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State Resource Guide

Mississippi

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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.ms.gov/>

State Department of Education: Special Education

Mississippi Department of Education, Office of Special Education

Office Phone: (601) 359-3498

Parent Hotline: (877) 544-0408

Website: http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/special_education/

Address: 359 North West Street, Suite 335
Jackson, MS 39205

State Coordinator for No Child Left Behind (NCLB)

Mississippi Department of Education

Phone: (601) 359-3513

Email: webhelp@mde.k12.ms.us

Website: <http://www.mde.k12.ms.us>

Address: 359 North West Street
Jackson, MS 39201

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 771

Jackson, MS 39205

Programs for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities: Infant/Toddler

Mississippi State Department of Health, FirstSteps Early Intervention Program

Phone: (601) 576-7427

Toll free: (800) 451-3903

Website: <http://www.msdh.state.ms.us/msdhsite/index.cfm/41.0.74.html>

Programs for Children with Disabilities: Early Childhood

Mississippi Department of Education, Office of Special Education

Office Phone: (601) 359-3498

Parent Hotline: (877) 544-0408

Website: http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/special_education/

Address: 359 North West Street, Suite 335
Jackson, MS 39205

State Vocational Rehabilitation Agency

Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services

Phone: (800) 443-1000

Website: <http://www.mdrs.state.ms.us/client/ovr.asp>

Address: 1281 Highway 51
Madison, MS 39110

Mailing Address: PO Box 1698
Jackson, MS 39215

Rehabilitation Services Administration

Mississippi State Liaison

Phone: (202) 245-7404

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

Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services, Transition Services

Phone: (800) 443-1000

Website: http://www.mdrs.state.ms.us/transitions_doc.asp

Address: 1281 Highway 51
Madison, MS 39110

Mailing Address: PO Box 1698
Jackson, MS 39215

State Mental Health Representative

Mississippi Department of Mental Health

Phone: (601) 359-1288

Fax: (601) 359-6295

TDD: (601) 359-6230

Toll free Help Line: (877) 210-8513 (24 hour services)

Website: <http://www.dmh.state.ms.us>

Address: 1101 Robert E. Lee Building
239 North Lamar Street
Jackson, MS 39201

National Alliance on Mental Illness Mississippi

Phone: (601) 899-9058
Toll free: (800) 357-0388
Fax: (601) 956-6380
Email Address: namimiss1@aol.com
Website: www.nami.org/sites/NAMIMississippi
Address: 411 Briarwood Dr Ste 401
Jackson, MS 39206-3058

Programs for People with Developmental Disabilities

Mississippi Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation/ Developmental Disabilities Services

Phone: (601) 359-1288
Fax: (601) 359-6295
TDD: (601) 359-6230
Toll free Help Line: (877) 210-8513 (24 hour services)
Website: http://www.dmh.state.ms.us/mental_retardation.htm
Address: 1101 Robert E. Lee Building
239 North Lamar Street
Jackson, MS 39201

Councils on Developmental Disabilities

Mississippi Council on Developmental Disabilities

Phone: (601) 359-1270
Fax: (601) 359-5330
TDD: (601) 359-6230
Email: info@cdd.ms.gov
Website: <http://www.cdd.ms.gov>
Address: 1001 Robert E. Lee Building
239 North Lamar Street
Jackson, MS 39201

Protection and Advocacy Agency

Mississippi Protection and Advocacy System, Inc.

Phone: (601) 981-8207
Toll free: (800) 772-4057
Fax: (601) 981-8313
Website: <http://www.mspas.com>
Address: 5305 Executive Place
Jackson, MS 39206

Client Assistance Program

Client Assistance Program

Phone: (601) 362-2585
Toll free: (800) 962-2400 (Voice/TDD)
Website: <http://www.mdrs.state.ms.us/client/qualifications.asp>
Address: 500G East Woodrow Wilson
P. O. Box 4958
Jackson, MS 39296-4958

Programs for Children with Special Health Care Needs

Mississippi State Department of Health, Children's Medical Program

Phone: (601) 987-3965
Toll free: (800) 844-0898
Website: http://www.msdh.state.ms.us/msdhsite/_static/41,0,163.html

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

Mississippi Division of Medicaid, CHIP Program

Phone: (877) KIDS NOW

Website: <http://www.medicaid.ms.gov>

Please see the above website for the complete contact information of the office nearest you.

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)

Southeast ADA Center (Project of the Burton Blatt Institute – Syracuse University)

Phone: (404) 541-9001 (V/TTY)

Fax: (404) 541-9002

Email: seadbtaacproject@law.syr.edu

Website: www.seadbtaac.org

Address: 1419 Mayson Street
Atlanta, GA 30324

University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities

The University of Southern Mississippi, Institute for Disability Studies

Phone: (601) 266-5163

TTY: (888) 671-0051

Email: ids@usm.edu

Website: <http://www.ids.usm.edu>

Address: 118 College Drive # 5163
Hattiesburg, MS 39406-0001

Shipping Address: 2609 West 4th Street
Hattiesburg, MS 39401-5876

Technology-Related Assistance

Project START

Phone: (601) 987-4872

Toll free: (800) 852-8328

Fax: (601) 364-2349

Email: contactus@msprojectstart.org

Website: <http://www.msprojectstart.org/mission.html>

Address: Addie McBryde Center
Fourth Floor Room 418
2550 Peachtree Street
Jackson, MS 39216

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1698
Jackson, MS 39215-1698

State Mediation System

Mississippi Department of Education, Office of Special Education

Office Phone: (601) 359-3498
Parent Hotline: (877) 544-0408
Website: http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/special_education/
Address: 359 North West Street, Suite 335
Jackson, MS 39205

Special Format Library

Mississippi Library Commission, Blind and Physically Handicapped Library Services

Phone: (601) 432-4111
Toll free: (800) 446-0892
Fax: (601) 432-4476
Email: lbph@mlc.lib.ms.us
Website: <http://www.mlc.lib.ms.us/servicestolibraries/BPHLS.html>
Address: 3881 Eastwood Drive
Jackson, MS 39211-6473

State Department on Aging

Mississippi Department of Human Services, Division of Aging and Adult Services

Phone: (601) 359-4929
Toll free: (800) 948-3090
Website: <http://www.mdhs.state.ms.us/aas.html>
Address: 750 North State Street
Jackson, MS 39205

State Medicare and Medicaid

Mississippi Division of Medicaid

Phone: (601) 359-6050
Toll free: (800) 421-2408
Website: <http://www.medicaid.ms.gov>
Address: Sillers Building
550 High Street Suite 1000
Jackson, MS 39201-1399

Please see the above website for the complete contact information of the office nearest you.

Medicare

Phone: (800) MEDICARE
Website: 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

Mississippi State Veterans Affairs Board

Phone: (601) 576-4850

Fax: (601) 576-4868

Website: <http://www.vab.state.ms.us>

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 5947
Pearl, MS 39288-5947

Organizations Especially for Parents

Parent Training and Information Center (PTI)

Mississippi Parent Training and Information Center

Phone: (601) 969-0601

Toll free: (800) 721-7255 (V/TTY)

Email: mspti@mscoalition.com

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

Address: 5 Old River Place, Suite 101
Jackson, MS 39202

Other Disability-Related Resources

Community Information and Referral

United Way Mississippi

Phone: 211

Website: <http://www.211ms.com>

Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC)

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

Fax: (713) 520-5785

Email: 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 Mississippi.