

# State Resource Guide

## Arkansas

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## **State Agencies and Organizations**

### **United States Senators**

Please see <http://www.mda.org/get-involved/advocacy/resources/government>

### **Official State Web Site**

<http://www.state.ar.us>

### **State Department of Education: Special Education**

#### **Arkansas Department of Education, Special Education Unit**

Phone: (501) 682-4221

TTY: (501) 682-4222

Email: [spedsupport@arkansas.gov](mailto:spedsupport@arkansas.gov)

Website: <http://arksped.k12.ar.us/>

Address: 1401 West Capitol Ave.

Victory Bldg. Suite 450

Little Rock, AR 72201-2936

### **State Coordinator for No Child Left Behind (NCLB)**

#### **Arkansas Department of Education**

Phone: (501) 682-4221

TTY: (501) 682-4222

Website: <http://www.arkansased.org/nclb/nclb.html>

Address: 1401 West Capitol Ave.

Victory Bldg. Suite 450

Little Rock, AR 72201-2936

### **Programs for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities: Infant/Toddler**

#### **Arkansas Department of Health & Human Services, Infant and Toddler Program**

First Connections Program

Phone: (501) 682-8650

Toll free: (800) 643-8258

Website: <http://www.arkansas.gov/dhs/ddds/FirstConn/index.html>

Address: Donaghey Plaza North

Slot N503

P.O. Box 1437

Little Rock, AR 72203-1437

### **Programs for Children with Disabilities: Early Childhood**

#### **Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Child Care and Early Childhood Education**

Arkansas Better Chance Preschool Program

Toll free: (800) 445-3316

Website: <http://www.arkansas.gov/childcare/>

### **State Vocational Rehabilitation Agency**

#### **Arkansas Department of Workforce Education, Rehabilitation Services**

Phone: (501) 296-1600 (V/TTY)

Toll free: (800) 330-0632 (V/TTY)

Website: <http://www.arsinfo.org/default.aspx?id=34>

Address: ARS Central Office

1616 Brookwood Drive

Little Rock, AR 72202

#### **Rehabilitation Services Administration**

Arkansas State Liaison

Phone: (202) 245-7538

Website: <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/rsa/index.html>

Address: 400 Maryland Ave, S.W.

Washington, DC 20202-2800

#### **Job Accommodation Network (U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Disability Employment Policy)**

Phone: (800) 526-7234 (V) or (877) 781-9403 (TTY)

Website: <http://www.jan.wvu.edu/>

### **Coordinator for Transition Services**

#### **Arkansas Department of Education**

Phone: (501) 682-4221

TTY: (501) 682-4222

Website: <http://arksped.k12.ar.us/>

Address: 1401 West Capitol Ave.

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Little Rock, AR 72201-2936

### **State Mental Health Representative**

#### **Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Behavioral Health Services**

Toll free: (877) 227-0007

Website: <http://www.arkansas.gov/dhs/dmhs>

#### **Mental Health Council of Arkansas**

Phone: (501) 372-7062

Fax: (501) 372-8039

Email: [mhca@mhca.org](mailto:mhca@mhca.org)

Website: <http://www.mhca.org>

Address: 501 South Woodlane, Suite 104

Little Rock, AR 72201

**National Institute of Mental Health**

Phone: (501) 661-1548  
Info line: (877) 227-0007  
Toll free: (800) 844-0381  
Fax: (501) 664-0264  
Website: <http://www.nami.org/MSTemplate.cfm?MicrositeID=182>  
Address: 712 East Third Street Suite 200  
Little Rock, AR 72201

**Programs for People with Developmental Disabilities**

**Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Developmental Disabilities Services**

Phone: (501) 683-0870 or (501) 682-8678  
Website: <http://www.state.ar.us/dhs/ddds/NewWebsite/index.html>  
Address: Donaghey Plaza North  
P.O. Box 1437, Slot N505  
Little Rock, AR 72203-1437

**Councils on Developmental Disabilities**

**Arkansas Governor's Developmental Disabilities Council**

Phone: (501) 661-2589  
Toll free: (800) 462-0599, ext. 661-2589  
Fax: (501) 661-2399  
Website: <http://www.ddcouncil.org>  
Address: 5800 West 10th Street, Suite 805  
Little Rock, AR 72204

**Protection and Advocacy Agency**

**Disability Rights Center, Inc.**

Phone: (501) 296-1775 (V/TTY)  
Toll free: (800) 482-1174 (V/TTY)  
Fax: (501) 296-1779  
Website: <http://www.arkdisabilityrights.org>  
Address: 1100 North University, Suite 201  
Little Rock, AR 72207

**Client Assistance Program**

**Disability Rights Center, Inc.**

Phone: (501) 296-1775 (V/TTY)  
Toll free: (800) 482-1174 (V/TTY)  
Fax: (501) 296-1779  
Website: <http://www.arkdisabilityrights.org>  
Address: 1100 North University, Suite 201  
Little Rock, AR 72207

**Programs for Children with Special Health Care Needs**

**Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Developmental Disabilities Services**

Phone: (501) 683-0870 or (501) 682-8678  
Website: <http://www.state.ar.us/dhs/ddds/NewWebsite/index.html>  
Address: Donaghey Plaza North  
P.O. Box 1437, Slot N505  
Little Rock, AR 72203-1437

**State CHIP Program (health care for low-income uninsured children)**

**ARKids First!**

Toll free: (888) 474-8275

Website: <http://www.arkidsfirst.com/home.htm>

**Telecommunications Relay Services for Individuals who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing or with Speech Impairments**

TTY: (800) 548-2546

Phone: (800) 548-2547

For national relay services, please visit <http://www.deafzone.com/relay/>.

**Regional ADA Technical Assistance Center**

**National Network of ADA Centers**

Phone: (800) 949-4232 (V/TTY)

**DBTAC- Southwest ADA Center**

Phone: (713) 520-0232 (V/TTY)

Fax: (713) 520-5785

Email: [dlrp@ilru.org](mailto:dlrp@ilru.org)

Website: [www.dlrp.org](http://www.dlrp.org)

Address: Independent Living Research Utilization  
2323 South Shepherd Boulevard, Suite 1000  
Houston, TX 77019

**University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities**

**Arkansas' University Center on Disabilities (University of Arkansas)**

Partners for Inclusive Communities

Phone: (501) 682-9900 (V)

TDD: (501) 682-9902

Toll free: (800) 342-2923 (V/TDD)

Fax: (501) 682-9901

Email: [Partners@uams.edu](mailto:Partners@uams.edu)

Website: <http://www.uams.edu/partners/about>

Address: 2001 Pershing Circle, Suite 300  
North Little Rock, AR 72114

**Technology-Related Assistance**

**Increasing Capabilities Access Network**

Phone: (501) 666-8868

Toll free: (800) 828-2799 (V/TDD)

Website: <http://www.arkansas-ican.org>

Address: 26 Corporate Hill Dr.  
Little Rock, AR 72205

**State Mediation System**

**Arkansas Special Education Mediation Project**

Phone: (866) 273-3959

Fax: (501) 324-9911

Website: <http://arksped.k12.ar.us/sections/disputeresolution.html>

Address: U.A.L.R. Bowen School of Law  
1201 McMath Ave.  
Little Rock, AR 72202

### **Special Format Library**

#### **Arkansas Regional Library for the Blind & Physically Handicapped**

Phone: (501) 682-1155

Toll free: (866) 660-0885

Email: [nlsbooks@asl.lib.ar.us](mailto:nlsbooks@asl.lib.ar.us)

Website: <http://www.asl.lib.ar.us/ASLBPH.htm>

Address: One Capitol Mall  
Little Rock, AR 72201

### **State Department on Aging**

#### **Division of Aging and Adult Services**

Phone: (501) 682-2441

Fax: (501) 682-8155

Website: <http://www.arkansas.gov/dhs/aging>

Address: PO Box 1437  
Slot S-530  
Little Rock, AR 72203

### **State Medicare and Medicaid**

#### **Arkansas Medicaid**

Phone: (501) 682-8501 (local and out-of-state)

Toll free: (800) 482-5431 (in-state)

Website: <https://www.medicaid.state.ar.us>

Address: Division of Medical Services  
Department of Human Services  
Donaghey Plaza South  
P. O. Box 1437, Slot S401  
Little Rock, AR 72203-1437

#### **Medicare**

Phone: (800) MEDICARE

Website: [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov)

Address: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
7500 Security Boulevard  
Baltimore, MD 21244-1850

### **Social Security Administration**

Phone: (800) 772-1213

TDD service: (800) 325-0778

Website: <http://www.ssa.gov>

Visit the website above for the location and phone number of the office in your city.

### **Veterans Affairs**

#### **Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs**

Phone: (501) 370-3820

Fax: (501) 370-3829

Website: <http://www.veterans.arkansas.gov/index.html>

Email: [adva@arkansas.gov](mailto:adva@arkansas.gov)

Address: Building 65, Room 119  
2200 Fort Roots Drive  
North Little Rock, AR 72114

## **Organizations Especially for Parents**

### **Parent Training and Information Center (PTI)**

#### **Arkansas Parent Training and Information**

Phone: (870) 336-APTI

Fax (870) 336-2787

Toll free: (866) 691-2784

Email: [shelby.arpti@rittermail.com](mailto:shelby.arpti@rittermail.com)

Website: <http://supports.org/pti/>

Address: 1702 Stone, Ste. A  
Jonesboro, AR 72401

## **Other Disability-Related Resources**

#### **Easter Seals Arkansas**

Phone: (501) 227-3600

Website: [http://ar.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=ARDR\\_homepage](http://ar.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=ARDR_homepage)

Address: Easter Seals Arkansas  
3920 Woodland Heights Road  
Little Rock, AR 72212-2495

See the above website for the location nearest you.

### **Community Information and Referral**

#### **United Way of Alabama**

Phone: 211

#### **Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC)**

Phone: (713) 520-0232 (Voice/TTY)

Fax: (713) 520-5785

Email: [ilru@ilru.org](mailto:ilru@ilru.org)

Website: <http://www.ilru.org/index.html>

Address: 2323 S. Shepherd, Suite 1000  
Houston, TX 77019

See the above website for a list of independent living centers in Arkansas.