

Helpful resources for families with special needs

Daily life brings unique challenges and joys for families with special needs. Many organizations and reference materials are available to assist you with these situations. Use this list as a starting point to search for information that best fits your family's needs.

Disability resource listings

Association of University Centers on Disabilities	aucd.org
Exceptional Parent	eparent.com
Waisman Center: University of Wisconsin-Madison	waisman.wisc.edu
Center for Parent Information & Resources	parentcenterhub.org
National Rehabilitation Information Center	naric.com

Official federal websites

Administration for Community Living	acl.gov/programs/aidd
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services	cms.hhs.gov
U.S. Dept. of Labor: Office of Disability Employment Policy	dol.gov/odep/topics/disability.htm
Social Sec. Admin.: Benefits for Children with Disabilities (PDF)	ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10026.pdf
Social Sec. Admin.: Supplemental Security Income	ssa.gov/ssi/index.htm

Advocacy

American Assn. on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities	aidd.org
Council of Parent Attorneys and Advocates	copaa.net
National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys	naela.org
Special Needs Alliance®	specialneedsalliance.org
Wrightslaw: Special Education Law & Advocacy	wrightslaw.com

Family support

Ability Online	abilityonline.org
Family Voices®	familyvoices.org
Federation for Children with Special Needs	fcsn.org
Washington State Fathers Network	fathersnetwork.org
PACER Center	pacer.org
Social Workers: Help starts here.™	helpstartshere.org
Potential, Inc.	potentialinc.org

Education

Internet Special Education Resources	iser.com
LD Online	ldonline.org
National Center for Learning Disabilities	nclد.org
SchwabLearning	schwablearning.org

Health information

General

American Academy of Pediatrics	aap.org
Healthfinder: Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion	healthfinder.gov
Human Services Research Institute	hsri.org
National Institutes of Health	nih.gov

Drug information

Drug index	rxlist.com
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Mental health

National Institute of Mental Health	nimh.nih.gov
Mental Health America	nmha.org

Conduct disorders and behavior

Association for Positive Behavior Support	apbs.org
ConductDisorders Online Community	conductdisorders.com
Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports	pbis.org

Life transitions

Education

Going to College: A resource for teens with disabilities	going-to-college.org
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Employment

Association of People Supporting Employment First	apse.org
Job Accommodation Network	jan.wvu.edu
National Collaborative on Workforce and Disability for Youth	youth.gov

Independent living

American Network of Community Options and Resources	ancor.org
Paraprofessional Healthcare Institute	phinational.org
Institute for Community Inclusion	communityinclusion.org
The Learning Community for Person Centered Practices	tlccpcp.com



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