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## ACCESS TO OPWDD SERVICES

The New York State Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) is responsible for coordinating services for people with developmental disabilities; including intellectual disabilities, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, autism spectrum disorders, traumatic brain injury prior to age 21 and other neurological impariments. It provides services directly and through a network of not-for-profit service providing agencies. [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

**FRONT DOOR** To help you get ready to plan for OPWDD services, you will be asked to attend an information session. The informaiton session is a way for you to learn valuable information about: 1) The supports and services that may be right for you and how to access them 2) The options that exist for helping individuals and families 3) How the Front Door process works. Opening the door to a richer, fuller life, a person-centered approach to planning supports for people with develomen-tal disabilities. To register for a information session contact: CNYDDRO Region 2 ..... 793-9600 Ext. 1

**ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION** To access most of OPWDD supports and serivces you will need to qualify for OPWDD Eligibility. You will gather medical, educational records and diagnostic reports and may choose to work with an Service Access and Assistance Coordinator from a local agency. The following agencies that provide eligibility assistance are:

**AccessCNY**  
1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

**Central New York Quest Inc.**  
1065 James Street, Suite 210 ..... **732-3431**  
Syracuse, 13203

**OPWDD CNY DDRO**  
Central NY Region 2 ..... **793-9600 Ext. 1**  
[www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

**Exceptional Family Resources (EFR)**  
1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)  
-EFR First Step Program assists individuals with developmental disabilities, living with their families, to establish OPWDD eligibility.  
-EFR Senior Caregivers Program-assists individuals with a developmental disability that share a home with their 55 years old or older family member.

**Learning Disability Association of CNY (LDA)**  
722 W. Manlius Street..... **432-0665 Ext. 35**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)

**Spanish Action League of Onon. County Inc.,**  
700 Oswego Street ..... **475-6153 Ext. 212**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.laligaupstatecny.org](http://www.laligaupstatecny.org)

### MEDICAID SERVICE COORDINATION

Medicaid service coordination combines the development, implementation and maintenance of an Individualized Service Plan (ISP) in accessing services and supports for persons with developmental disabilities. To be eligible for Medicaid Service Coordination, a child or adult needs to have a documented developmental disability, often referred to as having "eligibility" for Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) services. To obtain eligibility for a person, the first point of contact is the Front Door at the CNYDDRO (Central New York Developmental Disabilities Regional Office) 315-793-9600 Ext. 1. A person also must have Medicaid. Agencies listed below are Medicaid service coordination (MSC) providers.

**AccessCNY**  
1010 James Street ..... **218-0825**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

**Advocates, Inc.**  
609 Vine Street..... **469-9931**  
Liverpool, 13088 [www.advocatesincorporated.org](http://www.advocatesincorporated.org)

**Arc of Onondaga**  
600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **473-5027**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc**  
635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

**Cayuga Centers**  
PO Box 202, 2501 James Street, Suite 204 ..... **253-5383**  
Syracuse, 13206 [www.cayugacenters.org](http://www.cayugacenters.org)

**Catholic Charities of Onondaga County**  
1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1800**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

**Central New York Quest Inc.**  
1065 James Street, Suite 210 ..... **732-3431**  
Syracuse, 13203

**Community Options, Inc.**  
216 W. Manlius Street..... **431-9859**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.comop.org](http://www.comop.org)

**Connections of CNY, Inc.**  
3650 James Street, Suite 110 ..... **434-9800**  
Syracuse, 13206

**E. John Gavras Center**

182 North Street ..... **282-0562**  
Auburn, 13021 ..... [www.gavrascenter.com](http://www.gavrascenter.com)

**Elmcrest**

228 Lafayette Road ..... **492-2131**  
Syracuse, 13205 ..... [www.elmcrest.org](http://www.elmcrest.org)

**Epilepsy-Pralid Inc.**

1065 James Street, Suite 220 ..... **477-9777**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.epiny.org](http://www.epiny.org)

**Exceptional Family Resources**

1820 Lemoyne Avenue ..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)

**H.O.M.E. Inc.**

**(Humanitarian Organization for Multicultural Experiences)**  
831 James Street ..... **472-5110**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.homeincny.org](http://www.homeincny.org)

**Huntington Family Center**

405 Gifford Street ..... **476-3157**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org](http://www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org)

**Liberty Resources, Inc.**

1065 James Street ..... **425-1004**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.liberty-resources.org](http://www.liberty-resources.org)

**Onondaga Community Living**

518 James Street, Suite 110 ..... **434-9597 ext. 232**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.oclinc.org](http://www.oclinc.org)

**Self-Direct, Inc.**

12 Oswego Street ..... **635-5374**  
Baldwinsville, 13027 ..... [selfdirectinc.org](http://selfdirectinc.org)

**Spaulding Support Services**

1050 W. Genesee Street ..... **478-6210**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.spauldingsupport.org](http://www.spauldingsupport.org)

**Syracuse Jewish Family Service**

4101 E. Genesee Street ..... **445-0820**  
Syracuse, 13214 ..... [www.sjfs.org](http://www.sjfs.org)

**Toomey Residential and Community Services, Inc.**

1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1845**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

**notes...****HCBS WAIVER SERVICES****(HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES)**

Most OPWDD services are funded through Medicaid; therefore, in most cases, it is necessary that individuals seeking services from OPWDD enroll in Medicaid. You must be eligible for and enrolled in Medicaid, to enroll in the HCBS waiver. Contact your MSC for HCBS waiver eligibility and enrollment.

**BROKERS**

Support Brokers assist people with developmental disabilities to self-direct services and supports they receive through the Home and Community Based Waiver (HCBW). This Waiver option provides individuals more responsibility in managing their individual supports and services and in controlling their personal budget for additional agency/broker lists.

**CNYDDRO** ..... **473-6917**

**AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street ..... TDD **455-1794** ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

**Advocates, Inc.**

609 Vine Street ..... **469-9931**  
Liverpool, 13088 ..... [www.advocatesincorporated.org](http://www.advocatesincorporated.org)

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc**

635 James Street ..... **671-2989**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

**Connections of CNY, Inc.**

3650 James Street, Suite 110 ..... **434-9800**  
Syracuse, 13206

**Exceptional Family Resources**

1820 Lemoyne Avenue ..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)

**Kelberman Center**

1601 Armory Drive Building C ..... **797-6241 ext. 286**  
Utica, 13492 ..... [www.kelbermancenter.org](http://www.kelbermancenter.org)

**Onondaga Community Living**

518 James Street Suite 110 ..... **434-9597 Ext. 215**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.oclinc.org](http://www.oclinc.org)

**RCIL (Resource Center for Independent Living)**

400 Columbia Street ..... **797-4642**  
Utica, 13503 ..... [www.rcil.com](http://www.rcil.com)

**Unity House of Cayuga County Inc.**

34 Wright Ave ..... **253-6227 Ext. 202**  
Auburn, 13021 ..... [www.unityhouse.com](http://www.unityhouse.com)

**Upstate Cerebral Palsy Association**

1020 Mary Street ..... **797-4080**  
Utica, 13501 ..... [www.ucp.org](http://www.ucp.org)

## COMMUNITY HABILITATION

Community Habilitation is an OPWDD Waiver service that provides training, assistance and support with activities of daily living and community participation through individualized outcomes.

### AccessCNY

1603 Court Street ..... TDD **455-1794** ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

### Arc of Onondaga

600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **476-7441**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

### ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

### Central New York

#### Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO)

187 Northern Concourse ..... **473-5050**  
N. Syracuse, 13212 ..... [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

### Central New York Quest Inc.

1065 James Street, Suite 210 ..... **732-3431**  
Syracuse, 13203

### Community Options, Inc.

216 W. Manlius Street ..... **431-9859**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 ..... [www.comop.org](http://www.comop.org)

### Connections of CNY, Inc.

3650 James Street, Suite 110 ..... **434-9800**  
Syracuse, 13206

### Elmcrest

228 Lafayette Road ..... **493-9990 ext. 229**  
Syracuse, 13205 ..... [www.elmcrest.org](http://www.elmcrest.org)

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Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)

### H.O.M.E., Inc.

(Humanitarian Organization for Multi-cultural Experience)

831 James Street ..... **472-5110**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.homeincny.org](http://www.homeincny.org)

### Learning Disabilities Association of CNY (LDA)

722 W. Manlius Street ..... **432-0665**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 ..... [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)

### Liberty Resources, Inc.

1045 James Street ..... **425-1004**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.liberty-resources.org](http://www.liberty-resources.org)

### Onondaga Community Living (OCL)

518 James Street, Suite 110 ..... **434-9597**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.oclinc.org](http://www.oclinc.org)

### Salvation Army

677 S. Salina Street ..... **475-1688**  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.sasyr.org](http://www.sasyr.org)

### SELF-DIRECT, Inc.

12 Oswego Street ..... **635-5374**  
Baldwinsville, 13027 ..... [www.selfdirectinc.com](http://www.selfdirectinc.com)

### Spaulding Support Services

1050 W. Genesee Street ..... **478-6210**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.spauldingsupport.org](http://www.spauldingsupport.org)

### Toomey Residential and Community Services

1654 W. Onondaga Street. .... **424-1845**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

## DAY HABILITATION

Day Habilitation, or “Day Hab” targets activities that typically take place outside the home. These activities could include a person joining and participating in a local health club and/or contributing to the community through volunteer work. Separate activities are tied together as they address outcomes the individual has identified, such as becoming more independent, improving health through physical activity, and becoming involved in the community, as stated in their Individualized Service Plan (ISP). To receive day habilitation, an individual with a developmental disability must be enrolled in Medicaid and on the Medicaid Waiver. People are referred by their Medicaid service coordinator. Day habilitation is a service of the Home and Community Based Services Medicaid (HCBS) Waiver.

### AccessCNY

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

### Arc of Onondaga

600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **476-7441**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

### ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.

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Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

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N. Syracuse, 13212 ..... [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

### Community Options, Inc.

216 W. Manlius Street ..... **431-9859**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 ..... [www.comop.org](http://www.comop.org)

**Daybreak at Loretto**

1100 James Street ..... **478-1478**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.lorettodaybreak.org](http://www.lorettodaybreak.org)

**Foundations Program at Onondaga Community College**

J. Stanley Coyne Hall, 4969 Onondaga Road..... **498-6005**  
Syracuse, 13215 ..... [www.sunyocc.edu](http://www.sunyocc.edu)

**H.O.M.E. Inc.**

831 James Street ..... **472-5110**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.homeincny.org](http://www.homeincny.org)

**Gateway Day Habilitation**

320 Gateway Park Drive ..... **452-0992**  
N. Syracuse, 13212 ..... [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

**Liberty Resources Inc.**

1045 James Street ..... **425-1004**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.liberty-resources.org](http://www.liberty-resources.org)

**Onondaga Community Living**

518 James Street ..... **434-9597**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.oclinc.org](http://www.oclinc.org)

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Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

## EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

### EMPLOYMENT TRAINING PROGRAM (ETP)

**OPWDD/DDRO information contact..... 336-2300 Ext.**

In an effort to provide expanded opportunities that lead to long-term employment in the private, public, and non-profit sectors, OPWDD implemented the Employment Training Internship Program (ETP). ETP enables businesses to employ individuals with developmental disabilities and have their wages paid by OPWDD for up to 18 months. ETP also partners with local school districts to provide more than 200 high school students with a work experience while still in the public education system. ETP staff assists these students with life planning to ensure a smooth transition from school to work. ETP is available to individuals across the state with programs at every DDRO.

**AccessCNY**

420 East Genesee Street..... **478-4151**  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

**Arc of Onondaga**

600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **476-7441**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.**

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

**Exceptional Family Resources (EFR)**

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)

**Liberty Resources, Inc.**

1045 James Street ..... **425-1004**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.liberty-resources.org](http://www.liberty-resources.org)

### PATHWAY TO EMPLOYMENT

A recent addition to supported employment, this OPWDD Waiver service offers enhanced support that is time limited for individuals to successfully gain and/or maintain employment.

**OPWDD Liaison for Pathway to Employment..... 473-6653**

**AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street ..... **410-3385**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.**

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Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

**AURORA of Central New York, Inc**

518 James Street Suite 100 TDD **422-9746** ..... **422-7263**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.auroraofcny.org](http://www.auroraofcny.org)

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Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)

**H.O.M.E. Inc.**

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Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.homeincny.org](http://www.homeincny.org)

**Liberty Resources, Inc.**

1045 James Street ..... **425-1004**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.liberty-resources.org](http://www.liberty-resources.org)

**SEMP** Supported Employment Services (SEMP) help individuals with developmental disabilities work in all types of community businesses and industries including, education, technology, health care, hospitality, food service, retail, not-for-profit corporations and government.

**AccessCNY**

420 East Genesee Street..... **478-4151**  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

**Arc of Onondaga/Employment Options**

424 Wavel Street ..... **437-2025**  
Syracuse, 13206 ..... [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.**

635 James Street ..... **671-2969**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)



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 Syracuse, 13203 [www.liberty-resources.org](http://www.liberty-resources.org)

**Onondaga Community Living**

518 James Street ..... **434-9597**  
 Syracuse, 13203 [www.oclinc.org](http://www.oclinc.org)

**St. Joseph's Vocational Services**

747 James Street ..... **703-2759**  
 Syracuse, 13203 [www.sjhsyr.org](http://www.sjhsyr.org)

**Unity Employment Services**

518 James Street Suite B2..... **478-4240**  
 Syracuse, 13203 [www.unityhouse.co](http://www.unityhouse.co)

**ADDITIONAL EMPLOYMENT SUPPORTS****Spanish Action League of Onon. Co., Inc.**

700 Oswego Street ..... **475-6153**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.laligaupstatecny.org](http://www.laligaupstatecny.org)  
 Bilingual information and assistance mainly directed toward the Latino population, but all clients are assisted regardless of their ethnic background. The careers department assists with applications, resume development, job leads and placements.

**ENVIROMENTAL MODIFICATIONS (EMODS)**

Environmental Modifications are adaptations to the home or property that are necessary to increase or maintain a person's ability to live at home with independence and assured safety. These adaptations address needs related to physical, behavioral, or sensory disabilities.

**AccessCNY**

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**Central New York****Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO)**

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 N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

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**FAMILY EDUCATION & TRAINING**

Family Education and Training (FET) is a HCBS waiver service provided to the parent/guardian of whose children are under 18 years of age to maintain their Medicaid. Insurance. Instructors that provide FET trainings should be recognized experts in their field and possess the appropriate credentials which are deemed satisfactory to the Central New York Developmental Disabilities Regional Office. Agency FET providers may not have more than eight FET parents participate in any single session. Sessions must be a minimum of two hours each. Contact your MSC for arrangements or one of the FET provider agencies listed below.

**Advocates, Inc.**

609 Vine Street..... **469-9931**  
 Liverpool, 13088 [www.advocatesincorporated.org](http://www.advocatesincorporated.org)

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 Syracuse, 13206 [www.cayugacenters.org](http://www.cayugacenters.org)

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 Syracuse, 13208 [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)  
 Our FET class schedule is on our website.



## FISCAL INTERMEDIARY (FI)

FI is an OPWDD approved provider agency that bills Medicaid for your self-directed services, this is a Waiver Service. FI will pay your bills and maintain your budget. It is the legal employer (of record) of the persons you choose to hire. The FI will assist you with the required budget documentation.

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### RCIL (Resource Center for Independent Living)

PO Box 210 ..... **797-4642**  
Utica, 13503 ..... [www.rcil.com](http://www.rcil.com)

## INDIVIDUALIZED SUPPORT SERVICES

The Individualized Support Services (ISS) program is designed to help people live on their own rather than in a group home or with other family members. ISS provides funding which, in addition to individual's current income, helps to pay necessary bills. As few people have enough money to buy everything they want, each person will need to make some decisions between things that they really NEED (a place to live, clothes to wear, etc.) versus things they WANT but really don't need. All ISS recipients must meet OPWDD's (Office for People With Developmental Disabilities) eligibility guidelines including criteria about a person's living situation. A person with a developmental disability (DD) living alone or living with non-related housemates, a single parent/head of household with developmental disabilities, a married couple, one or both with developmental disabilities with or without children, a person living with a sibling, both with developmental disabilities.

### AccessCNY

1603 Court Street ..... TDD **455-1794** ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

### ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

### Friends of L'Arche

1232 Teall Avenue ..... **479-8808**  
Syracuse, 13206 ..... [www.larchesyracuse.org](http://www.larchesyracuse.org)

### Learning Disabilities Association of CNY (LDA)

722 W. Manlius Street ..... **432-0665**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 ..... [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)

### Onondaga Community Living (OCL)

518 James Street, Suite 110 ..... **434-9597**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.oclinc.org](http://www.oclinc.org)

### Spaulding Support Services

1050 W. Genesee Street ..... **478-6210**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.spauldingsupport.org](http://www.spauldingsupport.org)

### Toomey Residential and Community Services

1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1845**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

## INTENSIVE BEHAVIOR SERVICES (IBS)

Intensive Behavior Services (IBS) specifically addresses the needs of families caring for a child or adult at home who is displaying challenging behaviors that threaten the capacity of the family to cope and result in increased risk for out of home placement. This service comprises a high quality, time-limited, intensive intervention that includes functional behavioral assessment, the development of a targeted behavior management plan, extensive training by clinicians to parents and other caregivers in the home, and transition planning activities. The goal of the service is to provide families with the behavior management skills necessary to achieve and maintain community stabilization, and allow the individuals continued participation in community programs, routines and activities. Agencies that provide this OPWDD Waiver service are listed below or contact your service coordinator for additional information.

### Franziska Racker Centers

882 NYS Route 13 ..... **(607) 753-9375**  
Cortland, 13045

### Kelberman Center

1601 Armory Drive, Bldg., C ..... **797-6241**  
Utica, 13501 ..... [www.kelbermancenter.org](http://www.kelbermancenter.org)

### Oswego Industries, Inc.

7Morrill Place ..... **598-3108**  
Fulton, 13069 ..... [www.oswegoindustriesinc.org](http://www.oswegoindustriesinc.org)

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## OTHER BEHAVIOR SUPPORTS-NON WAIVER

### Autism Spectrum Related Disorders Clinic at Margaret L. Williams Developmental Evaluation Center

215 Bassett Street..... **472-4404**  
Syracuse, 13210 [www.developmentalevaluationcenter.com](http://www.developmentalevaluationcenter.com)  
An interdisciplinary team approach is used. Services focus on communication systems, sensory processing and organization, social and emotional skill building, play skills, behavioral needs, family adjustment, parenting groups, home and classroom supports. The clinic offers training and consultation to families and professionals working with children with autism spectrum disorders. Services for families who wish some help with parenting their child, professionals who are working with a specific child at home or school, professionals who are interested in further training and mentoring in providing appropriate services.

### Center for Development, Behavior and Genetics/ SUNY Upstate

725 Irving Avenue, Suite 112..... **464-6395**  
Syracuse, 13210 [www.upstate.edu/gch/](http://www.upstate.edu/gch/)  
The Family Behavior Analysis Clinic uses the basic principles of learning and behavior analysis to assess and treat behavior problems displayed by children with developmental disabilities. Children appropriate for this clinic are those who are at risk for a change in their living or school placement or whose behaviors put them or their family at serious risk for diminished health.

### Family Behavior Analysis Clinic

600 E. Genesee Street, Suite 130..... **464-3950**  
Syracuse, 13202  
Feeding issues and behavioral therapy.

### SELF-DIRECT, INC.

12 Oswego Street..... **635-5374**  
Baldwinsville, 13027 [www.selfdirectinc.com](http://www.selfdirectinc.com)  
Serves people with TBI. Intensive Behavioral Program, Home and Community Support Services, Community Integration Counseling, Home and Community Support Services (HCSS).

## RESPITE

Respite gives families and caregivers an opportunity for temporary relief of the daily responsibility of caring for a person who has a disability. Most agencies require OPWDD (Office for People With Developmental Disabilities) eligibility and HCBS waiver eligibility.

### ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)  
Our Respite services give parents and care-givers a much-needed break. Whether you need to work, run errands, or just relax, we can provide safe supervision and a variety of social and recreational experiences to children and adults with disabilities. After-School Respite is available in Onondaga and Madison County. In-Home Respite is available in Oswego County.

### Casey's Place

228 LaFayette Road ..... **492-9990**  
Syracuse, 13205 [www.elmcrest.org](http://www.elmcrest.org)  
Site-based planned respite for children with developmental disabilities and/or severe medical conditions ages birth to 21. Overnight respite includes weekends and summers, day respite includes afterschool, teen, school breaks and summers. Children must be OPWDD eligible.

### Catholic Charities Neighborhood Centers

1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1800**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

### -Bishop Foery Foundation

100 Edmund Avenue, Syr., 13205..... **475-8316**

### -Hawley Youth Organization

716 Hawley Avenue, Syr., 13203 ..... **472-6343**

### -Northside CYO

527 N. Salina Street, Syr., 13208 ..... **474-7428**

### -Vincent House

500 Seymour Street, Syr., 13204 ..... **475-9844**

### -Westmoreland Park

130 Westmoreland Avenue, Syr., 13224 ..... **473-6754**

### Exceptional Family Resources (EFR)

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)  
"Take-A-Break" respite program recruits, screens and trains sitter/companions, then matches them with registered families looking for respite for a family member with a developmental disability. Service is provided in the comfort of his or her own home. Must have OPWDD eligibility.

### H.O.M.E., Inc.

(Humanitarian Organization for Multi-cultural Experience)  
831 James Street ..... **472-5110**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.homeincny.org](http://www.homeincny.org)  
After-school respite program to individuals ages 10-22 and the hours of operation are Monday through Friday 2pm-6pm.

## ADDITIONAL RESPITE SERVICES

### David's Refuge

4440 Brickyard Falls Road ..... **682-4204**  
Manlius, 13104 [www.davidsrefuge.org](http://www.davidsrefuge.org)  
Caring for the Caregiver- a bed and breakfast retreat in Manlius for parents/guardians who care for children of any age with special needs; child must live full time in the family home and be OPWDD eligible. See website for details.

### Dunbar Center

1453 S. State Street ..... **476-4269**  
Syracuse, 13205 [www.dunbarassociation.org](http://www.dunbarassociation.org)  
Our goal is to provide after school and respite programming to children ages 5-19, that will help enhance and produce well rounded youth that exhibit logical thoughts and are better prepared to enter the work force and/or institutions of higher learning.

**PEACE, Inc. Emma L. Johnston South Side Family Resource Center – Project Connection Program**

136 Martin Luther King West ..... **470-3342**  
Syracuse, NY 13205 [www.peace-caa.org](http://www.peace-caa.org)

Family support staff works with families of children age 5-14 with intellectual and developmental disabilities including Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Down syndrome, Genetic Syndromes, Muscular Dystrophy, Epilepsy and other medical disabilities. Some areas of support include: after school r respite, summer youth, family advocacy, outreach, recreation, art, health, and wellness.

**Respite at AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

AccessCNY serves families caring for persons with developmental disabilities by providing respite and recreation services in conjunction with community agencies, i.e., neighborhood centers, YMCA's and summer camps. Subsidies can be available to families to purchase their own services.

## ADAPTIVE EQUIPMENT

Adaptive equipment available for loan or purchase.

**AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street ..... **410-3336**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.**

635 James St ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

**Victory Lifts, Inc.**

26 Corporate Circle..... **414-0863**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.victorylifts.com](http://www.victorylifts.com)

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## ADULT DAY PROGRAMS

**ADULT MEDICAL DAY PROGRAMS** Serves adults (typically age 21 and older) requiring medical services including those with diabetes, stroke, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's, heart failure, emphysema, epilepsy, and traumatic brain injury. Medical monitoring, assessment, treatment and education, chronic disease management, supervision, socialization, and nutrition services are provided. Medical Day Programs help to keep people independent and healthy so visits to physicians and hospitalizations can be minimized and support individuals in order to prevent or delay placement in health-related facilities. Transportation to these programs is provided. Medicaid pays for these programs for qualified adults. Participation in the Medicaid Home and Community Based Service (HCBS) Waiver is not required. In the last several years, long waiting lists for Day Habilitation services through the HCBS Waiver have resulted in more people with developmental disabilities being served in Medical Day Programs. A doctor's referral is required.

**Central Park Rehabilitation and Nursing Center Day Away Program**

116 E. Castle Street..... **475-1641**  
Syracuse, 13205 [www.centralparkrehab.com](http://www.centralparkrehab.com)

**Loretto Daybreak Adult Medical Day Program**

161 Intrepid Lane ..... **498-4405**  
Syracuse, 13205  
1100 James Street ..... **474-1478 Ext 300**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.loretto-cny.org](http://www.loretto-cny.org)

**Menorah Park Rothschild Adult Day Health Program**

4101 E. Genesee Street ..... **446-9111**  
Syracuse, 13214 [www.menorahparkcny.com](http://www.menorahparkcny.com)

**PACE CNY (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) -Sally Coyne Center**

100 Malta Lane ..... **452-5800**  
N. Syracuse, 13212

**-Catherine McAuliffe Center**

700 E. Brighton Avenue ..... **452-5800**  
Syracuse, 13205 [www.pacecny.org](http://www.pacecny.org)

**St. Camillus Adult Day Health**

813 Fay Road ..... **488-2951**  
Syracuse, 13219 [www.st-camillus.org](http://www.st-camillus.org)

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## ADULT SOCIAL DAY PROGRAMS

Programs for older adults who may be socially isolated or need supervision during their structured daily activities. They provide supervision, socialization, mental and physical stimulation, nutrition, and linkage to community services. Some Social Day Programs are med certified; some are not. Some include amenities such as beauty salon services. They are NOT a Medicaid eligible service. People generally private pay for these services, though some financial assistance may be available.

### Alzheimer's Association, Kirkpatrick Day Program

441 W. Kirkpatrick Street ..... **472-4201**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.alzcnny.org](http://www.alzcnny.org)

### Salvation Army Adult Day Center

749 S. Warren Street ..... **479-1313**  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.sasyr.org](http://www.sasyr.org)

### Silver Fox

22 E. Genesee Street ..... **635-5335**  
Baldwinsville, 13027 ..... [www.silverfoxseniors.org](http://www.silverfoxseniors.org)

### St. Francis Social Adult Day Care

1108 Court Street ..... **424-1003**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.mwtsd.com](http://www.mwtsd.com)

### Winds of Agape Day Program

1414 Grant Blvd..... **425-0547**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.windsomagape.com](http://www.windsomagape.com)

## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

### Boys and Girls Club of Syracuse

Administration ..... **472-6714**  
Syracuse, 13224 ..... [www.BGCSyracuse.org](http://www.BGCSyracuse.org)  
2100 E. Fayette Street ..... **472-6727**  
201 Hamilton Street ..... **468-0521**

The Boys & Girls Club is a youth development agency whose goal is to inspire and enable all young people in the Syracuse area, especially those who need us most, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens. Call administrative offices for programs and sites in other neighborhoods.

### Casey's Place

228 LaFayette Road ..... **492-9990**  
Syracuse, 13205 ..... [www.elmcrest.org](http://www.elmcrest.org)  
After school site-based respite for children ages 3 to 21 with developmental disabilities and/or medical conditions who qualify for OPWDD services.

### Catholic Charities Neighborhood Centers

1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1800**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

### -Bishop Foery Foundation

100 Edmund Avenue, Syracuse, 13205..... **475-8316**

### -Hawley Youth Organization

716 Hawley Avenue, Syracuse, 13203..... **472-6343**

### -Northside CYO

527 N. Salina Street, Syracuse, 13208..... **474-7428**

### -Vincent House

500 Seymour Street, Syracuse, 13204 ..... **475-9844**

### -Westmoreland Park

130 Westmoreland Avenue, Syracuse, 13224 ..... **473-6754**

### Child Care Solutions

6724 Thompson Road ..... **446-1220**  
Syracuse, 13211 ..... [www.childcaresyracuse.org](http://www.childcaresyracuse.org)

Provides parents with referrals to child care centers, family child care homes, before and after-school programs, nursery schools and summer camps. It also mails written materials to help parents choose a child care program which best meets their family needs.

### Dunbar Center

1453 S. State Street ..... **476-4269**  
Syracuse, 13205 ..... [www.dunbarassociation.org](http://www.dunbarassociation.org)

Our goal is to provide after-school and respite programming to children ages 5-19, that will help enhance and produce well-rounded youth that exhibit logical thoughts and are better prepared to enter the work force and/or institutions of higher learning.

### Girls Incorporated of CNY (YWCA)

401 Douglas Street..... **474-0746**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.ywca.org](http://www.ywca.org)

After-school integrated programs, summer camp, financial aid and scholarships available, accepts DSS subsidies.

### H.O.M.E., Inc.

(Humanitarian Organization for Multi-cultural Experience)  
831 James St. .... **472-5110**

Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.homeincny.org](http://www.homeincny.org)

Provides after-school respite.

### Huntington Family Center

405 Gifford Street ..... **476-3157**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org](http://www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org)

Youth after-school program.

### Jewish Community Center

5655 Thompson Road ..... **445-2360**  
Dewitt, 13214 ..... [www.jccsyr.org](http://www.jccsyr.org)

Provides support for after-school and summer programming for children with disabilities in grades K-6.



**North Area Family YMCA**

4775 Wetzel Road ..... **451-2562**  
 Liverpool, 13090 [www.ymcaofgreatersyracuse.org/northarea](http://www.ymcaofgreatersyracuse.org/northarea)  
 Programs and services for youth, adults, families, and seniors. Sports and leagues, water and studio aerobic classes, strength training and cardiovascular workouts, summer camp, day care, before and after-school care, family fun events, racquetball, volleyball, swimming, teen activities, nursery school, and more. YKids Inc. is an inclusion program to involve children with disabilities into activities with their peers.

**PEACE, Inc. Family Resource Centers**

Administration Office  
 217 S. Salina Street, 2nd Fl..... **470-3300**  
 Syracuse, 13202 [www.peace-caa.org](http://www.peace-caa.org)  
**-Eastside Family Resource Center (ESFRC)**  
 202 South Beech Street, Syracuse, NY 13210..... **470-3325**  
**-County South Family Resource Center (CSFRC)**  
 12 Clinton Street Tully, NY 13159 ..... **696-8203**  
**-County West Family Resource Center (CWFR)**  
 93 Syracuse Street #700  
 Baldwinsville, NY 13027..... **638-0938**  
**-Southside Family Resource Center (SSFRC)**  
 136 Martin Luther King West  
 Syracuse, NY 13205 ..... **470-3342**  
**-Westside Family Resource Center (WSFRC)**  
 200 Wyoming Street  
 Syracuse, NY 13204 ..... **470-3352**

**Spanish Action League of Onon. Co., Inc.**

700 Oswego Street ..... **475-6153**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.laligaupstatecny.org](http://www.laligaupstatecny.org)  
 Bilingual information and assistance is mainly directed toward the Latino population, but all clients are assisted regardless of their ethnic background. The after-school program staff conduct proactive interventions with at-risk youth and their families, assists with homework, creates enrichment activities in partnership with La Casita Cultural Center and SU, and enables youth to participate in putting together and performing plays through La Joven Guardia del Teatro Latino.

**Syracuse Model Neighborhood Facility, Inc.**

Southwest Community Center  
 401 South Avenue ..... **474-6823**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.swccsyr.org](http://www.swccsyr.org)  
 After-school and day-long summer sessions.

**Westcott Community Center**

826 Euclid Avenue ..... **478-8634**  
 Syracuse, 13210 [www.westcottcc.org](http://www.westcottcc.org)  
 Committed to address inclusion, the Center offers programs and services including; senior services Golden Cafe for daily lunch and socialization, dinners and classes, the Neighborhood Advisor program, and fitness classes. Recreation programs for all ages including Euclid Recreation Club, dances with live music and activities. Our Kid's Club after-school program welcomes youth ages 8-14 with disabilities.

**Whole Me, Inc.**

1015 State Fair Blvd. .... **468-3275**  
 Syracuse, 13209 [www.wholemeinc.com](http://www.wholemeinc.com)  
 Promotes an integrated approach to lifelong learning for deaf, hard-of-hearing, young adults, and their families. Provides access to educational, social and community resources. After-school programs for deaf/hh and hearing children; may have additional disabilities.

**AGENCIES****AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street ..... TDD 455-1794 ..... **455-7591**  
 Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)  
 AccessCNY delivers dynamic person-centered services to Central New Yorkers of all ages and abilities. Services are available for individuals with physical and developmental disabilities, traumatic brain injuries and/or mental health issues. A range of services for those with a physical or developmental disability include: adaptive equipment, advocacy, assistive technology, augmentative communication, certified residential settings, community and day habilitation, consumer directed personal assistance, early intervention, environmental modifications, family and individual supports, home and community based supports, housing supports, inclusive preschool education, individualized support services, Medicaid service coordination, occupational and physical therapy, preschool evaluations, sensory integration therapy, social skills training, social work counseling, speech and language therapy and supported employment. A structured day program is available to those who have sustained a traumatic brain injury. Mental Health Services at AccessCNY include: community supports, family and individual supports, housing assistance, peer based support, social skills training, supported education and supported employment. All services are aimed at empowering individuals to reach their personal goals whether at home, school, work or play.

**ACR Health (Access Care and Resources for Health)**

627 West Genesee Street..... **475-2430**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.ARCHHealth.org](http://www.ARCHHealth.org)  
 ACR Health is a not-for-profit, community-based organization providing a range of support services to individuals with chronic diseases, including HIV/AIDS, diabetes, heart disease, obesity, asthma, substance use disorders, and serious mental illnesses, with the goal of positive health outcomes. ACR Health provides a wide variety of targeted prevention and sexual health services to individuals, from youth through adulthood, as well as to community groups and organizations, with the goal of informed and responsible decision making. ACR Health, a legacy of AIDS Community Resources, serves the counties of Cayuga, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, and St. Lawrence in New York State.

**Advocates, Inc.**

609 Vine Street ..... **469-9931**  
 Liverpool, 13088 [www.advocatesincorporated.org](http://www.advocatesincorporated.org)

A parent-based organization offering support services to individuals with disabilities and their families as they navigate the complexities of the legal, social, medical and educational systems. Services include: information and referral, advocacy, Medicaid service coordination, training, support groups, family education and training, recreation, and family reimbursement. Also assists individuals with acquiring individualized supports through self-determination; person-centered planning, fiscal management and broker services.

**Arc of Onondaga**

600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **476-7441**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

Offers a wide array of services for children, youth and adults with developmental disabilities including: early intervention, preschool and day care, universal pre-k, recreation, autism services and supports, supported and competitive employment, enhanced day habilitation, corporate guardianship, respite reimbursement, senior retirement, and residential habilitation.

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.**

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
 Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

ARISE works to ensure that every person, regardless of disability, has the power to make life choices and achieve their dreams. As the local non-profit Independent Living Center for Onondaga, Oswego, Madison, Cayuga, and Seneca counties, many of the agency's services are available to people of all ages who have any type of disability. The agency's 50+ programs are focused on removing barriers, sustaining needs, strengthening skills, and enriching the lives of people with disabilities across Central New York. Programs include: Medicaid Service Coordination, Habilitation Programs, Self-Direction/Consolidated Support Services, Mental Health Therapy, Employment Programs, Consumer-Directed Personal Assistance, Advocacy (Health Care, Housing, Benefits, and Education), Information and Referral, and Inclusive Recreation.

**AURORA of Central New York, Inc.**

518 James Street, Suite 100 .... TDD 422-9746 ..... **422-7263**  
 Syracuse, 13203 [www.auroraofcny.org](http://www.auroraofcny.org)

Offers a wide range of services to individuals who are blind, visually impaired, deaf or hard of hearing in Onondaga and contiguous counties, and their families. Services include: instruction in daily living skills; safe/independent travel training; instruction in adaptive technology for people with vision loss; information and referral; social work; outreach; support groups; early intervention services (assessment and training) for infants and toddlers; employment; youth services; summer education program; vision screening and the Marjorie Clere Interpreter Referral Services.

**Brain Injury Association of NYS-Central Region**

Onondaga County Contact ..... **453-7120**  
 Liverpool, 13088 [www.bianyys.org](http://www.bianyys.org)

Family Advocacy Counseling Training Services (FACTS) Provides assistance locating appropriate community services, and accessing financial entitlements; sponsors support groups for individuals and family members; and offers education and advocacy regarding TBI. Serves individuals who sustained a brain injury prior to age 22, and their families.

**Brain Injury Coalition (BIC) of Central New York**

420 E. Genesee Street ..... **425-5364**  
 Syracuse, 13202 [www.biccny.org](http://www.biccny.org)

The BIC is comprised of brain injury survivors, family members and community organizations which provides education, resources, activities and a support group.

**Catholic Charities of Onondaga County**

1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1800**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

Catholic Charities of Onondaga County is one of the area's leading not-for-profit human services agencies, providing compassionate care and advocacy for all people in need, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or nationality. The agency's programs focus on children and families, at-risk youth, refugees, the homeless, those in need of emergency assistance, and the elderly, as well as disadvantaged, addicted, and/or developmentally disabled individuals.

**Central New York****Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO)**

187 Northern Concourse ..... **473-5050**  
 N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

CNYDDRO is an agency of the New York State Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD). Central New York DDRO works in partnership with families, voluntary agencies, and local governments to design, develop, and deliver programs and services that meet the needs of each individual and his or her family. Provides residential, habilitative, vocational, and support services; home modification, counseling, recreation, respite, advocacy, life planning, clinical services, and referrals to community agencies for people with developmental disabilities and their families. Serving Cayuga, Cortland, Herkimer, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga and Oswego Counties.

**Central New York Quest Inc.**

1065 James Street, Suite 210 ..... **732-3431**  
 Syracuse, 13203

Central New York Quest's mission is to enrich the lives of people with developmental, intellectual, and mental health disorders by providing comprehensive, state-of-the-science assessment and treatment services; facilitating systemic improvements in services and education; supporting and advocating for individuals in their quest for achieving their optimal potential, and enhancing community supports, awareness and education."

**Community Options, Inc.**216 W. Manlius Street..... **431-9859**E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.comop.org](http://www.comop.org)

Specializes in residential services, day program services and service coordination for individuals with traumatic brain injuries and other disabilities. The agency provides services under the OPWDD- Medicaid Waiver and the Dept. of Health- Traumatic Brain Injury and nursing home transition and Diversion Waivers.

**Connections of CNY, Inc.**3650 James Street Suite 101 ..... **434-9800**  
Syracuse, 13206

community-based agency whose mission is to provide quality personalized support to people with developmental disabilities. Relationship building is an essential element in the development of support. Support offered is determined in partnership with the individual, the family, and other significant people in his or her life and is provided through innovative and creative program design. Services include Medicaid service coordination, residential programming with CSS supports, community habilitation and supportive employment.

**Elmcrest Children's Center**960 Salt Springs Road..... **446-6250**Syracuse, 13224 [www.elmcrest.org](http://www.elmcrest.org)

Residential and community-based services to children and families that meet their needs. Education services, counseling, respite, preschool and emergency foster care.

**-Bridges to Health** meets the need of children in foster care who are at risk of being placed in long-term institutional care. Services provided in multiple NYS counties. Services include case management (HCI) and Waiver services providers (WSP) offering direct services to children based upon their needs. Children must be in the custody of DSS or OCFS to qualify and have a documented mental health, developmental, or severe medical diagnosis.

**Epilepsy-Pralid Inc.**1065 James Street, Suite 220 ..... **477-9777**Syracuse, 13203 [www.epiny.org](http://www.epiny.org)

Provides information and referral services to individuals and families with epilepsy, TBI, and other neurological impairments. Education services include: classroom and community presentations, epilepsy information course, H.O.P.E Mentor/Speakers' Bureau Program, an annual conference and lending library. Support services include: counseling, service coordination, family support, various support groups, Parent/Family Network activities. Camp EAGR—a one-week residential camp for children ages 8-15, is the only overnight camp in this area for children with epilepsy. Department of Health Waiver/TBI Services include service coordination, independent living skills training, community integration counseling and intensive behavioral support. Serves a 12 county area in Central NY.

**Exceptional Family Resources (EFR)**1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**Syracuse, 13208 [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)

EFR provides the following services to people with developmental disabilities and their families within Onondaga County: advocacy for special education, information and referral, service coordination, family support services funds, community habilitation, financial management services, supported employment, recreation and respite services. First Step to accessing OPWDD services and Senior Caregivers. Other programs include: Parent to Parent of NYS, North Central Region (serving 8 counties).

**H.O.M.E., Inc.**

(Humanitarian Organization for Multi-cultural Experience)

831 James Street ..... **472-5110**Syracuse, 13203 [www.homeincny.org](http://www.homeincny.org)

H.O.M.E Inc., has six programs and two housing complexes designed to provide quality services to people with developmental disabilities: Medicaid service coordination, housing opportunities, supportive apartments, family care, day habilitation, community habilitation, pre-vocational and after school respite programs.

**Huntington Family Center**405 Gifford Street ..... **476-3157**Syracuse, 13204 [www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org](http://www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org)

Information and outreach, offers parent education, adolescent treatment programs, family support services, Medicaid service coordination, senior case management services, pre-k, youth and teen programs. Serving families with disabilities.

**Learning Disabilities Association of CNY (LDA)**722 W. Manlius Street ..... **432-0665**E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)

Serves individuals with learning disabilities and related disorders. Provides information and referrals to community supports, educational advocacy, employment services, summer programs for children and teens, recreational groups for teens and young adults, independent living for adults with learning disabilities and related disorders. Serves Onondaga, Oswego, Cortland, Cayuga and Madison counties.

**Liberty Resources, Inc.**1045 James Street ..... **425-1004**Syracuse, 13203 [www.liberty-resources.org](http://www.liberty-resources.org)

Provides a wide variety of services for children, adults, and families in addition to services for people with disabilities. Programs for people with developmental disabilities include service coordination, day habilitation, residential habilitation, supportive apartments, and Individual Residential Alternatives. Serves Onondaga and Madison Counties.



**Onondaga Community Living (OCL)**

518 James Street, Suite 110 ..... **434-9597**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.oclinc.org](http://www.oclinc.org)

Works closely with families and adults with developmental disabilities in developing services based upon their own unique needs. Services include personalized living arrangements with individuals of your choosing, 1:1 support with community employment and volunteer positions, taking college level courses through Syracuse University, and service coordination.

**PEACE, Inc.**

217 S. Salina Street, 2nd floor ..... **470-3300**  
Syracuse, NY 13202 [www.peace-caa.org](http://www.peace-caa.org)

Serves low income families, offering many programs for families & individuals of all ages. For youth, such as Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Head Start and Early Head Start, community and Family Resource Centers; for seniors, such as community and Family Resource Centers, energy and housing (weatherization), information & assistance, foster grandparent program and senior nutrition; and family services such as energy and housing (weatherization), income tax preparation and community and Family Resource Centers. Family Resource Centers throughout the city and county provide emergency assistance, crisis interventions, and supportive services, advocacy, education, and family development.

**Salvation Army**

677 S. Salina Street ..... **475-1688**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.sasyr.org](http://www.sasyr.org)

Offers counseling, emergency housing care and material assistance to individuals and families; safe, affordable supervised apartments for young mothers ages 16-21 and their children. Comprehensive youth services include residential care and counseling for runaway and homeless youth; counseling and case management for pregnant or parenting teens; Youth Community Center; PRISM program; shelter and transitional housing services for older troubled youth and their families. Also provides a senior citizens' nutrition and socialization program for people age 45-60 with developmental disabilities living alone or with their families; day care centers; residential camping for children, families and the elderly; emergency disaster relief.

**SELF-DIRECT, Inc.**

12 Oswego Street ..... **635-5374**  
Baldwinsville, 13027 [www.selfdirectinc.com](http://www.selfdirectinc.com)

Serves people with TBI with a wide variety of services: Independent living skills training and environmental modifications, Intensive Behavioral Program, Home and Community Support Services, Community Integration Counseling, Home and Community Support Services (HCSS).

**Spanish Action League of Onon. Co., Inc.**

700 Oswego Street ..... **475-6153**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.laligaupstatecn.org](http://www.laligaupstatecn.org)

Bilingual information and assistance mainly directed

toward the Latino population, but all clients are assisted regardless of their ethnic background. Currently, the League has careers, language (interpretation and translation), family services (breast cancer case management, domestic violence prevention and advocacy for victims, and advocacy for disabled clients), youth (afterschool) and theater, and housing (first-time home buyers classes, eviction prevention and landlord/tenant mediation, foreclosure assistance) departments. All departments offer information/referral and interpretation/translation services.

**Spaulding Support Services**

1050 W. Genesee Street ..... **478-6210**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.spauldingsupport.org](http://www.spauldingsupport.org)

To support the evolving needs of people with developmental disabilities by focusing our efforts on assistance for people to live in homes of their choice; assistance in locating and utilizing supports to accomplish personal goals, meet personal needs; assistance to families and caregivers in the day-to-day care of their loved one with a disability. Spaulding Support Services advances this mission by focusing its efforts in community habilitation, service coordination, residential housing options and respite services.

**Syracuse Jewish Family Service, Inc.**

4101 E. Genesee Street ..... **445-9111**  
Syracuse, 13214 [www.sjfs.org](http://www.sjfs.org)

Services for special populations include consultation, comprehensive assessments and care management for older adults and individuals with special needs. We provide services to those who wish to live independently in the community, and individuals seeking housing that require supportive services. Additional services are care management, counseling, financial case management and kosher Meals on Wheels.

**Syracuse Model Neighborhood Facility, Inc.**

Southwest Community Center  
401 South Avenue ..... **474-6823**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.swccsyr.org](http://www.swccsyr.org)

Provides a network of human services to residents of the low-income neighborhood of southwest inner-city Syracuse. Through special events, outreach efforts, prevention, intervention, employment and educational services, support, peer, and mentoring groups, and collaborative programs, people throughout the city interact with and benefit from agency services.

**Toomey Residential and Community Services**

1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1845**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

Toomey Residential and Community Services is an organization providing a continuum of community-based clinical treatment services and programs for children, adolescents, adults and their families. Programs include: agency boarding homes, children's community residence, foster care services, intermediate care facilities, home and community-based Waiver services, and Medicaid service coordination.



**Whole Me, Inc.**

1015 State Fair Blvd. ....TTY 468-3275 ..... **468-3275**  
Syracuse, 13209 [www.wholemeinc.com](http://www.wholemeinc.com)

Promotes an integrated approach to lifelong learning for deaf, hard-of-hearing, young adults, and their families. Provides access to educational, social and community resources. Programs promote cultural diversity, literacy development, transition and life skills training, employment opportunities and socialization. After-school programs for deaf/hh and hearing children; may have combined additional disabilities. Parent advocacy, referral and resource support; sign language classes; NYRELAY/711 Telecommunication Information Training Services and Mentoring Opportunities.

**Winds of Agape, Inc.**

1414 Grant Blvd., ..... **425-0547**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.windsofagape.com](http://www.windsofagape.com)

Assists individuals and families, those with brain injuries and other disabilities. Provides emergency food, beds, and empowerment programs, including job training, employment through the Winds of Agape Home Care Agency, community education, adult day program, respite care.

## ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Assistive Technology (AT) is any computerized device or piece of equipment used to maintain or improve a person's functional capabilities. For students, a school district's speech language therapist, physical and/or occupational therapist may be able to help identify appropriate equipment and/or technology. Funding for assistive technology can come from many sources, including Medicaid, Medicare, school districts, private insurance, or private sources. This section suggests places to find information and funding, as well as resources for assistive technology.

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.**

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

ARISE's mission is to work with people of all abilities to create a fair and just community in which everyone can fully participate. Assistive technology helps make that possible. Provides information and referral to assistive technology resources.

**AURORA of Central New York, Inc.**

518 James Street, Suite 100 .... TDD 422-9746 .... **422-7263**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.auroraofcny.org](http://www.auroraofcny.org)

Offers a wide range of services to individuals who are blind, visually impaired, deaf or hard of hearing in Onondaga and contiguous counties, and their families. Services include: instruction in daily living skills; safe/independent travel training; instruction in adaptive technology for people with

vision loss; information and referral; social work; outreach; support groups; early intervention services (assessment and training) for infants and toddlers; employment; youth services; vision screening and the Marjorie Clere Interpreter Referral Services.

**Central New York  
Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO)**

187 Northern Concourse. .... **473-5050**  
N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

Provides technology evaluations and information on adaptive equipment and possible funding sources.

**Institute on Communication and Inclusion  
at Syracuse University**

370 Huntington Hall, S.U. .... **443-9379**  
Syracuse, 13244 [ici.syr.edu](http://ici.syr.edu)

Facilitated communication is an alternative means of expression for people who cannot speak or whose speech is highly limited (e.g. echoed, limited to one or a few word utterances) and who cannot point reliably. The Institute conducts research, training and public education, including documentaries and training videos. Parents and educators may contact the institute for information.

**Onondaga County Public Library at The Galleries**

447 S. Salina Street ..... TDD 435-1872 ..... **435-1900**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.onlib.org](http://www.onlib.org)

Special technologies, adaptive resources; print, Braille and talking books and video for loan. Adaptive technology to assist with reading for demonstration and in library use. Includes inspirational stories, coping with disabilities, parenting, legal issues, and resource directories. The Kids Answer Place provides information for children, teens and concerned adults about tough issues that affect children. Collection includes over 1,000 items of videos and books for children and teens.

**Project Adapt at AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street ..... **410-3336**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

Assistive Technology (AT) program offers assistance with many types of technology including augmentative communication devices, seating and positioning whatever equipment, and environmental modifications. Training and support services are available to ensure the best use of technology for greatest independence at home, in school, at work and in the community. AccessCNY is the regions site for the statewide **TRAID** Project, providing AT information, referral, training, and equipment loans. As part of the TRAIID program AccessCNY operates, the Money Follows the Person program to enable people with disabilities to live in the least restrictive settings. TRAIID Centers have been able to purchase devices for loan and demonstration including portable ramps and shower chairs. The device loan programs have also provided an opportunity for individuals of all ages and disabilities to borrow AT devices or to try them before they purchase.

# COUNSELING/MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

## ACCESS Team

421 Montgomery St. 15th Floor..... **463-1100**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.oncaresoc.org](http://www.oncaresoc.org)  
ACCESS to Services for Children & Youth is the engagement, assessment, planning and referral process for children and youth ages 5-21 in Onondaga County with emotional and behavioral challenges and their families. The ACCESS process is family-driven and youth-guided and based on the idea that families and caregivers are the experts when it comes to their children. ACCESS has one phone line, open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for families to call to request assistance. You should call ACCESS if: You have concerns about your child's/ youth's emotional or behavioral health; if your child or youth currently has a service plan that is not working for him/ her or your family; if your child is involved in more than one system (for example, Mental Health and Juvenile Justice) and you want those systems to work together better or if your child/ youth is at risk of needing an out-of-home placement.

## AccessCNY

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)  
Individual and family counseling, psychological testing and disability determination. Self-referrals accepted.

## ACCES-VR (Adult Career and Continuing Education Services-Vocational Rehabilitation)

333 E. Washington Street, Room 230 ..... **428-4179**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.acces.nysed.gov/vr](http://www.acces.nysed.gov/vr)  
Counseling provided by rehabilitation counselors to obtain and maintain employment.

## Arc of Onondaga-Horizons Clinic

600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **476-7441**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)  
Clinic provides therapeutic, clinical services to individuals with developmental disabilities, age 4 and up, to enhance their quality of life and help them achieve their fullest potential. A division of Arc of Onondaga, Horizons is a freestanding, Article 16 Clinic certified by New York State.

## ARISE Child and Family Service Inc.

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)  
An Office of Mental Health (OMH) certified outpatient mental health clinic serving children, adolescents, and adults with mental health, behavioral and family issues. Individual, family and group therapy as well as psychiatric services provided. Specialized services include crisis pregnancy, anger management, domestic violence, integrated behavioral health services, early recognition screening and child abuse prevention counseling. Also provides school & community based mental health services.

**Autism Spectrum Related Disorders Clinic  
at Margaret L. Williams Developmental Evaluation Center**  
215 Bassett Street..... **472-4404**  
Syracuse, 13210 [www.developmentalevaluationcenter.com](http://www.developmentalevaluationcenter.com)  
An interdisciplinary team approach is used. Services focus on communication systems, sensory processing and organization, social and emotional skill building, play skills, behavioral needs, family adjustment, parenting groups, home and classroom supports.

## Brownell Center for Behavioral Health Services

1045 James Street ..... **472-4471**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.Liberty-Resources.org](http://www.Liberty-Resources.org)  
A state-licensed program providing counseling for individuals, adults, children, adolescents, couples, families and groups experiencing mental and/or emotional problems. Locations in Onondaga and Oswego Counties. School-based services. Also serves people with co-occurring disorders. Sliding scale.

## Catholic Charities

1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1840**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)  
Counseling and psychotherapy for adults, couples and families. Sliding scale. Outreach locations at East Syracuse, Manlius, and neighborhood centers. Better Beginnings provides psychotherapy and case management to parents with chronic mental illness and their children 5 years old and under.

## Elmcrest

960 Salt Springs Road..... **446-6250**  
Syracuse, 13224 [www.elmcrest.org](http://www.elmcrest.org)  
Providing a variety of community-based treatment programs for children and families who have experienced sexual abuse. Services include counseling, intensive clinical services, trauma sensitive care and treatment.

## Epilepsy-Pralid Inc.

1065 James Street, Suite 220 ..... **477-9777**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.epiny.org](http://www.epiny.org)  
Provides information and referral services to individuals and families with epilepsy, TBI and other neurological impairments. Education services include: classroom and community presentations, epilepsy information course, H.O.P.E Mentor/Speakers' Bureau Program, annual conference and lending library. Support services include: counseling, service coordination, family support, various support groups, Parent/Family Network activities.

## HELPLINE—

**Onondaga County's 24 hour Helpline.** ..... **435-8300**  
Onondaga County's Help Line [www.ongov.net](http://www.ongov.net)  
A free resource that provides human services information and referrals.

**Huntington Family Centers**

405 Gifford Street ..... **476-3157**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org](http://www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org)

An adolescent safe option treatment program offers therapeutic outpatient counseling for youth who have been sexually abused or who have exhibited sexually reactive/aggressive behaviors and their families/caregivers. COPE Parent Education offers classes and individualized plans for better parenting and discipline. The Adult Rehabilitative Treatment Services program (HARTS) provides least restrictive community-based psychiatric and emotional support.

**Hutchings Psychiatric Center**

620 Madison Street ..... **426-3600**  
Syracuse, 13210 [www.omh.ny.us](http://www.omh.ny.us)

Inpatient and outpatient services for children, adolescents and adults with serious psychiatric disorders.

**It's About Childhood & Family, Inc.**

P.O. Box 281 ..... **382-0541**  
Jamesville, 13078 [www.iacaf.org](http://www.iacaf.org)

Not-for-profit clinical and resource center with a focus on improving mental health/wellness for youth and families. A variety of services includes counseling, parent education/training, staff development and groups. The Central NY Inner Wealth initiative includes Family Matters and Kids 4 Kids programs. We provide an alternative to diagnostic labels and the use of psychiatric medications with children.

**Liberty Resources, Inc.**

1045 James Street ..... **425-1004**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.liberty-resources.org](http://www.liberty-resources.org)

Provides counseling services for children, adults and families.

**Mental Health Association of Onondaga County**

6520 Basile Rowe ..... **445-5606**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.cnymentalhealth.org](http://www.cnymentalhealth.org)

Assists people in locating mental health services; addresses systemic issues affecting the delivery of mental health services; assists with the initiation of self help/support groups.

**Onondaga Case Management Services, Inc. (OCMS)**

620 Erie Blvd West, Suite 302 ..... **472-7363**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.ocmsinc.org](http://www.ocmsinc.org)

Programs are designed to help individuals and families develop the resources and supports to live a satisfying and naturally interdependent life. Services are available to adults and children residing in Onondaga County.

**Onondaga County Department of Mental Health**

Civic Center, 10th Fl., 421 Montgomery Street.... **435-3355**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.ocdmh.ongov.net](http://www.ocdmh.ongov.net)

Provides information and referral. Responsible for reviewing mental health services and facilities in the county. Plans and develops community mental health programs for persons with mental health issues, developmental disabilities, alcoholism and substance abuse.

**Salvation Army**

Family Services Dept., 749 S. Warren Street..... **479-1393**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.sasyr.org](http://www.sasyr.org)

Preventive service counseling. Intensive case management and counseling to families whose children are at risk for domestic violence, child abuse and youth violence.

**St. Joseph's Children's Day Treatment Program**

St. Joseph Hospital Health Center  
742 James Street ..... **703-2800**

Syracuse, 13203 [www.sjhsyr.org](http://www.sjhsyr.org)  
Professional clinical care for individuals under the age of 18 and their families.

**SUNY - Upstate Medical University**

Syracuse, 13210 [www.upstate.edu](http://www.upstate.edu)

ADHD Clinic ..... **464-3188**

Adult Psychiatry..... **464-3145**

Child and Adolescent Psychiatry ..... **464-5540**

Hyperactivity..... **464-3145**

**Syracuse Community Health Center, Inc. (Central Site)**

819 S. Salina Street ..... **476-7921**

Syracuse, 13202 [www.schcnyc.com](http://www.schcnyc.com)

Provides individual and family counseling, drug and alcohol counseling. All ages accepted. Other sites in Syracuse and Lafayette.

**Syracuse Jewish Family Service**

4101 E. Genesee Street ..... **445-0820**

Syracuse, 13214 [www.sjfs.org](http://www.sjfs.org)

Counseling services are offered to individuals and families of all ages, addressing personal and relationship issues.

**Syracuse Model Neighborhood Facility, Inc.**

401 South Ave., Southwest Community Center..... **474-6823**

Syracuse, 13204 [www.swccsyr.org](http://www.swccsyr.org)

Family Support program serves people with developmental disabilities by providing advocacy, information and support, as well as clothing, counseling, education, employment, food, legal and medical services. AIDS prevention, HIV support, substance abuse and violence intervention and prevention programs are also available.

**Syracuse University Psychological Services Center**

804 University Avenue, Room 205 ..... **443-3595**

Syracuse, 13244 [www.psychweb.syr.edu/](http://www.psychweb.syr.edu/)

Provides counseling for children, adolescents and adults from Onondaga county and surrounding areas.

**The Center for Living with Loss**

990 Seventh North Street ..... **634-1100**

Liverpool, 13088 [www.hospicecnyc.org](http://www.hospicecnyc.org)

The Center offers counseling and psychotherapy to individuals and families dealing with loss, grief, and overwhelming personal crisis. Sponsored by Hospice of Central New York.

## DENTAL

Dentists vary in the insurance they accept, their experience working with individuals with disabilities and their accessibility. Check with your dentist first regarding payment policies, accessibility, use of anesthesia, experience and concerns regarding the individual with a developmental disability. The following dental programs accept Medicaid.

**Medicaid Referral Line** ..... **1-800-541-2831**  
Dentists listed by zip code that accept Medicaid.

### American Mobile Dental Van

39 Williams Street..... **515-3015**  
Auburn, 13021 [www.americanmobiledental.com/](http://www.americanmobiledental.com/)  
Van arrives weekly on Gifford Street, Montgomery Street, Butternut Street and Park Street. The van is not wheelchair accessible. Accepts Medicaid and Medicaid managed care plans. Serves ages 3 to adult.

### Fifth District Dental Society

6323 Fly Road, Suite 3..... **434-9161**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.5dds.org](http://www.5dds.org)  
Lists dentists by insurance providers.

### Loretto McAuliffe Health & Dental Center

700 E Brighton Avenue ..... **413-3253**  
Syracuse, 13205 [www.loretto-cny.org](http://www.loretto-cny.org)  
Service for individuals with disabilities, elderly clients.

### Onondaga County Dental Call Center

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-3280**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.ongov.net/Health/dental.html](http://www.ongov.net/Health/dental.html)  
Refers patients who have Medicaid to dentists who accept Medicaid.

### St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center Dental Office

Physician Office Building  
101 Union Avenue, Suite 705 ..... **448-5477**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.sjhsyr.org](http://www.sjhsyr.org)  
Provides general dentistry, has set fees and accepts Medicaid insurance only.

### SUNY Upstate Medical University, Division of Dentistry

90 Presidential Plaza, Suite 4141 ..... **464-5256**  
Syracuse, 13210  
[www.upstate.edu/uh/ambulatory/dentistry](http://www.upstate.edu/uh/ambulatory/dentistry)

### Syracuse Community Health Centers (SCHC)

**SCHC Salina Street**  
819 S. Salina Street..... **476-7921**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.schcnyc.com](http://www.schcnyc.com)

### SCHC East

1938 E. Fayette Street..... **474-4077**  
Syracuse, 13210 [www.schcnyc.com](http://www.schcnyc.com)

### SCHC West

603 Oswego Street..... **424-0800**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.schcnyc.com](http://www.schcnyc.com)

### Westside Dental

4700 Onondaga Blvd. .... **442-7779**  
Syracuse, 13219 [www.westsidedentalinfo.com](http://www.westsidedentalinfo.com)

## EARLY CHILDHOOD

**Birth through age two**, if you feel your child is not progressing appropriately in the areas of physical, mental or social development; call Early Intervention - Onondaga County Health Department for a free evaluation or contact your child's pediatrician for assistance. **Children ages three to five**, contact the Preschool Special Education Department, in the school district where the child legally resides, for access to preschool educational supports and services.

### ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)  
ARISE's Connecting-the-Dots/Infant & Early Childhood Program provides information and support to help parents find services that are right for their child and family. Parent Guides are also available to provide peer-to-peer support. Guides are local volunteers who have been through the Early Intervention (EI) process who are available to offer assistance and mentoring to other families just entering or currently in the EI process. Many Parent Guides have specialty areas such as navigating insurance, OT/PT specialists, recreation opportunities, etc.

### Early Childhood Direction Center (ECDC) Mid-State Region at Syracuse University

805 S. Crouse Avenue ..... TTY443-4355 ..... **443-4444**  
Syracuse, 13244 [www.ecdc.syr.edu](http://www.ecdc.syr.edu)  
Call ECDC if you have concerns about a young child under the age of five, both typically developing and those with special education needs. ECDC provides information, referral and support to families and professionals in confidence and free of cost about: early childhood development, behavior, and specific disabilities; screening and evaluation services public and private; early intervention; preschool; child care; state and federal special education rules and regulations; parent support; and how the special education system works for young children. Services are available to all families, providers, and community agencies in a six county region Cayuga, Cortland, Onondaga, Oswego, Seneca, and Tompkins.



### Onondaga County Health Department Special Children Services

501 E. Fayette Street, Suite B ..... **435-3230**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.ongov.net/health/SCS](http://www.ongov.net/health/SCS)

**-Early Intervention (EI)** is a Federally and State mandated program that provides special education and therapy services to children from birth through 2 years of age who are found through multi-disciplinary evaluation to have a disability or developmental delay.

**-EI CARES (Children at Risk Early Screening)** works to identify children birth to age 3 who are at-risk for development delays.

**-Preschool Special Education Program** provides mandated services authorized by local school districts for 3 and 4 year old children with special needs in a variety of settings in the community. Eligibility is determined by multidisciplinary evaluations, and services are recommended by the School District's Committee on Preschool Special Education.

### EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES

#### AccessCNY

1603 Court Street ..... **475-1382**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

AccessCNY provides Early Intervention and inclusive preschool programs for children with disabilities ages eighteen months through five. Early Intervention (EI) therapy services provided in the home or daycare setting for children from 18 months to three. Inclusive toddler and preschool classrooms available offering special education and therapy services. Services include: occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy, 1:1 aide support, family support and assistive technology. Parent training offered. EI and preschool evaluations provided by a team of professionals including a psychologist, speech-language pathologist, occupational and physical therapists and social workers.

#### Children's Consortium

2122 Erie Boulevard E ..... **471-8331**  
Syracuse, 13224 [www.childrensconsortium.org](http://www.childrensconsortium.org)

Provides programs and services, including home and center based services, which empower families to reach their full potential. Parenting classes; call for schedule.

#### Children's Therapy Network

171 Intrepid Lane ..... **437-4689**  
Syracuse, 13205 [www.childrenstherapynetwork.com](http://www.childrenstherapynetwork.com)

Children's Therapy Network (CTN) provides education and therapy services for children with disabilities in Syracuse, Utica, and the surrounding areas and strives to provide those services in the child's natural environment. Serve children of all ages (up to age 21) with physical, occupational, speech and language therapy programs in their homes, preschools, daycare centers, parks, swim classes and other community sites, as well as in the CTN pediatric clinic.

### Connections

1744 W. Genesee Street ..... **468-3414**

Syracuse, 13204 [www.connectionstx.com](http://www.connectionstx.com)

Family-Centered Therapies Early Intervention and Preschool evaluations and therapy in the areas of speech and language, occupational therapy, physical therapy and special education. Services provided in home, community site or at our location.



### Elmcrest Early Education Center

960 Salt Springs Road ..... **446-3220**  
Syracuse, 13224 [www.elmcrest.org](http://www.elmcrest.org)

**-Small Wonders Daycare** is open to all children and families in the community. The daycare center offers flexible scheduling with part-time hours for preschool. Daycare is provided Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. year round, and serves children from infancy through preschool. Financial assistance may be available for families who qualify through DSS or Child Care Solutions.

**-Syracuse City Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK)**, a free program for children who meet the SCSD criteria. The Early Education Center collaborates with the Syracuse City School District (SCSD) to provide 14 preschool day care spots for children who meet eligibility.

### Gebbie Speech, Language, and Hearing Clinic

805 S. Crouse Avenue ..... **443-4485**  
Syracuse, 13244 [www.csd.syr.edu](http://www.csd.syr.edu)

Gebbie Speech, Language and Hearing Clinic is a training facility affiliated with the Department of Communication Sciences & Disorders at Syracuse University. The Clinic offers a full range of evaluation and treatment services for children and families in the areas of audiology, speech, and language. Services are conducted by graduate students under the direct supervision of speech language pathologists and audiologists, as well as through consultation with faculty and researchers in the field.

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**GiGi's Playhouse**

5885 E. Circle Drive Suite 250 ..... **288-7529**  
 Cicero, 13039 [www.gigisplayhouse.org/syracuse](http://www.gigisplayhouse.org/syracuse)

An educational and awareness center created to serve individuals with Down syndrome from birth to adulthood. Provides resources, specialized teaching, and support to individuals, families, and communities. Designed to facilitate skill development in speech and language, fine and gross motor skills, and overall academic achievement, literacy and math tutoring available. Social opportunities for prenatal diagnosis support, open play, baby and toddler groups, activities for young children, adolescents, and adults over 18. Free to families and specialized to meet needs of attendees.

**Head Start/Early Head Start of P.E.A.C.E., Inc.**

Summer Head Start, 215 Bassett Street ..... **470-3346**  
 Syracuse, 13210 [www.peace-caa.org](http://www.peace-caa.org)

Head Start is a federally funded local preschool program for children ages three and four, for low-income families. The program provides families with information on health, social services, nutrition and child development. The program also serves disabled and non-disabled in inclusive classroom settings. Head Start actively encourages parental involvement and participation in all aspects of the program. Early Head Start provides comprehensive child development and family support services to low income families with children under three and pregnant women.

**Hear 2 Learn**

6575 Kirkville Road, Suite 1 ..... **701-5710**  
 E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.hear-2-learn.com](http://www.hear-2-learn.com)

Early Intervention, preschool, school age and private pay provider. Offering comprehensive services for children with developmental delays in all areas and of all ages, with a specialization in children with hearing loss. Offer family trainings, playgroups, workshops and professional trainings, and a full service state of the art audiology clinic featuring hearing aids, assistive devices, and FM systems. Professional services include speech/language pathology, motor therapies, special education, audiology, teacher of the hearing impaired, feeding therapy, service coordination.

**Jowonio School**

3049 E. Genesee Street ..... **445-4010**  
 Syracuse, 13224 [www.jowonio.org](http://www.jowonio.org)

A preschool for young children ages 2-5 years with a wide range of abilities. Inclusive center-based program, itinerant services in the home and community childcare sites, early intervention, and evaluations. Services include: special education, physical, occupational and speech therapy; family support/social work, play therapy. Early morning and afterschool day care available for students.

**notes...****Liberty Post**

1045 James Street ..... **425-1004**  
 Syracuse, NY 13203 [www.liberty-resources.org](http://www.liberty-resources.org)

Serves children birth to age five in the areas of speech, OT, PT, special education, social work, service coordination, Psychology; including evaluations & specialty therapy services.

**Little Lukes**

5820 Heritage Landing Drive ..... **701-1107**  
 E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.littlelukes.com](http://www.littlelukes.com)

Little Lukes provides Early Intervention, preschool related services, inclusive preschool classrooms and inclusive childcare. Services include physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and special education teacher services. Inclusive preschool classrooms are available as half day and full day sessions, Monday through Friday. The childcare center is open from 6:30am to 6:30pm and available for children 6 weeks to 12 years of age, offering full day and before and after school childcare services. Locations in Dewitt, Baldwinsville, and Oswego County.

**Main Street Early Education/  
North Syracuse Central School District**

205 S. Main Street..... **218-2200**  
 N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.nscsd.org/main.cfm](http://www.nscsd.org/main.cfm)

The Main Street Early Education Program, operated by the North Syracuse School District, provides services for 3 and 4 year old children. It provides services for young children including inclusive preschool programs. Offers full and half-day programs, teacher of the visually impaired, teacher of the hearing impaired, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, social worker, counseling, school nurse, parent groups and evaluations at the Main Street School site. Includes pre-kindergarten classes three or five days a week.

**Margaret L. Williams****Developmental Evaluation Center (DEC)**

215 Bassett Street..... **472-4404**  
 Syracuse, 13210 [www.developmentalevaluationcenter.com](http://www.developmentalevaluationcenter.com)

The DEC primarily provides diagnostic assessment and referral services for children, birth through seven years of age, who are "at risk" for or have a developmental disability. The presenting concerns include motor and sensory difficulties, mental retardation, speech/language disorders, autism and behavioral problems. The DEC provides intervention and family support services. The DEC has a special focus on children with Autism Spectrum Disorders through diagnosis, consulting and therapy services. Referrals are accepted from parents, professionals, and agencies. The DEC staff consists of physicians, psychologists, early childhood and special education specialists, speech/language pathologists, occupational and physical therapists. An interdisciplinary approach is used with a team of appropriate professionals to meet individual children's needs. The DEC accepts third party payments from private health insurance, Medicaid, Early Intervention or the Committee on Preschool Special Education. Private payment may be based on a sliding fee scale.

**Onondaga Central Preschool Program**

Rockwell Elementary, 208 Rockwell Road ..... **552-5070**  
 Nedrow, 13120 [www.ocs.cnyric.org/Rockwell](http://www.ocs.cnyric.org/Rockwell)  
 Serves typical and special education students ages 3 and 4 in a language enriched integrated setting. Evaluations available.

**Parkside Children's Center/Arc of Onondaga**

301 Valley Drive..... **468-1632**  
 Syracuse, 13207 [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)  
 Serves children ages 0-5 with disabilities, as well as typical students ages 3-5. Early Intervention Program (ages 0-2) Children receive either home-based services or center-based toddler services. Pre-school program (ages 3-5) receives referrals come from a school district's Committee on Preschool Special Education, or parental enrollment. Children are served in inclusive classes that operate Monday through Friday (1/2 day sessions). Free preschool program for Syracuse city residents. Evaluations are also provided.

**PEACE, Inc. Head Start / Early Head Start**

217 S. Salina Street, 2nd Fl..... **470-3300**  
 Syracuse, 13202 [www.peace-caa.org](http://www.peace-caa.org)

**-Head Start (HS)** helps children, ages 3 to 5 years of age, achieve their full potential by providing early childhood development, health, family services and other support to participants and their families.

**-Early Head Start (EHS)** promotes the physical, cognitive, social and emotional growth of infants and toddlers, and provides prenatal education and support services to pregnant women.

Both programs serve disabled and nondisabled in both an inclusive classroom settings and home-based.

**SPICE/ Elmcrest Children's Center**

960 Salt Springs Road..... **446-3220**  
 Syracuse, 13224 [www.elmcrest.org/commservices/spice](http://www.elmcrest.org/commservices/spice)

The SPICE (Special Preschool Interventions for Children's Education) program provides services to preschoolers with disabilities in a 5-hour, full-day integrated program that runs from 8:00am to 1:00pm. Children who attend the SPICE component have needs related to delays or concerns in a variety of areas, including cognition, communication, physical development, social/emotional development, and behavior. We provide services to students who have special needs; speech therapists, occupational therapists, a physical therapist, a play therapist, a school psychologist intern, and a social worker. In addition, a number of students receive Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) programming under the direction and supervision of a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA). Supporting families is an important component of the program. Also offers transdisciplinary preschool evaluations.

**notes...****Syracuse City School District/Early Childhood Program**

220 W. Kennedy Street..... **435-4276**  
 Syracuse, 13205 [www.syracusecityschools.com](http://www.syracusecityschools.com)

The Early Childhood Program provides comprehensive services for children with disabilities ages 18 months to five years. There are center-based program for toddlers as indicated on each child's Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP). Toddlers attend three half days per week in either the AM or PM session. The Preschool Program provides inclusive education in the District's pre-kindergarten five days per week in full day or half day AM or PM sessions. Services are indicated on each child's Individual Education Plan (IEP). Breakfast and/or lunch are available in the Toddler and pre-k Program. Transdisciplinary support teams are assigned to the Toddler and pre-k classrooms consisting of a special education teacher, speech pathologist, psychologist, occupational therapist, physical therapist, nurse and social worker. Parents are presented with a variety of opportunities to develop their roles as partners in the classroom and in the educational process.

**Thrive By 5**

1951 Caleb Avenue ..... **218-7444**  
 Syracuse, 13206 [www.thriveby-5.com](http://www.thriveby-5.com)

Provider of Preschool related services in: occupational, physical and speech-language therapy services. Early Intervention evaluations, therapy, and parent-child play group. Solisten-Listening Training based in the Tomatis Effect. Home and community-based services.

**CENTER BASED PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS**

Specialized preschool programs can include NYS certified special education teachers, social workers, speech, OT, PT, and play therapists. More information can be found on the CNY Coalition for Young Children with Special Needs website at [www.cnypreschoolcoalition.org](http://www.cnypreschoolcoalition.org). If you suspect your child has a delay in their development, contact the public school district in which you reside in for a referral and/or an evaluation of your child.

**Catholic Charities Neighborhood Centers**

1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1800**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

**-Vincent House**

500 Seymour Street, Syracuse

**-Hawley Youth Organization**

716 Hawley Avenue, Syracuse

**-Northside CYO Preschool Cathedral Academy at Pompei**

923 N. McBride Street, Syracuse

**Exploring Your World at AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
 Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

**Head Start/Early Head Start of P.E.A.C.E., Inc.**

Sumner Head Start, 215 Bassett Street ..... **470-3346**  
 Syracuse, 13210 [www.peace-caa.org](http://www.peace-caa.org)

**Jowonio School**

3049 E. Genesee Street ..... **445-4010**  
Syracuse, 13224 [www.jowonio.org](http://www.jowonio.org)

**Little Lukes**

5820 Heritage Landing Drive ..... **701-1107**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.littlelukes.com](http://www.littlelukes.com)

**Main Street Early Education/  
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205 S. Main Street..... **218-2200**  
N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.nscsd.org/main.cfm](http://www.nscsd.org/main.cfm)

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Nedrow, 13120 [www.ocs.cnyric.org/Rockwell](http://www.ocs.cnyric.org/Rockwell)

**Parkside Children's Center/Arc of Onondaga**

301 Valley Drive..... **468-1632**  
Syracuse, 13207 [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

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960 Salt Springs Road..... **446-3220**  
Syracuse, 13224 [www.elmcrest.org/commservices/spice](http://www.elmcrest.org/commservices/spice)

**PEACE, Inc. Head Start**

217 S. Salina Street, 2nd Fl..... **470-3300**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.peace-caa.org](http://www.peace-caa.org)

**Syracuse City School District/Early Childhood Program**

220 W. Kennedy Street..... **435-4276**  
Syracuse, 13205 [www.syracusecityschools.com](http://www.syracusecityschools.com)

**CHILD CARE**

There are many different types of child care programs in New York State. Each program is regulated by the state Office of Children and Family Services. For a list of centers and private providers by zip code see:

[www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/childcare/default.asp](http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/childcare/default.asp)

Each of the programs listed can serve children ages six weeks through twelve years and operate for more than three hours a day.

**-Day Care Centers** - provide care for more than six children at a time, not in a personal residence.

**-Small Day Care Centers** - provide care for up to six children, not in a personal residence.

**-Family Day Care Homes** - provide care for three to six children at a time in a residence; may add one or two school-age children. The maximum allowable number of children will depend on whether there are and how many infants are in care.

**-Group Family Day Care Homes** - provide care for seven to twelve children at a time in a residence; may add one or two school-age children. The maximum allowable number of children will depend on whether there are and how many infants are in care. A provider must use an assistant when more than six children are present.

**-School-Age Child Care Programs** - provide care for more than six children from kindergarten through age twelve. Care for children during non-school hours; also may provide care during school vacation periods and holidays.

**Other forms of legal child care include:**

**-Head Start Centers** - targeted for preschool-age children from low income families; federally funded and usually licensed as Day Care Centers.

**-Legally Exempt Care (Informal)** - provides care for one to two children at a time in addition to the provider's children, usually in the provider's home; are not required to register. If caring for more than two children other than their own, they must register with NYS.

**Child Care Solutions**

6724 Thompson Road ..... **446-1220**  
Syracuse, 13211 [www.childcaresolutionscny.org](http://www.childcaresolutionscny.org)

Child Care Solutions is a non-profit childcare resource and referral agency that builds partnerships with childcare providers, parents and employers to promote accessible, quality childcare services in Onondaga and Cayuga County. Call us for more information about training and education opportunities, referrals to childcare including children with disabilities, and services for employers.

**YMCA of Greater Syracuse**

340 Montgomery Street ..... **474-6851**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.ymcaofgreatersyracuse.org](http://www.ymcaofgreatersyracuse.org)

The YMCA of Greater Syracuse provides high quality child care to over 900 children at various locations in the Greater Syracuse area. At all YMCA child care sites, youth are encouraged to build on their own interests through hands-on activities and project-based learning experiences that have been designed to promote a healthy group dynamic and nurture innate curiosity. All youth also experience the positive impact of character development and the nurturing of the developmental assets in the YMCA of Greater Syracuse's child care sites. As an organization, the YMCA has made a commitment to quality and safety at each of our locations by striving to surpass State of New York licensing standards.

**EMERGENCY SERVICES****Call "911" in an Emergency**

(911 center equipment recognizes and responds to TTY equipment)

**Catholic Charities of Onondaga County**

1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1800**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

The agency's programs focus on children and families, at-risk youth, refugees, the homeless, those in need of emergency assistance, and the elderly, as well as disadvantaged, addicted, and/or developmentally disabled individuals.



**Contact Hot Line** ..... **251-0600**  
(Suicide and Crisis Counseling)

**Contact Community Services**  
6520 Basile Rowe ..... **251-1400**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 ..... [www.contactsyracuse.org](http://www.contactsyracuse.org)  
Trained volunteers offer 24 hour telephone counseling to callers in crisis or in need of help confidential and free.

**CNY Poison Center**  
750 E. Adams Street..... TTY **464-5424**.... **(800) 222-1222**  
Syracuse, 13210 ..... [www.cnypoison.org](http://www.cnypoison.org)

**CPEP** (Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program)  
301 Prospect Avenue ..... **448-6555**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.sjhsyr.org](http://www.sjhsyr.org)  
This emergency service evaluates and treats those who are having a psychiatric episode and/or severe behavioral challenges. Offers extended observation and mobile emergency services. Referrals may be made for hospital admittance to a local hospital.

**Onondaga County Department of Social Services**  
421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.ongov.net/dss/](http://www.ongov.net/dss/)  
-Child Protective Services (CPS)..... **435-2884**  
-Adult and Family Services ..... **435-2815**  
-Child Abuse Report Hotline for general public ... **422-9701**  
-Child Abuse Report Hotline  
for mandated reporters..... **422-9840**

**New York State Department of Family and Child Services**  
NY State Hotline for general public ..... **1-800-342-3720**  
NY State Hotline for mandated reporters .. **1-800-635-1522**

**Salvation Army**  
677 S. Salina Street..... **475-1688**  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.sasyr.org](http://www.sasyr.org)  
Offers counseling, emergency housing care and material assistance to individuals and families, and emergency disaster relief.

**Youth Emergency Services for Mental Health**..... **463-1100**  
24 hour coverage call if concerned about safety or welfare of a child 18 years old or under experiencing a mental health emergency.

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## EMERGENCY HOUSING SHELTERS

### Catholic Charities

#### Dorothy Day House

1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **476-0617**  
Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)  
A shelter for homeless women and women with children.

#### Oxford Street Inn

201 Oxford Street..... **423-9137**  
Syracuse, 13204  
Shelter and housing programs for homeless men; including mental illness and substance abuse.

### Rescue Mission

120 Gifford Street ..... **701-3102**  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.rmsyr.org](http://www.rmsyr.org)  
Crisis counseling, case management and referrals to community services. Emergency shelter for homeless men. Meals and emergency clothing available.

### Salvation Army

677 S. Salina Street..... **475-1688**  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.sasyr.org](http://www.sasyr.org)  
Offers counseling, emergency housing care and material assistance to individuals and families, safe, affordable supervised apartments for young mothers ages 16-21 and their children; comprehensive youth services include residential care and counseling for runaway and homeless youth; shelter and transitional housing services for older troubled youth and their families.

### Vera House, Inc.

Crisis/Support 24 Hour Lines ..... **468-3260**  
..... [www.Verahouse.org](http://www.Verahouse.org)  
Crisis intervention and programs for domestic violence, sexual assault, and other crimes. Housing locations are not public addresses.

## EVALUATIONS

### AURORA of Central New York, Inc

518 James Street, Suite 100 .... TDD 422-9746 .... **422-7263**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.auroraofcny.org](http://www.auroraofcny.org)  
Offers a wide range of services to individuals who are blind, visually impaired, deaf or hard of hearing in Onondaga and contiguous counties. Services include instruction in daily living skills, safe/independent travel training, instruction in adaptive technology for people with vision loss, information and referral, social work, outreach, support groups. Also Early Intervention services for assessment and training of infants and toddlers. Employment, youth services, summer education programs, vision screening and Marjorie Clere Interpreter Referral Service.

**AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
 Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)  
 OPWDD disability determination psychological testing/  
 evaluation, neurological assessment, developmental  
 pediatrician assessment. EI and preschool evaluation.  
 Comprehensive evaluations and care of children with  
 disabilities such as cerebral palsy, autism spectrum disorders,  
 and other developmental disabilities. Supplemental  
 evaluations.

**Center for Development, Behavior and Genetics at  
 SUNY Upstate Medical University**

725 Irving Ave., Suite 112 ..1-866-543-KIDS or.. **464-4842**  
 Syracuse, 13210 [www.upstate.edu/gch/](http://www.upstate.edu/gch/)  
 Evaluations for children. Age limits vary depending on  
 the type of evaluation. OPWDD disability determination,  
 psychological testing and evaluations.

**Central New York  
 Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO)**

187 Northern Concourse ..... **473-5050**  
 N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)  
 CNYDDRO is an agency of the New York State Office  
 for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD).  
 Evaluations for OPWDD eligibility. Provides residential,  
 habilitative, vocational, and support services, service  
 coordination, home modification, counseling, recreation,  
 respite, advocacy, life planning, clinical services, and referrals  
 to community agencies for people with developmental  
 disabilities and their families. Serving Cayuga, Cortland,  
 Herkimer, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga and Oswego  
 Counties.

**Children's Therapy Network**

171 Intrepid Lane..... **437-4689**  
 Syracuse, 13205 [www.childrenstherapynetwork.com](http://www.childrenstherapynetwork.com)  
 Evaluations and therapy (up to age 21) in the areas of  
 speech and language, occupational therapy, physical therapy  
 and special education. Early Intervention and preschool  
 evaluation.

**Children's Village/OCM BOCES**

303 Roby Avenue..... **434-3830**  
 E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.ocmboces.org/teacherpage](http://www.ocmboces.org/teacherpage)  
 Transdisciplinary preschool evaluation.

**Connections**

1744 W. Genesee Street ..... **468-3414**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.connections.tx.com](http://www.connections.tx.com)  
 Early Intervention and preschool evaluations and therapy  
 in the areas of speech and language, occupational therapy,  
 physical therapy and special education.

**Gebbie Speech, Language, and Hearing Clinic**

805 S. Crouse Avenue, Syracuse University ..... **443-4485**  
 Syracuse, 13244 [www.csd.syr.edu](http://www.csd.syr.edu)  
 Training facility affiliated with the Department of  
 Communication Sciences & Disorders at Syracuse University.  
 Evaluation services in the areas of audiology, speech  
 and language. Preschool evaluation. Early Intervention  
 audiological evaluation.

**Hear 2 Learn**

6575 Kirkville Road, Suite1 ..... **701-5710**  
 E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.hear-2-learn.com](http://www.hear-2-learn.com)  
 Comprehensive evaluation for children with developmental  
 delays in all areas and of all ages with a specialization in  
 children with hearing loss. EI and preschool evaluations.

**Horizons Clinic/Arc of Onondaga**

600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **476-7441**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.arcon.org/services/horizons-clinic](http://www.arcon.org/services/horizons-clinic)  
 OPWDD disability determination psychological testing/  
 evaluation for all ages.

**Jowonio School**

3049 E. Genesee Street ..... **445-4010**  
 Syracuse, 13224 [www.jowonio.org](http://www.jowonio.org)  
 Transdisciplinary preschool evaluation. Early Intervention  
 evaluation.

**Liberty Post**

1045 James Street ..... **425-1004**  
 Syracuse, NY 13203 [www.liberty-resources.org](http://www.liberty-resources.org)  
 Transdisciplinary evaluation birth to age five years of age.

**Little Lukes**

5820 Heritage Landing Drive ..... **701-1107**  
 E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.littlelukes.com](http://www.littlelukes.com)  
 Early Intervention and preschool evaluations and therapy  
 in the areas of speech and language, occupational therapy,  
 physical therapy and special education.

**Madison Irving Pediatrics, P.C.**

475 Irving Ave., Suite 210 ..... **471-2646**  
 Syracuse, 13210 [www.mipeds.net](http://www.mipeds.net)  
 A multi-disciplinary clinic with faculty in medical genetics,  
 autism/child development, physical disabilities, spina bifida,  
 and metabolic Serves children from birth to 21. Accepts  
 Medicaid.

**Main Street Early Education/  
 North Syracuse Central School District**

205 S. Main Street..... **218-2200**  
 N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.nscsd.org/main.cfm](http://www.nscsd.org/main.cfm)  
 Transdisciplinary preschool evaluation.

## FINANCIAL SUPPORTS

### Margaret L. Williams Developmental Evaluation Center (DEC)

215 Bassett Street..... **472-4404**  
Syracuse, 13210

[www.developmentalevaluationcenter.com](http://www.developmentalevaluationcenter.com)

DEC provides interdisciplinary developmental evaluations (occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech and language, psychology, pediatric, and psychiatry), through Early Intervention, preschool (CPSE), school aged (CSE) and private pay for children birth to kindergarten age (except where there are concerns for autism, then 6 years 9 months). Provides some outreach services under the Kohl's Autism and Related Disorders Program.

### Onondaga Central Preschool Program

Rockwell Elementary, 208 Rockwell Road ..... **552-5070**  
Nedrow, 13120 [www.ocs.cnyric.org/Rockwell](http://www.ocs.cnyric.org/Rockwell)

Transdisciplinary preschool evaluation.

### Parkside Children's Center/Arc of Onondaga

301 Valley Drive..... **468-1632**  
Syracuse, 13207 [www.arcon.org/services/parkside](http://www.arcon.org/services/parkside)

Transdisciplinary preschool evaluation. Early Intervention evaluation.

### SPICE/ Elmcrest Children's Center

960 Salt Springs Road..... **446-3220**  
Syracuse, 13224 [www.elmcrest.org/commservices/spice.php](http://www.elmcrest.org/commservices/spice.php)

Transdisciplinary preschool evaluation.

### Syracuse City School District/Early Childhood Program

220 W. Kennedy Street..... **435-4276**  
Syracuse, 13205 [www.syracusecityschools.com](http://www.syracusecityschools.com)

Transdisciplinary preschool and EI evaluations.

### Syracuse Jewish Family Service, Inc.

4101 E. Genesee Street ..... **445-9111**  
Syracuse, 13214 [www.sjfs.org](http://www.sjfs.org)

Service for special populations includes consultation, comprehensive assessments and care management for older adults and individuals with special needs. We provide services to those who wish to live independently in the community and individuals seeking housing that may require supportive services. Additional services are counseling, financial case management and kosher Meals on Wheels.

### Thrive By 5

1951 Caleb Avenue ..... **218-7444**  
Syracuse, 13206 [www.thriveby-5.com](http://www.thriveby-5.com)

Early Intervention evaluation site and preschool related service provider.

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### FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES (FSS)

Family Support Services (FSS) funds assist the quality of life of individuals with developmental disabilities who live at home with their families. A person must have OPWDD eligibility to access funds. The Central New York Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO) provides proof of eligibility for services through an application process. See page 2 for Access to Services; Eligibility assistance or your Medicaid service coordinator for assistance.

### AccessCNY

1603 Court Street ..... TDD **455-1794** ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

### Advocates, Inc.

609 Vine Street..... **469-9931**  
Liverpool, 13088 [www.advocatesincorporated.org](http://www.advocatesincorporated.org)

### Arc of Onondaga

600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **476-7441**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

### ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

### Central New York Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO)

187 Northern Concourse ..... **473-5050**  
N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

### Epilepsy-Pralid Inc.

1065 James Street, Suite 220 ..... **477-9777**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.epilepsy-uny.org](http://www.epilepsy-uny.org)

### Exceptional Family Resources (EFR)

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)

### Learning Disabilities Association of CNY (LDA)

722 W. Manlius Street..... **432-0665**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)

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## FINANCIAL PROGRAMS

The following programs are designed to provide assistance to those in need. Programs may have individualized eligibility requirements to obtain goods and services.

### **American Red Cross - Care and Share Program**

220 Herald Place ..... **234-2200**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.syrarc.org](http://www.syrarc.org)

Donations from National Grid customers and employees provide one time per year (12 months) emergency assistance to prevent power and/or heat shut off to National Grid customers, including payments for other heat sources such as oil, gas, kerosene, and wood. Applicants must have a shut-off notice, a household member 60 years or older; or be receiving disability income. Must have applied for regular and emergency H.E.A.P. (Home Energy Assistance Program) even if they are found ineligible.

### **Cathedral Emergency Assistance Services**

264 E. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1876**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.cathedralsyracuse.org](http://www.cathedralsyracuse.org)

Limited short-term food for people in need. "New beginning" household items for people who have suffered a traumatic life experience. Also baby food, formula, diapers and hygiene products, furniture and clothing. Low cost counseling available to individuals and families not eligible for any insurance program.

### **Catholic Charities Emergency Assistance Services**

264 E. Onondaga Street ..... **475-3807**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)  
Support, guidance, and assistance for people in crisis.

### **Central New York Friends**

187 Northern Concourse ..... **473-5056**  
N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

This volunteer organization helps provide educational, recreational, and social experiences for people with developmental disabilities. It can also make small grants to help fill in the financial gaps where government funding falls short.

### **Emergency Assistance for Adults (EAA)**

**Onondaga County Dept. Social Services**  
421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-2815**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.ongov.net/dss/ea.html](http://www.ongov.net/dss/ea.html)

Meets emergency needs of aged, blind or disabled individuals and couples who are eligible for or are receiving Federal Supplemental Security Income benefits (SSI). Covers lost or stolen cash or SSI checks, evictions, utility shut-offs, and food vouchers.

### **Facilitated Enrollment Program**

**Onondaga County Health Department**  
421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-6808**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.ongov.net/health](http://www.ongov.net/health)

The Facilitated Enrollment Program offers families in Onondaga County the opportunity to enroll in the Public Health Insurance program that will meet their medical and dental needs. Facilitated Enrollment offers an easy way for families to apply for Family Health Plus, Medicaid and Child Health Plus. Facilitated enrollers will meet with families at convenient times and locations to complete an application and gather the necessary documents to determine their eligibility for health insurance. Enrollers are community-based at three locations within the city and county.

### **Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)** **Department of Social Services**

600 S. State Street, County Office Building ..... **435-8295**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.otda.ny.gov/main/programs/heap/](http://www.otda.ny.gov/main/programs/heap/)

Provides financial assistance to eligible households to help meet rising costs of heating one's home. Eligibility is based on income and housing situation.

### **Home Headquarters, Inc.**

990 James Street, Suite 100 ..... **474-1939**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.homehq.org](http://www.homehq.org)

Call for information about any available Onondaga County and/or Syracuse programs aiding in home ownership and financial assistance for home and energy improvements. Offers down payment and closing cost assistance and low interest home improvement loans to Syracuse and Onondaga County residents. Call about eligibility requirements. Also offers homeownership counseling, foreclosure prevention, and a certified Home-buyer's Education Course.

### **Miracle-Ear**

Children's Foundation..... **(800) 234-5422**  
Locations on website [www.miracle-ear.com](http://www.miracle-ear.com)

Offers free hearing aids to children 16 and younger for families who gross between \$20,000-\$50,000 per year and do not qualify for public support. The child must also be a current resident in the United States. Call the toll free number for details about the application process and requirements.

### **PEACE, Inc.**

**Administration Office**  
217 S. Salina Street, 2nd Fl..... **470-3300**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.peace-cao.org](http://www.peace-cao.org)

Serves low income families, offering many programs for families & individuals of all ages. For youth, such as Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Head Start and Early Head Start, community and Family Resource Centers; for seniors, such as community and Family Resource Centers, energy and housing (weatherization), information & assistance, foster grandparent program and senior nutrition; and family services such as energy and housing (weatherization), income tax preparation and community and Family Resource Centers. Family Resource Centers throughout the city and county provide emergency assistance, crisis interventions, and supportive services, advocacy, education, and family development.



**Salvation Army**

677 S. Salina Street ..... **475-1688**  
 Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.sasyr.org](http://www.sasyr.org)  
 24-hour crisis hot lines, emergency intervention and long term support, intake and assessment procedures facilitating services such as housing, basic needs, healthcare, mental health assistance and substance abuse treatment, educational, social and recreational activities

**Social Security Programs**

Social Security Administration ..... **(800) 772-1213**  
 100 S. Clinton Street, Federal Building TTY (800) 325-0078  
 Syracuse, 13261 ..... [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov)  
 Social Security provides Retirement, Disability and Survivor benefits to workers who are insured under the system. Benefits may be paid to the worker and/or certain family members when earnings are lost or reduced due to the worker's retirement, disability or death. Supplemental Security Income provides cash assistance to persons in financial need who are blind and/or disabled of any age, or people over 65.

**Syracuse Jewish Family Service, Inc.**

4101 E. Genesee Street ..... **445-0820**  
 Syracuse, 13214 ..... [www.sjfs.org](http://www.sjfs.org)  
 "Solution" is an in-home service for seniors and people with disabilities. It assists with organizing and paying monthly bills, keeping accurate records, preparing and submitting health insurance claims, assisting with Medicaid, SSI and Social Security claims and other paperwork dilemmas. Community Links Project is a model point of entry program in cooperation with the Temple Society of Concord Food Pantry. Consumers can meet with a Jewish Family Service social worker on a drop-in basis. Information and referral provided free of charge and follow-up appointments are available.

**Temporary Assistance****Department of Social Services**

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-2700**  
 Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.ongov.net/dss](http://www.ongov.net/dss)  
 Provides financial assistance to eligible persons under Safety Net and Family Assistance.

**TRAID Program at AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street ..... TDD **455-1794** ..... **455-7591**  
 Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)  
 Assistive technology including home, work, and school modifications. Communication services, adaptive devices and technology-related assistance.

**Traffic Safety Programs**

Purchase of bicycle and inline helmets ..... **435-3280**  
 Car seat rentals ..... **446-1220**

**Winds of Agape, Inc**

1414 Grant Blvd ..... **425-0547**  
 Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.windsofagape.com](http://www.windsofagape.com)  
 Assists individuals and families, those with brain injuries and other disabilities facing a crisis through the provision of emergency food, beds, and empowerment programs, including job training, employment through the Winds of Agape home care agency, community education, adult day program, respite care.

**FOOD ASSISTANCE****Food Bank of CNY**

7066 Interstate Island Road ..... **437-1899**  
 Syracuse, 13209 ..... [www.foodbankcny.org](http://www.foodbankcny.org)  
 Nutrition, education and advocacy are built into all programs, following the Food Bank's mandate to educate the community about solutions to the issue of hunger. The Food Bank of Central New York works with local, statewide and national anti-hunger organizations to support legislation addressing food and other critical needs of low-income people.

**Food Sense**

76 Canton Street, Baldwinsville ..... **638-4536**  
 226 Bridge Street, Phoenix ..... **695-4841**  
 1700 Butternut Street, Syracuse ..... **479-7971**  
 667 S. Salina, Syracuse ..... **479-1307**  
 10 Onondaga Street, Tully ..... **696-5092**  
 Participants receive a food package for \$15.50 worth \$25 to \$35 if purchased in a grocery store. Packages include meat, fresh produce, dairy and other food items. Participants register and pay in advance and pick up their package later in the month. Participants can buy as many packages as they like. No income requirement; cash or food stamps only. Anyone can participate.

**Interreligious Food Consortium** ..... **474-8855**

Will provide information about the nearest pantry site. Also has a list of meal sites and perishable giveaways.

**LaFayette Outreach, Inc.**

P.O. Box 481, 6136 Rt. 20 ..... **677-5221**  
 LaFayette, 13084  
 Provides information, referrals to services, and food pantry to individuals and families in Southern Onondaga County and the Onondaga Nation. Supports WIC (Women, Infants and Children) clinic and Meals On Wheels.

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**Meals On Wheels**

[www.meals.org](http://www.meals.org)

Programs deliver professionally planned meals to seniors, people with disabilities, or people recovering from illness or injuries. No age or income restrictions.

Baldwinsville .....	<b>638-2171</b>
E. Syracuse/Minoa .....	<b>463-5972</b>
Camillus .....	<b>487-2878</b>
Fayetteville-Manlius/Jamesville-Dewitt .....	<b>637-5446</b>
Kosher .....	<b>445-0820</b>
North Area.....	<b>452-1402</b>
N. Syracuse .....	<b>454-8427</b>
Skaneateles.....	<b>685-6079</b>
Syracuse.....	<b>478-5948</b>

**PEACE Inc. Food Service ..... 470-3331**

Provides emergency food for families through food pantries. Also offers low cost lunches to anyone 60 and older at 24 sites in Onondaga County.

**SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)**

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-2700**  
 Syracuse, 13202 [www.ongov.net/dss/foodStamps.html](http://www.ongov.net/dss/foodStamps.html)

Program provides federal food stamp benefits that can be used to buy food. The amount of food stamp benefits you receive depends on household size, income and expenses.

**Winds of Agape, Inc.**

1414 Grant Blvd..... **425-0547**  
 Syracuse, 13208 [www.windsofagape.com](http://www.windsofagape.com)

Assists individuals and families, those with brain injuries and other disabilities facing a crisis through the provision of emergency food.

**GUARDIANSHIP & FUTURE PLANNING**

In NYS, citizens reach legal adulthood at age 18. Some people may need the assistance of another trusted person to help make important legal, financial, and medical decisions on their behalf. Our legal system has provided some different options in this matter.

**Guardianship**-a guardian is appointed through the court to assist an individual with life decisions and to monitor the person's quality of life. A guardian may be necessary to ensure that permission for certain matters, such as having a medical operation may be given on your behalf. Guardianship should only be sought if you are not capable of making your own decisions.

**Power of Attorney**-a power of attorney is a written document giving one person the power to act as an "agent" for another person. To give power of attorney, you must be considered capable of understanding the document. You can revoke a power of attorney at any time.

**Supplemental Needs Trust**-a "trust" gives a person or corporation (called the "trustee") the right to manage or control property for the benefit of another person (called the "beneficiary"). A trust can be funded from resources from the person with a disability, a parent or guardian or another concerned person. A parent or guardian may set up a trust to help provide for future financial security. Specifically, a supplemental needs trust when properly drafted and established, can provide for a person with a disability without limiting the person's SSI and/or Medicaid benefits. A trust does not limit the beneficiary's civil rights, personal freedom or control over money and property not part of the trust.

**Arc of Onondaga**

600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **476-7441**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

The Guardianship Program assists family members to meet the future needs of the individual with developmental disabilities. ARC offers education and information to these families. Additionally, Arc of Onondaga may agree to act as guardian or standby guardian on behalf of individuals with developmental disabilities who have no other involved person to meet this need.

**Central New York**

**Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO)**

187 Northern Concourse ..... **473-5050**  
 N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

CNYDDRO is an agency of the New York State Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD). Guardianship program Central New York DDRO works in partnership with families, voluntary agencies, and local governments. Serving Cayuga, Cortland, Herkimer, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga and Oswego Counties.

**Community Options, Inc.**

216 W. Manlius Street..... **431-9859**  
 E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.comop.org](http://www.comop.org)

Servicing individuals with traumatic brain injuries and other disabilities, guardianship information available.

**Surrogate's Court**

401 Montgomery Street ..... **671-2100**  
 Syracuse, 13202

[www.nycourts.gov/courts/5jd/onondaga/surrogate](http://www.nycourts.gov/courts/5jd/onondaga/surrogate)

In NYS, parents may petition for guardianship of their child who has a developmental disability. When a child turns 18 years old, the parent is no longer the legal guardian unless they formally petition through Surrogate Court.

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# INFORMATION & REFERRAL

**HELPLINE**..... **435-8300**  
Onondaga County's 24 hour Helpline [www.ongov.net](http://www.ongov.net)  
Onondaga County's Helpline is a free resource that provides human services information and referrals 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**ACCESS Team**  
421 Montgomery St. 15th Floor..... **463-1100**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.oncaresoc.org](http://www.oncaresoc.org)  
ACCESS to Services for Children and Youth; is the engagement, assessment, planning and referral process for children and youth ages 5-21 in Onondaga County with emotional and behavioral challenges and their families. The ACCESS process is family-driven and youth-guided and based on the idea that families and caregivers are the experts when it comes to their children. ACCESS has one phone line, open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for families to call to request assistance. You should call ACCESS if: You have concerns about your child's/ youth's emotional or behavioral health; if your child or youth currently has a service plan that is not working for him/ her or your family; if your child is involved in more than one system (for example, Mental Health and Juvenile Justice) and you want those systems to work together better or if your child/ youth is at risk of needing an out-of-home placement.

**AccessCNY**  
1603 Court Street ..... TDD 455-1794..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)  
Provides information, referral and an array of services to children and adults with physical or developmental disabilities or health-related issues.

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.**  
635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)  
An Independent Living Center providing advocacy and services to individuals of all ages with all types of disabilities, their families, and the community. Services include: health care, housing, benefits, and education advocacy; group and individual Day Habilitation; consumer directed personal assistance; employment services; housing and homeless services; independent living skills training; information and referral; mental health services; peer counseling; Residential Habilitation; Medicaid service coordination; and integrated recreation programs.

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**AURORA of Central New York, Inc**  
518 James Street ..... TDD **422-9746**..... **422-7263**  
Suite 100  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.auroraofcny.org](http://www.auroraofcny.org)  
Offers a wide range of services to individuals who are blind, visually impaired, deaf or hard of hearing in Onondaga and contiguous counties and their families. Services include instruction in daily living skills, safe/independent travel training, instruction in adaptive technology for people with vision loss, information and referral, social work, outreach, support groups, early intervention services, assessment and training for infants and toddlers, employment, youth services, summer education program, vision screening and the Marjorie Clere Interpreter Referral Services.

**Burton Blatt Institute (BBI) at Syracuse University**  
Crouse-Hinds Hall, Suite 300 ..... **443-2863**  
900 S. Crouse Ave., 13244 [www.bbi.syr.edu/web](http://www.bbi.syr.edu/web)  
The Burton Blatt Institute: Centers of Innovation on Disability (BBI) at Syracuse University was established to advance the civic, economic, and social participation of people with disabilities in a global society by creating a collaborative environment with entrepreneurial innovation and best business practices to foster public-private dialogue, and create the capacity to transform policy, systems, and people through inclusive education, the workforce, and communities.

**Center on Human Policy at Syracuse University**  
805 S. Crouse Avenue ..... **443-3851**  
Syracuse, 13244 [www.thechp.syr.edu](http://www.thechp.syr.edu)  
The Center on Human Policy (CHP) is a Syracuse University-based policy, research, and advocacy organization involved in the national movement to insure the rights of people with disabilities. Since its founding, the CHP has been involved in the study and promotion of open settings (inclusive community opportunities) for people with disabilities.

**Central New York  
Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO)**  
187 Northern Concourse ..... **473-5050**  
N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)  
CNYDDRO is an agency of the New York State Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD). Central New York DDRO works in partnership with families, voluntary agencies, and local governments to design, develop, and deliver programs and services that meet the needs of each individual and his or her family. Provides residential, habilitative, vocational, and support services; service coordination, home modification, counseling, recreation, respite, advocacy, life planning, clinical services, and referrals to community agencies for people with developmental disabilities and their families. Serving Cayuga, Cortland, Herkimer, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga and Oswego Counties.

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**Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped (CBVH)**

The Atrium, 100 S. Salina St., Suite 105 ..... **423-5417**  
 Syracuse, 13202 [www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/cbvh](http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/cbvh)  
 Through the NYS Office of Children and Family Services.  
 Provides rehabilitation services to individuals who are legally  
 blind and reside in New York State. CBVH programs include:  
 training for employment; business enterprise program;  
 programs for older adults; programs for children. Services  
 are coordinated by counselors and children's consultants.  
 Syracuse Office has responsibility for 14 counties in Central  
 NY including, Cayuga, Cortland, Madison, and Oswego.

**Early Childhood Direction Center (ECDC)  
(Mid-State Region)**

805 S. Crouse Avenue ..... **443-4444**  
 Syracuse University ..... TTY **443-4355**  
 Syracuse, 13244 [www.ecdc.syr.edu](http://www.ecdc.syr.edu)  
 Call ECDC if you have concerns about a young child  
 under the age of five, both typically developing and those  
 with special education needs. ECDC provides information,  
 referral and support to families and professionals.

**Epilepsy-Pralid Inc.**

1065 James Street, Suite 220 ..... **477-9777**  
 Syracuse, 13203 [www.epiny.org](http://www.epiny.org)  
 Provides information and referral services to individuals and  
 families with epilepsy, traumatic brain injury, and other neu-  
 rological impairments.

**Exceptional Family Resources**

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
 Syracuse, 13208 [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)  
 Information and referrals are provided to families,  
 professionals and the general public, including linkage to  
 services and programs for persons with disabilities.

**GiGi's Playhouse**

5885 E. Circle Drive, Suite 250 ..... **288-7529**  
 Cicero, 13039 [www.gigisplayhouse.org/syracuse](http://www.gigisplayhouse.org/syracuse)  
 An educational and awareness center created to serve  
 individuals with Down syndrome from birth to adulthood.  
 Provides resources, specialized teaching, and support to  
 individuals, families, and communities. Designed to facilitate  
 skill development in speech and language, fine and gross  
 motor skills, and overall academic achievement, literacy  
 and math tutoring available. Social opportunities for pre-  
 natal diagnosis support, open play, baby and toddler groups,  
 activities for young children, adolescents, and adults over 18.  
 Free to families and specialized to meet needs of attendees.

**Huntington Family Center**

405 Gifford Street ..... **476-3157**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org](http://www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org)  
 Information and outreach, offers parent education, adolescent  
 treatment programs Family support services, Medicaid service  
 coordination, senior case management services, pre-k, youth  
 and teen programs. Serving families with disabilities.

**Learning Disabilities Association of CNY (LDA)**

722 W. Manlius Street ..... **432-0665**  
 E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)  
 Provides general information on learning disabilities and  
 related disorders. Referrals, advocacy, family support services,  
 and parent training for families. Employment services,  
 recreation program, independent living for adults with  
 learning disabilities and related disorders. Serves Onondaga,  
 Oswego, Cortland, Cayuga, and Madison counties.



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(315) 432-0665  
LDACNY@LDACNY.org  
[www.LDACNY.org](http://www.LDACNY.org)

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Children's learning services & programs:

- Educational Consulting
- ADHD College Coaching
- Learning without Borders
- SAIL (Summer Adventure in Learning)

Adult learning services & programs:

- Supported Employment
- Independent Living
- Adult Recreation Group
- ADHD College Coaching

**Onondaga County Department of Aging and Youth**

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-2362**  
 Syracuse, 13202 [www.ongov.net/ay](http://www.ongov.net/ay)  
 The Youth Bureau provides planning, coordination and  
 funding of services for youth up to age 21 and their families;  
 advocacy; training of youth workers; training for parents  
 of teens; information and assistance to parents and youth;  
 publishes the "Youth Service Directory" and a wallet-  
 sized directory for youth called "Classified for Youth".  
 Senior dining and home-delivered meals; personal care  
 for non Medicaid eligible seniors, heating, cooling and  
 weatherization assistance, health insurance information,  
 counseling, and assistance program, employment assistance  
 and caregiver assistance. *Prime*, a free monthly newspaper,  
 is distributed throughout the county in libraries and local  
 stores.

**Onondaga County Department of Mental Health**

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-3355**  
 Syracuse, 13202 [www.ocdmh.net](http://www.ocdmh.net)  
 Information and referral, and has the responsibility of  
 reviewing mental health services and facilities in this county;  
 planning and developing a community mental health program  
 based on local needs and operating directly or contracting  
 for the operation of mental health, mental retardation and/or  
 developmental disabilities, and alcoholism, substance abuse  
 services.

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**Onondaga County Department of Social Services**

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.ongov.net](http://www.ongov.net)  
 -Adult Services ..... **435-2815**  
 -Children's Division..... **435-2884**  
 -Child Protective Services (CPS)..... **435-2884**  
 -Child Abuse Report Hotline for general public... **422-9701**  
 -Child Abuse Report Hotline  
 for mandated reporters ..... **422-9840**

**Onondaga County Health Department**

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-3252**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.ongov.net](http://www.ongov.net)

**Parent to Parent of NYS, North Central Region**

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.parenttoparentnys.org](http://www.parenttoparentnys.org)  
Information and referral and training sessions are available on Medicaid service coordination, Health Care Notebook, and for parents to become Support Parents to help other parents that have children with similar disabilities. Trainings are free and flexible. Serves Onondaga, Cortland, Herkimer, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Cayuga and Oswego Counties.

**PEACE, Inc. Administration Office**

217 S. Salina Street, 2nd Fl..... **470-3300**  
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Serves low income families, offering many programs for families & individuals of all ages. For youth, such as Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Head Start and Early Head Start, community and Family Resource Centers; for seniors, such as community and Family Resource Centers, energy and housing (weatherization), information & assistance, foster grandparent program and senior nutrition; and family services such as energy and housing (weatherization), income tax preparation and community and Family Resource Centers. Family Resource Centers throughout the city and county provide emergency assistance, crisis interventions, and supportive services, advocacy, education, and family development.

**Self-Advocacy Association of NYS (SANYS)**

1005 W. Fayette Street, Suite 1A ..... **473-6927**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.sanys.org](http://www.sanys.org)  
The Self-Advocacy Association of New York State is an organization led by people with the challenge of a developmental disability to assure the civil rights and responsibilities that include the opportunities and choices of equal citizenship.

**notes...****Spanish Action League of Onon. Co., Inc.**

700 Oswego Street..... **475-6153**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.laligaupstatecny.org](http://www.laligaupstatecny.org)  
Bilingual information and assistance mainly directed toward the Latino population, but all clients are assisted regardless of their ethnic background.

**Syracuse Model Neighborhood Facility, Inc.**

401 South Avenue ..... **474-6823**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.swccsyr.org](http://www.swccsyr.org)  
Eligibility-city residents; located at Southwest Community Center; youth and young adults with developmental disabilities can take part in social, recreational, personal development activities, after school and day-long summer sessions. An independent living skills program for adults ages 21 and up. Family Support program: provides advocacy, information and support, as well as clothing, counseling, education, employment, food, legal and medical services. AIDS prevention, HIV support, substance abuse and violence intervention/prevention programs are also available.

**Syracuse University Parent Advocacy Center (SUPAC)  
New York State Special Education Parent Center  
(Mid-State Region)**

SU Center on Human Policy, Law, and Disability Studies  
805 S. Crouse Avenue, Room 110 ..... **443-4336**  
Syracuse, 13244 [www.supac.org](http://www.supac.org)  
SUPAC is the Mid-State Region Special Education Parent Center. SUPAC provides parents of children with disabilities information, training, resources, and strategies to promote their meaningful involvement in their children's education; assist in understanding their children's disabilities; promote early resolution of disputes between parents and school districts; promote the use of resolution sessions and special education mediation; assist in understanding their procedural due process rights; and enhance parents' skills and levels of confidence to communicate effectively and work collaboratively with schools and other stakeholders to advocate and actively participate in their children's education. SUPAC covers the following BOCES regions: Herkimer-Fulton-Hamilton-Otsego; Madison-Oneida; Oneida-Herkimer-Madison; Oswego County; Onondaga-Cortland-Madison; Tompkins-Seneca-Tioga; Cayuga-Onondaga and Syracuse City.

**Whole Me, Inc.**

1015 State Fair Blvd., ..... **468-3275**  
Syracuse, 13209 [www.wholemeinc.com](http://www.wholemeinc.com)  
Promotes an integrated approach to lifelong learning for deaf, hard-of-hearing, young adults, and their families. Provides access to educational, social and community resources. Programs promote cultural diversity, literacy development, transition and life skills training, employment opportunities and socialization. After-school programs for deaf/hh and hearing children; may have combined additional disabilities. Parent advocacy, referral and resource support; sign language classes; NYRELAY/711 telecommunication; information/training services and mentoring opportunities.

## INSURANCE

### MEDICAID

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#### Facilitated Enrollment Program

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-6808**  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.ongov.net/health](http://www.ongov.net/health)

### MEDICARE

**Medicare Made Simple**.....676-4933  
[www.mymedicaremakesimple.com](http://www.mymedicaremakesimple.com)

Provides the service of helping retirees understand the Medicare system and their options, through seminars or one-on-one meetings. Enrollment services and coverage provided to those who qualify for a disability and veterans who need additional coverage for gaps the V. A. doesn't offer.

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Medicare Advantage • Medicare Supplement • Prescription Drug Plans  
Long Term Care (CLTC) • Life Insurance • Final Expense (Burial) • Dental Plans

#### PEACE, Inc. Health Plan Enrollment (Affordable Care Act)

Administration Office ..... **470-3325** Spanish  
217 S. Salina Street, 2nd Fl.....**634-3752** English  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.peace-caa.org](http://www.peace-caa.org)

The health plan enrollment specialist is a certified application counselor who educates the community on the Affordable Care Act and helps individuals and families to obtain health insurance through the NY State of Health marketplace. The health plan enrollment specialist provides in person application assistance to help people enroll initially and to renew existing coverage. Clients can receive help obtaining health insurance under the Affordable Care Act, Medicaid/Child Health Plus, not Medicare.

## LEGAL & ADVOCACY

The agencies listed below provide legal information and support specifically for persons with disabilities. New York State Education Department provides "**A Parent's Guide to Special Education,**" describing the rights of parents whose children receive special education services, is available on the NYS Education Department website [www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed](http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed)

#### AccessCNY

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)  
AccessCNY has an active advocacy committee composed of self-advocates, staff and volunteers. As a national voter registration site, staff can assist individuals who want to register to vote.

#### ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)  
Offers individual and systems advocacy on issues concerning the rights of people with disabilities, facilitates legal appeals for public benefits. Provides information and education on ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) issues, IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) and other laws relating to disabilities. Provides information on health care rights and assists with locating affordable and accessible housing for individuals with disabilities.

#### Center on Human Policy at Syracuse University (CHP)

805 S. Crouse Avenue ..... **443-3851**  
Syracuse, 13244 ..... [www.thechp.syr.edu](http://www.thechp.syr.edu)  
The CHP is a policy, research and advocacy organization involved in the national movement to ensure the rights of people with disabilities. Interests include education, community living, transportation, jobs, medical care, and rehabilitation. Offers info on laws, regulations, policies and on how to obtain quality community services. Free.

#### Disability Rights New York Inc. (DRNY)

TTY **518-512-3448** ..... Toll Free **800-993-8982**  
725 Broadway, Suite 450 ..... **518-432-7861**  
Albany, NY 12207 ..... [www.disabilityrightsny.org](http://www.disabilityrightsny.org)  
Formally known as Disability Advocates, DRNY represents people with legal issues relating to their disability.

#### Exceptional Family Resources (EFR)

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)  
Provides advocacy for educational entitlements, works with students, parents and local school districts to problem solve. Also, offers workshops on special education and disability issues. Advocate may accompany parents to committee on special education meetings. Offers disability awareness trainings, information and referrals to other community services and supports.

**Hiscock Legal Aid Society**

351 S. Warren Street ..... **422-8191**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.hiscocklegalaid.org](http://www.hiscocklegalaid.org)

Legal aid for people of low income in non-felony criminal cases by city court assignment and in civil cases such as divorce, landlord, tenant, and unemployment. There are eligibility guidelines. Free.

**Legal Services of Central New York**

472 S. Salina Street, Suite 300..... **(877) 777-6152**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.lscny.org](http://www.lscny.org)

Provides free legal assistance to low-income families and individuals for landlord/tenant problems, foreclosure, public benefits, unemployment insurance and a variety of other civil matters-serving 13 CNY counties. No criminal or personal injury cases.

**Mental Hygiene Legal Service**

224 Harrison Street, Suite 502..... **473-9495**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.courts.state.ny.us/ad4/mhls](http://www.courts.state.ny.us/ad4/mhls)

The MHLS is responsible for protecting and advocating for the rights of people who reside, or are alleged to be in need of care and treatment, in facilities licensed to provide services for mental illness, developmental disabilities or chemical dependence, and to individuals wherever they may reside, who may otherwise become subject to substituted decision making, either by virtue of becoming a ward of the court, by guardianship proceeding, or by virtue of being made subject to other specific substitute decision making authority, or involuntary outpatient treatment, allowed and put in place by the laws of NYS. Serves Cayuga, Onondaga and Oswego Counties.

**New Justice Conflict Resolution Services, Inc**

1153 W. Fayette Street, Suite 301 ..... **471-4676**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.newjusticeservices.org](http://www.newjusticeservices.org)

New Justice Services provide a center for the peaceful and constructive resolution of conflicts through direct intervention services (conciliation, mediation, and/or arbitration) and preventive programming (education and training services) Mediation is a voluntary and confidential service that is an alternative to court. Special Education mediation services offered to parent/guardians and the school district to help resolve conflicts involving a child with a disability. The conflict can relate to the identification, evaluation, educational placement or the provision of a free, appropriate public education for the child. There is no cost to parents or the school district. Special education mediation does not deny or delay a parent's right to an impartial hearing. Parents interested in special education mediation should contact the school directly to request the services. Offices in Onondaga, Cortland, Madison and Oswego Counties.

**notes...****NYS Commission on Quality of Care and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities (CQCAPD)**

401 State Street ..... **(800) 624-4143**  
Schenectady, 12305 [www.cqcapd.state.ny.us](http://www.cqcapd.state.ny.us)

The CQCAPD is an independent NYS government agency charged with improving the quality of life for New Yorkers with disabilities and protecting their rights by: promoting the inclusion of people with disabilities; insuring programmatic and fiscal accountability; providing individual and systemic investigative and advocacy services; advancing the availability and use of assistive technology, offering impartial and advice, training and recommendations on disability issues.

**NYS Division of Human Rights**

333 E. Washington Street, Room 443 ..... **428-4633**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.dhr.state.ny.us](http://www.dhr.state.ny.us)

Has the legal authority to enforce Human Rights Law of NYS. Investigates complaints of discrimination based on age, race, creed, sex, national origin, disability, marital status, record of arrest or conviction. Part of a statewide network of coverage, the Syracuse office serves Onondaga and all adjacent counties.

**Onondaga County Lawyer Referral ..... 471-2690****Onondaga County Syracuse Commission on Human Rights**

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-3567**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.ongov.net/Human\\_Rights](http://www.ongov.net/Human_Rights)

Advocates to ensure the rights of all county residents. Receives and investigates complaints of discrimination in employment, housing, criminal justice, public accommodations and other areas because of race, color, creed, national origin, age, sex, marital status, sexual orientation and disability, which are in violation of the NYS Human Rights Law. Provides "diversity in the workplace" training. Monitors city and county vendor contracts.

**Person to Person: Citizen Advocacy**

650 James Street ..... **472-9190**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ppcadvocacy.org](http://www.ppcadvocacy.org)

A advocacy group serving persons with developmental disabilities. We find people who will share a visit with someone with similar interests for community outings.

**Syracuse University Law School**

P.O. Box 6543 ..... **443-4582**  
Syracuse, 13217 [www.law.syr.edu/](http://www.law.syr.edu/)

**-Children's Rights Clinic** offers free legal services. Law students, supervised by a practicing attorney, represent children and families in cases dealing with education rights; school disciplinary and suspension hearings; special education; custody/guardianship; emancipation; and other issues. Free if eligible.

**-Disability Rights Clinic (DRC)** offers free legal services where law students, supervised by a practicing attorney, represent people with disabilities in employment, access



to government services and public accommodations, education, and other issues. The DRC engages in all forms of advocacy: educational, lobbying, litigation and other strategies designed to advance the civil and human rights of people with disabilities. Free.

**-Elder Law Clinic** offers free legal services to persons 65 or older. Law students, supervised by a practicing attorney, represent elderly clients in cases involving Medicaid, Medicare, social security, housing, consumer and selected other issues. Free if eligible.

## MEDICAL HOME CARE

### CONSUMER DIRECTED PERSONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CDPAP)

The following information about the Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) can be found on the NYS Department of Health website: [www.helath.state.ny.us/health\\_care/Medicaid/program/longterm/cdpap](http://www.helath.state.ny.us/health_care/Medicaid/program/longterm/cdpap)

This Medicaid program provides services to chronically ill or physically disabled individuals who have a medical need for help with activities of daily living or skilled nursing services. Services can include any of the services provided by a personal care aide (home attendant), home health aide or nurse. Recipients have flexibility and freedom in choosing their caregivers. The consumer or the person acting on the consumer's behalf, such as the parent of a disabled or chronically ill child, assumes full responsibility for hiring, training, supervising, and – if need be – terminating the employment of persons providing the services.

#### How do I find the CDPAP?

Before a person can receive services, his or her doctor must send a completed Physician's Order for Services to the local social services district which then completes a social and nursing assessment. A nurse assessor then determines whether the recipient can appropriately participate in CDPAP, and recommends the amount, frequency and duration of services.

#### Requirements of CDPAP

Recipients must be able and willing to make informed choices regarding the management of the services they receive, or have a legal guardian or designated relative or other adult able and willing to help make informed choices. The consumer or designee must also be responsible for recruiting, hiring, training, supervising and terminating caregivers and must arrange for backup coverage when necessary, arrange and coordinate other services and keep payroll records.

#### AccessCNY

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)  
AccessCNY offers home care through its Self-Directed Personal Services program. AccessCNY acts as the employer for payroll, insurance and benefits for personal assistants. AccessCNY trains participants in how to use the service and bills Medicaid for services provided.

#### ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.

635 James Street ..... **671-2990**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)  
ARISE's Consumer-Directed Personal Assistance Program (CDPAP) gives eligible individuals who are receiving Medicaid-funded home care services the opportunity to hire, train, supervise, and terminate, if needed, their own Personal Care Assistant.

#### Maxim HealthCare Services

224 Harrison Street, Suite 680 ..... **476-0600**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.maximhealthcare.com](http://www.maximhealthcare.com)  
CareFocus, is committed to enhancing the quality of life for people with disabilities and cognitive disorders through developmental and behavioral disability services, socialization support and more. Service recipients are involved in activities that promote stability, growth and focus on individual development. Through in-home assistance or community-based living assistance, our goal is to encourage the successful integration of our service recipients into their community.

#### Medical Solutions Inc.

499 South Warren Street ..... **481-4757**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.msfingerlakes.com](http://www.msfingerlakes.com)

### HOME HEALTH CARE

Home health care refers to services that make it possible for people to remain at home rather than use residential, long-term or institutional-based nursing care. These services may include some combination of professional health care services and life assistance services. Services and ages served vary. The following agencies accept Medicaid.

#### AccessCNY-Home Service Program

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)  
Due to a variety of circumstances, individuals with disabilities may sometimes "fall through the cracks" of traditional funding streams and services. This may be especially true of those with adult-onset disabilities such as arthritis, multiple sclerosis, or ALS. The goal of the Home Service program is to provide services to these individuals directly in their home communities and help them to lead active and productive lives. The Home Service program is a joint venture between the Cerebral Palsy Associations of New York State and the New York State Elks Association. Home Services help individuals with disabilities find local services to meet their specific needs. The program also provides advocacy, counseling, and follow-up to ensure the needs and rights of the participants are being upheld

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**At Home Independent Living, Inc.**4464 Milton Avenue ..... **579-4663**Camillus, 13031 [www.athomeindependentliving.com](http://www.athomeindependentliving.com)

At Home is the perfect adjunct service for the elderly or disabled person who is having trouble coping with independent living because of chronic disability, Alzheimer's disease or increasing frailty. Through a combination of compassionate caregivers and supportive technologies, individualized care plans are developed through our consultative approach to providing care. Services hours are customizable from a few hours per week to 24 hours/7 days depending on client needs and include cooking, cleaning, transportation, pet care, medical reminders and a whole lot more.

**CCH Homecare and Palliative Services, Inc.**990 Seventh North Street ..... **641-2385**Liverpool, 13088 [www.cchhomecare.com](http://www.cchhomecare.com)

Services include cardiac care, case management, diabetes education, home health aides, home infusion therapy, nutrition counseling, occupational therapy, palliative care, personal care, physical therapy, skilled nursing, speech therapy, telephone care monitoring and wound care. Accepts Medicare, Medicaid and private insurance.

**Gentiva Health Services, Inc.**200 Elwood Davis Road ..... **461-0209**Liverpool, 13088 [www.gentiva.com](http://www.gentiva.com)

Services include skilled nursing, cardiac care, hospice services, infusion services, neurerehabilitation, medication management, pain management, occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy and wound care for individuals age 65 and older. Accepts Medicare Part A and private insurance.

**Home Aides of Central New York, Inc.**723 James Street ..... **476-4295**Syracuse, 13203 [www.eldercarecny.org](http://www.eldercarecny.org)

Services include skilled nursing, home health aide, homemaker and companion care. Caregiver respite available for individuals age 60 and older or anyone over age 60 who is caring for a chronically ill or disabled younger person. Accepts Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance and long-term care insurance.

**Onondaga County-Long Term Care  
NY Connects LTC Resource Center**5075 W. Seneca Turnpike..... **435-1400**Syracuse, 13215 [www.ongov.net](http://www.ongov.net)

Assesses the level of services needed to meet long term care/home care needs. Provides information, assistance and screening services and assessment and/or enrollment services for several Medicaid programs.

**PAGE CNY**100 Malta Lane ..... **452-5800**N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.pacecny.org](http://www.pacecny.org)

Services include home care, medication management, occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy and day care for individuals age 55 and older.

**Self-Direct, Inc.**12 Oswego Street ..... **635-5374**Baldwinsville, 13027 [www.selfdirectinc.com](http://www.selfdirectinc.com)

Personal care aides for individuals with traumatic brain injury.

**St. Camillus Home Care**813 Fay Road ..... **488-2831**Syracuse, 13219 [www.st-camillus.org](http://www.st-camillus.org)

Services include skilled nursing, personal care and rehabilitation.

**St. Joseph's Home Care Agency**7246 Janus Park Drive ..... **458-2800**Liverpool, 13088 [www.sjhomecare.com](http://www.sjhomecare.com)

Services include skilled nursing, occupational therapy, physical therapy, nutritional therapy, speech therapy and respiratory therapy.

**Visiting Nurse Association of Central New York, Inc.**1050 W. Genesee Street ..... **476-3101**Syracuse, 13204 [www.vnacny.org](http://www.vnacny.org)

Services include skilled nursing, case management, occupational therapy, physical therapy, cardiac care, nutrition counseling, speech therapy, psychiatric nursing and wound care for children and adults. Accepts Medicare, Medicaid and private insurance.

**Winds of Agape, Inc.**1414 Grant Blvd..... **425-0547**Syracuse, 13208 [www.windsofagape.com](http://www.windsofagape.com)

Certified home health aides, respite and companion care.

## RECREATION & LEISURE

**AccessCNY**1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

AccessCNY offers a number of recreation programs for individuals with disabilities. Several recreation services are offered in conjunction with community agencies like the YMCA or neighborhood center. A three week summer camp is also offered in late July and early August. Project Adapt, the agencies assistive technology lending library, allows individuals to borrow everything from toys and games to bikes and wheelchairs

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**Advocates, Inc.**609 Vine Street ..... **469-9931**Liverpool, 13088 [www.advocatesincorporated.org](http://www.advocatesincorporated.org)

Family-centered recreational activities for individuals with disabilities and their families. Activities are free to families who qualify for OPWDD (Office for People With Developmental Disabilities) services. Activities may include but are not limited to: bowling, fishing, roller skating, picnics, dances, ball games and local theatre.

**Arc of Onondaga**600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **473-2935**Syracuse, 13204 [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

**-ART SURGE Program** is a comprehensive arts recreation program for teens (13-18yrs) diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. Call for class schedule. Weekly evening classes and daily summer sessions.

**-Community Recreation & Leisure** activities for adults with developmental disabilities. Each month, a schedule is offered to members so they may choose activities in which to participate, such as sporting events, community fairs, tours, and movies. Members and their families are encouraged to assist in the planning of activities.

**-Teen Scene Program** is a recreation program for teens 13-18, who live in Onondaga County in a non-certified setting.

**ARISE at the Farm**1972 New Boston Road ..... **687-6727**Chittenango, 13037 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

A 77-acre accessible recreation and educational facility open to the community and focused on the needs and interests of persons with disabilities, their families, and friends. Hosts corporate events, day camps, and school groups. Provides integrated recreational activities throughout the year. People of all abilities are welcome to visit or volunteer. Offers a fishing pond, walking/cycling path, petting zoo, picnic area, a universally-designed ropes challenge course, adaptive & therapeutic horseback riding.

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.**635 James Street ..... **671-2990**Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

ARISE & Ski-our certified instructors and skilled volunteers teach people of all ages and abilities how to ski and snowboard. Lessons run for six weeks at Toggenburg Mountain Winter Sports Center in Fabius, NY.

UNIQUE is an art and literary magazine that shares the artistic visions and voices of CNY artists with disabilities. The magazine is published annually by ARISE.

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**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.**9 Fourth Avenue ..... **342-4088**Oswego, 13216 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

Central Square Social Group is for youth with a disability who are ages 13-21 and still in school. Most of the activities take place in the Central Square area. We meet at least once a month and do things such as the ADA March, go bowling, enjoy parties together, and go on outings in our community. Teen Group is for youth ages 11-21 and most of the activities take place in Oswego. Activities are held 10 times a year and have included things like apple picking, bowling and going to see plays.

**ASTRIDE**P.O. Box 8241 ..... **469-1622**Syracuse, 13220 [www.ncpad.org/programs](http://www.ncpad.org/programs)

A recreational horseback riding program for people with disabilities. Astride is a volunteer, not-for-profit organization whose mission is to help people with disabilities to ride horses. Astride was founded in 1978. It is a member operating center of the North American Riding for the Handicapped Association (NARHA). We currently have two riding locations: Tanglewood Farm in LaFayette and Smoke Tree Farm in Lysander.

**Boy Scouts: Integrated Troops**2803 Brewerton Road ..... **463-0201**Mattydale, 13211 [www.cnyscouts.org](http://www.cnyscouts.org)**Camp Fire USA CNY Council**7 Adler Drive ..... **463-8799**E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.campfireusacny.org](http://www.campfireusacny.org)

Camp Fire USA offers Club and Camping Programs to all school aged children. These programs have trained adult role models, show children how to constructively use their time and expose children to diversity. Every effort is made to accommodate children with special needs. Clubs are generally held weekly, in the child's neighborhood. Camping opportunities are day and residential at the council owned site, Camp Talooli.

**Champions for Life Sports Center**453 Grant Avenue Road ..... **252-9305**Auburn, 13201 [www.Championsforlife.org](http://www.Championsforlife.org)

Offers gymnastics, tennis, karate, fitness center, dance studio, indoor golf and soccer - regular and power wheel chairs are welcome. Integrated and 1:1 programs for ages 3 and up. Scholarships available for individuals with disabilities, this is a year-round center.

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**CNY United Power Soccer ..... 857-7934**

E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.cnyunited.uspsateams.org](http://www.cnyunited.uspsateams.org)  
 A team sport, unisex, developed specifically for people with physical disabilities who use power wheelchairs or have a physical disability that prevents them from playing soccer. Players may use a protective wheelchair attachment and oversized soccer ball. Practices are September through June at the E. Syracuse Elementary school gym on Friday evenings from 6:30-8:30

**East Area Family YMCA**

200 Towne Drive ..... **952-8531**  
 Fayetteville, 13066 [www.ycny.org](http://www.ycny.org)

The East Area Family YMCA caters to families with diverse needs. Whether it be sports, swimming lessons, academic support, preschool, before/after school care, and/or inclusion needs, we've got you covered. Come visit us to see how we can best help you and your loved ones!

**Exceptional Family Resources (EFR)**

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
 Syracuse, 13208 [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)

-I-CAN will match eligible individuals with current EFR providers who will accompany them to inclusive community based activities. Providers will receive training focused on how to facilitate inclusion. Once successfully matched and trained, EFR will discontinue direct payment of EFR employees and the individual/family can opt to privately hire the provider through on-going I-CAN reimbursement funds. -Project Explore provides a half-day summer program of recreation activities for students 13-21 years old with developmental disabilities.

**Fitness Forum Services, LLC**

231 Walton Street ..... **477-0888**  
 Syracuse, 13202 [www.fitness-forum.com](http://www.fitness-forum.com)

Aquatic therapy and other therapies, private insurance and Medicaid accepted.

**Friday Night Dance**

For information only call ..... **956-7626**

The dance is held at the Youth Building at the NYS Fairgrounds every Friday from 7 PM- 9 PM \$5 cover charge, first visit free. Snacks and drinks are available for cash purchase.

**From the Ground Up Therapeutic Horsemanship, Inc.**

3669 Eager Road..... **655-8943**  
 Jamesville, 13078 [www.ftguhorses.org](http://www.ftguhorses.org)

Riding skills; learning to care for horses in their environment; vocational training program opportunities.

**notes...****GiGi's Playhouse**

5885 E. Circle Drive, Suite 250 ..... **288-7529**  
 Cicero, 13039 [www.gigisplayhouse.org/syracuse](http://www.gigisplayhouse.org/syracuse)

An educational and awareness center created to serve individuals with Down Syndrome from birth to adulthood. Provides resources, specialized teaching, and support to individuals, families, and communities. Designed to facilitate skill development in speech and language, fine and gross motor skills, and overall academic achievement, literacy and math tutoring available. Social opportunities for pre-natal diagnosis support, open play, baby and toddler groups, activities for young children, adolescents, and adults over 18. Free to families and specialized to meet needs of attendees.

**Girl Scout Council of Central NY**

8170 Thompson Road..... **698-9400**  
 Cicero, 13039 [www.gsccny.org](http://www.gsccny.org)

Year round programming for girls of all abilities ages 5-17. Opportunities include summer day camps (with buses provided to sites). Troop activities include camping, challenge course, caving, science and engineer activities as well as math related topics. Programs enable girls to develop leadership, self-confidence, and life skills. Financial assistance is available to eligible families.

**Greek Peak Mountain Resort**

2000 NYS Route 392..... **(607) 835-6111**  
 Cortland, 13045-9541 [www.gpadaptive.org](http://www.gpadaptive.org)

Greek Peak provides a comprehensive learn to ski program for people with disabilities with stand-up mobility. Mon-Sat, call for an appointment. Cost varies. On Sunday, the program operating from the Adaptive Training Center provides morning and afternoon sessions at a reduced rate. Cost includes lifts, lessons and rentals.

**HOPE.network (at Northside Baptist Church)**

7965 Oswego Road..... **652-3160**  
 Liverpool, 13090 [www.northsideonline.org](http://www.northsideonline.org)

Therapeutic dance groups; HOPE's Angels for school age children, HOPE's Ambassadors for teens and adults, HOPE's Cherubs for preschoolers. The HOPE Club is a socialization group for adults (18yrs +) with disabilities. HOPE.Happenings is a quarterly newsletter and calendar.

**Just for Kicks Soccer**

(at The Ultimate Goal Family Sports Center)  
 380 Lee Mulroy Road ..... **673-4625**

Marcellus, 13108 [www.ultimategoalonline.com](http://www.ultimategoalonline.com)  
 A developmental soccer program for children with disabilities ages 3-21.

**Learning Disabilities Association of CNY (LDA)**

722 W. Manlius Street..... **432-0665**  
 E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)

-Adult Social Group that provides social opportunities Tuesday or Thursday evenings and one Saturday each month. Participants are involved in the activity planning.

**-Summer Adventures In Learning (SAIL)** is a summer program for ages 6-13. This academically-based program offers classes in reading, math, study skills/writing strategies, computers, social awareness, art and music. The program runs for six weeks every summer with options for half or full day programming.

**-Learning Without Borders** develops academic and social skill for youth ages 14-16. The program meets three days a week in the summer months and monthly year round.

#### **Move Along, Inc.**

P.O. Box 2205 ..... **420-4765...or...374-0082**  
 Liverpool, 13090 ..... [www.movealonginc.com](http://www.movealonginc.com)  
 Provides recreational opportunities for people who live with disabilities in Central NY. Programs include tennis, basketball, sled hockey and kayaking. Formerly operating under the name Syracuse Flyers Wheelchair Sports Inc.

#### **New York State Inclusive Recreation Resource Center (NYS IRRIC)**

[www.cortland.edu/nysirrc](http://www.cortland.edu/nysirrc)  
 Promotes inclusive recreation opportunities so that people of all abilities can recreate and play wherever they choose. Projects include the development of a state-wide database that provides descriptive information about recreation programs, sites and facilities throughout NY. It also provides training and technical assistance to recreation providers so that all services can be as inclusive as possible.

#### **New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation**

Central Region ..... **492-1756**  
[www.nysparks.com](http://www.nysparks.com)  
 Detailed information about accessibility at all state parks.

#### **Onondaga County Parks**

106 Lake Drive..... **451-7275**  
 Liverpool, 13088 ..... [www.onondagacountyparks.com](http://www.onondagacountyparks.com)  
 Operates 6500 acres of regional attractions and educational facilities which are accessible to people with special needs. The Wegmans Playground at Onondaga Lake Park is a "Boundless" adventure area which has wheelchair access, customized swings, safety surfacing, and sensory rich, age zoned activity sections. Amtrykes, children's wheelchairs, helmets, and multi-rider bicycles are available at the Griffin Recreation Concession. Seven miles of level, paved trails, the lift-equipped Wegmans Trams, and accessible shoreline fishing spots are also features of Onondaga Lake Park. The Rosamond Gifford Zoo, Beaver Lake Nature Center, "Time Out To Fish" program at Carpenter's Brook Fish Hatchery, ramp accessible Jamesville Beach, Lights on the Lake at Onondaga Lake Park.

#### **Special Olympics**

187 Northern Concourse ..... **473-2933**  
 N. Syracuse, 13212 ..... [www.specialolympics.org](http://www.specialolympics.org)  
 Sports training in 23 sports for people with intellectual disabilities. Training by trained Special Olympic coaches on a seasonal basis throughout the year. Participants expected to attend all training sessions during season. (8-10 weeks)

#### **Syracuse Challenger Little League Baseball ..... 433-5176**

Baseball for ages 5-21, with developmental and/or physical challenges and disabilities.  
 Season begins in June. [www.syracusechallengers.com](http://www.syracusechallengers.com)

#### **Syracuse Chargers Track Club**

118 Foxcroft Lane..... **637-6211**  
 Fayetteville, 13066 ..... [www.syracusechargers.org](http://www.syracusechargers.org)  
 Program open to community participants, at the SRC Arena at Onondaga Community College.

#### **Syracuse Model Neighborhood Facility, Inc.**

401 South Avenue ..... **474-6823**  
 Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.swccsyr.org](http://www.swccsyr.org)  
 Eligibility-city residents; located at Southwest Community Center; youth and young adults with developmental disabilities can take part in social, recreational, personal development activities.

#### **Syracuse Parks,**

**Recreation and Youth Programs ..... 473-4330**  
 Swimming, ice skating and playground programs available throughout the city. Several playgrounds have equipment accessible for people with disabilities. [www.syracuse.ny.us](http://www.syracuse.ny.us)

#### **TOPSoccer**

##### **Syracuse Soccer Academy**

333 Pulaski Street ..... **450-4898**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.facebook.com/syracuseTOPSoccer](http://www.facebook.com/syracuseTOPSoccer)  
 Created to bring the fun and excitement of learning and playing soccer to any boy or girl, who has mental or physical challenges. Children ages 5-21. Admission is free.

#### **Westcott Community Center**

826 Euclid Avenue ..... **478-8634**  
 Syracuse, 13210 ..... [www.westcottcc.org](http://www.westcottcc.org)  
 Committed to address inclusion, the Center offers programs and services including; senior services Golden Cafe for daily lunch and socialization, dinners and classes, the Neighborhood Advisor program, and fitness classes. Recreation programs for all ages including Euclid Recreation Club, dances with live music and activities. Monthly dances, the first Saturday evening of each month, (with exceptions) from 7-9:30 PM. Live music and refreshments. \$2.00 admission charged at the door. Age 18 and up. No dances July and August. Our Kid's Club after-school program welcomes youth ages 8-14 with disabilities.



**SKY ZONE**  
 INDOOR TRAMPOLINE PARK

#### **MATT PATTERSON**

General Manager  
 3179 Erie Blvd, Syracuse, NY 13214  
 315-928-3737  
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## RELIGIOUS PROGRAMS

### Capernaum Young Life

600 Oswego Street, Suite 6 ..... **451-0064**  
 Liverpool, 13088 [www.symorth.younglife.org](http://www.symorth.younglife.org)  
 Young Life leaders have the privilege of knowing and sharing their lives with kids and Young Life Capernaum gives young people with mental and physical disabilities the chance to experience fun and adventure, to develop fulfilling friendships and to challenge their limits while building self-esteem through club, camp and other exciting activities. While all activities are open to every kid, many areas have dedicated programs for kids and young adults with disabilities, typically referred to as Young Life Capernaum Ministries.

### InterFaith Works of Central New York, Inc.

3049 E. Genesee Street ..... **449-3552**  
 Syracuse, 13224 [www.interfaithworkscny.org](http://www.interfaithworkscny.org)  
 InterFaith Works promotes compassion, cooperation and partnership among the diverse faith traditions in Central New York with the goal of increasing understanding and harmony among all people. We do this through education and dialogue. We also provide advocacy and six social service programs which serve people in need including refugees, the elderly, the disabled, and the institutionalized. As a result, thousands of people in our community are enabled to live better lives as our neighbors.

### Ministry for People with Disabilities

240 E. Onondaga Street ..... **470-1491**  
 Syracuse, 13201 [www.syracusediocese.org](http://www.syracusediocese.org)  
 The Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse, supports and initiates efforts to fully include people with disabilities in all aspects of the life of the Church. Provides services and resources to people with disabilities, their families, friends, and advocates. Pastoral counseling, education, referrals, Liturgical celebrations, church related on-site accessibility consulting.

## RESIDENTIAL & HOUSING

### AccessCNY

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
 Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)  
 Provides residential services in Onondaga County to people with developmental disabilities. AccessCNY operates several small group homes (3-4 people) and provides community habilitation services to people living in their own homes or apartments. The level of support provided is based on individual need and desire.

### Arc of Onondaga

600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **476-7441**  
 Syracuse, 13204 [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)  
 People choose from a variety of housing alternatives, supports and services to assist them in maximizing their abilities for living. Services include community residence living and apartments.

### ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
 Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)  
 Provides advocacy and services to individuals of all ages with all types of disabilities. ARISE's free housing locating and advocacy program provides support and assistance with: finding accessible housing in the community, housing discrimination, landlords who are not willing to accept your service or companion animal, referrals to community programs, and requesting accessibility modifications.

### Central New York Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO)

187 Northern Concourse ..... **473-5050**  
 N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)  
 Serves people in an eight county area that have a developmental disability. Operates Family Care homes and a range of community settings for children and adults, and residential supports for families.

### Christopher Community

990 James Street ..... **800-662-1220 TDD/TTY** ..... **424-1821**  
 Syracuse, 13203 [www.christopher-community.org](http://www.christopher-community.org)  
 A non-profit development and management company specializing in housing for seniors, families, and people with disabilities in Upstate New York. Their apartment communities provide access and accommodations for seniors and/or disabled individuals in a variety of upstate New York settings. Subsidized rental assistance is offered to residents who meet financial eligibility requirements.

### Community Options, Inc.

216 W. Manlius Street ..... **431-9859**  
 E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.comop.org](http://www.comop.org)  
 Provides support that allows people with disabilities the options to remain in their home and community; return to work; and maintain a level of independence with self-care and activities of everyday life.

### Connections of CNY, Inc.

3650 James Street, Suite 110 ..... **434-9800**  
 Syracuse, 13206  
 community-based agency whose mission is to provide quality personalized support to people with developmental disabilities. Relationship building is an essential element in the development of support. Support offered is determined in partnership with the individual, the family, and other significant people in his or her life and is provided through innovative and creative program design. Services include Medicaid service coordination, residential programming with supports and community habilitation.

**Elmcrest Children's Center**

960 Salt Springs Road..... **446-6250**  
Syracuse, 13224 [www.elmcrest.org](http://www.elmcrest.org)

**-Emergency:** Program for preadolescent and adolescent males with developmental disabilities, emotional, psychiatric and behavioral issues who need an emergency placement and/or a diagnostic evaluation

**-Residential Treatment:** Elmcrest campus residential treatment programs for adolescent males and females who are in need of trauma focused therapy, to include evidence-based Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) Skills Group.

**-Euclid Residence:** Euclid Ave, Syracuse  
Community Residence for adolescent males in the DSS system to develop critical life skills.

**-Family Support Center:** Transitional residence for children entering and moving through the foster care system in Onondaga County. FSC serves up to 14 males and females from 0-18 years old.

**-Waterford Wood Individualized Residential Alternative**  
4996 Worthington Way .....492-9990  
Fayetteville, 13066

Residence for adolescent males with developmental disabilities and challenging behaviors. Must be OPWDD eligible and enrolled in Home and Community Based Medicaid Waiver.

**Fair Housing Council of Central New York**

327 W. Fayette Street ..... **471-0420**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.cnyfairhousing.org](http://www.cnyfairhousing.org)

A nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting equal housing opportunity for everyone by helping to enforce laws against discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, sexual orientation, military status, source of income, disability and familial status.

**Home HeadQuarters, Inc.**

990 James Street, Suite 100 ..... **474-1939**  
Syracuse, NY [www.homehq.org](http://www.homehq.org)

An organization committed to creating housing and related opportunities that improve the lives of underserved people in central and upstate New York and revitalize the communities in which they live. Offers nationally-certified homebuyer education for first time homebuyers, financial and homeownership counseling, Foreclosure Prevention and real estate planning and development. Providers of affordable home and energy improvement loans and grants to area homeowners.

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**H.O.M.E., Inc**

**(Humanitarian Organization for Multi-cultural Experience)**

831 James Street ..... **472-5110**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.homeincny.org](http://www.homeincny.org)

Hudson Street Apartment's head of household must have a developmental disability. These apartments are located on 314 Hudson Street. White-Skipworth Apartments 1133 & 1151 W. Onondaga Street. provide a diversified living opportunity for people & families with disabilities. On-site community habilitation staff provides assistance in helping the residents learn how to maintain personal and social relationships, maximize independence, improve health and well being while supporting self advocacy.

**InterFaith Works of Central New York, Inc.**

3049 E. Genesee Street ..... **449-3552**  
Syracuse, 13224 [www.interfaithworkscny.org](http://www.interfaithworkscny.org)

Covenant House serves low and very low income households and individuals with significant, permanent disabilities. Most of the people served by Covenant Housing have physical, developmental and/or mental health related disabilities

**L'Arche Syracuse, Inc.**

1232 Teall Avenue..... **479-8088**  
Syracuse, 13206 [www.larchesyracuse.com](http://www.larchesyracuse.com)

A Christian community operating four homes for adults with developmental disabilities. Emphasis is on life sharing/relationships between people with a disability and those who assist them.

**Liberty Resources, Inc.**

1045 James Street ..... **425-1004**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.liberty-resources.org](http://www.liberty-resources.org)

Provides a range of residential and nonresidential services to individuals and families in Onondaga and Madison Counties. Residential opportunities include: individualized residential alternatives, supported apartments, community habilitation and individualized service environments.

**Loretto Community Residences, Inc.**

750 E. Brighton Avenue ..... **413-3592**  
Syracuse, 13205 [www.loretto-cny.org](http://www.loretto-cny.org)

Operates four supervised community residences for older people who use mental health services or have a developmental disability.

**Onondaga Community Living (O.C.L.)**

518 James St., Suite 110 ..... **434-9597**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.oclinc.org](http://www.oclinc.org)

Provides individualized residential support to adults with developmental disabilities in homes of their own, or in a living arrangement based on their desire to live with a friend or a nondisabled housemate. Support is available up to 24 hours/day, and is delivered in communities of the person's choice.

**Salvation Army**677 S. Salina Street ..... **475-1688**

Syracuse, 13202

[www.sasyr.org](http://www.sasyr.org)

Offers counseling, emergency housing care and material assistance to individuals and families; safe, affordable supervised apartments for young mothers ages 16-21 and their children; comprehensive youth services include residential care and counseling for runaway and homeless youth; counseling and case management for pregnant or parenting teens; Youth Community Center; PRISM program; shelter and transitional housing services for older troubled youth and their families.

**Spanish Action League of Onon. Co., Inc.**700 Oswego Street ..... **475-6153**

Syracuse, 13204

[www.laligaupstatecny.org](http://www.laligaupstatecny.org)

Bilingual information and assistance mainly directed toward the Latino population, but all clients are assisted regardless of their ethnic background. The housing department offers many services, chief among them a first-time homebuyers class, landlord/tenant mediation, and assistance navigating the foreclosure process.

**Spaulding Support Services**1050 W. Genesee Street ..... **478-6210**

Syracuse, 13204

[www.spauldingsupport.org](http://www.spauldingsupport.org)

Residential services, based on each person's abilities and needs, include teaching, support and assistance in many areas, including personal care, household skills, medical care and medications, financial management and community activities. People may choose to live by themselves or with others. Living choices include a certified residential program that may be in a house or an apartment, or supports that are provided in their own or their family home.

**Syracuse Housing Authority**516 Burt Street ..... **475-6181**

Syracuse, 13202

[www.syracusehousing.org](http://www.syracusehousing.org)

Low income public housing, including housing for families, Section VIII Housing, elderly, and people with disabilities.

**Syracuse Jewish Family Service, Inc.**4101 E. Genesee Street ..... **445-9111**

Syracuse, 13214

[www.sjfs.org](http://www.sjfs.org)

Service for special populations includes Consultation, comprehensive assessments and care management for older adults and individuals with special needs. We provide services to those who wish to live independently in the community, and individuals seeking housing that require supportive services.

**Toomey Residential and Community Services**1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **424-1845**

Syracuse, 13204

[www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

Provides residential and supportive services for children, adolescents and young adults who are unable to live at home.

**SCHOOL DISTRICTS  
& SPECIAL EDUCATION**

"A Parent's Guide to Special Education," describing the rights of parents whose children receive special education services, is available on the NYS Education Department website. [www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/](http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/) This guide and other publications explaining special education are available through your school district or may be downloaded from [www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications](http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications).

**Baldwinsville**

29 E. Oneida Street, District Office ..... 638-6043

Baldwinsville, 13027

[www.bville.org](http://www.bville.org)**Special Education** ..... **635-4570****Preschool Special Education** ..... **635-4572****Cazenovia**

31 Emory Avenue, District Office ..... 655-1375

Cazenovia, 13035

[www.caz.cnyric.org](http://www.caz.cnyric.org)**Special Education/Preschool** ..... **655-1361****Central Square**

642 S. Main Street, District Office ..... 668-4220

Central Square, 13036

[www.cssd.org](http://www.cssd.org)**Special Education** ..... **668-4324****Preschool Special Education** ..... **668-4282****East Syracuse Minoa**

407 Fremont Road, District Office ..... 434-3012

E. Syracuse, 13057

[www.esmschools.org](http://www.esmschools.org)**Special Education** ..... **434-3009****Preschool Special Education** ..... **434-3800****Fabius-Pompey**

1211 Mill Street, P.O. Box 161, District Office ..... 683-5301

Fabius, 13063

[www.fabiuspompey.org](http://www.fabiuspompey.org)**Special Education/Preschool** ..... **683-5465****Fayetteville-Manlius**

8199 E. Seneca Turnpike, District Office ..... 692-1200

Manlius, 13104

[www.fmschools.org](http://www.fmschools.org)**Special Education** ..... **692-1203****Preschool Special Education** ..... **692-1895****Jamesville-Dewitt**

P.O. Box 606, District Office ..... 445-8300

Dewitt, 13214

[www.jamesvilledewitt.org](http://www.jamesvilledewitt.org)**Special Education/Preschool** ..... **445-8380****Jordan-Elbridge**

9 N. Chappell Street,

P.O. Box 902, District Office ..... 689-8500

Jordan, 13080

[www.jecsd.org](http://www.jecsd.org)**Special Education/Preschool** ..... **689-8500**

**LaFayette**

5955 Route 20 West, District Office .....677-9728  
 LaFayette, 13084 [www.lafayetteschools.org](http://www.lafayetteschools.org)  
**Special Education** ..... **677-3131**  
**Preschool Special Education** ..... **677-3152**

**Liverpool**

195 Blackberry Road, District Office .....622-7900  
 Liverpool, 13090 [www.liverpool.k12.ny.us](http://www.liverpool.k12.ny.us)  
**Special Education** ..... **622-7184**  
**Preschool Special Education** ..... **622-7161**

**Lyncourt**

2707-2709 Court Street, District Office ..... 455-7571  
 Syracuse, 13208 [www.lyncourt.cnyric.org](http://www.lyncourt.cnyric.org)  
**Special Education/Preschool** ..... **455-7571**

**Marcellus**

2 Reed Parkway, District Office .....673-6000  
 Marcellus, 13108 [www.marcellusschools.org](http://www.marcellusschools.org)  
**Special Education/Preschool** ..... **673-6006**

**North Syracuse**

5355 W. Taft Road, District Office.....218-2151  
 N. Syracuse, 13212 [www.nscsd.org](http://www.nscsd.org)  
**Special Education** ..... **552-5075**  
**Preschool Special Education** ..... **552-5078**

**Onondaga Central**

4466 S. Onondaga Road, District Office.....552-5500  
 Nedrow, 13120 [www.ocs.cnyric.org](http://www.ocs.cnyric.org)  
**Special Education** ..... **492-1746**  
**Preschool Special Education** ..... **469-6926**

**Skaneateles**

49 E. Elizabeth Street, District Office.....291-2221  
 Skaneateles, 13152 [www.skanschools.org](http://www.skanschools.org)  
**Special Education/Preschool** ..... **291-2275**

**Solvay**

103 Third Street, District Office .....468-1111  
 Solvay, 13209 [www.solvayschools.org](http://www.solvayschools.org)  
**Special Education/Preschool** ..... **484-1412**

**Syracuse City**

725 Harrison Street, District Office .....435-4499  
 Syracuse, 13210 [www.syracusecityschools.com](http://www.syracusecityschools.com)  
**Special Education** ..... **435-4424**  
**Preschool Special Education** ..... **435-4576**

**Tully**

P.O. Box 628, District Office .....696-6200  
 Tully, 13159 [www.tullyschools.org](http://www.tullyschools.org)  
**Special Education/Preschool** ..... **696-6216**

**West Genesee**

300 Sanderson Drive, District Office .....487-4562  
 Camillus, 13031 [www.westgenesee.org](http://www.westgenesee.org)  
**Special Education** ..... **487-4698**  
**Preschool Special Education** ..... **487-4662**

**Westhill**

400 Walberta Road, District Office .....426-3218  
 Syracuse, 13219 [www.westhillschools.org](http://www.westhillschools.org)  
**Special Education/Preschool** ..... **426-3226**

**OCM BOCES****(Onondaga/Cortland/Madison Board of Cooperative Education Services)**

6820 Thompson Road ..... **433-2600**  
 Syracuse, 13211 [www.ocmboces.org](http://www.ocmboces.org)  
 BOCES offers alternate non-inclusive out-of-district placements located at various sites for their 23 component school districts. Programs are for children with emotional disabilities, cognitive and/or developmental delays, multiple disabilities, autism and learning disabilities. In addition, BOCES offers a deaf and hard of hearing program, an inclusive preschool program, extended school year programming and consultant services. Referrals must be made through your home school district's office of special education.

**TRANSITION FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

As students with special needs reach their teens, they and their families may need special help planning for the years after they are no longer in public education. Before your child reaches age 15, your local school district's CSE (Committee on Special Education) is required to meet with you, your child and collaborate with other professionals from community agencies to discuss what skills and knowledge your child will need as an adult and to further their job skills, living arrangements and community supports and services. The programs and services planned will become part of your child's IEP (Individualized Education Program). These will be reviewed and updated annually until your child completes school and/or through the age of 21.

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6820 Thompson Road ..... **433-2600**  
 Syracuse, 13211 [www.ocmboces.org](http://www.ocmboces.org)  
 Provides training, information, and technical assistance to school districts to improve transition planning and services. Collaborates with local agencies and parent groups to provide workshops on transition age topics to students and parents.

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**S.U. Center on Human Policy, Law, and Disability Studies**

805 S. Crouse Avenue, Room 110 ..... **443-4336**  
Syracuse, 13244 [www.supac.org](http://www.supac.org)

SUPAC is the Mid-State Region Special Education Parent Center. SUPAC provides parents of children with disabilities information, training, resources, and strategies to promote their meaningful involvement in their children's education; assist in understanding their children's disabilities; promote early resolution of disputes between parents and school districts; promote the use of resolution sessions and special education mediation; assist in understanding their procedural due process rights; and enhance parents' skills and levels of confidence to communicate effectively and work collaboratively with schools and other stakeholders to advocate and actively participate in their children's education. SUPAC covers the following BOCES regions: Herkimer-Fulton-Hamilton-Otsego; Madison-Oneida; Oneida-Herkimer-Madison; Oswego County; Onondaga-Cortland-Madison; Tompkins-Seneca-Tioga; Cayuga-Onondaga and Syracuse City.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT GROUPS**

Local school districts have formed parent teacher groups to support the common needs of their students, faculty and community members. Some districts also have additional special education parent teacher associations. Our area is part of the **Central Region Special Education Parent Teacher Association**. The goals of a **SEPTSA** (Special Education Parent Teacher Student Associations) are to bring in speakers related to special education, be a resource for families and assist families to maximize their children's learning and social experiences, open communication about children of all abilities, district wide improvements in special education services and work collaboratively with parents, teachers, administrators, students and community members. For information on a SEPTSA in your district or for your district's SEPTSA contact information, please contact the NYS Central Region PTA [www.nyspta.org](http://www.nyspta.org) or your local school district.

**Fayetteville-Manlius School District**

8199 E. Seneca Turnpike ..... **692-1200**  
Manlius, 13104 [www.fmschools.org](http://www.fmschools.org)

-Special Education Advisory Council..... **692-1203**  
Advisory Council memberships consist of community members appointed by the Board of Education, and an administrator appointed by the Superintendent who shall act as Co-Chairperson of the advisory council, and may utilize staff members as a resource. The council has produced a handbook with information for parents of children receiving special services.

**Liverpool Central School District**

195 Blackberry Road ..... **622-7900**  
Liverpool, 13090 [www.liverpool.k12.ny.us](http://www.liverpool.k12.ny.us)

Special education parent teacher group meetings are monthly. Topics of upcoming meetings will be posted on the district website and the district school calendar.

**Syracuse City School District**

725 Harrison Street ..... **435-4499**  
Syracuse, 13210 [www.syracusecityschools.com](http://www.syracusecityschools.com)

-Special Education Parents Teacher  
Community Organization..... **435-4424**  
A bi-monthly forum open to all parents, teachers, administrators, and community members to discuss current trends in the school district and share information with the Special Education Director.

**West Genesee School District**

300 Sanderson Drive ..... **487-4562**  
Camillus, 13031 [www.westgenesee.org](http://www.westgenesee.org)

The West Genesee SEPTSA represents students K-12 in the West Genesee School District. Membership is not restricted to parents/teachers/students enrolled in special education programs or receiving special services. It is open to any interested parent, teacher, student or administrator.

**EDUCATION ADVOCACY & RESOURCES****ARISE Child and Family Services, Inc.**

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

Provides support and self-advocacy training to help ensure that students with disabilities receive a free and appropriate education, accommodations, and services. Also evaluates and makes recommendations regarding physical accessibility of educational institutions.

**Exceptional Family Resources**

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)

Provides advocacy to families whose children receive special education services. Information available on educational rights and options, community supports, and transition. Advocate may accompany parents to CSE meetings, and provides workshops on various topics.

**Learning Disabilities Association of CNY (LDA)**

722 W. Manlius Street..... **432-0665**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)

Provides educational consultants who work with families of children kindergarten age through college with diagnosed or undiagnosed disabilities who require assistance navigating the educational system. This is a fee-based service.

**NYS Education Department/Special Education Quality Assurance (SEQA)**

333 East Washington Street, Suite 210 ..... **428-4556**  
Syracuse, 13202

[www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/quality/secentm.htm](http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/quality/secentm.htm)  
Special Education Quality Assurance oversees preschool and school-age special education services through a quality assurance review process that emphasizes attainment of positive results for student with disabilities. Regional Associates coordinate the review process and also provide technical assistance to parents, school district personnel, and private providers.

### **Regional Special Education Technical Assistance Support Center (RSE-TASC) Mid-State Region**

Onondaga-Cortland-Madison BOCES..... **433-2645**  
6075 E. Molloy Road, P.O. Box 4774  
Syracuse, 13221

[www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/techassist/rsetasc](http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/techassist/rsetasc)

Provides directed technical assistance and professional development to school districts to improve instructional practices and outcomes of students with disabilities.

### **Syracuse City School District: Parent Partnership Network**

725 Harrison Street ..... **435-4845**  
Syracuse, 13210 [www.syracusecityschools.com](http://www.syracusecityschools.com)

Involved with individual parent advocacy and support as well as district level policy issues and problem resolution. Advocacy at CSE meetings, behavioral hearings, and school meetings with teachers and principals. Offers parent training on education issues. Referrals to community and education services.

### **Syracuse Teacher Center/Syracuse Special Education School Improvement Specialist (SE-SIS) Syracuse City School District**

1153 W. Fayette Street, 2nd Floor..... **435-4217**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.syracusetc.org](http://www.syracusetc.org)

Resource for servicing the educational needs of students with disabilities, their parents and their educators in the Syracuse City School District. SE-SIS staff are experienced at supporting schools in planning and developing staff development programs for improving student achievement.

### **Syracuse University Parent Advocacy Center (SUPAC) New York State Special Education Parent Center (Mid-State Region)**

S.U. Center on Human Policy, Law, and Disability Studies  
805 S. Crouse Avenue, Room 110 ..... **443-4336**  
Syracuse, 13244 [www.supac.org](http://www.supac.org)

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## SENIOR SERVICES

This section includes the major providers in Onondaga County which serve seniors. The definition of who qualifies as a senior person varies and should be discussed with each agency and program. The providers chosen for this section serve people with developmental disabilities, as well as their caregivers. The intent is to highlight services which will enable individuals and families to live as independently as possible in the community.

For information on housing, day programs and home care for seniors. See the following sections in this manual: Adult Day Programs, Residential, and Medical Home Care. Additional information on services for seniors can be found in the Onondaga County Senior Resource Directory. [www.ongov.net/ay/Seniordirectory.html](http://www.ongov.net/ay/Seniordirectory.html)

### **AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

Due to a variety of circumstances, seniors may sometimes "fall through the cracks" of traditional funding streams and services. This may be especially true of those with adult-onset disabilities such as arthritis, multiple sclerosis, or ALS. The goal of the Home Service program is to provide services to these individuals directly in their home communities and help them to lead active and productive lives. The Home Service program is a joint venture between the Cerebral Palsy Associations of New York State and the New York State Elks Association. Home Services helps seniors and individuals with disabilities find local services to meet their specific needs. The program also provides advocacy, counseling, and follow-up to ensure the needs and rights of the participants are being upheld.

### **Alzheimer's Association, CNY Chapter**

441 W. Kirkpatrick Street ..... **472-4201**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.alzcn.org](http://www.alzcn.org)

Services for people with Alzheimer's disease/dementia include information and referral services (24-hour helpline 800-272-3900), care consultations, education and training for families and professionals, support groups, the Kirkpatrick Day Program and the MedicAlert and Safe Return program.

### **Arc of Onondaga Senior Opts Day Program**

677 S. Salina Street ..... **579-5625**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

A smaller and slower paced community day hab for people 55 and older. Participants are assisted by a retirement specialist to pursue a variety of activities according to individual choice.

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### Catholic Charities

Salina Civic Center, 2826 Lemoyne Avenue..... **424-1810**

Mattydale, 13211

[www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

#### **-EISEP (Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly)**

provides case management and in-home personal care and housekeeping for non-Medicaid eligible senior citizens. Additional services include telephone lifeline and day care subsidy. Outcomes include individuals being able to function independently or maintain independence in the community.

**-Project Fix** provides small in home repairs and maintenance assistance for senior citizens. Typically the service performs jobs involving plumbing, carpentry, home security and enhanced accessibility.

**-Neighborhood Advisors** provides outreach and information and referral services in specific geographic areas of the city and county, assisting the elderly with issues relating to Social Security, Medicare and other benefits. Generally assists seniors with any difficulty that they might encounter.

**-Adult Aide** program provides regularly scheduled intensive home visitors who provide advocacy, socialization and referral services for adult victims of elder abuse/neglect and domestic violence.

### At Home Independent Living, Inc.

4464 Milton Avenue..... **579-4663**

Camillus, 13031

[www.athomeindependentliving.com](http://www.athomeindependentliving.com)

At Home is the perfect adjunct service for the elderly or disabled person who is having trouble coping with independent living because of chronic disability, Alzheimer's disease or increasing frailty. Through a combination of compassionate caregivers and supportive technologies individualized care plans are developed through our consultative approach to providing care. Services hours are customizable from a few hours per week to 24 hours/7 days depending on client needs and include cooking, cleaning, transportation, pet care, medical reminders and a whole lot more.

### Elder Law Clinic

Syracuse University College of Law, Suite 440.... **443-2524**

Syracuse, 13244

[www.law.syr.edu](http://www.law.syr.edu)

The Elder Law Clinic offers free legal services to persons 65 and older. Law students, supervised by a practicing attorney, represent elderly clients in cases involving health insurance (Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance), access to medical care, advance directives, social security issues, consumer law, housing law and more. New cases accepted between September and March.

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### Exceptional Family Resources-Senior Caregivers Program

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**

Syracuse, 13208

[www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)

The Senior Caregivers Program serves individuals with developmental disabilities sharing a home with and being cared for by a family member who is 55 years old or older. Supports families with future planning, including linkages to services and information on guardianship and Supplemental Needs Trusts. Assists individuals to apply for Medicaid and SSI/SSD, establish eligibility for developmental disability services, begin to secure appropriate support services and to choose a service coordinator. Also, refers caregivers to services for themselves as needed and coordinates the DD Aging Coalition which provides information and education on senior issues.

### Hospice of Central New York

990 Seventh North Street ..... **634-1100**

Liverpool, 13088

[www.hospicecny.org](http://www.hospicecny.org)

Provides end of life and palliative care for anyone with a prognosis of six months or less of life. Services are generally provided in the patient or family home allowing the patient to die surrounded by all that is loved; family, friends, favorite books, music, pets. However, Hospice services are also available in nursing homes, hospitals and residential care facilities, such as group homes for people with disabilities. Hospice services are covered under Medicare, Medicaid and most commercial insurance plans. After the death of a loved one, the remaining family members are entitled to bereavement care through our Center for Living with Loss.

### Huntington Family Centers Senior Services

405 Gifford Street ..... **476-3157**

Syracuse, 13204

[www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org](http://www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org)

**-Senior Case Management Services:** Neighborhood Advisor & Brighton Towers Service Coordinator provide intensive outreach to older persons to support and link them to services and support networks.

**-Clover Corner/Project Choice** a multi-purpose program designed to offer older persons of all abilities daily options for socialization, information, education and leisure time activities. Lunch is provided. Program is held at the Syracuse Model Neighborhood facility at 401 South Avenue.

### Onondaga County Office for Aging and Youth

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-2362**

Syracuse, 13202

[www.ongov.net/ay](http://www.ongov.net/ay)

Provides information about community services that are available to older adults. Department programs include: senior dining and home-delivered meals; personal care for non-Medicaid eligible seniors (EISEP); heating, cooling and weatherization assistance (HEAP); health insurance information, counseling, and assistance program (HIICAP); employment assistance and caregiver assistance. Prime, a free monthly newspaper, is distributed throughout the county.



**PACE CNY (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly)**  
**-Sally Coyne Center** ..... **452-5800**

100 Malta Lane

N. Syracuse, 13212

**-Catherine McAuliffe Center** ..... **452-5800**

700 E. Brighton Avenue

Syracuse, 13205 [www.pacecny.org/pages/home.html](http://www.pacecny.org/pages/home.html)

Provides a wide spectrum of care and services to individuals who would otherwise qualify for nursing home care. From primary care physicians and nurse practitioners to social workers and dietitians, the PACE CNY team can provide services in an array of locations; in the home, medical day health centers, hospitals or long-term facilities. On-call health care coverage by doctors and nurses is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year. This is a program of Loretto in cooperation with St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center.

**PEACE, Inc.**

**Administration Office**

217 S. Salina Street, 2nd Fl. .... **470-3300**

Syracuse, 13202

[www.peace-caa.org](http://www.peace-caa.org)

**-Community & Resource Centers**

**Frank DeFrancisco Eastwood Community Center**

401 S Midler Ave ..... **437-4011**

Syracuse, 13206

Frank DeFrancisco Eastwood Community Center offers a number of intergenerational programs, including senior nutrition, day trips, volunteer activities and more.

Family Resource Centers provide emergency assistance, support, healthy lunches, engaging volunteer opportunities and continuing education to seniors.

**-Eastside Family Resource Center (ESFRC)** ..... **470-3325**

202 South Beech Street

Syracuse, 13210

**-County East Family Resource Center (CEFRC)** ... **437-7071**

202 South Beech Street

Syracuse, 13210

**-County South Family Resource Center (CSFRC)**

12 Clinton Street ..... **696-8203**

Tully, 13159

-Senior Nutrition prepares healthy meals and serves them to low income seniors at 50 sites throughout Onondaga County. The suggested contribution for lunch is \$2.75 per participant and \$5 for a guest meal.

**-Foster Grandparent Program (FGP)** ..... **295-0719**

FGP offers senior citizens the opportunity to share their time and talents with children and young adults in our community.

**-Neighborhood Advisor Program** ..... **303-4280**

Neighborhood Advisor can provide support to senior citizens ages 60 and above who live in the Baldwinsville area and the Town of Elbridge. This includes the Villages of Baldwinsville, Elbridge and Jordan and the Towns of Lysander, Van Buren and Elbridge. The program provides services to seniors, especially isolated and homebound seniors, who need assistance in order to remain independent and living in their own homes.

**-Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP)** ..... **303-5271**

-EISEP provides case management and in-home personal care and housekeeping for non-Medicaid eligible seniors.

**Syracuse Jewish Family Service**

4101 E. Genesee Street ..... **445-0820**

Syracuse, 13214

[www.sjfs.org](http://www.sjfs.org)

**-At-Risk Care Management** assists families in coping with the changes that often face older family members and/or those with disabilities. The care manager assesses the current situation, develops an individualized plan of care, assists the client and family in accessing needed services and provides ongoing monitoring and assessment.

**-EISEP (Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly)** assists non-Medicaid eligible senior citizens to maintain their independence and remain in the community. Clients receive case management and can access housekeeping, personal care, respite care, and ancillary services (e.g. installation/monitoring of a Personal Emergency Response System).

**-Senior Companions** links older adults with other seniors for lively and meaningful interaction. These visits also provide respite time for caregivers.

**-Solutions Program** assists seniors and individuals with disabilities to pay household bills, balance bank statements, read and write personal correspondence, and complete applications, claim forms and other official paperwork. Clients can also be assisted to pull together an organized system of household accounts and records.

**-S.O.S. (Serving Our Seniors)** Volunteers and staff members perform basic grocery shopping and errand services for homebound seniors and individuals with disabilities. Clients of the program may accompany the shopper if their general health and condition allows this to be done safely.

## SUPPORT GROUPS

Local support groups often develop from parents with children of similar disabilities. Support groups often improve parents' ability to cope and connect with their community through advocacy and education. Special education support groups are listed in the Special Education section.

**ADD/ADHD Parent and Staff Support Group**

North Syracuse Central School District ..... **218-2500**

Cicero, 13039

[www.nscsd.org](http://www.nscsd.org)

Meetings held at Cicero Elementary. Open to both district and non-district residents. 3-5 workshops per school year. Check "parent resource" section on website for dates and times.



**Arise Child and Family Services, Inc.**

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

**-Sibshops** is a social and support group for brothers and/or sisters that have a sibling with a disability. Sibshops is available for any youth in Onondaga County 7-12 years of age who have a sibling with a disability. ARISE also offers a teen group for teens 13-17 years of age who have a sibling with a disability. The group meets at various times and locations that are convenient for the participants. The meetings are a great opportunity to discuss concerns, frustrations, accomplishments, and almost anything else related to life with having a sibling with a disability. Sib teens 13-17 years old can also meet and chat online any time they want or need to 24/7! Sibshops is also available in Oswego County.

**-The Communicators** is a monthly social group in Onondaga County for adults with all types of disabilities. This group gives you the opportunity to come together, make new friends, socialize, learn, and share your experiences.

**-Additional Social & Support Groups** are also offered in Oswego and Madison Counties.

**Brain Injury Association of NYS - Central Region**

Onondaga County contact..... **453-7120**  
Liverpool, 13088 [www.bianys.org](http://www.bianys.org)  
Caregivers' group meets at The Centers at St. Camillus.

**Brain Injury Coalition**

420 E. Genesee Street ..... **425-5364**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.biccny.org](http://www.biccny.org)  
Support group for individuals and family members age 18 and over who have survived a brain injury. Support group meets the 2nd Wednesday from 7:00pm to 9:00pm at Community Options, 216 W. Manlius Street, East Syracuse.

**Café Plus**

216 W. Manlius Street..... **446-3124**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.dreamscape.com/cafeplus](http://www.dreamscape.com/cafeplus)  
A coffee shop sponsored by the Brain Injury Coalition. For people who have survived a head-injury or some type of head trauma or stroke. Meets the first Saturday of every month. There's coffee, food, conversation and much more!

**CNY ASA****(Central New York Chapter of the Autism Society of America)**

PMB 252, 4465 E. Genesee Street..... **447-4466**  
Dewitt, 13214 [www.cnyasa.org](http://www.cnyasa.org)  
Meetings held at Jowonio School. CNY ASA "Spectrum Support" is a peer-to-peer service for parents, caregivers and professionals of individuals with autism spectrum disorder who are seeking support and guidance.

**notes...****Disabled in Action of Greater Syracuse, Inc.**

165 Martin Street ..... **455-9626**  
Syracuse, 13208

Disability civil rights organization that fights for systems change and equality of people with disabilities in our society. Group meets at 4:30 the third Monday of every month at Enable.

**Down Syndrome Association of Central New York**

P.O. Box 5 ..... **682-4289**  
Manlius, 13104 [www.dsaofcny.org](http://www.dsaofcny.org)

Our purpose is to support one another in the challenges we face; to educate the community both in its knowledge and perception of Down syndrome; to advocate for our children and to be available to other parents.

**Epilepsy-Pralid Inc.**

1065 James Street, Suite 220 ..... **477-9777**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.epiny.org](http://www.epiny.org)

Support group for community members who may have epilepsy, traumatic brain injury and/or other neurological condition. Meets the last Tuesday of every month.

**FEAT of CNY****(Families for Effective Autism Treatment)**

51 Carousel Lane  
Baldwinsville, 13027 [www.featofcny.org](http://www.featofcny.org)

A group of parent and professionals dedicated to providing support, information, awareness and family events for families with children with autism.

**Foster, Adoptive and Kinship Parent Group (at the Salvation Army)**

749 S. Warren Street ..... **479-3616**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.sasyr.org/FSHH.html](http://www.sasyr.org/FSHH.html)

Group topics vary but are specific to foster, adoptive and kinship caregivers. A children's group for ages 6 and up meets simultaneously and childcare is available upon request.

**HOPE.network (at Northside Baptist Church)**

7965 Oswego Road ..... **652-3160**  
Liverpool, 13090

[www.northsideonline.org/ministries/hopenetwork.htm](http://www.northsideonline.org/ministries/hopenetwork.htm)

HOPE.network is a support group for families of children with disabilities which offers twice monthly meetings, several specialized programs for children, teens and adults with disabilities, family activities and educational workshops. Membership in the church is not required.

**Huntington Family Center**

405 Gifford Street ..... **476-3157**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org](http://www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org)

An education and life skills building group for parents of all ages and abilities. Group meets Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Childcare is provided. Home visits are provided as needed.

**Mainstream (at Syracuse Model Neighborhood Facility)**

401 South Avenue ..... **474-6823**  
 Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.swccsy.org](http://www.swccsy.org)

**Muscular Dystrophy Parent/Child Group**

6315 Fly Road, Suite 102..... **451-8269**  
 E. Syracuse, 13057 ..... [www.parentprojectmd.org](http://www.parentprojectmd.org)

**Prader-Willi Syndrome: Support for Families**

P.O. Box 222 ..... **402-6874**  
 Baldwinsville, 13027 ..... [www.prader-willi.org](http://www.prader-willi.org)  
 Ongoing discussion of issues of concern and opportunity for support among those affected by Prader-Willi Syndrome. Meetings held at Fayetteville Public Library.

**Rett Syndrome Telephone Support ..... 944-2001****SANYS****(Self-Advocacy Association of New York State)**

1005 W. Fayette Street, Suite 1A ..... **473-6927**  
 Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.sanys.org](http://www.sanys.org)  
 Supports and assists in development of self-advocacy groups. Promotes disability awareness through public education, presentations and trains disabled people in self-advocacy and their rights.

**Senior Social Group at Exceptional Family Resources**

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
 Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)  
 For caregivers 55 and older with a family member with a developmental disability.

**CNY Sensory Processing Disorder Parent-Connections (CNY SPD Parent-Connections)**

Beacon Baptist Church, Rt 31..... **247-4195**  
 Clay, 13041 ..... [www.cnyspdparents.com](http://www.cnyspdparents.com)  
 Support group for parents of children with sensory processing difficulties, regardless of diagnosis.

**Sibshop (at ARISE)**

635 James Street ..... **671-2926**  
 Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)  
 Sibshops is a group for brothers and/or sisters that have a sibling with a disability. Sibshops is available for any youth in Onondaga County 7-12 years of age and teens 13-17 who have a sibling with a disability. The group meets at various times and locations that are convenient for the participants. The events are fun and active and a great opportunity to discuss concerns, frustrations, accomplishments, and almost anything else related to life with having a sibling with a disability. Sib teens 13-17 years old can also meet and chat online in a secure format.

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**Tourette Syndrome CNY Support Group..... 635-6967**

Memphis, 13112 ..... [www.tsa-gnys.org](http://www.tsa-gnys.org)  
 Meetings held at Baldwinsville Public Library 3rd Tuesday of each month 7:00pm to 9:00pm.

**TRAININGS CLASSES & WORKSHOPS****At Home Independent Living, Inc.**

4464 Milton Ave..... **579-4663**  
 Camillus, 13031 ..... [athomeindependentliving.com](http://athomeindependentliving.com)  
 Online training library through The At Home Independent Living Family Learning Center is a vast educational resource for families with a loved one who is beginning to need care. The Family Learning Center offers over 50 courses relating to the roles, responsibilities and challenges surrounding the care of our elderly and disabled loved ones. Topics of our family courses range from understanding signs and symptoms of Alzheimer's disease, managing and coping with challenging behaviors, daily care skills, First Aid and even information on how to create engaging activities for your family member.

**Catholic Charities**

1654 W. Onondaga Street ..... **362-7547**  
 Syracuse, 13204 ..... [www.ccoc.us](http://www.ccoc.us)

**-Better Beginnings** Home-based therapy and child development for families with a chronically mentally ill parent and a child 5 years old or younger.

**-Healthy Teens, Healthy Babies** Infant care classes (Lullaby League) and supportive counseling for young moms and dads.

**-Parenting Classes** Evidence-based parenting classes for parents or caregivers of infants and children up to 12 years of age.

**Children's Consortium**

2122 Erie Boulevard E. .... **471-8331**  
 Syracuse, 13224 ..... [www.childrensconsortium.org](http://www.childrensconsortium.org)

**-Ready, Set, Parent!** includes visit at Crouse Hospital, newborn class and workshop series to increase parental knowledge, attitude and confidence.

**-Even Start Family Literacy Program** includes training for parents in literacy and child development.

**-Parent Success Initiative** is a series of classes for non-custodial parents in normal child development, positive discipline and limit setting and improving communication between parents.

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**Epilepsy-Pralid Inc.**

1065 James Street, Suite 220 ..... **477-9777**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.epiny.org](http://www.epiny.org)

Provides information and referral services to individuals and families with epilepsy, TBI, and other neurological impairments. Education services include: classroom and community presentations, epilepsy information course, H.O.P.E Mentor/Speakers' Bureau program, an annual conference and lending library. Independent living skills training, serves a 12 county area in Central NY.

**Exceptional Family Resources (EFR)**

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.contactefr.org](http://www.contactefr.org)

"Advocacy Workshops" are held on a variety of topics related to education, health and disability related issues including special education and NYS regulations. Outreach trainings include disability awareness trainings and autism awareness. Trainings are available for families, professionals, the community and school districts within Onondaga County.

**Huntington Family Center**

405 Gifford Street ..... **476-3157**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org](http://www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org)

Family Support Network is a parent education and life skills building group for parents of all ages. COPE+ is a parenting class designed to improve basic parenting skills, develop open and supportive communication between parents and children, help parents understand the complex challenges of adolescence and help families address problem areas.

**Learning Disabilities Association of CNY (LDA)**

722 W. Manlius Street..... **432-0665**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)

Provides general information on learning disabilities and related disorders, referrals, advocacy, family support services and parent training for families.

**Kohl's Autism and Related Disorders Program of the MLW/DEC**

215 Bassett Street..... **472-4404**  
Syracuse, 13210

For Calendar and Events: [www.kohlsautism.com](http://www.kohlsautism.com)  
**-Kidspeak** provides free interactive puppet workshops about autism for children ages 5-9 in school and community groups. A companion curriculum is available for follow up use. The program also provides training to child care centers and providers, recreation centers, libraries, and other community agencies regarding effective strategies for including children with autism spectrum disorders in their programs. Short term consultation and specific materials such as visual schedules and social stories can be provided.

**-Bridges** provides training to child care centers and providers, recreation centers, libraries, and other community agencies regarding effective strategies for including children with autism spectrum disorders in their programs. Short term consultation and specific materials such as visual schedules and social stories can be provided.

**-Treatment/Consultation** provides services to families with children with complex medical conditions or behavioral disorders, such as, Autism Spectrum Disorders or developmental and mental health issues.

**Onondaga County Department of Aging and Youth**

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center..... **435-2362**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.ongov.net/ay](http://www.ongov.net/ay)

The Youth Bureau provides planning, coordination and funding of services for youth up to age 21 and their families; advocacy; training of youth workers; training for parents of teens; information and assistance to parents and youth; publishes the "Youth Service Directory" and a wallet-sized directory for youth called "Classified for Youth".

**Parent to Parent of NYS, North Central Region**

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.parenttoparentnys.org](http://www.parenttoparentnys.org)

Training sessions are available on Medicaid service coordination, health care notebook, and for parents to become support parents to help other parents that have children with similar disabilities. Trainings are free and flexible. Serves Onondaga, Cortland, Herkimer, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Oswego and Cayuga Counties.

**Spanish Action League of Onon. Co., Inc.**

700 Oswego Street ..... **475-6153**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.laligaupstatecny.org](http://www.laligaupstatecny.org)

Bilingual information and assistance mainly directed toward the Latino population, but all clients are assisted regardless of their ethnic background. Currently, La Liga offers a first-time home buyers class and job orientations for certain employers.

**Syracuse University Parent Advocacy Center (SUPAC)  
New York State Special Education Parent Center  
(Mid-State Region)**

SU Center on Human Policy, Law, and Disability Studies  
805 S. Crouse Avenue, Room 110 ..... **443-4336**  
Syracuse, 13244 [www.supac.org](http://www.supac.org)

SUPAC is the Mid-State Region Special Education Parent Center. SUPAC provides parents of children with disabilities information, training, resources, and strategies to promote their meaningful involvement in their children's education; assist in understanding their children's disabilities; promote early resolution of disputes between parents and school districts; promote the use of resolution sessions and special education mediation; assist in understanding their procedural due process rights; and enhance parents' skills and levels of confidence to communicate effectively and work collaboratively with schools and other stakeholders to advocate and actively participate in their children's education. SUPAC covers the following BOCES regions: Herkimer-Fulton-Hamilton-Otsego; Madison-Oneida; Oneida-Herkimer-Madison; Oswego County; Onondaga-Cortland-Madison; Tompkins-Seneca-Tioga; Cayuga-Onondaga and Syracuse City.

**SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES**

**Aurora of Central New York**

518 James Street, Suite 100 ....TDD 422-9746..... **422-7263**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.auroraofcny.org](http://www.auroraofcny.org)

**Whole Me, Inc.**

1015 State Fair Boulevard.....TTY 468-3275 ..... **468-3275**  
Syracuse, 13209 [www.wholemeinc.com](http://www.wholemeinc.com)

**SOCIAL SKILLS TRAINING AND CLASSES**

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.**

9 Fourth Avenue ..... **342-4088**  
Oswego, 13216 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

Social Skills classes are held at the ARISE office in conjunction with a program for the parents that takes place at the same time in another room. This is for youth with a disability that are ages 8-12 and runs for 6 weeks. Other social skills classes are being taught at Central Square High School and Fulton High School.

**East Area Family YMCA**

200 Towne Drive ..... **637-2025**  
Fayetteville, 13066

[www.ymcaofgreatersyracuse.org/eastarea](http://www.ymcaofgreatersyracuse.org/eastarea)

“Social Butterflies” social skills class. Educational staff works with children in small group settings to help reach their personal social goals. Successful peer interaction through role play, games and group discussions will help boost self esteem. Groups integrated by skill level and abilities. Based on child’s needs, parents may be asked to stay.

**GiGi’s Playhouse**

5885 E. Circle Drive Suite 250 ..... **288-7529**  
Cicero, 13039 [www.gigisplayhouse.org/syracuse](http://www.gigisplayhouse.org/syracuse)

An educational and awareness center created to serve individuals with Down syndrome from birth to adulthood. Provides resources, specialized teaching, and support to individuals, families, and communities. Designed to facilitate skill development in speech and language, fine and gross motor skills, and overall academic achievement, literacy and math tutoring available. Social opportunities for pre-natal diagnosis support, open play, baby and toddler groups, activities for young children, adolescents, and adults over 18. Free to families and specialized to meet needs of attendees.

**Onondaga Community College - College for Living**

4585 W. Seneca Turnpike..... **498-6022**  
Syracuse, 13215 [www.sunyocc.edu](http://www.sunyocc.edu)

Call for information about an occasional course addressing social skills training for transition-aged students for school to work and/ or higher education, social opportunities and adult services.

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**North Area Family YMCA**

4775 Wetzel Road ..... **451-2562**  
Liverpool, 13090

[www.ymcaofgreatersyracuse.org/northarea](http://www.ymcaofgreatersyracuse.org/northarea)

For members and non-members. Our certified special education teachers incorporate role play, games and group activities into each “Friendship Group” session to assist students in developing friendships and social skills. Emotions, personal space, bullying and communication are just a few of the objectives addressed during the 6 week sessions. Friendships outside of class are encouraged through the distribution of the class list to each participant with the permission of the parents.

**Sibshops at ARISE Child and Family Services, Inc.**

635 James Street ..... **671-2926**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

Sibshops is a group for brothers and sisters to attend that have a sibling with a disability. Sibshops is for any youth in Onondaga County 7-17 years of age. Events are fun and its a great opportunity to discuss concerns, frustrations, accomplishments and anything related to life with having a sibling with a disability. Teens can also meet and chat online in a secure format.

**SUNY Upstate Medical Center - Department of Psychiatry: Child & Adolescent Psychiatry Clinic**

713 Harrison Street ..... **464-3145**  
Syracuse, 13210

[www.upstate.edu/psych/healthcare/psychclinics/child.php](http://www.upstate.edu/psych/healthcare/psychclinics/child.php)

Social and emotional skills groups for 6-12 year old children on the autism spectrum. Parent group runs at the same day and time to keep parents informed about group activities and offer parenting support. Groups run for ten sessions at various time during the year.

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# TRANSPORTATION

## Bus Parts Warehouse

1 Thermold Drive, P.O. Box 441 ..... **682-8834**  
 Manlius, 13104 ..... 1-800-635-5567 (24 hours a day)  
 A leading national distributor, we focus on replacement parts, product upgrades, and special needs products for the school transportation industry. Along with car seats, we have a strong focus in the special needs product area and our staff members are certified as instructors on the proper positioning and safety of wheelchair user occupants.

**Call-A-Bus** is a coordinated transportation service operated by CNY/RTA for the elderly and disabled who are unable to use the CENTRO fixed route bus service and meet the criteria established by the Americans with Disabilities Act. These requirements include any person, who could use the Centro bus service but the route they wish to travel does not have an accessible bus, and any person with a disability who has a specific impairment-related condition that makes it impossible for them to travel to a Centro bus stop. One personal care attendant will be allowed to ride for free when assisting a passenger. All eligibility is on a trip by trip basis. Customers must be preregistered. Applications for registration can be obtained by calling your local Call-A-Bus office or by downloading a copy from their website.

**Rides for Work** provides transportation services to low income residents of Onondaga County for the purpose of employment, job training and job interviews. It serves as a transportation brokerage to manage the transportation needs of human service agencies. Curb-to curb ride services are available 24 hours per day, seven days a week. Riders may use the service up to six months. It is a time-limited, income-based alternative transportation option for employment only. Has served people with development disabilities within their guidelines.

## CNY/RTA—Call-A-Bus and Rides for Work

One Centro Center ..... TTY/TDD 442-3430 ..... **442-3400**  
 Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.centro.org](http://www.centro.org)  
**Ride Reservations and Confirmations**..... **442-3420**  
**Cancellations** ..... **442-3434**

## FISH

Rides provided by volunteers for people who live in their community and have no other means of travel. Free. Riders must be ambulatory. Specific requirements vary from one FISH (Friends in Service Here) program to another.

**-Camillus Area Transport (CatFISH)** ..... **701-5949**

Transports ambulatory seniors from any zip code within the Town of Camillus for medical or dental appointments only.

**-Fayetteville-Manlius and Minoa** ..... **637-8158**

Medical and dental appointments only with 3-7 working-days notice needed.

**-Skaneateles and Auburn**..... **685-6679**  
 All ages transported to Skaneateles and Auburn locations. Medical appointments take precedence. Call early morning for same day service

**-Tully** ..... **696-8659**  
 Rides in Tully and Lafayette zip codes

## Medicaid Transportation Department of Social Services

421 Montgomery Street, Civic Center ..... **435-2928**  
 Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.ongov.net](http://www.ongov.net)

Medicaid may be used in certain instances to pay for transportation to medical appointments and day treatment programs.

## New York State Department of Motor Vehicles

5801 E. Taft Road ..... **(800) 225-5368**

N. Syracuse, 13212 ..... [www.nydmv.state.ny.us](http://www.nydmv.state.ny.us)

Information on parking privileges for the disabled: parking permits, distinctive plates, registration procedures. A non-driver's identification card is available.

## Onondaga County Health Department

**-Homebound Transportation Program** ..... **435-2960**

Provides four round trip rides to disabled individuals who are unable to leave their homes without assistance and who cannot use existing transportation services such as Call-A-Bus.

**-Traffic Safety Programs** ..... **435-3280**

Low cost bicycle and in-line helmet purchases, and traffic safety education, information/presentations.

**-Car Seat Rental Program** ..... **435-8485**

## Onondaga County Sheriff Office

### Accessible Parking Enforcement and SHAPE Program

407 S. State Street ..... **435-3036**

Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.ongov.net/sheriff/shape.html](http://www.ongov.net/sheriff/shape.html)

The enforcement of accessible parking regulations in Onondaga County is coordinated by the Sheriff's Department SHAPE program; accessible parking regulations, how to report violations and how to become a SHAPE volunteer.

## Parking Permits for Persons with Severe Disabilities

Call your local city, town or village hall to find out where the nearest permit issuing agent is located. Most city, town or village clerks, and some police departments, issue permits. Although most agents accept the MV-664.1 form, some have their own application form, and not all agents issue permits for temporary disabilities. Applications must be filed with your local agent, not the Department of Motor Vehicles.

[www.nydmv.state.ny.us/forms/mv6641.pdf](http://www.nydmv.state.ny.us/forms/mv6641.pdf)

## Syracuse Greyhound Bus Station

Regional Transportation Center ..... **472-5339**

131 Alliance Bank Parkway ..... 1-800-752-4841

Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.greyhound.com](http://www.greyhound.com)

Services include accommodations for service animals, mobility aids and oxygen use (within quantity and size guidelines). Help for people on and off buses and with bus transfers. Priority seats, baggage handling & storage/retrieval of mobility aids and devices.

## VOCATIONAL & CONTINUING EDUCATION

**Transition services** help students, their families and school districts make the change from high school to adult life. These services are required by law to be provided by the school district to your child between the ages of 15 to 21, if he or she receives special education programming and services.

General Education Degree (GED): Preparation for the GED exam can be obtained through classes offered by Onondaga-Cortland-Madison BOCES, Syracuse City School District (adult education), Onondaga Community College Ability to Benefit provision, CNY Works, Inc., and the Syracuse Educational Opportunity Center.

### AccessCNY— Employment Services

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

Individualized supported work services, including job placement, job facilitation, and ongoing follow-along, for adults and students in transition who have a physical and/or developmental disability, mental health issue, and/or are legally blind. Employers receive assistance in establishing natural supports with staff development. Employers may also receive assistance in making reasonable accommodations for general public access and for employees with disabilities to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

### ACCES-VR (Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities)

333 E. Washington Street..... TTY **428-4659** ..... **428-4179**  
Syracuse, 13202 [www.acces.nysed.gov/vr](http://www.acces.nysed.gov/vr)

Vocational and educational services for people with permanent disabilities and substantial vocational handicaps. There is a tremendous range of services, including evaluation, rehabilitation counseling and planning, adaptive equipment, work training, placement, special transportation and maintenance. Some services are based on NYS financial need standards.

### Arc of Onondaga-Monarch Enterprises

600 S. Wilbur Avenue ..... **424-6000**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.arcon.org](http://www.arcon.org)

Arc of Onondaga provides employment opportunities and training to people with developmental disabilities and serves the needs of the business community. Services include work centers, community-based employment/enclaves, individualized supported employment, school-to-work transition, competitive placement and a community resource office.

### ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

Offers supported employment services to help individuals with disabilities secure competitive employment and supports employers through consultation. Services include career exploration, employment preparation, job search assistance, and job coaching.

### CNY Works, Inc. and New York State Department of Labor Division of Employment Services

443 N. Franklin Street, Lower Level ..... **473-8250**  
Syracuse, 13204 [www.cnyworks.com](http://www.cnyworks.com)

NYS Certified Career Center. Provides career assessment and counseling for job seekers and specialized business services to local employers. Services include a state of the art resource center, internet job search, resume workshops, training classes and year round youth programs. GED preparation classes available.

### College for Living (at Onondaga Community College)

J. Stanley Coyne Hall, 4969 Onondaga Road..... **498-6005**  
Syracuse, 13215 [www.sunyocc.edu](http://www.sunyocc.edu)

**-Continuing education** for adults 18+ who have developmental disabilities. Noncredit courses in academics, recreation, independent living skills and computer skills are offered at OCC each semester.

**-New Visions** is a summer program held for one-week that offers students an encapsulated college experience, with noncredit classes relating to academics, recreation and daily living skills.

**-Foundations Transition Program** (formerly Passages) is a group day habilitation program that focuses on issues of personal/academic development revolving around employability. Students must be 19 years or older and transitioning from high school with an IEP diploma.

### OCM BOCES

#### (Onondaga-Cortland-Madison Board of Cooperative Education Services)

Career Training Center..... TTY **453-4415**..... **453-4455**  
4500 Crown Road

Liverpool, 13090 [www.ocmboces.org](http://www.ocmboces.org)

Full-time training in many occupational areas and part-time continuing education with over 500 offerings. Services include vocational evaluation, career counseling, job placement, job search workshops, GED preparation, English as a second language and customized workforce training. The Career Resource Center is open to the community at the Career Training Center.

### Precision Contractors

320 Gateway Park Drive ..... **452-0992**  
N. Syracuse, 13212

Work readiness program to develop skills for people with developmental disabilities under the OPWDD Waiver.

**Syracuse City School District:  
Rescue Mission Food School**

148 Gifford Street ..... **472-6251**  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.rmsyr.org](http://www.rmsyr.org)  
The Syracuse City School District operates a food preparation and cooking school at the Rescue Mission's Food Services Center. In conjunction with food service training, there are classes in employment preparation, including assistance with resume writing, completing applications, obtaining references, interviewing and other skills.

**Syracuse Educational Opportunity Center**

100 New Street..... **472-0130**  
Syracuse, 13202 ..... [www.syracuseeoc.com](http://www.syracuseeoc.com)  
An adult (17+) education program serving educationally and financially disadvantaged students. Programs include GED and GED testing, certified nursing aide, college preparation, computer software and software enrichment training, English as a second language, medical billing and coding and customer service office training. Programs are free for those who qualify.

**Unity Employment Services**

518 James Street, Suite B2..... **478-4240**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.unityhouse.com](http://www.unityhouse.com)  
Individualized supported work services for adults who have been diagnosed with psychiatric and/or developmental disabilities. Services include skill and interest assessments to identify career goals; assistance with job search activities, networking and interviewing to obtain employment; job coaching support and ongoing evaluation of job performance and satisfaction to ensure successful long-term employment.

**Winds of Agape, Inc.**

1414 Grant Boulevard ..... **425-0547**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.windsofagape.com](http://www.windsofagape.com)  
Assists individuals and families, those with brain injuries and other disabilities facing a crisis through the provision of emergency food, beds, and empowerment programs, including job training, employment through the Winds of Agape Home Care Agency, community education, adult day program, respite care and guidance to assist them in winning over adversity.

## OUT OF COUNTY RESOURCES

The Central New York Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO) serves all of the counties listed in this section. They frequently maintain more extensive lists of organizations for the counties they serve, and are a good place to start any search for services. The following lists are intended as a starting point for finding services in other counties.

## CAYUGA COUNTY

[www.human-services.org](http://www.human-services.org)

**AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**  
Syracuse, 13208 ..... [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)  
Provides evaluation and clinical services for people living in surrounding counties. Project Adapt and the TRAIID Center provide monthly rural outreach to Cayuga, Cortland, Madison, Oswego and Tompkins counties for the assistive technology lending library. Family Support reimbursement and environmental modifications are also available in Cayuga County.

**ARISE Child and Family Service, Inc.**

635 James Street ..... **472-3171**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)  
ARISE works to ensure that every person, regardless of disability, has the power to make life choices and achieve their dreams. As the local non-profit Independent Living Center for Onondaga, Oswego, Madison, Cayuga, and Seneca counties, many of the agency's services are available to people of all ages who have any type of disability. Programs include representative payee services, benefits advisement, peer advocacy, accessibility consultation, educational advocacy, information and referrals, Medicaid Service Coordination, a homeless self-sufficiency program for people with disabilities, home modification programs, equipment loan closet, ramp construction assistance, self-direction/consolidated support services, ombudsman program, employment programs, and more.

**AURORA of Central New York, Inc**

518 James Street, Suite 100 .... TDD 422-9746..... **422-7263**  
Syracuse, 13203 ..... [www.auroraofcny.org](http://www.auroraofcny.org)  
Offers a wide range of services to individuals who are blind, visually impaired, deaf or hard of hearing in Onondaga and contiguous counties, and their families. Services include: instruction in daily living skills; safe/independent travel training; instruction in adaptive technology for people with vision loss; information and referral; social work; outreach; support groups; early intervention services (assessment and training) for infants and toddlers; employment; youth services; summer education program; vision screening and the Marjorie Clere Interpreter Referral Service.

**Cayuga Centers**

101 Hamilton Avenue..... **253-5383**  
Auburn, 13021 ..... [www.cayugacenters.org](http://www.cayugacenters.org)  
Weekend respite, after 5:00pm weeknight respite, community habilitation, family reimbursement, and Medicaid service coordination.

**Central New York Developmental Disabilities Regional  
Office (CNYDDRO) – Cayuga County**

248 Grant Avenue, Suite 2 ..... **282-0021**  
Auburn, 13021 ..... [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

**E. John Gavras Center**

182 North Street..... **255-2746**  
Auburn, 13021 [www.gavrascenter.com](http://www.gavrascenter.com)

The service area includes Cayuga, Seneca, Wayne, Onondaga and Tompkins Counties. The Center is an evaluation and treatment facility in Cayuga County providing education, therapeutic, OPWDD, and respite care to individuals with special needs from birth through adult. Also provides state of the art rehabilitation of swallowing disorders including biofeedback and VitalStim® therapies. Residential services help individuals with daily life activities (as identified in their Individualized Service Plans,) and are usually provided within the home environment including Onondaga County. This is a Medicaid Waiver program operated under OPWDD.

**Epilepsy-Pralid Inc.**

1065 James Street, Suite 220 ..... **477-9777**  
Syracuse, 13203 [www.epiny.org](http://www.epiny.org)

Provides information and referral services to individuals and families with epilepsy, TBI, and other neurological impairments. Education services include: classroom and community presentations, epilepsy information course, H.O.P.E Mentor/Speakers' bureau program, an annual conference and lending library. Support services include: counseling, service coordination, family support, various support groups, Parent/Family Network activities. Camp EAGR—a one-week residential camp for children ages 8 – 15. Department of Health Waiver/TBI services include service coordination, independent living skills training, community integration counseling and intensive behavioral support.

**Learning Disabilities Association of CNY (LDA)**

722 W. Manlius Street..... **432-0665**  
E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)

Provides general information on learning disabilities and related disorders, referrals, advocacy, family support services and parent training for families. Employment services, recreation program, independent living for adults with learning disabilities and related disorders.

**Mid-State Early Childhood Direction Center (ECDC)**

805 S. Crouse Avenue ..... TTY 443-4355..... **443-4444**  
Syracuse University ..... (800) 962-5488  
Syracuse, 13244 [www.ecdc.syr.edu](http://www.ecdc.syr.edu)

Call ECDC if you have concerns about a young child under the age of five, both typically developing and those with special education needs. ECDC provides information, referral and support to families and professionals in confidence and free of cost about: early childhood development, behavior, and specific disabilities; screening and evaluation services (public and private); Early Intervention; preschool; child care; state and federal special education rules and regulations; parent support; and how the special education system works for young children.

**Options for Independence**

75 Genesee Street..... **255-3447**  
Auburn, 13021 [www.optionsforindependence.org](http://www.optionsforindependence.org)

Works with people with all types of disabilities and their families, to gain greater independence. Options offers representative payee services, benefits advisement, peer advocacy, accessibility consultation, educational advocacy and information and referrals. Options offers three home accessibility programs for people needing home modifications, Medicaid service coordination for those with MR/DD, a homeless self-sufficiency program for people with disabilities.

**Parent to Parent of NYS, North Central Region**

1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**  
Syracuse, 13208 [www.parenttoparentnys.org](http://www.parenttoparentnys.org)

Information, referral and training sessions are available on Medicaid service coordination, Health Care Notebook and for parents to become Support Parents to help other parents that have children with similar disabilities. Trainings are free and flexible.

**Seneca Cayuga Arc**

180 North Street..... **255-2285**  
Auburn, 13021 [www.sencayarc.org](http://www.sencayarc.org)

Services include adaptive technology, advocacy, Alzheimer's day services, Camp Columbus, consumer-directed personal assistance, clinical therapies and treatment, community employment, day habilitation, Early Intervention, employment services, family reimbursement, family support, guardianship, home and community-based Waiver services. Individual and family counseling, information and referral, job placement, preschool, pre-vocational training, recreation, rehabilitation services, community habilitation, respite, service coordination, Special Olympics, transportation and vocational services.

**Syracuse University Parent Advocacy Center (SUPAC)****New York State Special Education Parent Center (Mid-State Region)**

SU Center on Human Policy, Law, and Disability Studies  
805 S. Crouse Avenue, Room 110 ..... **443-4336**  
Syracuse, 13244 ..... or 877-824-9555

[www.supac.org](http://www.supac.org)

SUPAC is the Mid-State Region Special Education Parent Center. SUPAC provides parents of children with disabilities information, training, resources, and strategies to promote their meaningful involvement in their children's education; assist in understanding their children's disabilities; promote early resolution of disputes between parents and school districts; promote the use of resolution sessions and special education mediation; assist in understanding their procedural due process rights; and enhance parents' skills and levels of confidence to communicate effectively and work collaboratively with schools and other stakeholders to advocate and actively participate in their children's education.



**Unity House of Cayuga County**

108 South Street..... **253-6227**  
 Auburn, 13021 [www.unityhouse.com](http://www.unityhouse.com)

Provide services to people with a psychiatric disability and/or mental retardation/developmental disability. Employment services, community and day habilitation, alcohol and chemical dependency services, service coordination, homeless services, and residential sites.

**-Unity Employment Services..... 253-8732**

1110 Corporate Drive, Auburn 13021  
 Individualized supported work services for adults who have been diagnosed with psychiatric and/or developmental disabilities.

**-Medicaid service coordination, ID/DD community and day habilitation services.**

31 Market Street, Auburn 13021..... **258-9531**

**CORTLAND COUNTY**

[www.cortland-co.org](http://www.cortland-co.org)

**AccessCNY**

1603 Court Street..... **455-7591**  
 Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

Provides evaluation and clinical services for people living in surrounding counties. Project Adapt and the TRAIID Center provide monthly rural outreach to Cayuga, Cortland, Madison, Oswego and Tompkins counties for the assistive technology lending library. Family Support reimbursement and environmental modifications are also available in Cortland County.

**Access to Independence of Cortland County, Inc.**

26 N. Main Street..... **(607) 753-7363**  
 Cortland, 13045 [www.atcortland.org](http://www.atcortland.org)

Peer counseling and mentoring; personal and systems advocacy; community education and outreach; ramps and home modifications; support groups; wellness programs; adaptive equipment; social activities; information and referral; independent living skills training; and loan closet. Consultation regarding ADA, universal design, and architectural barrier removal.

**Central New York Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO) – Cortland County**

36 Owego Street..... **(607) 756-5637**  
 Cortland, 13045 [www.opwdd.ny.gov](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov)

**Children with Special Needs Division**

Cortland County Health Department..... **(607) 756-3439**  
 60 Central Avenue, Rm 120, Cortland, 13045

<http://cchd.cortland-co.org/index.php?>

Early Intervention, preschool and Physically Handicapped Children's Program (PHCP), facilitated enrollment.

**Cortland - Chenango Rural Services**

PO Box 57, 2704 Lower Cincinnatus Road.... **(607) 863-3828**  
 Cincinnatus, 13040 [www.cc.cnyric.org/ruralservices](http://www.cc.cnyric.org/ruralservices)

Serves all residents in 11 towns within the two-county area. Information; referral; advocacy; emergency services; community action; Child and Family Health Plus. Responds to the needs of the community as they are presented, connecting people with services and bringing programs/services to the rural community. Site for co-op Food Sense and other food programs; "Nearly New" clothing; support and information groups and Cincinnatus Farmers' Market. No fees except for food co-op.

**Epilepsy-Pralid Inc.**

1065 James Street, Suite 220 ..... **477-9777**  
 Syracuse, 13203 [www.epiny.org](http://www.epiny.org)

Provides information and referral services to individuals and families with epilepsy, TBI, and other neurological impairments. Education services include: classroom and community presentations, epilepsy information course, H.O.P.E Mentor/Speakers' bureau program, an annual conference and lending library. Support services include: counseling, service coordination, family support, various support groups, Parent/Family network activities. Camp EAGR—a one-week residential camp for children ages 8 – 15, Department of Health Waiver/TBI services include service coordination, independent living skills training, community integration counseling and intensive behavioral support.

**Franziska Racker Centers**

882 NYS Route 13..... **(607) 753-9375**  
 Cortland, 13045 [www.rackercenters.org](http://www.rackercenters.org)

(Headquartered in Ithaca) Evaluation, therapies, special education site-based and itinerant services and day care services for children under the age of 5. Community living services including: residential, family support services, service coordination, parent education and support, home and community-based services, habilitation and respite.

**J.M. Murray Center**

823 State Route 13..... **(607) 756-9913**  
 Cortland, 13045 [www.jmmurray.com](http://www.jmmurray.com)

A not-for-profit community organization providing vocational, habilitation and support services to people with disabilities. Work Center Services include vocational training, prevocational services, sheltered employment, student work supervision and diagnostic vocational evaluation. Day habilitation provides supports to consumers in their own home or apartment. Employment Connection provides supported, transitional and direct employment in the community: Projects with Industry, employment services for TANF recipients, in addition to prevocational and volunteer programs. Other services include service coordination, case management for DSS recipients, Model Transition Program in conjunction with ACCES-VR and Cortland High School and limited funding and financial reimbursement through Family/Individual Support Services and Assistive Technology contract.

**Learning Disabilities Association of CNY (LDA)**722 W. Manlius Street..... **432-0665**E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)

Provides general information on learning disabilities and related disorders, referrals, advocacy, family support services, and parent training for families. Employment services, recreation program, independent living for adults with learning disabilities and related disorders.

**Madison Cortland ARC**16 Crawford Street..... **(607) 756-2015**Cortland, 13045 [www.madisoncortlandarc.org](http://www.madisoncortlandarc.org)

Mailing address: 701 Lenox Ave., Oneida, NY 13421

Offers programs and services for people with developmental disabilities. Services include residential, family support, Camp ARCO, recreation, guardianship assistance, service coordination, Article 16 Clinic, day habilitation, community habilitation.

**Mid-State Early Childhood Direction Center (ECDC)**805 S. Crouse Avenue ..... TTY 443-4355 ..... **443-4444**

Syracuse University .....(800) 962-5488

Syracuse, 13244 [www.ecdc.syr.edu](http://www.ecdc.syr.edu)

Call ECDC if you have concerns about a young child under the age of five, both typically developing and those with special education needs. ECDC provides information, referral and support to families and professionals in confidence and free of cost about: early childhood development, behavior, and specific disabilities; screening and evaluation services (public and private); early intervention; preschool; child care; state and federal special education rules and regulations; parent support; and how the special education system works for young children.

**Parent to Parent of NYS, North Central Region**1820 Lemoyne Avenue..... **478-1462**Syracuse, 13208 [www.parenttoparentnys.org](http://www.parenttoparentnys.org)

Information and referral and training sessions are available on Medicaid service coordination, Health Care Notebook, and for parents to become Support Parents to help other parents that have children with similar disabilities. Trainings are free and flexible. Serves Onondaga, Cortland, Herkimer, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Cayuga and Oswego counties.

**Person to Person: Citizen Advocacy**17-29 Main Street, Suite LL 17 ..... **(607) 758-3116**Cortland, 13045 [www.ppcadvocacy.org](http://www.ppcadvocacy.org)

Person to Person is an advocacy group serving persons with developmental disabilities. We find people who will share a visit with someone with similar interests for community outings.

**notes...****Seven Valleys Health Coalition**50 Clinton Avenue..... **(607) 756-4198**Cortland, 13045 [www.sevenvalleyshealth.org](http://www.sevenvalleyshealth.org)

This coalition of organizations maintains an on-line Health and Human Services Resource Directory and calendar. Covers all of Cortland County and portions of Onondaga, Madison, Tompkins, and Cayuga Counties not covered by another rural health network.

**MADISON COUNTY**[www.madisoncounty.org](http://www.madisoncounty.org)**AccessCNY**1603 Court Street ..... **455-7591**Syracuse, 13208 [www.accesscny.org](http://www.accesscny.org)

Provides evaluation and clinical services for people living in surrounding counties. Project Adapt and the TRAIID Center provide monthly rural outreach to Cayuga, Cortland, Madison, Oswego and Tompkins counties for the assistive technology lending library. Home service and family support services are offered in Madison and Oswego counties.

Family Support reimbursement, environmental modifications and adaptive technician assistance are also available in Madison County.

**ARISE—Madison County Office**131 Main Street Ste. 107..... **363-4672**Oneida, 13421 [www.ariseinc.org](http://www.ariseinc.org)

ARISE works to ensure that every person, regardless of disability, has the power to make life choices and achieve their dreams. As the local non-profit Independent Living Center for Onondaga, Oswego, Madison, Seneca, and Cayuga Counties, many of the agency's services are available to people of all ages who have any type of disability. Programs include: Medicaid Service Coordination, Habilitation Programs, Self-Direction/Consolidated Support Services, Employment Programs, Advocacy (Health Care, Housing, Benefits, and Education), Information and Referral, and Inclusive Recreation.

**Central New York Developmental Disabilities Regional Office (CNYDDRO) - Madison County**226 Wilson Street..... **363-8970**Oneida, 13421 [www.omr.state.ny.us](http://www.omr.state.ny.us)**Community Health and Behavioral Services (CHBS) of Upstate Cerebral Palsy-Utica**1427 Genesee Street..... **738-1428**Utica, 13501 [www.upstatecp.org](http://www.upstatecp.org)

A licensed Article 28 facility which provides primary and behavioral health care services for children, adolescents and adults. Also provides specialty clinics in dental services, podiatry, endocrinology, neurology, and psychiatry.

**-Dental Clinic**801 Cypress Street ..... **339-6536**

Rome, 13440

**Consumer Services of Madison County**

1019 Northside Shopping Center..... **361-9131**  
 Oneida, 13421 [www.csomc.org](http://www.csomc.org)

Serves people with mental health needs through a variety of programs. Representative Payee Services are available for people with developmental disabilities.

**Epilepsy-Pralid Inc.**

1065 James Street, Suite 220 ..... **477-9777**  
 Syracuse, 13203 [www.epiny.org](http://www.epiny.org)

Provides information and referral services to individuals and families with epilepsy, TBI, and other neurological impairments. Education services include: classroom and community presentations, epilepsy information course, H.O.P.E Mentor/Speakers' Bureau Program, an annual conference and lending library. Support services include: counseling, service coordination, family support, various support groups, Parent/Family Network activities. Camp EAGR—a one-week residential camp for children ages 8 – 15. Department of Health Waiver/TBI Services include service coordination, independent living skills training, community integration counseling and intensive behavioral support.

**Kelberman Center (UCP of Utica)**

1601 Armory Drive, Building C ..... **797-6241**  
 Utica, 13501 [www.kelbermancenter.org](http://www.kelbermancenter.org)

Regional center providing comprehensive services for individuals with autism spectrum disorders including evaluation and diagnosis, individualized education services, social and life skills enhancement, training and research.

**Learning Disabilities Association of CNY (LDA)**

722 W. Manlius Street..... **432-0665**  
 E. Syracuse, 13057 [www.ldacny.org](http://www.ldacny.org)

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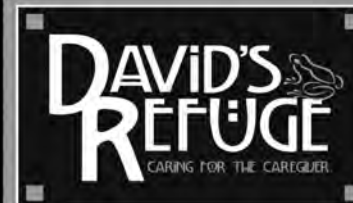
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Welcome to this edition of the Resource Manual for Onondaga County and surrounding areas. We hope you find the changes we have made helpful, user-friendly and valuable in the pursuit of the best services possible.

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