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Crisis/Emergency Hotline Numbers

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| Police/Sheriff/Fire/Ambulance | (Emergency Only)911 |
| Crimestoppers | 1-800-397-2288 |
| Alcohol and Drug Hotline..... | 1-800-622-2255 |
| Child Abuse Hotline..... | 1-800-252-2873 |
| Child Help USA..... | 1-800-422-4453 |
| Down Syndrome Hotline | 1-800-221-4602 |
| Drug Abuse Hotline | 1-800-444-9999 |
| Drug Education | 1-800-488-3784 |
| Hunger Hotline..... | 1-800-359-2163 |
| Illinois Poison Center..... | 1-800-222-1222 |
| Mental Health Crisis Intervention Hotline..... | 1-800-248-7475 |
| National Youth Crisis Hotline..... | 1-800-448-4663 |
| National Runaway Hotline..... | 1-800-621-4000 |
| Suicide Prevention/Crisis Intervention Hotline | 1-800-248-7475 |
| Teen Help | 1-800-637-0701 |

For more information regarding crisis/emergency telephone numbers in your area, see your local telephone directory.

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- FASTT
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- Trinity Services, Inc.
- Kreider Services, Inc.
- Charleston Transitional Facility
- Easter Seals LaSalle and Bureau County
- Illinois Center for Autism
- Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
- Have Dreams
- Little Friends Center for Autism
- Illinois Early Childhood Intervention Clearinghouse

And to those Illinois parents, providers and policy makers who are working to enhance services for children with ASD.

How to Use This Directory

Dear Parents, Friends and Professionals,

The Autism Program of Illinois is proud to provide you this directory of resource providers for families affected by Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD). I think that you will find this book to be a highly useful tool for accessing valuable resources for you and your family.

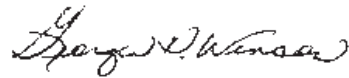
Each of you will come to this directory with unique needs looking for unique information. While we recognize that no one directory can list all resources and services, we have made every effort to gather comprehensive information and make it easy to use.

Resource provider information is outlined as succinctly as possible to give a general impression of what each provider offers. However, this directory is not intended to be an encyclopedia of such information. **Our goal is to get contact information into your hands so that you may be directly in touch with available resources.**

The nature of all directories is that they are always works in process. Contact information and details continually change, new resources are discovered to be added and some resources become unavailable. We welcome your input! As you discover needed revisions, please use the form at the back of this directory to inform our staff.

Finally, let me say what an honor it continues to be for The Autism Program of Illinois to work collaboratively with related agencies in serving the children and families of Illinois.

Regards,



Georgia Winson, LCPC, M.S.
Chief, The Autism Program of Illinois

To get the most out of this directory:

- ✓ Find out what region you live in on page 18.
- ✓ Locate agencies for that region by using the regional directory beginning on page 19.
- ✓ Use the topical index on page 120 to find resource providers in any region.
- ✓ If you know the name of a resource provider, use the alphabetical index on page 111.

What's In This Directory

This directory is intended to help you locate agencies and services throughout Illinois that are important for families with children having an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

These resource providers:

- are non-profit, school, or government agencies
- have a governing body
- offer at least one primary service targeted for children ages 10 and younger with an ASD or other developmental delays

You will find them helpful for:

- getting your child evaluated and diagnosed
- getting support for you and your family
- connecting you to others experiencing similar challenges
- providing education about ASD
- familiarizing you with systems, resources and options available to you

Their services include:

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| • Advocacy | • Lending Libraries |
| • Assistive Technology | • Play Groups |
| • Consultation | • Publications |
| • Daycare | • Resource Centers |
| • Diagnosis | • Respite Care |
| • Early Intervention | • Summer Camps |
| • Family Counseling | • Support Groups |
| • Home Visitation | • Therapy |
| • In-Home Support | • Trainings |
| • Lekotek Programs | • Websites |

This directory also includes:

- Information about Child & Family Connections, School District and Joint Agreements, and Pre-Admission Screening/Independent Service Coordination Agencies (*p. 81*)
- A “Help” section with definitions, abbreviations, how-to’s and other related resources (*p. 144*)
- Multiple indexes for greater searching capabilities (*p. 111*)

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KEY:

✓: Service is offered.

Region (see also "Map of Regions", p. 18): M=Metrol; NW=Northwest; NC=North Central; C=Central; S=Southern. Some providers do not serve an entire region. For information regarding counties served, see individual provider information.

Resource Center/Lending Library: NS=No Shipping; S=Ships

Respite: In=in-home; Out=out-of-home

Therapy (see also "Topical Index", p. 120 and "Glossary", p. 159): DT=developmental; OT=occupational; PT=physical; S=speech



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| Baby Fold, The (309) 452-1170 | 3-15 | NC | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | DT OT PTS | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Blue Cap (708) 389-8137 | All | M | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | DT PTS | | ✓ | ✓ |
| C-U Autism Network | All | NC | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | In | ✓ | DT | | ✓ | ✓ |
| CCAR Industries (217) 348-0127 | All | C | | | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | ✓ | DT | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Center for Speech & Language Disorders (CSLD) (630) 530-8551 | All | All | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | S | | ✓ | OTS | | | |
| Central IL Chapter of the Autism Society of America (ASACIC) (877) 311-7703 | All | C | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Charleston Transitional Facility (CTF) (217) 352-1557 (Champaign) (217) 348 8798 (Charleston) (217) 348-8824TTY | All | MNC C S | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | OT PTS | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Chicago Assoc. for Retarded Citizens (CARC) (312) 346-6230 | All | M | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | | In | ✓ | OT S | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Chicago Southside Autism Support Group (CSASG) (773) 728-2979 | All | M | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Christian County Mental Health Assoc. & Dev. Center (217) 824-9675 | All | C | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | In | | | | | | ✓ |
| Clearbrook (847) 870-7711 | All | M | | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | NS | Out | ✓ | DT OT PT S | | ✓ | ✓ |



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| Coleman Tri-County Services (618) 252-0275 | All | S | | | | | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | In | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Community Alternatives Unlimited (773) 867-4000 (773) 867-4168TTY | All | M | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | ✓ |
| Community Link (618) 526-8800 | 0-3 18+ | S | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | In | ✓ | DT OT PT S | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Community Support Services (708) 354-4547 | All | M | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | | In | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Community Therapy Services (630) 444-0077 | 0-18 | M | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | NS | In | | | DT OT PT S | ✓ | ✓ |
| Crosspoint Human Services (217) 442-3200 | All | NC | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | | In | | | | ✓ | |
| Delta Center, Inc. (618) 734-2665 (618) 734-1350TTY | All | S | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | In | | | | | |
| Designs for Change (312) 236-7252 (312) 236-7944TTY | All | M | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Developmental Disability Services of Metro East (618) 236-7957 | All | S | | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ |
| Dev. Services Center (DSC) (217) 359-0287 (217) 359-0288/TTY | 0-21 | NC | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | NS | In | ✓ | | DT OT PT S | ✓ | ✓ |



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| (618) 393-7732 | S | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | NS | | | | | DT S | | | |
| DeWitt County Resource Center (217) 935-9496 | C | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | NS | | In | | | PT S | | | |
| DuPage/West Cook Lekotek Center (630) 629-7272 | M | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Easter Seals Central IL, Inc. (217) 429-1052 | C | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Easter Seals Children's Dev. Center (815) 965-6745 | NC | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | ✓ | NS | | | | ✓ | DT PT OTS | ✓ | ✓ | |
| (815) 965-6770/TTY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | OT PT S | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Easter Seals DuPage and Fox Valley (630) 620-4433 | M | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | OT PT S | ✓ | ✓ | |
| (630) 620-3327/TTY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | OT PT S | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Easter Seals Joliet (815) 725-2194 | NC | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | NS | | Out | | ✓ | OT PT S | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Easter Seals LaSalle and Bureau Counties (815) 434-0857 | NC | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | OT PT S | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Easter Seals Metropolitan Chicago (312) 939-5115 | NW | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | In | | ✓ | OT PT S | ✓ | ✓ | |
| (312) 939-0208/TTY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | OT PT S | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Easter Seals Southern Illinois (618) 925-3056 | S | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |



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| Easter Seals Southwestern IL (618) 462-7325 | S C | | | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | DT | | ✓ |
| Easter Seals Peoria-Bloomington (309) 686-1177 | C | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | NS | | In | | ✓ | DT PT S | ✓ | ✓ |
| El Valor (312) 666-4511 | M | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | In | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| (312) 666-3361/TTY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Family Clinic @ UIC (312) 413-1490 | M | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| (312) 413-0453/TTY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Family Counseling Center -SAIL Program (618) 658-2611 | S | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | | | |
| Family Matters Parent Training & Info. Center (866) 436-7842 | C | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | | S | | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| (866) 436-7842 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (217) 347-5428/TTY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Family Resource Center on Disabilities (312) 939-3513 | M | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ |
| (312) 939-3519/TTY | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Family Services Agency of DeKalb County, Inc. (815) 758-8616 | NW | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ |
| FASTT Foundation for Autism Services Today & Tomorrow (618) 960-4663 | S | | | ✓ | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | ✓ | DT | | ✓ |



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| First Step Program, Clinton County Rehabilitation Center (618) 526-8800 | All | S | | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | NS | | | | ✓ OT LT PT S | | | |
| Franklin-Williamson Human Services (FWHS) (618) 937-6483 | All | S | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | | ✓ DT OT PT S | | | ✓ |
| Futures Unlimited, Inc. (815) 842-1122 | All | NC | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | In | | | | | |
| Galena Parent Advocates (815) 777-2796 | All | NW | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | | |
| Giant Steps IL (630) 455-5730 | 5-21 | M | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | NS | | ✓ | ✓ DT OT PT S | ✓ | | ✓ |
| HAVE Dreams (847) 384-0250 | 2-21 | M | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ |
| Human Resources Center (217) 465-4118 | All | C | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IL Autism Project (630) 889-7398 | 0-22 | All | | | | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | S | | ✓ | | | | ✓ |
| IL Center for Autism (618) 398-7500 | 3-21 | C S | | | | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | NS | | ✓ | ✓ S | | | ✓ |
| Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (312) 733-1026 | All | All | | | | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | NS | | ✓ | | | | ✓ |
| IL Dept. of Human Services (DHS) (800) 843-6154 | All | All | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ |

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| IL Early Childhood Intervention Clearinghouse (800) 852-4302 | All | All | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | S | | | | | | ✓ | |
| IL Life Span Project (800) 588-7002 | All | All | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | |
| Illinois PUNS Program (888) DD-Plans | All | All | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | |
| IL State Board of Education (ISBE) (866) 262-6663 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jewish Children's Bureau of Chicago (312) 444-2090 | 0-6 | M | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | In Out | ✓ | OT PT S | ✓ | ✓ | | |
| JoDaviss Workshop (815) 777-2211 | All | NW | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | | In | | | | | ✓ | |
| Keshet (847) 205-1234 | Adult | M | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | |
| Kreider Services, Inc (815) 288-6691 | All | NW | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | In Out | | ✓ DT OT PT S | ✓ | ✓ | | |
| Lawrence/Crawford Assoc. for Exceptional Citizens (618) 546-5625 | All | S | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | In | | | | | | |
| Little City Foundation (847) 358-5510 | All | M | | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | |
| Little Friends, Inc. (630) 305-6039 | All | All | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | ✓ | |

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| | Ages Served | Region(s) Served | Insurance | Sliding Fee Scale | Advocacy | Assistive Technology | Consultation | Daycare | Diagnostic Services | Early Intervention | Family Counseling | Home Visits | In-Home Support (72D) | Lekotek (toy) Program | Play Groups(s) | Publication(s) | Resource Center / Lending Library | Respite Care | Summer Camp | Support Group(s) | Therapy | Training(s) | Web Site |
|--|-------------|------------------|-----------|-------------------|----------|----------------------|--------------|---------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|---------------------|-------------|----------|
| Lucas Street Resource Center (217) 854-3166 | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | In | | | | | |
| Lovaas Institute for Early Intervention (LIFE) (310) 914-5433 | All | All | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | S | S | | | | | | ✓ |
| Maap Services (219) 662-1311 | All | All | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | S | S | | | | | | ✓ |
| Macon Resources (217) 875-1910 | All | C | | ✓ | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | | | | | Out | ✓ | | DT OT PT S | | ✓ |
| Macoupin County Mental Health Center (217) 854-3357 | All | C | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | | In | | | | | |
| Malcolm Eaton Enterprises (815) 235-7181 | All | NW | | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | | | | NS | NS | In | | | | | ✓ |
| Marc (309) 451-8888 (309) 451-0077/TTY | All | NC | ✓ | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | In | | | DT PT OTS | | ✓ |
| MHCCI/Logan-Mason Rehabilitation Center (217) 735-5223 | 3+ | C | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | In | | | | | |
| Milestone Respite (815) 986-5222 | All | NW | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | In | | | | | |
| Montrite County Beacon, Inc. (217) 728-7396 | All | C | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | | In Out | ✓ | | DT PT S | | ✓ |
| N¹Alliance for Autism Research (NAAAR) (888) 771-6227 | All | All | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ |



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| N¹Info. Center for Children & Youth with Disabilities (NICHY) (800) 695-0285 (800) 695-0285/TTY | All | All | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | ✓ |
| N¹ Institute of Child Health and Human Dev. (NICHD) Publications | All | All | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | ✓ |
| N¹ Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD) (800) 241-1044 (800) 241-1055/TTY | All | All | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | ✓ |
| N¹Lekotek Center (800) 366-7529 | All | All | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ |
| New Hope Center (708) 841-1071 (708) 841-1359/TTY | 3-5 | M | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | In Out | ✓ | | | | | ✓ |
| Northwestern Illinois Association (815) 964-0937 | 3-21 | NW | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | NS | NS | | | | | | | ✓ |
| Oak/Leyden Dev. Services (708) 524-1050 | 0-3 | M | ✓ | | | | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | NS | NS | | | | | DT PT S | | ✓ |
| Orchard Village (847) 967-1800 | All | M | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | In | | | | | | ✓ |
| Parc (309) 672-6308 | All | NC | ✓ | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | Out | | | | DT | | |
| Pathway Services Unlimited, Inc. (217) 479-2300 | All | C | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | | | | In | ✓ | | | | | ✓ |



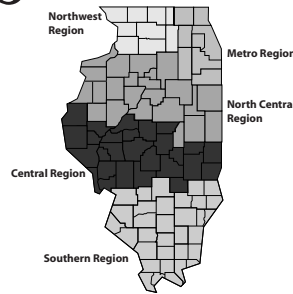
| Organization | Web Site | Training(s) | Therapy | Support Group(s) | Summer Camp | Respite Care | Resource Center / Lending Library | Publications(s) | Play Group(s) | Lekok (toy) Program | In-Home Support (7D) | Home Visits | Family Counseling | Early Intervention | Diagnostic Services | Daycare | Consultation | Assistive Technology | Advocacy | Sliding Fee Scale | Insurance | Region(s) Served | Ages Served |
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| The ARC - Respite Center (309) 764-6353 | ✓ | | | | | Out | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | ✓ | NC C | All | |
| The Autism Program of Illinois (217) 525-8332 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | All | All | |
| TAP Training Center at Southern Illinois University (618) 536-2122 | ✓ | ✓ | S | ✓ | | | NS | ✓ | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | S | All | |
| TAP Training Center at University of Illinois Chicago (312) 996-7457 | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | NS | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | M | All | |
| TAP Training Center at The Hope Institute (217) 525-8332 | ✓ | ✓ | S | ✓ | ✓ | | NS | ✓ | ✓ | | | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | C | All | |
| TAP Training Center at Illinois State University (309) 438-7439 | | ✓ | ? | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | C | 2-21 | |
| TAP Training Center at University of Illinois Champaign/ Urbana (217) 244-1395 | | ✓ | | ✓ | | | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | | | | ✓ | | | | C | All | |
| Therapeutic Interactions (708) 387-1234 | ✓ | | DT Jt OT S | ✓ | | | | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | M | All | |
| Therapy Institute (847) 256-7334 | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | M | 0-18 | |
| Transitions of Western IL (217) 223-0413 Crisis Hotline: (217) 222-1166 | | | DT Jt OT S | ✓ | | | | | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | C | All | |



| Organization | Web Site | Training(s) | Therapy | Support Group(s) | Summer Camp | Respite Care | Resource Center / Lending Library | Publications(s) | Play Group(s) | Lekok (toy) Program | In-Home Support (7D) | Home Visits | Family Counseling | Early Intervention | Diagnostic Services | Daycare | Consultation | Assistive Technology | Advocacy | Sliding Fee Scale | Insurance | Region(s) Served | Ages Served |
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| Trinity Services (815) 485-6197 | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | M | All |
| UCP Greater Chicago (312) 368-0380 | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | | | ✓ | M | All |
| UCP Land of Lincoln (Decatur) (217) 428-5033 | ✓ | | | | ✓ | In | NS | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | NC C | All | |
| UCP Land of Lincoln (Springfield) (217) 525-6552 | ✓ | | | ✓ | | In | NS | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | NC C | All | |
| U of IL at Chicago Institute on Disabilities and Human Dev. (IDHD) (312) 413-1490 | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | M | All | |
| University of Wisconsin Waisman Center National Medical Home Autism Initiative (608) 263-5776 | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | All | |
| VOICE (815) 469-4929 | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | M | 0-21 |
| Voices for IL Children (312) 456-0600 | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | All | All |
| Warren Achievement Center (309) 734-7902 | ✓ | ✓ | | | ✓ | In | NS | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | NC | All | |
| William M. BeDell ARC (618) 251-2175 | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | In | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | S | All | |

Map of Regions

The Illinois Department of Human Services has divided counties throughout the state into one of five regions. For purposes of this directory, The Autism Program of Illinois also uses these regional designations. The regions are: Metro, Northwest, North Central, Central and Southern.



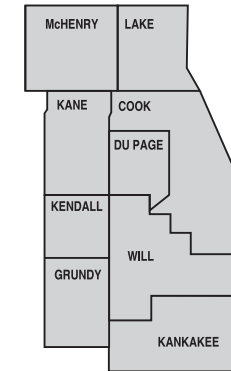
Counties in each region are:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cook • DuPage • Grundy • Kane • Kankakee • Kendall • Lake • McHenry • Will | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boone • Carroll • DeKalb • JoDaviess • Lee • Ogle • Stephenson • Whiteside • Winnebago | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bureau • Champaign • Ford • Fulton • Henderson • Henry • Iroquois • Knox • LaSalle • Livingston • Marshall • McDonough • McLean • Mercer • Peoria • Piatt • Putnam • Rock Island • Stark • Tazewell • Vermilion • Warren • Woodford | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adams • Brown • Calhoun • Cass • Christian • Clark • Coles • Cumberland • Dewitt • Douglas • Edgar • Effingham • Greene • Hancock • Jersey • Logan • Macon • Macoupin • Mason • Menard • Montgomery • Morgan • Moultrie • Pike • Sangamon • Schuyler • Scott • Shelby | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alexander • Bond • Clay • Clinton • Crawford • Edwards • Fayette • Franklin • Gallatin • Hamilton • Hardin • Jackson • Jasper • Jefferson • Johnson • Lawrence • Madison • Marion • Massac • Monroe • Perry • Pope • Pulaski • Randolph • Richland • Saline • St. Clair • Union • Wabash • Washington • Wayne • White • Williamson |
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Resource Information

(by region)

Metro Region (Chicago)



METRO REGION

Abraham Lincoln Center

3888 S Cottage Grove
Chicago, IL 60653
773) 373-6600

(773) 548-1923
www.abelink.org
gknight@abelink.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Sliding Fee Available
- Advocacy
- Daycare

- Home Visits
- Respite Care In Home
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Web Site

Advocate IL Masonic Pediatric Development Center

3040 N Wilton 2nd Fl
Chicago, IL 60657

(773) 296-5676
(773) 296-7684

- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Consultation
- Diagnostic Services

- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- Play Groups
- Support Groups
- Occupational Therapy

- Speech Therapy
- Trainings

- Web Site

- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy

- Speech Therapy
- Web Site

Aspire

9901 Debry Ln
Westchester, IL 60154-3709
(708) 547-3550

(708) 547-0379
www.aspireofillinois.org

- Serves ages 0-5, 18+
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Consultation
- Early Intervention
- Family Counseling
- Home Visits
- Lekotek Program
- Play Groups
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Respite Care In Home
- Support Groups
- Web Site

Association for Individual Development (AID), The

309 New Indian Trail Ct
Aurora, IL 60506
(847) 888-5551

www.the-association.org
squillin@the-association.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Assistive Technology
- Diagnostic Services
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- In Home Support
- Publications
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Summer Camp
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Web Site

Blue Cap

1962 Broadway
Blue Island, IL 60406

(708) 389-8137
www.blue-cap.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Assistive Technology
- Consultation
- Daycare
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- Publications

Chicago Assoc. for Retarded Citizens (CARC)

8 S Michigan, Ste 1700
Chicago, IL 60603

(312) 346-6230
www.chgoarc.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Consultation
- Early Intervention
- Publications
- Respite Care In Home
- Support Groups
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Web Site

Chicago Parents & Friends

10241 S. Commercial Ave
Chicago, IL 60617

(773) 734-222
www.scpfrc.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Advocacy
- Assistive Technology
- Consultation
- Home Visits
- Publications
- Respite Care In Home
- Support Groups
- Web Site

Chicago Public Schools - Office Specialized Serv.

125 S Clark, Ste 800
Chicago, IL 60603

(773) 553-3408

- School District
- Serves Metro
- Consultation
- Publications

Chicago Southside Autism Support Group (CSASG)

Chicago, IL
(773) 728-2979

www.csasg.org
miriammccann@comcast.net

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Support Groups
- Web Site

Clearbrook

1835 W Central Rd
Arlington Heights, IL 60005
(847) 870-7711

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Sliding Fee Available
- Assistive Technology
- Early Intervention
- In Home Support
- Lekotek Program
- Play Groups
- Publications

(847) 870-2239
www.clearbrook.org
info@clearbrook.org

- Resource Center
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Community Alternatives Unlimited

8765 W Higgins, Ste 300
Chicago, IL 60631
(773) 867-4000

- PAS ISC Agency
- Serves Metro
- Assistive Technology
- Consultation

(773) 867-4168
jvoigt@cau.org
Joanell Voigt

- Diagnostic Services
- Home Visits
- Web Site

Community Support Services

Brookfield, IL
(708) 354-4547

- Serves Metro
- Advocacy
- Publications
- Respite Care In Home

www.comunitysupportservices.org
css@communitysupportservices.org

- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

Community Therapy Services

40 W 310 LaFox Rd,
Suite A1-B1
St. Charles, IL 60174

- Serves ages 0-18
- Non Profit
- Private Practice
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- Publications

(630) 444-0077
www.commtx.com
info@commtx.com

- Support Groups
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Designs for Change

29 E Madison, Ste 950
Chicago, IL 60602
(312) 236-7252

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Support Groups

(312) 236-7944
www.designsforchange.org
info@designsforchange.org

- Trainings
- Web Site

DuPage/West Cook Lekotek Center

1500 S Grace St
Lombard, IL 60148

- Serves ages 0-18
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro

(630) 629-7272

- Lekotek Program
- Play Groups
- Resource Center

Easter Seals Dupage and Fox Valley Region

830 S Addison
Villa Park, IL 60181
(630) 620-4433

- Serves ages 0-21
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro

(630) 620-4436
www.eastersealdfvr.org
eastersealdfvr.org

- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Assistive Technology

- Daycare
- Diagnostic Services
- Early Intervention
- Family Counseling
- Home Visits
- Play Groups
- Publications

- Support Groups
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

- Consultation
- Daycare
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- In Home Support
- Publications
- Resource Center

- Shipping Available
- Respite Care In Home
- Summer Camp
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Easter Seals Joliet Region, Inc.

212 Barney Drive
Joliet, IL 60435
(815) 725-2194

www.joliet.easterseals.com
gvalentine@joliet.easterseals.com

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Serves North Central
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Assistive Technology
- Daycare
- Diagnostic Services
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- In Home Support
- Lekotek Program
- Play Groups

- Publications
- Resource Center
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- Respite Care Out of Home
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- Developmental Therapy
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- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
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- Web Site

Easter Seals Metropolitan Chicago

14 E Jackson St, Suite 900
Chicago, IL 60604
(312) 939-5115

(312) 939-0208
www.eastersealschicago.org
cshinn@eastersealschicago.org

- School District
- Non Profit
- National Resource
- Statewide Resource
- Serves Metro

- Serves Northwest
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Advocacy
- Assistive Technology

El Valor

1850 W 21st St
Chicago, IL 60608
(312) 666-4511

www.elvalor.org
info@elvalor.net

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Daycare
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- In Home Support
- Play Groups
- Resource Center

- Respite Care In Home
- Summer Camp
- Support Groups
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Family Clinic at UIC, The

1640 W Roosevelt Rd
Chicago, IL 60608
(312) 413-1490
(312) 413-0453

www.uic.edu/orgs/idhd/familyclinic.htm
mlgra@uic.edu

- Non Profit
- Government Agency
- Statewide Resource
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Assistive Technology

- Consultation
- Diagnostic Services
- Publications
- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

Family Resource Center on Disabilities

20 E Jackson Blvd, Rm 300
Chicago, IL 60604
(312) 939-3515

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Publications

(312) 939-3519
www.frcd.org
frcdptiil@ameritech

- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

Giant Steps Illinois

8320 S Madison St
Burr Ridge, IL 60527
(630) 455-5730

- Serves ages 5-21
- School District
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Assistive Technology

www.giantstepsillinois.org
boconnor@giantstepsillinois.org

- Publications
- Resource Center
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy

Have Dreams

515 Busse Hwy., Suite 150
Park Ridge, IL 60068
(847) 685-0250

- Serves ages 2-21
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Sliding Fee Available
- Advocacy
- Consultation

www.havedreams.org
kjohansen@havedreams.org

- Early Intervention
- Family Counseling
- Play Groups
- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

Jewish Children's Bureau of Chicago

Chicago, IL 60606
(312) 444-2090

- Serves ages 0-6
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Advocacy
- Diagnostic Services
- Early Intervention
- Family Counseling
- Home Visits

www.jcbchicago.org

- Publications
- Respite Care In Home
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Support Groups
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Keshet

617 Landwehr Rd
Northbrook, IL 60062
(847) 205-1234

- Adult
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro

www.keshet.org
abbie@keshet.org

- Summer Camp
- Trainings
- Web Site

Little City Foundation

1760 W Algonuin Rd
Palatine, IL 60067
(847) 358-5510

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Assistive Technology
- Consultation
- Diagnostic Services

(847) 221-7889 TTY
www.littlecity.org
rjohnson@littlecity.org

- Home Visits
- Summer Camp
- Support Group(s)
- Trainings
- Web Site

New Hope Center, Inc.

1624 E 154th St
Dolton, IL 60419-3002
(708) 841-1071

www.newhopecenterinc.com
tknapp@newhopecenterinc.com

- Serves ages 3-5
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Home Visits
- In Home Support
- Respite Care In Home
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Summer Camp
- Web Site

Oak/Leyden Developmental Services

Oak Park, IL 60302
(708) 524-1050

www.oakleyden.org

- Serves ages 0-3
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Orchard Village

Oak Park, IL 60302
(708) 524-1050

www.oakleyden.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Respite Care In Home
- Web Site

Pediatric Developmental Center Advocate Illinois

Masonic Medical Center
3040 N Wilton St, 2nd Fl
Chicago, IL 60657

(773) 296-7340
www.advocatehealth.com/autism

- Serves ages 0-18
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Consultation
- Diagnostic Services
- Early Intervention
- Family Counseling
- Home Visits

- Play Groups
- Publications
- Support Groups
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy

- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Pioneer Center for Human Services

4001 Dayton St
McHenry, IL 60050
(815) 344-1230

(815) 344-6243
www.pioneercenter.org
wneuman@pioneercenter.org

- Serves ages 0-5, 18+
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Assistive Technology
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- Publications
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Support Groups
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Ray Graham Assoc.

4001 Dayton St
McHenry, IL 60050

(815) 344-1230
www.pioneercenter.org

- Private Practice
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Respite Care In Home
- Web Site

SHORE Community Services

4232 Dempster St
Skokie, IL 60076
(847) 982-2030

(847) 581-0076
www.shoreinc.org
dcb.shore@sbcglobal.net

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Early Intervention
- Play Groups

Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association

6020 W 151st St
Oak Forest, IL 60452
(708) 687-0900

(708) 687-2151
www.swcccase.org
cflores@swcccase.org

- Serves ages 3-22
- School District
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Assistive Technology
- Consultation
- Diagnostic Services
- Home Visits
- Resource Center
- Summer Camp
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Special Therapy Care

10702 S Western Ave
Chicago, IL 60643

(773) 779-5800
santila@specialtherapycare.com

- Serves ages 0-17
- Private Practice
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Consultation
- Daycare
- Diagnostic Services
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- Play Groups
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech Therapy

Suburban Access, Inc.

925 W. 175th St
Homewood, IL 60430

(708) 799-9190
www.suburban-access.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Advocacy
- Web Site

Support & Tech. Assist. North Region (STARNET)

Northern Region- The Center
855 Mount Prospect Rd
Des Plaines, IL 60018

(847) 803-3565
www.thecenterweb.org

- Statewide Resource
- Serves Metro
- Consultation
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Trainings
- Web Site

Sweeney, Augustin and Associates

5225 Old Orchard Rd #44
Skokie, IL 60077

(847) 583-9492
www.sweeneyaugin.com

- Private Practice
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Consultation
- Diagnostic Services
- Family Counseling
- Play Groups
- Support Groups
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

TAP Training Center at University of Illinois-Chicago

1747 W Roosevelt Rd, Rm 155
Chicago, IL 60608

(312) 413-4624
www.theautismprogram.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Consultation
- Daycare
- Diagnostic Services
- Early Intervention
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

Therapeutic Interactions

12 N Catherine
LaGrange, IL 60525

(708) 387-1234
www.therapeuticinteractions.com

- Private Practice
- Serves Metro
- Consultation
- Diagnostic Services
- Family Counseling
- Support Groups
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

The Theraplay Institute

3330 Old Glenview Rd, Suite 8
Wilmette, IL 60091
(847) 256-7334

www.theraplay.org
info@theraplay.org

- Serves ages 0-18
- Non Profit
- Statewide Resource
- Serves Metro
- Consultation
- Family Counseling
- Publications
- Trainings
- Web Site

Trinity Services, Inc

100 Gougar Rd
Joliet, IL 60432
(815) 485-6197

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rfeddock@trinity-services.org

- School District
- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Advocacy
- Assistive Technology
- Consultation
- Diagnostic Services
- Family Counseling
- Home Visits
- In Home Support
- Play Groups
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Shipping Available
- Respite Care In Home
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

UCP of Greater Chicago

160 N Wacker Dr
Chicago, IL 60606

(312) 368-0380
www.ucpnet.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
- Assistive Technology
- Publications
- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

U of IL at Chicago Institute on Disabilities and Human Dev. (IIDHD)

(312) 413-1490

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
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- Advocacy
- Assisted Living
- Consultation
- Diagnostic Services
- Family Counseling
- Support Groups
- Training
- Web Site

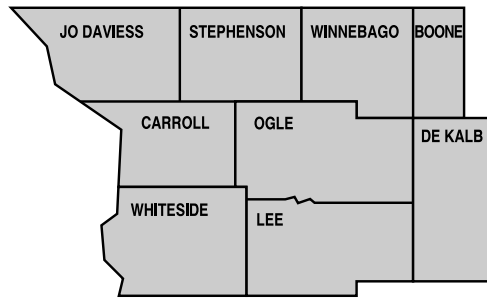
VOICE Advocacy

PO Box 834
Mokena, IL 60448
(815) 469-4929

www.specialedadvocacy.org
voice-advocacy@sbcglobal.net

- Serves ages 0-21
- Non Profit
- Statewide Resource
- Serves Metro
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- Consultation
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Northwest Region



ARC of Winnebago, Boone and Ogle Counties

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Rockford, IL 61104
(815) 965-3455

www.arcwbo.org
jackinb@arcwbo.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Northwest
- Advocacy
- Consultation
- In Home Support
- Resource Center
- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

Easter Seals Metropolitan Chicago

14 E Jackson St, Suite 900
Chicago, IL 60604
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(312) 939-0208
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cshinn@eastersealschicago.org

- CFC
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- Serves Northwest
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- Assistive Technology
- Consultation
- Daycare
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Family Matters Parent Training & Information Center

1901 S 4th St, Ste 209
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www.fmptic.org
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- Serves North Central
- Serves Central
- Serves Southern
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Family Service Agency of DeKalb County, Inc.

14 Health Services Dr
DeKalb, IL 60115
(815) 758-8616

www.realsolutionstoday.org
splote@realsolutionstoday.org

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- Family Counseling
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- In Home Support
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- Trainings
- Web Site

Galena Parent Advocates

(815) 777-2796

- Non Profit
- Serves Northwest
- Publications
- Support Groups

JoDaviess Workshop

706 W St
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jdwi@jdwi.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Northwest
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- Early Intervention
- Family Counseling
- Publications
- Respite Care In Home
- Web Site

Kreider Services Inc.

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schollj@kreiderservices.org

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Malcon Eaton Enterprises

570 W Lamm Rd
Freeport, IL 61032

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www.malcolmeaton.org

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Milestone Respite

3310 Searles Ave
Rockford, IL 61103

(815) 986-5222

- Non Profit
- Serves Northwest
- Respite Care In Home

Northwestern Illinois Association

3626 E State St
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www.thenia.org
autism@thenia.org

- School District
- Serves ages 3-21
- Serves Northwest
- Consultation
- Early Intervention
- Resource Center
- Trainings
- Web Site

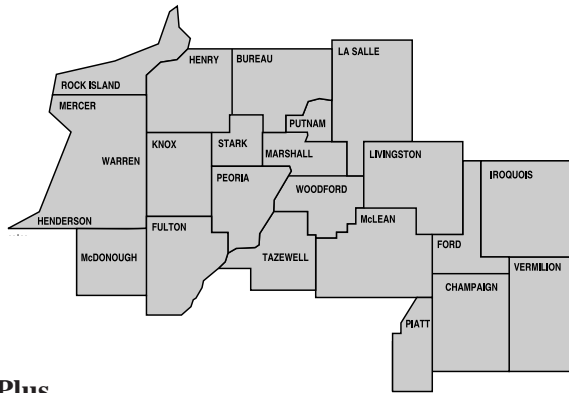
Support & Tech. Assist NW/Central Region (STARNET)

Western Illinois University
27 Horrabin Hall
Macomb, IL 61455

(800) 227-7537
www.wiu.edu/users/starnet/

- Statewide Resource
- Serves Northwest
- Serves North Central
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- Trainings
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North Central Region



Abilities Plus

1100 N East St
Kewanee, IL 61443
(309) 852-4626

www.abilitiesplus.org
mail@abilitiesplus.org

- Non Profit
- Serves North Central
- Accepts Insurance
- Advocacy
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- In Home Support
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- Play Groups
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ARC of Iroquois County

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www.thearcirq.org
info@thearcirq.org

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ARC Respite Center

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- Non Profit
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- Serves Central
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- Publications
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Web Site

ARC Rock Island County

4016 9th St
Rock Island, IL 61201
(309) 786-5433

www.arcric.org
arcricIL@arcric.org

- Non Profit
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- Early Intervention
- Respite Care In Home
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Web Site

Asberger's Syndrome Support Group (SEAPCO)

5000 S Adams
Barton, IL 61607

(309) 697-0880, 265
lbowe63@yahoo.com

- Non Profit
- Serves North Central
- Resource Center
- Support Groups

Baby Fold, The

108 E Willow St
Normal, IL 61761

(309) 452-1170
www.thebabyfold.org

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 3-15
- Serves North Central
- Consultation
- Daycare
- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

Crosspoint Human Services

210 Avenue C
Danville, IL 61832

(217) 442-3200

- Non Profit
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- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Diagnostic Services
- Early Intervention
- Family Counseling
- Home Visits
- Resource Center
- Respite Care In Home
- Trainings

C-U Autism Network

Champaign, IL
www.geocities.com/cuautism/index.html
autismnetwork@insightbb.com

- Non Profit
- Serves North Central
- Summer Camp
- Trainings
- Web Site

Developmental Services Center

1304 W Bradley Ave
Champaign, IL 61821-2035
(217) 359-0287

(217) 359-0288
www.dsc-illinois.org

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 0-21
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Easter Seals Bloomington

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erogers@ci.easterseals.com

- Non Profit
- National Resource
- Statewide Resource
- Serves ages 0-18
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- Web Site

Easter Seals Children's Development Center

650 N Main St
Rockford, IL 61103

(815) 965-6745
www.chicago.easterseals.com

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 0-21
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Easter Seals Joliet Region, Inc.

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(815) 725-2194

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gvalentine@joliet.easterseals.com

- Non Profit
- Serves Metro
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- Web Site

Easter Seals of LaSalle & Bureau Counties

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pwilliamson@il-lb.easterseals.com

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- Serves ages 0-13
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Family Matters Parent Training & Information Center

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infor@fmptc.org

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- Serves Northwest
- Serves North Central
- Serves Central
- Serves Southern
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- Web Site

Futures Unlimited, Inc.

210 E Torrance
Pontiac, IL 61764
(815) 843-1122

www.futuresunlimited.org
kdonovan@futuresunlimited.org

- Serves North Central
- In Home Support
- Respite Care In Home

Marc Center

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andyhoffman@marcofillinois.org

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- Home Visits
- In Home Support
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- Respite Care In Home
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- Occupational Therapy
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- Speech Therapy
- Web Site

Parc

320 E Armstrong Ave
Peoria, IL 61603

(309) 672-6308
www.peoriaarc.org

- Non Profit
- Serves North Central
- Accepts Insurance
- Early Intervention
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Developmental Therapy

Piatt County Mental Health Center

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thecenter@mchsi.com

- Government Agency
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- Accepts Insurance
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- Support Groups
- Web Site

Speech & Language Rehabilitation Services (SLRS)

2001 Willow Knolls Rd, Ste 106
Peoria, IL 61614

(309) 689-9920

- Non Profit
- Serves North Central
- Serves Central
- Assistive Technology
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- Web Site

Support & Tech. Assist NW/Central Region (STARNET)

Western Illinois University
27 Horrabin Hall
Macomb, IL 61455

(800) 227-7537
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- Consultation
- Publications
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- Web Site

Tazwell County Resource (TCRC)

1605 Florence
Pekin, IL 61554

(309) 347-5121

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 0-5
- Serves North Central
- Daycare
- Publications

TAP Training Center at The Hope Institute

Noll Medical Pavilion
5220 S. 6th Street Rd, Ste. 1700
Springfield, IL 62703-5771

(217) 525-8332
www.theautismprogram.org

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 0-18
- Serves North Central
- Serves Central
- Serves Southern
- Consultation

- Diagnostic Services
- Family Counseling
- Play Groups
- Publications
- Resource Center
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- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

TAP Training Center at Illinois State University

Departments of Psychology and
Special Education
Degarmo Hall

Normal, IL 61790
(309) 438-7439
www.theautismprogram.org

- Non Profit
- Serves North Central
- Serves Central
- Resource Center
- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

UCP Land of Lincoln

101 N 16th St
Springfield, IL 62703

(217) 525-6522
www.ucpll.org

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- Resource Center
- Respite Care In Home
- Summer Camp
- Support Groups
- Web Site

United Cerebral Palsy Land of Lincoln – Decatur

432 E Prairie, Ste 100
Decatur, IL 62523
(217) 428-5033

www.ucpll.org
leanneshoemaker@hotmail.com

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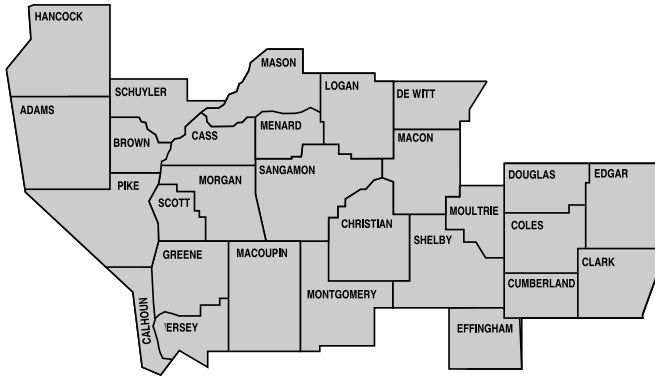
Warren Achievement Center, Inc.

1220 E 2nd Ave
Monmouth, IL 61462

(309) 734-7902
www.warrenachievement.com

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Central Region



American Pride

110 W Hamilton St
Nokomis, IL 62075

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prekoffice@nokomis.k12.il.us

- Serves ages 0-5
- School District
- Serves Central
- Accepts Insurance
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Autism Society of America

PO Box 8781
Springfield, IL 62791-8781
(217) 241-2023

www.asacic.org
info@asacic.org

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ARC Community Support Systems Family Support

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deinhorn@arc-css.org

- Serves ages 0-21
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- Serves Central
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ARC Community Support Systems, The

511 E Main St
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Olney, IL 62450
(800) 429-2487

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dreamers@arc-css.org

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crossley@arcric.org

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- Publications
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Web Site

Asperger Syndrome Support Awareness of Central IL

(217) 585-7276

dianna.novle@insightbb.com

- Non Profit
- Serves Central

- Support Groups

CCAR Industries

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Charleston, IL 61920
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- Web Site

Christian County Mental Health Assoc. & Dev Center

703 McAdam Dr
PO Box 438

Taylorville, IL 62568
(217) 824-9675

- Government Agency
- Serves Central
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Advocacy
- Consultation

- Diagnostic Services
- Family Counseling
- Home Visits
- Publications
- Respite Care In Home
- Web Site

DeWitt County Resource Center

1150 Rte 54 West
PO Box 616

Clinton, IL 61727
(217) 935-9496

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- Serves Central
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- Advocacy
- Assistive Technology

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Easter Seals Bloomington

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Easter Seals Central Illinois, Inc.

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Decatur, IL 62526
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jankelsh@easterseals.ci.org

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Easter Seals in Southwestern Illinois

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Alton, IL 62002
(618) 462-7325

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mail@mo.easterseals.com

- Non Profit
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Human Resources Center of Edgar and Clark Counties

PO Box 1118, 118 E Court St
Paris, IL 61944
(217) 465-4118

www.hrcec.org
judy.brown@hrcec.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Central
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Diagnostic Services
- Family Counseling
- Home Visits

Illinois Center for Autism

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Fairview Heights, IL 62208
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- Non Profit
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Locust Street Resource Center

320 S Locust
Carlinville, IL 62626

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(217) 854-3160

- Non Profit
- Serves Central
- In Home Support
- Respite Care In Home

Macon Resources, Inc.

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Macoupin County Mental Health Center

(217) 854-3357

- Serves Central
- Family Counseling
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- Web Site

MHCCI/Logan-Mason Rehabilitation Center

760 S Postville Dr
Lincoln, IL 62656

(217) 735-5223

- Serves Central
- Respite Care In Home

Moultrie County Beacon, Inc.

401 W Water St
PO Box 406

Sullivan, IL 61951
(217) 728-7396

- Non Profit
- Serves Central
- Accepts Insurance
- Assistive Technology
- Consultation
- Daycare
- Early Intervention
- Family Counseling
- Home Visits
- Play Groups
- Publications
- Respite Care In Home
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Summer Camp
- Support Groups
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Pathway Services Unlimited, Inc.

767 South West St
Jacksonville, IL 62650

(217) 479-2300
www.pathwayservices.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Central
- Diagnostic Services
- In Home Support
- Publications
- Respite Care In Home
- Developmental Therapy
- Web Site

Project CHILD: CCR&R

327 Pontomac, Ste C
PO Box 827
Mt. Vernon, IL 62864

(800) 362-7257
www.rlc.edu/projectchild
prochild@rlc.edu

- Government Agency
- Serves ages 0-12
- Serves Central
- Serves Southern
- Sliding Fee Available
- Consultation
- Daycare
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Shipping Available
- Trainings
- Web Site

Sparc Inc., Family Support Services

232 Bruns Ln
Springfield, IL 62702

(217) 793-2100 x 191
www.spfldsparc.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Central
- In Home Support
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Respite Care In Home
- Respite Care Out of Home
- Summer Camp
- Support Groups
- Web Site

Speech & Language Rehabilitation Services (SLRS)

2001 Willow Knolls Rd, Ste 106
Peoria, IL 61614

(309) 689-9920

- Non Profit
- Serves North Central
- Serves Central
- Assistive Technology
- Consultation
- Diagnostic Services
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- In Home Support
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Support & Tech. Assist NW/Central Region (STARNET)

Western Illinois University
27 Horrabin Hall
Macomb, IL 61455

(800) 227-7537
www.wiu.edu/users/starnet/

- Statewide Resource
- Serves Northwest
- Serves North Central
- Serves Central
- Consultation
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Trainings
- Web Site

TAP Training Center at The Hope Institute

Noll Medical Pavilion
5220 S. 6th Street Rd, Ste. 1700
Springfield, IL 62703-5771

(217) 525-8332
www.theautismprogram.org

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 0-18
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- Resource Center
- Shipping Available
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- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

TAP Training Center at Illinois State University

Departments of Psychology and
Special Education
Degarmo Hall

Normal, IL 61790
(309) 438-7439
www.theautismprogram.org

- Non Profit
- Serves North Central
- Serves Central
- Resource Center
- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

TAP Training Center at University of Illinois Champaign/Urbana

Doris Kelley Christopher Hall
904 W. Nevada
Urbana, IL 61801

(217) 244-1395
www.theautismprogram.org

- Serves Central
- Consultation
- Resource Center
- Support Groups
- Training

Transitions of Western Illinois

4409 Maine St
Quincy, IL 62305

(217) 233-0413

- Non Profit
- Serves Central
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- Support Groups
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy

UCP Land of Lincoln

101 N 16th St
Springfield, IL 62703

(217) 525-6522
www.ucpll.org

- Non Profit
- Serves North Central
- Serves Central
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
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- Respite Care In Home
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- Web Site

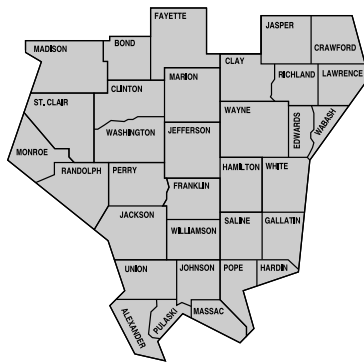
UCP Land of Lincoln – Decatur

432 E Prairie, Ste 100
Decatur, IL 62523
(217) 428-5033

www.ucpll.org
leanneshoemaker@hotmail.com

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Southern Region



ARC Community Support Systems Family Support

1901 S 4th St, Ste 209
Effingham, IL 62401
(217) 347-0880

www.arc-css.org
deinhorn@arc-css.org

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 0-21
- Serves Central
- Serves Southern
- Advocacy
- Consultation
- Home Visits
- Resource Center
- Shipping Available
- Web Site

ARC Community Support Systems, Olney

511 E Main St
PO Box 519
Olney, IL 62450
(800) 429-2487

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www.arc-css.org
dreamers@arc-css.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Central
- Serves Southern
- Accepts Insurance
- Advocacy
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- Play Groups
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- Respite Care In Home
- Summer Camp
- Trainings

Coleman Tri-County Services

PO Box 869
Harrisburg, IL 62946

(618) 252-0275
www.colemantricity.com

- Non Profit
- Serves Southern
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- Publications
- Respite Care In Home
- Trainings
- Web Site

Community Link

1665 N 4th, PO Box 157
Breese, IL 62230

(618) 526-8800
www.commlink.org

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 0-18
- Serves Southern
- Consultation
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- In Home Support
- Play Groups
- Publications
- Support Groups
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Delta Center Inc.

1400 Commercial Ave
Cairo, IL 62914

(618) 734-2665
(618) 734-1350

- Non Profit
- Serves Southern
- Home Visits
- Respite Care In Home

Developmental Disability Services of Metro East

2900 Frank Scott Parkway West,
Ste 928
Belleville, IL 62223

(618) 236-7957
www.ddsme.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Southern
- Advocacy
- Consultation
- Home Visits
- Web Site

Developmental Specialists of SE IL

(618)393-7732

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 0-3
- Serves Southern
- Early Intervention
- Therapy

Easter Seals in Southwestern Illinois

602 E 3rd St
Alton, IL 62002
(618) 462-7325

www.mo.easterseals.com
mail@mo.easterseals.com

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 0-15
- Serves Central
- Serves Southern
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
- Lekotek Program
- Summer Camp
- Developmental Therapy
- Web Site

Easter Seals in Southern Illinois

PO Box 476
Herrin, IL 62948

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- Serves Southern

Family Counseling Center

408 E Vine
Vienna, IL 62995
(618) 658-2611

(618)658-2611
www.fcconline.org
fccgolconda@hotmail.com

- Non Profit
- Serves Southern
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Advocacy
- Consultation
- Diagnostic Services
- Family Counseling
- Home Visits
- In Home Support
- Web Site

Family Matters Parent Training & Information Center

1901 S 4th St, Ste 209
Effingham, IL 62401
(217) 347-0880

www.fmptic.org
infor@fmptic.org

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 0-21
- Serves Northwest
- Serves North Central
- Serves Central
- Serves Southern
- Advocacy
- Consultation
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Shipping Available
- Trainings
- Web Site

FAST Foundation for Autism Services Today & Tomorrow

PO Box 130
Rock Springs Park (E 3rd St.)
O'Fallon, IL 62269

(618) 960-4663
www.fastfoundation.net

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 18+
- Serves Southern
- Advocacy
- Home Visits
- Publications
- Support Groups
- Therapy
- Web Site

First Step Program, Clinton County Rehabilitation

PO Box 157
165 N 4th St

Breese, IL 62230
(618) 526-8800

- Serves Southern
- Diagnostic Services
- Early Intervention
- Play Groups
- Resource Center
- Support Groups
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy

Franklin Williamson Human Services, Inc.

902 W Main St
West Frankfort, IL 62896
(618) 937-6483

www.fwhs.org
dayle.russell@fwbs.org

- Non Profit
- Serves ages 0-5
- Serves Southern
- Accepts Insurance
- Consultation
- Early Intervention
- Family Counseling
- Home Visits
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Web Site

Illinois Center for Autism

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Fairview Heights, IL 62208
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www.illinoiscenterforautism.org
info@illinoiscenterforautism.org

- School District
- Non Profit
- Serves ages 3-21
- Serves Central
- Serves Southern
- Assistive Technology
- Consultation
- In Home Support
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Support Groups
- Speech Therapy
- Trainings
- Web Site

Lawrence Crawford Assoc. for Exceptional Citizens

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Robinson, IL 62454

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lcaec62454@yahoo.com

- Non Profit
- Serves Southern
- Respite Care In Home

Locust Street Resource Center

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Carlinville, IL 62626

(217) 854-3166
abbyk@macmhc.org

- Non Profit
- Serves Southern
- In Home Support
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- Web Site

STARNET

1000 S Illinois St
Belleville, IL 62220
(618) 825-3966

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cneville@stclair.k12.il.us

- Statewide Resource
- Serves ages 3-5
- Serves Southern
- Advocacy
- Consultation
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Shipping Available
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- Trainings
- Web Site

Support & Tech. Assist. Southern Region (STARNET)

Saint Clair County ROE
500 Wilshire Dr.
Belleville, IL 62223

(618) 397-8930
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sgage@stclair.k12.il.us

- Statewide Resource
- Serves Southern
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- Resource Center
- Trainings
- Web Site

TAP Training Center at Southern Illinois University

SIUC Center for Autism
Spectrum Disorders
625 Wham Drive, RM 124
Carbondale, IL 62901

(618) 536-2122
www.siu.edu/~rehabbat/autism
rtrammel@siu.edu

- Government Agency
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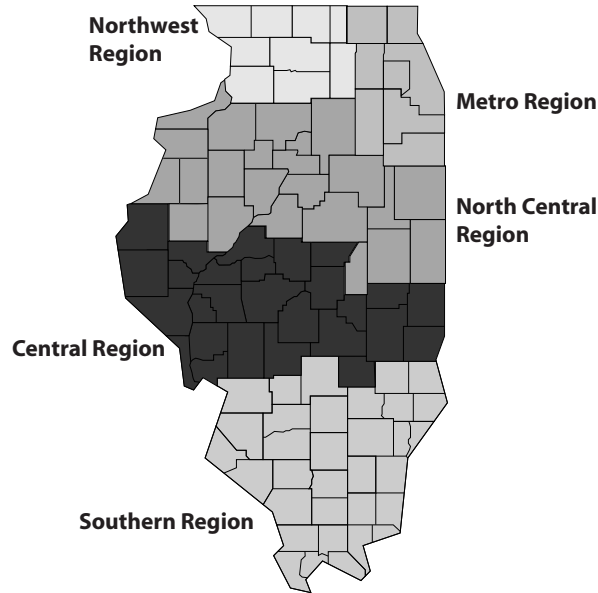
William M.BeDell Achievement & Resource Center

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Wood River, IL 62095
(618) 251-2175

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jjohnson@bedellarc.org

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- Daycare
- Early Intervention
- Home Visits
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- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
- Web Site

Statewide



Autism Society of Illinois

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Lombard, IL 60148
(630) 691-1270

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info@autismillinois.org

- Non Profit
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- Resource Center
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- Trainings
- Web Site

ARC of Illinois

www.thearcofil.org

- Statewide Resource
- Publications
- Web Site

Center for Speech & Language Disorders

195 W Spangler, Ste B
Elmhurst, IL 60126
(630) 530-8551

www.cslld.org
info@cslld.org

- Non Profit
- Statewide Resource

- Sliding Fee Available
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- Diagnostic Services
- Early Intervention
- Play Groups
- Resource Center
- Shipping Available
- Support Groups
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech Therapy

Charleston Transitional Facility (CTF)

521 7th St
Charleston, IL 61920
(217) 352-1557

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markklaus@stfillinois.org

- Non Profit
- Statewide Resource
- Accepts Insurance
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- Advocacy
- Assistive Technology
- Consultation
- Daycare
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- Home Visits
- In Home Support
- Play Groups
- Publications
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- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy
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erogers@ci.easterseals.com

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- Sliding Fee Available
- Assistive Technology
- Consultation
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- Publications
- Resource Center
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- Web Site

- Physical Therapy
- Speech Therapy

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www.eastersealschicago.org
cshinn@eastersealschicago.org

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- Statewide Resource
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- Serves Northwest
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- Daycare

- Early Intervention
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- Respite Care In Home
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- Web Site

Easter Seals Peoria

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(309) 686-1175

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- Summer Camp
- Support Groups
- Developmental Therapy
- Occupational Therapy

Family Clinic at UIC, The

1640 W Roosevelt Rd
Chicago, IL 60608
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(312) 413-0453

www.uic.edu/orgs/idhd/
familyclinic.htm
mlgra@uic.edu

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- Statewide Resource
- Serves Metro
- Accepts Insurance
- Sliding Fee Available
- Assistive Technology

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- Diagnostic Services
- Publications
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- Web Site

Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics

1358 W. Randolph , Ste 2 East
Chicago, IL 60607

(800) 843-6154
www.illinoisAAP.org

- Statewide Resource
- Training

- Web Site

IL Department of Human Services (DHS)

IL

(800) 843-6154

- Government Agency
- Statewide Resource

- Web Site

IL Early Childhood Intervention Clearinghouse

223 S 3rd St
Springfield, IL 62701
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- Statewide Resource
- Publications
- Resource Center

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- Web Site

IL Life Span Project

IL

(800) 588-7002

- Non Profit
- Statewide Resource
- Web Site

Illinois Puns Program

(888) DD-Plans

www.dd.illinois.gov/signup.cfm

IL State Board of Education (ISBE)

IL

(866) 262-6663

- Government Agency
- Statewide Resource
- Web Site

Illinois Autism Project

The LaGrange Area Department
of Special Education
1500 S Grace St

Lombard, IL 60148
(630) 889-7398

- Non Profit
- Statewide Resource
- Serves ages 0-22
- Consultation
- Home Visits
- Publications
- Resource Center
- Shipping Available
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- Trainings

Little Friends Center for Autism, Inc.

140 N Wright St
Naperville, IL 60540

(630) 305-6039
www.littlefriendsinc.com

- Non Profit
- Statewide Resource
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Maap Services

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Project Choices

1500 S Grace St
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- Web Site

STARNET

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Sharon Gage

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- Advocacy
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Support & Tech. Assist. North Region (STARNET) Northern Region- The Center

855 Mount Prospect Rd
Des Plaines, IL 60018

(847) 803-3565
www.thecenterweb.org

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- Serves Metro
- Consultation
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- Trainings
- Web Site

Support & Tech. Assist. Southern Region (STARNET) Saint Clair County ROE

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(618) 397-8930

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Theraplay Institute, The

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(847) 256-7334

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info@theraplay.org

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- Statewide Resource
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- Serves Metro
- Consultation
- Family Counseling
- Publications
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- Web Site

VOICE Advocacy

PO Box 834
Mokena, IL 60448
(815) 469-4929

www.specialedadvocacy.or
voice-advocacy@sbcglobal.net

- Non Profit
- Statewide Resource
- Serves ages 0-21
- Serves Metro
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- Advocacy
- Consultation
- Home Visits
- Publications
- Support Groups
- Trainings
- Web Site

Voices for IL Children

208 S LaSalle St, Ste 1490
Chicago, IL 60604
(312) 456-0600

www.voices4kids.org
info@voices4kids.org

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- Statewide Resource
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- Publications
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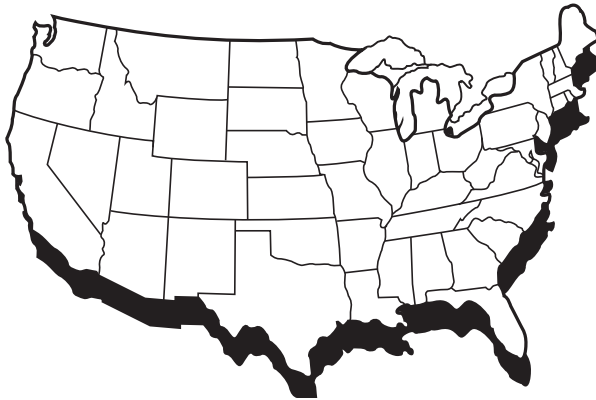
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100 ReneeLynne Ct.
The University of North Carolina
at Chapel Hill

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(919) 966-2174
www.teacch.com

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- Publications

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American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psych

www.aacap.org/clinical/autism.htm

- National Resource

American Academy of Pediatrics

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Elk Grove Villiage, IL 60007

(847) 434-4000
www.aap.org

- National Resource

Association of University Based Centers for Developmental Disabilities

1010 Wayne Ave, Ste 920
Silver Spring, MD 20910

(301) 588-8252
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- National Resource

Autism Research Institute (ARI)

4182 Adams Ave
San Diego, CA 82116

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- National Resource

Autism Society of America (ASA)

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Center for the Study of Autism (CSA)

PO Box 4538
Salem, OR 97302

www.autism.org

- National Resource

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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- National Resource

Cure Autism Now Foundation (CAN)

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(888) 828-8476
www.cureautismnow.org

- National Resource

Easter Seals National

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(800) 221-6827
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- National Resource

Families for Early Autism Treatment (FEAT)

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feat@feat.org

- National Resource

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- National Resource

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National Academy Press Educating Children w/Autism

IL
www.nap.edu/books/0309072697/html

- National Resource

National Institute of Child Health & Human Dvlpmt

IL
www.nichd.nih.gov/publications/pubs.cfm

- National Resource

Nt'l Alliance for Autism Research (NAAR)

99 Wall St
Research Park
Princeton, NJ 08540

(888) 777-6277
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- Publications
- Web Site

Nt'l Leotek Center

3204 Armitage
Chicago, IL 60147
(800) 366-7529

- National Resource
- Publications

www.lekotek.org
lekotek@lekotek.org

- Web Site

Sibling Support Project

The ARC of the United States
6512 23rd Ave NW, Ste 213

- National Resource

Seattle, WA 98177
(206) 297-6368

TEACCH

CB# 7180 100 ReneeLynne Ct.
The University of North Carolina
at Chapel Hill

- National Resource
- Statewide Resource

Chapel Hill, NC 27599
(919) 966-2174
www.teacch.com

- Publications

University of Wisconsin Waisman Center National Medical Home Autism Initiative

1500 Highland Ave
Madison, WI 53705

- National Resource

(608) 263-5776
www.waisman.wisc.edu

Regional Directory of CFCs, School Districts & Joint Agreements, and PAS/ISC Agencies

“What are these and why do I need them?”

Child & Family Connections

This is the organization parents must contact first in order to receive Early Intervention (*see also “Glossary”, p. 160*). Child & Family Connections serve as the entry point for Early Intervention services. They are located regionally around Illinois. Child & Family Connections provide initial service coordination, evaluation, and facilitate the delivery of Early Intervention services.

School Districts & Joint Agreements

When families relocate, they may wish to investigate ASD services available to help with their decision-making process. School District information is listed to aid that initial contact. Large school districts are able to provide their own special education services. However, smaller districts may choose to collaborate to form a Joint Agreement. These Joint Agreements provide shared services that meet the special education needs of several local districts.

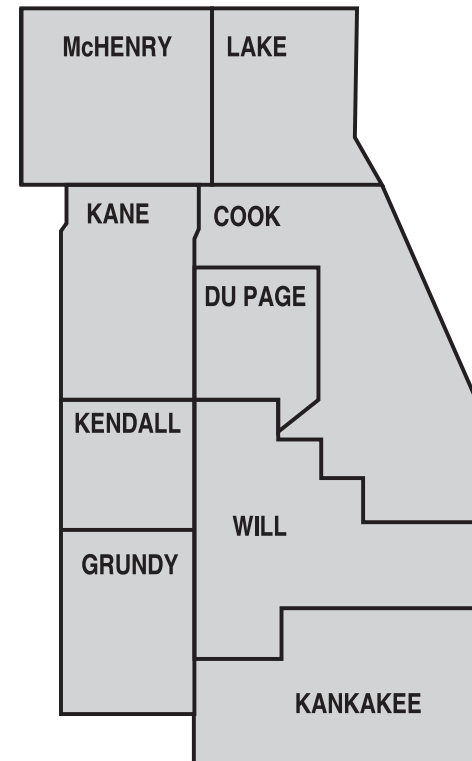
- The Child Health Examination Form (PDF) is required for reporting school physicals. You can download this document from: www.idph.state.il.us/pdf/cert_child_health05.pdf

Pre-Admission Screening/Independent Service Coordination Agencies (PAS/ISC Agencies)

Independent Service Coordination Agencies are the “doorway” for accessing many of the Department of Human Services resources. These contracted community agencies provide Pre-Admission Screenings to verify that individuals with developmental disabilities meet criteria for Medicaid-reimbursed services. Additionally, PAS/ISC Agencies provide Individual Service Coordination to assist families & individuals with developmental disabilities with information, introduction, coordination, and linkage to services & supports delivered by direct services providers. Offices are located throughout the state.

Metro Region (Chicago)

For each of the regions in this section, an enlarged map depicts the counties served by that region. The regional designations follow those of the Illinois Department of Human Services. You may also refer to the “Map of Regions” (*see p. 18*).



Child & Family Connection Agencies - Metro Region

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| Clearbrook Center CFC #6 | 1835 W Central Rd Arlington Heights IL 60005 | (847)385-5070 (847)385-7260 (800)585-1953 | Cook County North Suburban: 60004, 60005, 60006, 60007, 60008, 60010, 60016, 60018, 60022, 60025, 60026, 60028, 60029, 60043, 60052, 60053 60056, 60062, 60067, 60068, 60070, 60074, 60076, 60077, 60082, 60089, 60900, 60091, 60092, 60093, 60106, 60107, 60133, 60120, 60157, 60173, 60193, 60194, 60201, 60202, 60204, 60712, 60143, 60192, 60195, 60203, 60714 |
| Services of Will/Grundy Kankakee Counties CFC #15 | 2300 Glenwood Joliet IL 60435 | (815)730-2617 (815)730-2650 (888)329-0633 | Grundy, Kankakee, LaSalle, Will |
| Easter Seals Society of Metro Chicago CFC #8 | 9455 S Hoyne Chicago IL 60620 | (773)233-1799 (773)233-2011 (866)266-7167 | Cook County Chicago Southwest: 60620, 60628, 60629, 60633, 60638, 60643,60652, 60655, 60805, 60827 |
| Hektoen Institute for Medical Research Cook County Children's Hospital CFC #9 | 1901 W. Harrison Fantuc Clinic, Rm 9 Chicago IL 60612 | (312)864-6575 (312)864-9332 (888)283-2329 | Cook County Chicago Central/West: 60601, 60602, 60603, 60604, 60605, 60606, 60607, 60608, 60612, 60616, 60623, 60624, 60632, 60644, 60661 |
| Dayone Network CFC #4 | 1551 E Fabyan Pkwy Geneva, IL 60134 | (630)819-2277 (630)761-9810 (888)282-0997 | Kane, Kendall |

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| Lake County Health Department CFC #2 | 2424 Washington St Ste 210 Waukegan IL 60085 | (847)360-7353 (847)360-3176 (888)539-3033 | Lake |
| LaRabida Children's Hospital CFC #10 | 950 E 61 st St Chicago IL 60637 | (773)324-7434 (773)324-7469 (800)862-7912 | Cook County Chicago Southeast: 60609, 60615, 60617, 60619, 60621, 60636, 60637, 60649, 60653 |
| Options & Advocacy for McHenry Co. CFC #25 | 365 Millennium Dr Suite A Crystal Lake IL 60012 | (815)477-4720 (815)788-0704 (888)376-8828 | McHenry |
| PACT Inc. CFC #5 | 555 E Butterfield Rd Ste 201 Lombard IL 60148 | (630)493-0400 (630)493-1995 (800)637-7181 | DuPage, Cook: 60126, 60521, 60103, 60172 |
| Rush-Presbyterian - St. Luke's Medical Ctr. IL Masonic Medical Center CFC #11 | 945 W. George St. Chicago IL 60657 | (312)942-7800 (312)942-7811 (800)289-7990 | Cook County Chicago North: 60610, 60611, 60613, 60614, 60618, 60622, 60625, 60626, 60630, 60631, 60634, 60635, 60639, 60640, 60641, 60645, 60646, 60647, 60648, 60651, 60656, 60657, 60659, 60660 |
| Suburban Access, Inc. CFC #7 | 4415 W. Harrison St. Suite 201 Hillside IL 60162 | (708)449-0624 (708)449-7071 (888)566-8228 | Cook County Central Suburban: 60104, 60130, 60131, 60141, 60153, 60154, 60160, 60162, 60163, 60164, 60165, 60171, 60176, 60301, 60302, 60303, 60304, 60302, 60305, 60402, 60455, 60525, 60526, 60546, 60558, 60706, 60707, 60513, 60534, 60666, 60804 |

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| Easter Seals Society of Metropolitan Chicago | 17300 S. Ozark Ave. North Bldg. Tinley Park IL 60477 | (708)429-8231 (708)429-5246 (800)597-7798 | Cook County South Suburban: 60406, 60409, 60411, 60415 60426, 60428, 60429, 60430, 60438, 60439, 60443, 60445, 60448, 60452, 60453, 60455, 60456, 60457, 60458, 60459, 60461, 60462, 60463, 60464, 60465, 60466, 60467, 60469, 60471, 60472, 60473, 60475, 60476, 60477, 60478, 60480, 60482, 60499, 60501, 60803 |
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School Information - Metro Region

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| AERO Special Education Cooperative | 7600 S Mason Ave Burbank IL 60459-1297 | (708)496-3330 (708)496-3920 | Cook |
| Addiston School District #4 | 222 North Kennedy Drive Addision IL 60101 | (630)458-2463 | Dupage |
| Aurora East School District #131 | 231 East Indian Trail Rd. Aurora IL 60505-4794 | (630)966-9640 (630)966-9641 | Kane |
| Aurora West School District #129 | 80 S River St Aurora IL 60506 | (630)301-5075 (630)844-5710 | Kane |
| Barrington School District #220 | 310 James St Barrington IL 60010-1799 | (847)381-6300 (847)381-6377 | Cook, Kane, Lake, McHenry |

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| Chicago School District #299 | 125 S Clark Street Chicago IL 60603 | (773)553-1840 (773)553-1841 | Cook |
| Community Unit School District #300 | 300 Cleveland Ave Carpentersville IL 60110-1943 | (847)426-1300 (847)426-0029 | Kane |
| Cooperative Association for Special Education (CASE) | 22 W 600 Butterfield Rd Glen Ellyn IL 60137 | (630)942-5600 (630)942-5601 | DuPage |
| East DuPage Special Education District | 502 E Van Buren Villa Park IL 60181-3318 | (630)617-2647 (630)617-2646 | DuPage |
| Eisenhower Cooperative | 4624 W. 107th St. Oaklawn IL 60453 | (708)424-9900 (708)424-9911 | Cook |
| Elgin School District #46 | 355 E Chicago St Elgin IL 60120-6543 | (847)888-5000 (847)888-7167 | Kane |
| Evanston School District #202 | 1600 Dodge Ave Evanston IL 60204 | (847)424-7010 (847)492-3838 | Cook |
| Evanston School District #65 | 1500 McDaniel Evanston IL 60201-4132 | (847)859-8091 (847)859-8713 | Cook |
| Exceptional Children Have Opportunities (ECHO) | 350 W 154 th St South Holland IL 60473-1229 | (708)333-7880 (708)333-9561 | Cook |

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| Federation of Districts for Special Education (FDSE) | 1539 S Wesley Berwyn IL 60402-1320 | (708)749-5130 (708)749-8846 | Cook |
| Grundy County Special Education Cooperative | 725 School St Morris IL 60450-1274 | (815)942-5780 (815)942-5782 | Grundy |
| Homer C.C. School District #33C | 14733 South Bell Road Homer Glen, IL 60491 | (708)226-7646 | Will |
| Indian Prairie School District #204 | 780 Shoreline Dr. Aurora IL 60504 | (630)375-3060 (630)375-3001 | DuPage |
| Joliet School District #204 | 201 E Jefferson St Joliet IL 60432-2848 | (815)727-6986 (815)727-1277 | Will |
| Joliet School District #86 | 420 N Raynor Ave Joliet IL 60435-3024 | (815)740-3196 (815)740-5955 | Will |
| Kankakee Area Special Education Cooperative | 1 Stuart Dr Kankakee IL 60901-8924 | (815)939-3651 (815)939-7236 | Kankakee |
| Kankakee School District #111 | 240 S Warren Ave Kankakee IL 60901-4319 | (815)933-0720 (815)933-0695 | Kankakee |
| Kendall County Special Education Cooperative | 201 Garden St. Yorkville IL 60560-1095 | (630)553-5833 (630)553-5872 | Kendall |

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| Kirby School District #140 | 16931 S Grissom Dr PO Box 98 Tinley Park IL 60477-0098 | (708)532-6462 (708)802-9560 | Cook |
| LaGrange Area Department of Special Education (LADSE) | 1301 W Cossitt Ave LaGrange IL 60525-2145 | (708)354-5730 (708)354-0733 | Cook, DuPage |
| Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative | 10401 Grand Ave Franklin Park IL 60131-2208 | (847)455-3143 (847)451-2717 | Cook |
| Lincoln-Way Area Special Education | 601 Willow St. Frankfort IL 60423 | (815)806-4600 (815)806-4601 | Will |
| Lockport Township High School District #205 | 1343 E 7 th St Lockport IL 60441-3823 | (815)588-8140 (815)588-8149 | Will |
| Lockport Area Special Education Cooperative | 1343 East 7th Street Lockport, IL 60441 | (815)838-8080 | Will |
| Maine Township Special Education Program (MTSEP) | 1131 S Dee Rd Park Ridge IL 60068-4398 | (847)692-8016 (847)696-3254 | Cook |
| Mid-Valley Special Education | 1304 Ronzheimer Rd Saint Charles IL 60174-4450 | (630)513-4400 (630)513-8525 | Kane |

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| Naperville School District #203 | 203 W Hillside Naperville IL 60540 | (630)420-6465 (630)420-6567 | DuPage |
| Niles Township District of Special Education | 8701 N Menard Ave Morton Grove IL 60053-3052 | (847)965-9040 (847)965-0003 | Cook |
| Niles Township High School District #219 | 7700 Gross Point Road Skokie IL 60077 | (847)626-3990 | Cook |
| North DuPage Special Education Cooperative | 132 E Pine Roselle IL 60172 | (630)894-0490 (630)894-5960 | DuPage |
| North Suburban Special Education District (NSSD) | Administrative Office 760 Red Oak Ln Highland Park IL 60035-3899 | (847)831-5100 (847)831-5108 | Cook, Lake |
| Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization (NWWEO) | 799 W Kensington Mt. Prospect IL 60056 | (847)463-8100 (847)463-8114 | Cook |
| Oak Park School District #97 | 970 Madison St Oak Park IL 60302- 4430 | (708)524-3030 (708)524-3019 | Cook |
| Oak Park & River Forest School District #200 | 201 North Scoville Avenue Oak Park, IL 60302 | (708)434-3106 | Cook |

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| Orland School District #135 | 15100 S 94 th Ave Orland Park IL 60462-3299 | (708)364-3330 (708)349-0120 | Cook |
| Palatine School District #15 | 580 N 1 st Bank Dr Palatine IL 60067- 5999 | (847)963-3149 (847)963-3119 | Cook |
| Plainfield School District #202 | 15732 Howard Street Plainfield IL 60544 | (815)577-4023 | Will |
| Prairie Crossing Charter School | 1571 Jones Point Road Grayslake IL 60030- 3536 | (847)543-9722 | Lake |
| Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC) | 1000 Van Buren St Maywood IL 60153- 1989 | (708)450-2100 (708)450-1116 | Cook |
| Schaumburg School District #54 | 524 E Schaumburg Rd Schaumburg IL 60194-3510 | (847)885-6723 (847)885-7124 | Cook |
| School Association for Special Education in DuPage (SASED) | 6S331 Cornwall Rd Naperville IL 60540- 3699 | (630)778-4500 (630)778-0196 | DuPage |
| Southern Will County Cooperative for Special Education (SOWIC) | 1207 N Larkin Ave Joliet IL 60435 | (815)741-7777 (815)741-7779 | Will |

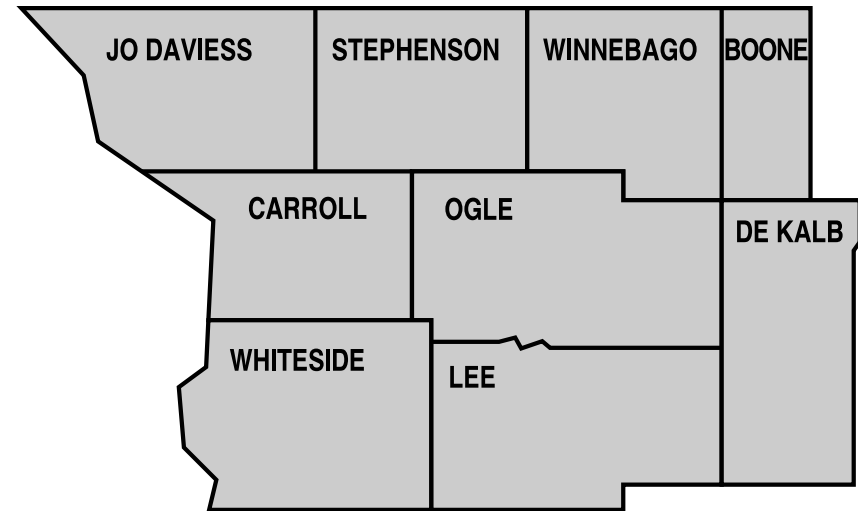
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| Southwest Cook County Cooperative Association for Special Education (SWCCCASE) | 6020 W 151 st St Oak Forest IL 60452-1899 | (708)687-0900 (708)687-5695 | Cook |
| Special Education Cooperative of South Cook County (SPEED) | 1125 Division St Chicago Heights IL 60411-2419 | (708)481-6100 (708)481-5713 | Cook, Will |
| Special Education District of Lake County (SEDOL) | 18160 Gages Lake Rd Gages Lake IL 60030-1819 | (847)548-8470 (847)548-8472 | Lake |
| Special Education District of McHenry County (SEDOM) | 1200 Claussen Dr Woodstock IL 60098-2139 | (815)338-3622 (815)338-7550 | McHenry |

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| Valley View School District #365 | 755 Luther Dr Romeoville IL 60441 | (815)886-2700 (815)886-2339 | Will |
| Waukegan School District #60 | 1201 N Sheridan Rd Waukegan IL 60085 | (847)360-5434 (847)360-5654 | Lake |
| Wheaton-Warrenville School District #200 | 130 W Park Ave Wheaton IL 60187 | (630)682-2000 (630)682-2227 | DuPage |
| Will County School District #92 | 708 North State Street Lockport IL 60441 | (815)838-8031 (815)838-8034 | Will |
| Wilmette School District #39 | 615 Locust Road Wilmette IL 60091 | (847)256-2450 | Cook |

PAS / ISC Agencies - Metro Region

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| Community Alternatives Unlimited | 8765 W Higgins 3 rd Fl Chicago IL 60631 | (773)867-4168 (773)867-4145 | Lake County, North/NW Cook County |
| Community Service Options | 7575 S Kostner Chicago IL 60612 | (773)884-1000 (773)838-9362 | Congress South to City Limit |
| Pact, Inc. | 555 E Butterfield Ste 201 Lombard IL 60148 | (630)960-9700 (630)960-9823 | DuPage |
| Service, Inc. | 1740 W McDonough St Joliet IL 60436 | (815)741-0800 (815)741-1678 | Will, Grundy, Kankakee |
| Suburban Access | 925 W 175 th St 3 rd Fl Homewood IL 60430 | (708)799-9190 (708)799-9178 | Townships: Lemont, Orland, Bloom, Rich, Thornton, Worth, Palos, Calumet, Bremen |
| Suburban Access Satellite Office | 10215 Roosevelt Rd Westchester IL 60154 | (708)338-9800 | Townships: Berwyn, Cicero, Downers Grove, Leyden, Lyons, Oak Park, Proviso, River Forest, Riverside, Stickney Park |

Northwest Region



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Child & Family Connection Agencies Northwest Region

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| Access Services of Northern Illinois CFC #1 | 1752 Windosr Rd. Suite 102 P.O Box 16390 Loves Park IL 61132 | (815)387-8800 (815)387-8787 (800)921-0094 | Ogle, Winnebago, Boone |
| Regional Office of Education, Carroll, Jo Daviess, Stephenson Co. CFC #3 | 206 S Galena Ste 40 Freeport IL 61032 | (815)297-1041 (815)297-9032 (888)297-1041 | Carroll, DeKalb, Jo Daviess, Lee, Stephenson, Whiteside |

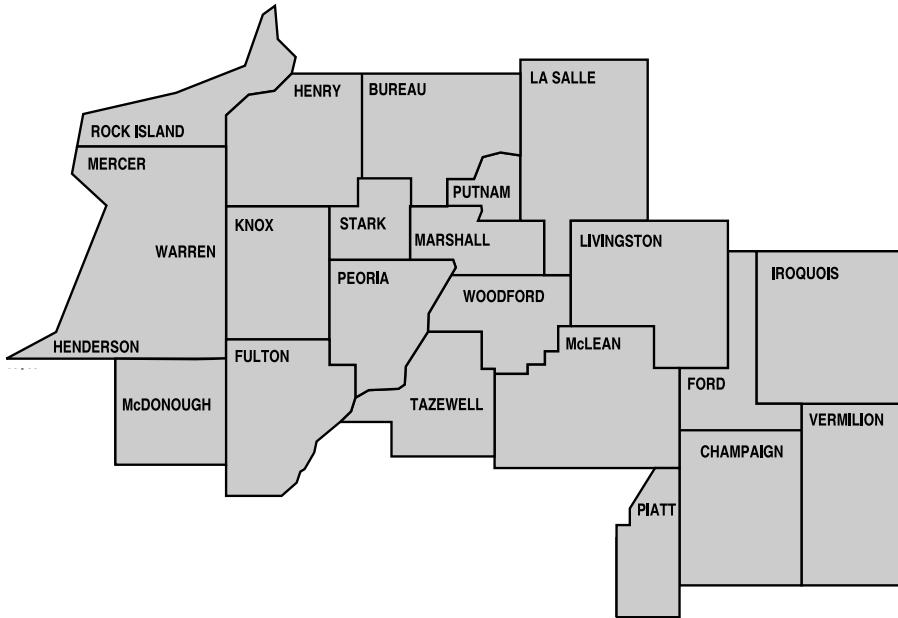
School Information - Northwest Region

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| Bi-County Special Education Cooperative | 506 W 4 th St Ste B Sterling IL 61081 | (815)622-0858 (815)622-3182 | Carroll, Whiteside |
| Boone County Special Education Cooperative | 1320 E Ave Belvidere IL 61008-4559 | (815)544-9851 (815)547-7084 | Boone |
| DeKalb County Special Education Association | 1600 E. Lincoln Highway, Ste D DeKalb IL 60115 | (815)758-0651 (815)758-6610 | DeKalb |
| Harlem School District #122 | 8605 N 2 nd St Machesney Park IL 61115 | (815)654-4508 (815)654-4570 | Winnebago |
| Lee County Special Education Association | 1335 Franklin Grove Rd Dixon IL 61021 | (815)284-6651 (815)284-9680 | Lee |
| Northwest Special Education Cooperative | 2037 W. Galena Ave. Freeport IL 61032- 0387 | (815)232-0331 (815)599-0402 | Carroll, Jo Daviess, Stephenson |
| Ogle County Education Cooperative | PO Box 582 Byron IL 61010 | (815)234-2722 (815)234-2938 | Ogle |
| Rockford School District #205 | 201 S Madison St Rockford IL 61104 | (815)966-3165 (815)966-5281 | Winnebago |
| Winnebago County Special Education Cooperative | 317 N. Ferry St. Rockton IL 61072- 2927 | (815)624-2615 (815)624-8118 | Winnebago |

PAS / ISC Agencies - Northwest Region

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| Access Services Northern Illinois | 7339 Forest Hills Rd Loves Park IL 61111 | (815)282-8824 (815)282-8835 | Carroll, Lee, Ogle, Whiteside, Bureau, Marshall, Putnam, LaSalle, Jo Daviess, Stephenson, Winnebago, Boone, DeKalb |
| Dayone Network | 1551 E Fabyan Pkwy Geneva IL 60510 | (630)879-2247 (630)879-9098 | Kane |
| Options & Advocacy McHenry County | 365 Millennium Dr. Crystal Lake IL 600123 | (815)477-4720 | McHenry |

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| Access Services of Northern Illinois CFC #1 | 1752 Windosr Rd. Suite 102 P.O Box 16390 Loves Park IL 61132 | (815)387-8800 (815)387-8787 (800)921-0094 | Ogle, Winnebago, Boone |
| Crosspoint Human Services CFC #16 | 309 N. Logan Danville IL 61832 | (217)442-8097 (217)442-8153 (800)877-1152 | Champaign, Ford, Iroquois, Livingston, McLean, Vermillion |
| Education Service Region #13 | 1301 N. Main St. Ste 3 Monmouth IL 61473 | (309)734-3336 (309)743-1145 (866)426-2160 | Fulton, Hancock, Henderson, Knox, McDonough, Mercer, Rock Island, Schuyler, Warren |

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| Peoria County Board for the Care and Treatment of Persons with a Developmental Disability c/o Allied Agencies CFC #14 | 2016 N Knoxville Ave Peoria IL 61603 | (309)672-6360 (309)672-6357 (888)482-4300 | Henry, Peoria, Stark, Tazewell, Woodford |
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School Information - North Central Region

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| Black Hawk Area Special Education District (BHASED) | 4670 11 th St East Moline IL 61244-4432 | (309)796-2500 (309)796-2911 | Henry, Mercier, Rock Island |
| Bloomington School District #87 | 300 E Monroe St PO Box 249 Bloomington IL 61701 | (309)827-6031 (309)828-2917 | McLean |
| Champaign School District #4 | 703 S New St Champaign IL 61820-5818 | (217)351-3841 (217)351-3824 | Champaign |
| Danville School District #118 | 516 N Jackson St Danville IL 61832 | (217)444-1083 (217)444-1082 | Vermillion |
| Ford Special Education Cooperative | 217 E 17 th St Gibson City IL 60936 | (217)784-4292 (217)784-5458 | Ford |
| Iroquois Special Education Association | 108 E Front St Gillman IL 60938 | (815)265-8601 (815)265-7783 | Iroquois, Ford |
| Henry-Stark County Special Education District | 1318 W 6 th St PO Box 597 Kewanee IL 61443 | (309)852-5696 (309)853-4398 | Bureau, Henry, Stark |

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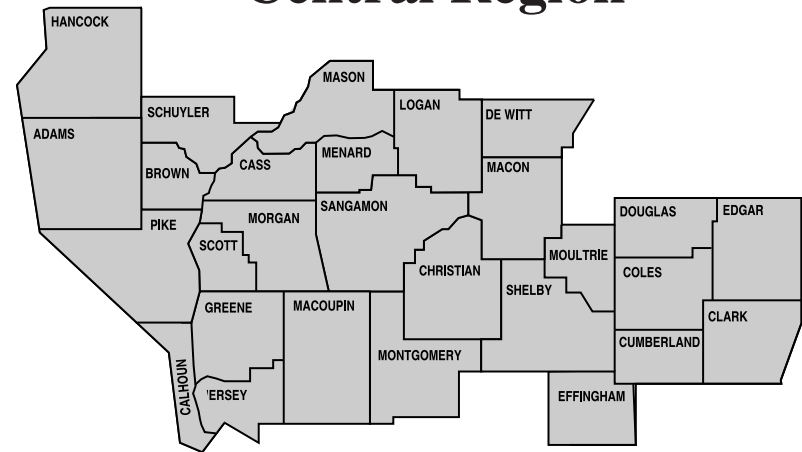
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| Knox-Warren Special Education District | 938 Harrison St. Galesburg IL 61401-5323 | (309)343-2143 (309)343-2145 | Knox, Warren |
| LaSalle/ Putnam County Educational Alliance for Special Education (LEASE) | 1009 Boyce Memorial Dr Ottawa IL 61350 | (815)433-6433 (815)433-6164 | LaSalle, Marshall, Putnam |
| Livingston County Special Services Unit | 920 Custer Ave Ste A Pontiac IL 61764 | (815)844-7115 (815)842-3170 | Livingston |
| Mackinaw Valley Special Education Association | 2022 N Eagle Rd Normal IL 61761-1002 | (309)454-2220 (309)888-6013 | McLean, Woodford |
| Macon-Piatt Special Education District | 101 W Cerro Gordo St Decatur IL 62523-1001 | (217)424-3025 (217)424-3002 | Piatt |
| Mahomet-Seymour School District #3 | 101 N Division PO Box 229 Mahomet IL 61853 | (217)586-4947 (217)586-5843 | Champaign |
| Peoria School District #150 | 3202 N Wisconsin Ave Peoria IL 61603-1260 | (309)672-6776 (309)672-6708 | Peoria |
| Rural Champaign County Special Education Cooperative | 201 S Sheldon St Rantoul IL 61866 | (217)892-8877 (217)893-8627 | Champaign |

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| Special Education Association of Peoria County (SEAPCO) | 6000 S Adams St Bartonville IL 61607 | (309)697-0880 (309)697-0884 | Peoria, Fulton |
| Tazewell-Mason County Special Education Association | 300 Cedar St Pekin IL 61554 | (309)347-5164 (309)346-0440 | Tazewell |
| Tri-County Special Education Association | 105 E Hamilton Rd Bloomington IL 61704 | (309)828-5231 (309)828-3013 | McLean |
| Tri-County Special Education Cooperative | 526 Bureau Valley Pkwy Perry Plaza Ste D Princeton IL 61356-2538 | (815)875-2645 (815)879-9008 | Bureau, Marshall, Putnam |
| Urbana School District #116 | 205 N Race St PO Box 3039 Urbana IL 61803 | (217)384-3655 (217)337-4973 | Champaign |
| Vermilion Association of Special Education (VASE) | 15009 Catlin-Tilton Rd. Ste B Danville IL 61834 | (217)443-8273 (217)443-0217 | Vermilion |
| West Central Illinois Special Education Cooperative | 130 S Lafayette St Ste 201 Macomb IL 61455-2118 | (309)837-3911 (309)833-2367 | Fulton, Henderson, McDonough |
| Woodford County Special Education Association | 2055 E. Englewood Dr. Metamora IL 61548-9246 | (309)367-4901 (309)367-4905 | Woodford |

PAS / ISC Agencies - North Central Region

| PAS/ISC Agency | Address | Phone Fax | Counties Served |
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| Access Services of Northern Illinois | 4048 E State St Rockford IL 61108 | (815)387-8800 (815)387-8787 (800)921-0094 | LaSalle, Marshall, Bureau, Putnam |
| Champaign County Regional Planning Commission | 1776 E Washington PO Box 17760 Urbana IL 61803-7760 | (217)328-3313 (217)328-2426 | Champaign, Ford, Iroquois |
| CSO of Rock Island and Mercer Counties | 1834 18 th Ave East Moline IL 61244 | (309)278-0020 (309)278-0024 | Rock Island, Mercer |
| Livingston County 708 Board | 310 E. Torrance Ave. PO Box 504 Pontiac IL 61764 | (815)844-7708 | Livingston |
| Western Illinois Service Coordination | 509 N Lafayette Macomb IL 61455 | (309)833-1621 (309)837-1730 | Fulton, McDonough, Knox, Warren, Henry, Henderson, Stark |

Central Region



Child & Family Connection Agencies Central Region

| CFC Agency | Address | Phone Fax Toll Free | Counties/Zip Codes Served |
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| ROE of Adams/Pike Counties CFC #17 | 510 Maine St Ste 615 Quincy IL 62301 | (217)222-9592 (217)222-9593 (888)222-9592 | Adams, Brown, Calhoun, Cass, Greene, Jersey, Morgan, Pike, Scott |
| ARC Community Support Systems, Effingham CFC #2 | 1901 S. 4th St. Suite 209 Effingham IL 62401 | (217)347-5601 (217)347-5119 (888)459-5437 | Christian, Effingham, Macoupin, Montgomery |
| Macon County Community Mental Health Board CFC #19 | 132 S Water Ste 604 Decatur IL 62523 | (217)423-6199 (217)233-7028 (800)758-2705 | Clark, Coles, Cumberland, DeWitt, Douglas, Edgar, Macon, Moultrie, Piatt, Shelby |
| Sangamon County Health Department CFC #18 | 3130 S Chatham Rd Ste B Springfield IL 62704 | (217)793-3990 (217)793-3991 (888)217-3505 | Logan, Mason, Menard, Sangamon |

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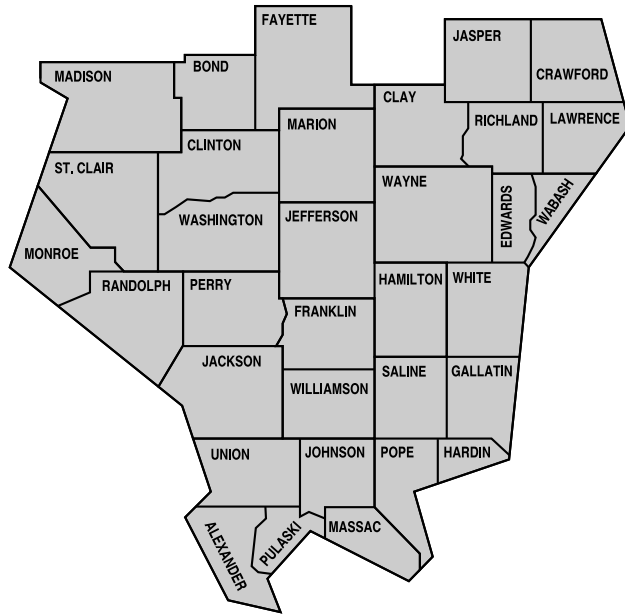
| Agency (School District or Joint Agreement) | Address | Phone FAX | Counties Served |
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| Eastern Illinois Area of Special Education (EIASE) | 5837 Park Dr. Ste 1 Charleston IL 61920 | (217)348-7700 (217)348-7704 | Coles, Clark, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, Effingham, Moultrie, Shelby |
| Four Rivers Special Education District (FRSED) | 936 W.Michigan Ave Jacksonville IL 62650-3113 | (217)245-7174 (217)245-5533 | Brown, Calhoun, Cass, Greene, Macoupin, Morgan, Pike, Scott |
| Macon-Piatt Special Education District | 101 WCerro Gordo St Decatur IL 62523-1001 | (217)424-3025 (217)424-3002 | Macon, Shelby |
| Madison County Special Education Cooperative Region III | 1800 Storey Ln Cottage Hills IL 62018-1346 | (618)462-1031 (618)462-1035 | Jersey, Macoupin |
| Mid-State Special Education Joint Agreement | 116 S Main St Taylorville IL 62568 | (217)824-8121 (217)824-8199 | Christian, Macoupin, Montgomery |
| Sangamon Area Special Education District (SASED) | 2500 Taylor Dr Springfield IL 62703 | (217)786-3250 (217)786-3652 | Cass, Macoupin, Menard, Sangamon |
| Special Education Association of Adams County | 1444 Maine St Quincy IL 62301-4261 | (217)223-8700 (217)228-7163 | Adams |
| Springfield School District #186 | Elizabeth Graham Schl 900 W Edwards Springfield IL 62704 | (217)525-3363 (217)525-3124 | Sangamon |

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| Tazewell-Mason County Special Education Association | 300 Cedar St Pekin IL 61554 | (309)347-5164 (309)346-0440 | Mason |
| Tri-County Special Education Association | 105 E Hamilton Rd Bloomington IL 61704 | (309)828-5231 (309)828-3013 | DeWitt, Logan |
| West Central Illinois Special Education Cooperative | 130 S Lafayette St Ste 201 Macomb IL 61455-2118 | (309)837-3911 (309)833-2367 | Hancock, Schuyler |
| Woodford County Special Education Association | 205 S Engelwood Dr. Metamora, IL 61548 | (309)367-4901 (309)367-4905 | Woodford |

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| Central Illinois Service Access, Inc. | 1491 Valle Vista Dr Pekin IL 61554 | (309)347-7202 (309)347-7957 | Sangamon, McLean, Menard, Logan, Mason, Christian |
| Great Rivers Service Coordination | 901 W. Morton Ave. PO Box 369 Jacksonville IL 62651 | (217)243-1330 (217)243-3971 | Macoupin, Montgomery, Morgan, Scott, Greene, Jersey, Calhoun |
| Prairieland Service Coordination | 132 S Water St PO Box 315 Decatur IL 62525 | (217)864-0494 (217)424-2366 | Coles, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, Effingham, Clark, Vermillion, Macon, DeWitt, Moultrie, Piatt, Shelby |
| West Central Service Coordination | 955 W Washington Pittsfield IL 62362 | (217)285-5227 (217)285-6903 | Adams, Brown, Cass, Hancock, Pike, Schuyler |

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Child & Family Connection Agencies Southern Region

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|---|---|---|---|
| ARC Community Support Systems, Effingham CFC #20 | 1901 S. 4th St. Ste 209 Effingham IL 62401 | (217)347-5601 (217)347-5119 (888)459-5437 | Bond, Clay, Crawford, Fayette, Jasper, Lawrence, Richland |
| Archway, Inc. CFC #24 | 2751 W Main PO Box 1180 Carbondale IL 62903 | (618)529-3147 (618)549-8137 (888)340-6702 | Alexander, Hardin, Jackson, Johnson, Massac, Perry, Pope, Pulaski, Union |
| Regional Office of Education #13 CFC #22 | 101 S Lincoln Centralia IL 62801 | (618)532-4919 (618)532-0856 (800)661-0900 | Clinton, Franklin, Jefferson, Marion, Washington, Williamson |

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| Special Children, Inc. CFC #21 | 4941 Benchmark Centre Ste 200 Swansea IL 62226 | (618)624-3309 (618)624-3066 (888)594-8364 | Madison, Monroe, Randolph, St. Clair |
| Wabash & Ohio Valley Special Education District CFC #23 | 800 S Division PO Box 320 Norris City IL 62869 | (618)378-2131 (618)378-3153 (800)463-2759 | Edwards, Gallatin, Hamilton, Saline, Wabash, Wayne, White |

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| Alton School District #11 | James Education Center 1854 R E. Broadway Alton IL 62002 | (618)463-2137 (618)474-0626 | Madison |
| Belleville Area Special Services Cooperative (BASSC) | 2411 Pathways Crossing Belleville IL 62221 | (618)355-4700 (618)355-4425 | St. Clair |
| Cahokia Area Joint Agreement Special Education | 1700 Jerome Ln Cahokia IL 62206 | (618)332-3700 (618)332-3810 | St. Clair |
| Collinsville School District #10 | 108 W. Churst St. Ste 100 Collinsville IL 62234-3219 | (618)343-2878 (618)343-2772 | Madison |
| East St. Louis Area Joint Agreement | 1005 State St East Saint Louis IL 62201-1907 | (618)646-3160 (618)583-8361 | St. Clair |
| Edwardsville School District #7 | 708 Saint Louis St PO Box 250 Edwardsville IL 62025 | (618)655-6016 (618)655-6035 | Madison |

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| Franklin and Jefferson Counties Special Education District | 409 E Park St PO Box 1027 Benton IL 62812 | (618)439-7231 (618)438-2210 | Jefferson |
| Johnson, Alexander, Massac, and Pulaski Special Education Services (JAMP) | P.O. Box 107 251 West 2nd St. Grand Chain IL 62914 | (618)634-9800 (618)634-9864 | Alexander, Johnson, Massac, Pulaski |
| Kaskaskia Special Education District | 224 S Locust Centralia IL 62801-3509 | (618)532-4721 (618)532-0004 | Clinton, Marion, Washington |
| Massac County School District #1 | 401 Metropolis Street PO Box 530 Metropolis IL 62960 | (618)524-9376 (618)524-4432 | Massac |
| Madison County Special Education Cooperative Region I | 1947 Adams St Granite City IL 62040 | (618)451-5800 (618)451-7703 | Madison |
| Madison County Special Education Cooperative Region II | 120 W Market Troy IL 62294 | (618)667-6040 (618)667-8030 | Madison |

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| Mid-State Special Education Joint Agreement | 116 S Main St Taylorville IL 62568 | (217)824-8121 x221 (217)824-8199 | Bond, Fayette |
| Perandoe Special Education District | 1525 Locust St PO Box 169 Red Bud IL 62278-0169 | (618)282-6251 (618)282-6880 | Monroe, Randolph |
| South Eastern Special Education Program (SESE) | PO Box 185 Saint Marie IL 62459-0185 | (618)455-3396 (618)455-3134 | Clay, Crawford, Jasper, Lawrence, Richland |
| Tri-County Special Education District | 1725 Shomaker Dr PO Box 1360 Murphysboro IL 62966-2507 | (618)684-2109 (618)687-1638 | Jackson, Perry, Union |
| Wabash and Ohio Valley Special Education District (WOVSED) | 800 S Division St PO Box 320 Norris City IL 62869-0905 | (618)378-2131 (618)378-3153 | Edwards, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Pope, Saline, Wabash, Wayne, White |
| Williamson County Special Education District | 411 S Court Marion IL 62959-1214 | (618)993-2138 (618)997-3950 | Williamson |

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| DD Services of Metro East | 2900 Frank Scott Pkwy W Ste 928 Belleville IL 62223 | (618)236-7957 (618) 236-7925 | St. Clair, Madison |
| Southern Illinois Case Coordination Services, Inc. | 519 S Locust PO Box 588 Centralia IL 62801 | (800)828-7422 (618)532-9416 | Marion, Monroe, Randolph, Clinton, Fayette, Jasper, Clay, Wayne, Edwards, Richland, Crawford, Lawrence, Wabash, Jefferson, Hamilton, White, Gallatin, Bond, Saline, Washington, Perry, Jackson, Union, Johnson, Pope, Hardin, Alexander, Pulaski, Massac, Franklin, Williamson |

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Help Section

Acronyms and Abbreviations

A

AAC Augmentative and Alternative Communication
ABA Applied Behavior Analysis
ABC Antecedent-Behavior-Consequences
ADA Americans with Disabilities Act
ADD Attention Deficit Disorder
ADHD Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
ADL Activities of Daily Living
APE Adaptive Physical Education
ARC Association of Retarded Citizens
ASD Autism Spectrum Disorder
ASL American Sign Language

B

BD Behavior Disorder
BIP Behavior Intervention Plan
BMP Behavior Management Plan
BSP Behavior Support Plan

C

CCI Childcare Institution
CFC Child and Family Connections Agency
COTA Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant

D

DCFS Department of Children and Family Services
DD Developmentally Disabled
DHS Department of Human Services
DSCC Division of Specialized Care for Children
DT Developmental Therapy
DTT Discrete Trial Training
Dx Diagnosis

E

ED Emotional Disorder
EI Early Intervention Services
EMR Educable Mentally Retarded

F

FAPE Free and Appropriate Public Education
FERPA Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
FMA Fine Motor Activities
FMC Fine Motor Coordination

H

HI Hearing Impairment
H&P History and Physical examination
Hx History

I

IDEA Individual with Disabilities Education Act
IDPA Illinois Department of Public Aid
IDPH Illinois Department of Public Health
IDT Interdisciplinary Team
IEP Individualized Education Plan
IFSP Individualized Family Service Plan
ISBE Illinois State Board of Education

L

LD Learning Disability
LRE Least Restrictive Environment
LPN Licensed Practical Nurse

M

MDC Multidisciplinary Conference
MDT Multidisciplinary Team
MLU Mean Length of Utterance
MR Mental Retardation
MSW Master's in Social Work

N

NOS Not Otherwise Specified

O

OT Occupational Therapy

OTR Registered Occupational Therapist

P

PAS/ISC Pre-Admission Screening/Independent Service Coordination

PCP Primary Care Physician

PDD Pervasive Developmental Delay

PDR Physician's Desk Reference

PECS Picture Exchange Communication System

PT Physical Therapy

Q

QMRP Qualified Mental Retardation Professional

R

RD Registered Dietician

RDI Relationship Development Intervention

Re-eval Case Study Evaluation; re-evaluation

RN Registered Nurse

RT Recreational Therapy

S

SI Sensory Integration

SIB Self-Injurious Behavior

SLI Speech/Language Impairment

SLP Speech/Language Pathologist

SSA Social Security Administration

SSI Supplemental Security Income

SW Social Worker

T

TEACCH Training and Education of Autistic and related Communication
handicapped Children

TTR Type Token Ratio

V

VI Visual Impairment

ASD Screening Tools & Related Web Sites

ABC Autism Behavior Checklist

The ABC is a list of questions about a child's behaviors. It is designed to be completed independently by a parent or a teacher, familiar with the child, who then returns it to a trained professional for scoring and interpretation. Although it is primarily designed to identify children with autism within a population of school-age children with severe disabilities, the ABC has been used with children as young as three years of age. It has 57 questions divided into five categories: 1-sensory; 2-relating; 3-body and object use; 4-language; and 5-social and self-help.

ADI Autism Diagnostic Interview

The ADI is a semi-structured interview for a clinician to use with the child's parent or caregiver. The interview focuses primarily on those features concerned with developmental delays and deviance in reciprocal social interactions, language, communication and play, and on restricted, repetitive, and stereotyped behaviors and interests. This is an interview conducted by a trained professional who will ask one parent questions about the history of each of the affected children. The clinical version of the ADI-R takes about 90 minutes to administer and yields scores and history.

ADOS Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule

The ADOS consists of eight tasks, four focusing on social behaviors and four on communicative behaviors, and is intended primarily for older, higher-functioning, verbal autistic children. The ADOS is a standardized observation of social behavior in naturalistic and communicative contexts, with different modules and tasks for children of different ages and language levels. It yields scores that fall within a range from autism to autism spectrum disorder; therefore it may be particularly helpful with difficult-to-diagnose cases. It takes about 30 to 45 minutes to administer.

CARS Childhood Autism Rating Scale www.patientcenters.com/autism/news/diag_tools.html#CARS

The CARS is the most widely used standardized instrument specifically designed to aid in the diagnosis of autism for use with children as young as two years of age. This 15-item behavior rating scale helps to identify children with autism and to distinguish them from developmentally disabled children who are not autistic. It is intended to be a direct observational tool used by a trained clinician. The CARS includes items drawn from five prominent systems for diagnosing autism. Each item covers a particular characteristic, ability, or behavior. After observing the child and examining relevant information from parent reports and other records, the examiner rates the child on each item. Using a seven-point scale, he or she indicates the degree to which the child's behavior deviates from that of a normal child of the same age. It takes about 20 to 30 minutes to administer.

CHAT Checklist for Autism in Toddlers <http://depts.washington.edu/dataproj/chat.html>

The CHAT is a brief screening instrument that is intended to detect possible autism in toddlers. Since it is a screening test, the CHAT provides a first level of evaluation leading to a yes/no decision that, at that time, autism is either unlikely or is possible (and requires further evaluation). The CHAT takes only about five to ten minutes to administer and score. It consists of nine yes/no questions to be answered by the child's parent. The CHAT also includes observations of five brief interactions between the child and the examiner, which enable the clinician to compare the child's actual behavior with the parental reports.

GARS Gilliam Autism Rating Scale

The GARS helps identify and diagnose autism in individuals and estimate the severity of the problem. Items are grouped into three subtests: stereotyped behaviors, communication, social interaction, and an optional subtest on developmental disturbances. The three core subtests describe specific and measurable behaviors, and the optional subtest enables parents to contribute data about their child’s development during the first three years of life. The entire scale can be completed in five to ten minutes.

IDEA Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

www.cec.sped.org/law_res/doc/law/index.php

The IDEA is a federal law that has significantly improved the educational opportunities for children with disabilities. The goals of IDEA include, improved results for all children in our education system and a strengthened role of parents in educational planning and decision making on behalf of their children.

PIA Parent Interview for Autism

The PIA is intended to elicit relevant information about children functioning at the preschool level and below. It is a respondent-based interview that requires parents to make judgments about the frequency of occurrence of specific behaviors. PIA items are administered verbally, so that the parents’ questions can be clarified. Administration of the PIA takes approximately 30 to 45 minutes.

RDI Relationship Intervention Development

www.autismlink.com/info/RDI.php

RDI is a relatively new technique that was developed to address the core social deficits of children with ASD. RDI is unique in that it focuses on motivation and intent rather than the acquisition of discrete social skills. RDI is led by specially trained therapists, but it is a technique that requires in-depth caregiver participation and training. RDI includes ongoing assessment that allows the therapy to be adjusted to meet the changing needs and competencies of the child. The primary goals of therapy include:

- Develop an understanding and appreciation for the many levels of experience sharing
- Become an equal partner in co-regulating experience sharing interactions
- Develop an understanding and appreciation of other people—their perspectives, ideas and feelings
- Value and work to maintain enduring relationships
- Become adaptable and flexible in both social and non-social problem solving
- Recognize their own unique identity that can continue to grow and develop

Best Practices

The Autism Program of Illinois is leading a collaborative effort to create and publish a Best Practice Guide. This guide will identify best practices in identification, evaluation and treatment of children and youth with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD).

Best Practices are those techniques, tools and theoretical orientations that have been shown to be highly effective in the diagnosis and treatment of ASD. The field of ASD is still relatively new. Therefore, conscientious clinicians are informed of and utilize evidence-based practices, in addition to those that they have found to be of benefit in their own clinical work.

The Autism Program of Illinois's efforts are informed by other agencies and leaders in the field of ASD. These include:

- California-Autistic Spectrum Disorders Best Practice Guidelines for Screening, Diagnosis and Assessment. (www.ddhealthinfo.org)
- Connecticut-Autism Spectrum Disorder Intervention Guidance for Service Providers and Families of Young Children with Autistic Spectrum Disorder. (www.birth23.org)
- Maine-Main Administrators of Services for Children with Disabilities (MADSEC) Autism Task Force. (www.madsec.org)
- New York—Clinical Practice Guideline, Report of the Guideline Recommendations Autism/Pervasive Developmental Disorders.
- New York State Education Department, Autism Program Quality Indicators A Self Review and Quality Improvement Guide For Schools and Programs Serving Students with Autism Spectrum Disorders.
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Books and Articles

More than 500 books and more than 1,000 articles written about ASD are available for loan by calling the Illinois Early Intervention Childhood Clearinghouse (800-852-4302). Staff are knowledgeable and willing to recommend titles to meet your needs and interests, and the clearinghouse will ship free of charge.

The "Resource Center/Lending Library" column in the "Resources-At-a-Glance" section (*see p. 4*) of this directory can also be used to identify agencies near you that may have reading material available.



Educational Rights of Students with Disabilities

www.isbe.net/spec-ed/pdfs/parent_guide_english.pdf

This Illinois State Board of Education guide informs parents of their and their children's educational rights and rights regarding special education services. Questions may also be directed to the Special Education Compliance Division at 217-782-5589 (Springfield) or 312-814-5560 (Chicago).

DHS Online Quick Guide to Services

To access the Department of Human Services Developmental Disabilities (DHS DD) Service System, contact an Independent Service Coordination (ISC)/Pre-Admission Screening (PAS) agency in your area (*see p. 81*). These agencies are the “front door” to Illinois’ state-funded service system.

DHS defines Developmental Disabilities Services as “supports for individuals with developmental disabilities...to help individuals...achieve as much independence as possible and to live in their home communities with family and friends. Emphasis is placed on enabling individuals to stay in their own homes, in family homes, or in small-group settings.” For more explanation, contact your local ISC/PAS agency (*see p. 81*), or go to: www.dhs.state.il.us/mhdd/dd/services.asp.

Does your family qualify for DHS DD Services?

www.dhs.state.il.us/mhdd/dd/

DHS DD services are offered dependent upon the availability of funding for services, the individual’s current living situation, whether the individual is a member of a DHS-designated priority population, the severity of the individual’s developmental disability, his or her age, qualification for Medicaid services and other program requirements, as necessary.

What is a Priority Population?

www.dhs.state.il.us/mhdd/dd/priorityPopulations.asp

Criteria have been developed in Illinois to help individuals with the most need for services to be able to access them. However, if individuals do not meet criteria below, they are still encouraged to contact a PAS/ISC agency in their area for screening and referral should services be available.

Go to: www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?module=12 to locate a DHS office in your county including:

- ISC/PAS agency
- DHS Rehabilitation Services office
- Child Care Resource & Referral office

- Human Capital Development Office
- CFC agency (*see p. 81*); and Mental Health office

Estimate your family’s eligibility and co-payments for Child Care Assistance www.dhs.state.il.us

Eligibility and co-payments can only be determined by completing a Child Care Application.

Estimate your family’s eligibility and monthly benefit amount

www.dhs.state.il.us/applications/ChildCareEligCalc/eligcalc.asp
Eligibility and monthly benefits can only be determined by completing an application.

Find DHS Services

www.dhs.state.il.us/services



To learn about services available through the Division of Human Capital Development:

www.dhs.state.il.us

In addition to cash assistance, food stamps, and medical programs, this division provides access to many other programs and services for the residents of Illinois.

Visit

www.theautismprogram.org

Dentists, Physicians and Other Key Resources

Family Support Groups

Local chapters and other support groups may be found by using the “Support Group” column in the grid matrix beginning on p. 4, as well as the state and national resources on p. 68 and p. 76.

Private Services

www.illinoislifespan.org

While it is beyond the scope of focus for this directory, The Autism Program of Illinois recognizes the need of parents for reliable information in obtaining assistance in such areas as private therapists, doctors, dentists and other providers who are familiar with ASD. The Autism Program of Illinois also seeks to collaborate with other agencies and, whenever possible, avoid duplication of efforts.

The Illinois Life Span Project (*see p. 72*) is currently testing a searchable database of such providers. Until that database is active, you may utilize the Illinois Life Span Project Web site or call and speak directly with them concerning these services.

FAQs

1. What symptoms or observations signal an immediate need for an evaluation?

9 months: No babbling
12 months: No pointing or other gestures
16 months: No single words
24 months: No functional 2-word phrases
Any age: Any loss of any language or social skills

2. Are Autism Spectrum Disorders rare?

No. Current statistics from the Center for Disease Control indicate that 1 in 150 children have an Autism Spectrum Disorder

3. Do all children with autism have intellectual impairments?

No. The intellectual abilities of children with autism vary from the gifted range to severe and profound mental retardation. Studies indicate that 50 to 70 percent of individuals with classic autism have some level of mental retardation. It is important to note that intellectual functioning is difficult to assess in individuals with autism, and assessment of intellectual functioning in very young children may not be accurate.

4. Do all children with autism have some special gift, such as the ability to calculate dates or compose music?

No. There are a limited number of people with autism who are identified as savants. Savants are individuals with isolated giftedness in one or more areas. It is true that individuals with autism have what is called, splinter skills or scattered abilities. These terms refer to the fact that many people with autism have an uneven pattern of intellectual strengths and weaknesses.

5. Can individuals with autism respond to treatment?

Yes. We know that individuals with autism spectrum disorders learn through visual presentation, repetition and predictability. An environment that provides visual supports, structure, and repetition is most helpful. For more information on treatment options you should research University of North Carolina-Division TEACCH; Applied Behavior Analysis and Picture Exchange Communication.

6. What are some common elements seen in effective programs for young children?

- Comprehensive assessment leading to diagnosis and to an individualized treatment plan
- Individualized programming that is reevaluated to keep pace with the child's progress
- Predictable routines
- Functional analysis of problem behaviors
- Active family involvement
- Careful transitions across intervention settings (EI to School Programs; Grade Levels)
- Highly trained staff and use of empirically demonstrated strategies
- Focus on Early Intervention
- Intensive intervention (intensity measured by frequency of interactions and level of engagement)
- Attempts to generalize learning across environments (carrying things learned at school to home, etc.). A good program will assure that the child can demonstrate gains with multiple people and in multiple settings.

Glossary and Related Web sites

Adaptive Physical Education (APE)

APE is an individual program of developmental activities, games, sports, and rhythms suited to the interests, capacities, and limitations of students with disabilities who may not safely or successfully engage in unrestricted participation in the general physical education program.

Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)

www.behavior.org/autism

ABA is an intensive, structured teaching program. Lessons are broken down to their simplest elements. Children are presented with a stimulus through repeated trials. Positive reinforcement is used to reward correct responses and behaviors; incorrect responses are ignored.

Assistive Technology

www.abledata.com

Assistive Technology includes any item or piece of equipment that is used to maintain, increase or improve the functional capabilities of individuals with disabilities.

Autism, or Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

Autism is a neurologically based developmental disorder that affects several areas of functioning including: social interactions, communication, abstract thought processing, and executive functioning. As the name implies, these disorders reside on a spectrum with many levels of severity. Individuals with ASD present with a wide range of strengths and weaknesses.

Autism is one of just five Pervasive Developmental Disorders (PDD) or Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) defined in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-IV-TR). PDDs are characterized by significant impairments in social interaction and communication. Individuals with autism may have difficulty

in responding to change or transition. They may exhibit over- or under-sensitivity to pain or other sensory stimulation. Autism often results in deficits in imaginative play and abstract thought. Parents report that the child with autism does not want to be cuddled and that he or she avoids eye contact or demonstrates unusually intense eye contact. Children with autism often become preoccupied with parts of toys (the wheels of a truck), but rarely play with toys in the traditional manner. Left untreated, the communication and sensory problems associated with autism may result in tantrums or aggressive behaviors.

In the past, autism was defined as a rare disorder, but current estimates indicate that between one in 500 to one in 150 children have an ASD. Recent years have seen a dramatic increase in the diagnosis of ASD. It is thought that at least some of this increase is due to heightened awareness and improved diagnostics.

The cause of ASD is not known; however, there is evidence to suggest that there is a genetic component. Early identification and early intervention can help children with ASD reach their own unique potential.

Child and Family Connections (CFC) (*see also p.81*)
www.wiu.edu/ProviderConnections/links/index.php

Child and Family Connections serve as the entry point for Early Intervention services. They are located regionally around Illinois. CFCs accept referrals to Early Intervention, provide initial service coordination, and provide referral assistance to service providers.

Developmental Disabilities (DD)
www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/add

A developmental disability is one that is attributed to mental retardation, autism, cerebral palsy, epilepsy or a specific learning disability, or any other closely related condition that originates before the age of 22 years, has continued or can be expected to continue indefinitely, and constitutes a severe handicap to the individual's ability to function normally in society.

Developmental Therapy (DT)

Developmental therapy is a therapy provided by an individual who has training in Early Childhood to help teach basic skills, such as activities of daily living and age-appropriate social and emotional development.

Early Intervention Services (EI)

www.kidsource.com/kidsource/content/early.intervention.html

Early Intervention services are those that are provided to children less than 36 months of age who meet state eligibility criteria. Appropriate EI services must be tailored to meet the unique needs of the eligible infant or toddler and his or her family. These services must be designed in collaboration with the family to enhance both the development of the child and the family's capacity to meet the needs of the child.

Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)

<http://wrightslaw.com/info/fape.index.htm>

Free Appropriate Public Education is guaranteed by state and federal law. FAPE intends that education must be provided to all children ages three to twenty-one at public expense.

Individualized Education Program (IEP)

www.isbe.net/spec-ed/html/iep.htm

An Individualized Education Program is a written document that is developed by a team that includes the professionals involved in the child's education and the parents. The IEP must contain present levels of educational performance; annual goals including benchmarks or short-term objectives; and a listing of the special education and related services that are required to meet the child's needs including the dates, frequency, location, and duration of services. The IEP must be reviewed at least annually. It can be updated sooner if the child's needs change.

Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP)

<http://ericec.org/digests/e605.html>

An Individualized Family Service Plan is a written document developed by a multidisciplinary team that includes the family as a primary participant. The IFSP describes the child's developmental levels in all areas; the family's resources, priorities, and concerns relating to enhancing the development of their child; and the services to be received, including the frequency, intensity, and method of delivering services. In addition, the IFSP must contain a statement of the natural environments in which early intervention services will occur. Projected dates for service initiation and duration must be given, and a service coordinator from a profession most relevant to the child or family's needs must be named. The IFSP must be reviewed at least every six months and updated following annual assessments. It can be updated sooner if the child's needs change.

In-Home Support (72)

Some agencies qualify to receive funding through the Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide quality care services in the home such as a personal assistant, homemaking assistance and home delivered meals, among others. This is not the same as home visits that many agencies make as part of their own service. The DHS requires eligibility qualifications for users to receive these services through providing agencies. See page 100 for a list of providers.

Least Restrictive Environment (LRE)

<http://wrightslaw.com/info/lre.osers.memo.idea.htm>

A Least Restrictive Environment is the setting that least restricts opportunities for a child with disabilities to be with their peers without disabilities. The federal "Individuals with Disabilities Education Act" mandates that every child with a disability be educated in a LRE.

Natural Environment

www.illinoiseittraining.org/uploads/NEMemo.pdf

The Natural Environment is defined as the home and other community settings in which children and families normally participate in activities. To the maximum extent appropriate for the needs of the child and family, Early Intervention services must be provided in Natural Environments.

Occupational Therapy (OT)

www.occupationaltherapist.com/faq.html

Occupational Therapy is a therapy or treatment provided by an occupational therapist that helps individual development of physical skills that will aid in daily living. OT focuses on sensory integration; balance and coordination of movement; and fine motor and self-help skills such as dressing, eating with a fork and spoon, etc.

Physical Therapy (PT)

http://Illinois.uscity.net/Physical_Therapists/

Physical Therapy is a treatment of physical disabilities given by a trained physical therapist (under doctor's orders) that includes the use of massage, exercise, etc., to remediate mobility and gait and to modify strength, balance, tone, and posture and help the person improve the use of bones, muscles, joints, and nerves.

Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS)

www.pecs.com/

The Picture Exchange Communication System is an alternative communication system that uses picture symbols. It is taught in six phases starting with a simple exchange of a picture symbol for a desired item. Through PECS, individuals learn to use picture symbols to construct complete sentences, initiate communication, and answer direct questions.

Pre-Admission Screening/Independent Service Coordination Agencies (PAS/ISC Agencies) (see also p. 81)

www.dhs.state.il.us/mhdd/dd/

Pre-Admission Screening/Independent Service Coordination

Tips

The Autism Program of Illinois gets tips from parents, professionals and others working in the field. If you have a tip or special trick that you use or have used in the past that you think would be of interest to others please e-mail it to: theautismprogram@thehopeinstitute.us.

Agencies are contracted community agencies located throughout Illinois. They provide Pre-Admission Screenings to verify that individuals with developmental disabilities meet criteria for Medicaid-reimbursed services. Additionally, PAS/ISC Agencies provide Individual Service Coordination to assist families and individuals with developmental disabilities with information, introduction, coordination, and linkage to services and supports delivered by direct services providers.

Respite Care

www.dhs.state.il.us/mhdd/dd/CommunitybasedDevelopmentalServices.asp

Respite is temporary, short-term care provided to individuals with disabilities. Services can be delivered in the individual's home for a few hours or in an alternate licensed setting for an extended period of time. Respite care allows caregivers to take a break in order to relieve and prevent stress and fatigue.

Sensory Integration Therapy (SI)

www.sensoryint.com

Sensory Integration Therapy is a therapy designed for individuals with sensory integration deficits; this can include one or more of the senses. The goal of SI is to improve an individual's ability to use incoming sensory information appropriately and to encourage tolerance of a variety of sensory inputs.

Speech/Language Therapy

http://kidshealth.org/parent/system/ill/speech_therapy.html

Speech/Language Therapy is provided by a speech therapist or speech and language pathologist with the goal of improving an individual's ability to communicate. This includes verbal and nonverbal communication. The treatment is specific to the individual's need.

Communication Tips

Helping your child communicate more effectively:

- Teach communication skills that are functional and meaningful
- Teach communication in the context of everyday activities
- Provide multiple opportunities for communication practice throughout the day
- Arrange the environment as necessary to create the need to communicate
- Reduce stressful speaking situations by avoiding:
 - o Competition for speaking opportunity
 - o Frequent interruptions
 - o Demand for display speech
 - o Loss of listener attention
 - o Frequent questions
 - o Excitement when speaking

Communicating more effectively with your child:

- Slow down when speaking with your child
- Replace long, complex sentences with short simple sentences

- Stress key words
- Use other modalities to enhance meaning
- When using spoken commands, make them simple
- Use visual supports
- Use object supports
- Be consistent

General Tips

Consistency, consistency, consistency

Do things the same way with your child each time, and do things the same way with other people. Without consistency your child may become confused or discover opportunities for manipulation.

Catch 'em being good

Whenever the opportunity presents itself, use a lot of positive reinforcement. Some children thrive on positive attention. Let them know when they are acting appropriately. If we praise good behavior we can hopefully decrease the need for inappropriate behavior.

Remain neutral and calm

Be sure not to raise your voice or show emotional reaction when your child uses inappropriate behaviors.

Use few words when addressing an inappropriate behavior

Using too many words provides unneeded attention. Keep requests simple. Tell your child what TO do rather than what not to do. Avoid using “stop” or “don’t” statements and always use a firm, calm respectful tone of voice.

Top 10 Things to Remember

1. Use calendars, schedules, and checklists.

We all use checklists, calendars, and visual cues. Individuals with autism may find it difficult to organize their activities, so these techniques are even more important for them.

2. Organize the environment.

This can be very helpful and will give the individual with autism cues about what, when, and how. Reserve one area of the room for reading, one for puzzles, and another for schoolwork. Keep supplies handy and accessible to the child if possible.

3. Avoid phrases that are confusing; do not use sarcasm.

Individuals with autism have difficulty with abstract thought. They interpret verbal information very literally.

4. Avoid repeating instructions.

Individuals with autism find it difficult to interpret auditory information. Give the person time to process the information. Augment verbal communication with visual cues, gestures, or physical prompts.

5. Be observant of the environment and make changes in lighting and noise when necessary.

Individuals with autism can experience unusual responses to sensory stimuli.

6. Prepare the individual for changes or transitions.

Changes in routine are particularly difficult for individuals with autism. Using visual schedules and written reminders will help make transitions easier and smoother.

7. Emphasize social learning.

Individuals with autism must learn social skills that many of us take for granted. Social groups that are organized around favorite activities can provide a safe forum for early social learning. Socially interactive games (pat-a-cake, peek-a-boo) that require coordination between people can be very helpful in developing social skills and

helping the child to “tune in” to those around him. Older children can be asked to help with daily chores that require coordination (handing mother the clothes pins, setting up an assembly line to put the groceries in the pantry, etc.). Use games that require turn taking.

8. Encourage the individual with autism to communicate their needs and wants.

For example, do not automatically provide dessert for your child with autism. Get dessert for yourself, and wait for your child to indicate their desire for dessert.

9. Seek out support from other parents of children with disabilities.

10. Have fun.

Make sure that you have some activities that are not related to autism.

Información Básica sobre el autismo

¿Qué es el autismo?

Los trastornos del espectro autista (ASD, por su sigla en inglés) son un grupo de discapacidades del desarrollo de base neurológica. Los científicos no saben exactamente qué es lo que causa el problema. Los ASD pueden impactar en un amplio espectro del funcionamiento de una persona, de leve a grave. Los individuos afectados de ASD no tienen un aspecto diferente, pero pueden comunicarse, interactuar, comportarse y aprender de maneras distintas a otros de edades similares.

¿Es el autismo un trastorno común?

Estadísticas recientes realizadas en Centros de EE.UU. para el Control y Prevención de Enfermedades (CDC) sugieren que 1 de cada 150 personas en EE.UU. podrían recibir un diagnóstico de ASD; lo que significa que 22.000 niños en Illinois tienen ASD.

Los trastornos del espectro autista (ASD) incluyen:

- Trastorno autista
- Trastorno de Asperger
- Trastorno de Rett
- Trastorno desintegrativo infantil
- Trastorno penetrante del desarrollo

¿Cuáles son algunas de las señales de ASD?

Las personas con ASD pueden tener problemas con habilidades sociales, emocionales y de comunicación. Podrían reiterar determinadas conductas y no desear cambiar en sus actividades diarias. Muchas personas con ASD también tienen formas diferentes de aprendizaje, asistencia o respuesta al entorno. Los ASD se inician en la infancia temprana y acompañan a la persona afectada durante toda su vida.

Un niño o un adulto con ASD podría:

- No jugar a “juegos imaginativos” (como por ejemplo, alimentar a una muñeca)
- No mirar objetos cuando otra persona los señala
- Tener problemas con los demás o no tener interés alguno en las demás personas
- Evitar el contacto visual y desear estar solo
- Tener problemas para comprender los sentimientos de los demás o hablar de los suyos propios
- Preferir que no lo toquen o abracen o abrazar solo cuando ellos así lo desean
- Aparentar no percatarse cuando otra gente le habla, pero responder a otros sonidos
- Estar muy interesado en la gente, pero no saber cómo hablar, jugar o relacionarse con ellos
- Repetir o imitar palabras o frases que se le dicen, o repetir palabras o frases en lugar de un lenguaje normal
- Tener problemas para expresar sus necesidades con palabras o movimientos típicos
- Reiterar acciones una y otra vez
- Tener problemas para adaptarse a los cambios de rutinas
- Tener reacciones inusuales a la manera en que las cosas huelen, saben, se ven, sienten o suenan
- Perder habilidades que alguna vez tuvieron (por ejemplo, dejar de decir palabras que alguna vez usaron)

¿Qué debe hacer si piensa que un niño o un adulto tiene un ASD?

Si usted o su médico consideran que puede haber un problema, solicite una derivación para consultar con un pediatra de desarrollo u otro especialista y comuníquese con su agencia de intervención temprana local (para niños de menos de 3 años de edad) o con la escuela pública (para niños de más de 3 años). Actualmente el principal tratamiento para los ASD basado en las investigaciones es una enseñanza estructurada intensiva de las habilidades, a menudo denominada intervención de comportamiento. Es muy importante iniciar dicha intervención a la brevedad para poder ayudar a su hijo a alcanzar su potencial pleno. ¡La acción temprana puede hacer la verdadera diferencia! Información Básica sobre el autismo

