The Hannon Family Journey**

An insightful and personal look into one family’s experience with raising a child with Spina Bifida.

http://thehannonfamily.com/

**Living With Spina Bifida: A Personal Story on Myths and Truths**

A personal perspective on living with Spina Bifida and its associated myths and facts from a young Latina woman, who
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herself lives with Spina Bifida and acts as an advocate for the condition.
http://nbclatino.com/2012/10/02/living-with-spina-bifida-a-personal-story-on-myths-and-truths/

I Was Born with Spina Bifida
Personal stories from individuals born with Spina Bifida along with support, news and chat options for all diagnosed individuals and their families.
http://www.experienceproject.com/groups/Was-Born-With-Spina-Bifida/1430

SB-Parents: Spina Bifida Parents List
List for parents, family, caregivers, and friends of people with spina bifida or individuals with spina bifida. The group joins to discuss issues and support one another.

Spina Bifida Advocacy Network
A support group created on Facebook in hopes of sharing ideas on how to promote Spina Bifida to the general public and be "heroes" for the cause. Members share personal stories related to Spina Bifida and support each other through embracing common experiences.
www.facebook.com/groups/spinabifidaadvocacynetwork

Informección Importante Acerca de la Espina Bífida
Edades: Todo el mundo
Este sitio proporciona información y datos sobre la Espina Bífida para las personas con espina bífida y sus familias y amigos importantes.
http://www.spinabifidaassociation.org/site/cevKRI70XIojB/H/b.8279915/k.6261/En_Espa241ol.htm

Spina Bifida: A Latina’s Concern
A brief overview of information and facts relevant to the Latina/Latino population and the increased risk of Spina Bifida among this population.
http://www.asu.edu/courses/css335/paulus.htm

Medical

Nemours: A Children’s Health System
Ages: Up to 18 years
Nemours' spina bifida experts are uniquely prepared to treat the medical challenges of the condition while giving children the tools they need to grow into active and independent adults.
Nemours Children's Hospital
13535 Nemours Parkway
Orlando, FL 32827
407.650.7715

Specialty Care: Orlando
1717 S Orange Ave Ste. 100
Orlando, FL 32806
407.650.7715

Specialty Care: Jacksonville (Pediatric and Adult)
807 Children's Way
Jacksonville, FL 32207
904.697.3600

Specialty Care: Pensacola
5153 N Ninth Ave
Pensacola, FL 32504
850.505.4700

UroMed
A resource page dedicated to spina bifida, specifically in assisting wheelchair users access necessary urology supplies.
800.841.1233; 800.863.9780 (Español)
www.uromed.com/living-with/spina-bifida/

Recreation

Ability Therapy by Sarah Cecelia Ann Mueller
An uplifting illustrated book with whimsical characters offering words of wisdom, insight and encouragement for individuals living with physical disabilities of all types to live an ability-driven life.
http://www.saintmeinradgiftshop.com/product.asp?pn=20472

They Will Surf Again
An award-winning series of bi-coastal events that empower paraplegics and quadriplegics to experience the freedom of mobility by riding a wave with the assistance of adaptive equipment and the support of hard working volunteers.
Life Rolls On Foundation
2901 Washington Blvd
Marina Del Rey, CA 90292
424.272.1992
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http://www.liferollson.org/site/c.9rJLK3MLJfLWH/b.7882153/k.673B/They_Will_Surf_Again.htm

**Right Under My Nose**

A free, illustrated, colorful and positive online book for children with Spina Bifida. Includes a series of "Tips Pages" that offer simple answers to a young child's questions on his/her Spina Bifida. Also provides several fun and interactive activity pages near the end of the book.

http://www.myspinabifidabook.org/pdf/

SpinaBifidaBook_Eng.pdf