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# State Resource Guide

## New York

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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.ny.us>

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

#### **New York State Education Department, Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities**

Phone: (518) 474-1711

Email: [vesidadm@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:vesidadm@mail.nysed.gov)

Website: <http://www.vesid.nysed.gov/specialed/home.html>

Address: One Commerce Plaza, Room 1603  
Albany, NY 12234

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

#### **New York State Education Department, No Child Left Behind**

Phone: (518) 474-3852

Email: [nclbnys@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:nclbnys@mail.nysed.gov)

Website: <http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/deputy/nclb/nclbhome.htm>

Address: 89 Washington Avenue  
Albany, NY 12234

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

#### **New York State Department of Health, Bureau of Early Intervention**

Phone: (518) 473-7016

Email: [bei@health.state.ny.us](mailto:bei@health.state.ny.us)

Website: [http://www.health.state.ny.us/community/infants\\_children/early\\_intervention](http://www.health.state.ny.us/community/infants_children/early_intervention)

Address: Corning Tower, Room 287  
Empire State Plaza  
Albany, NY 12237-0660

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

### **New York State Education Department, Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities**

Early Childhood Direction Centers

Phone: (518) 486-7462

Email: [vesidadm@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:vesidadm@mail.nysed.gov)

Website: <http://www.vesid.nysed.gov/lsn/ecdc/home.html>

Address: One Commerce Plaza, Room 1624  
Albany, NY 12234

## **State Vocational Rehabilitation Agency**

### **Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities**

Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Phone: (518) 474-1711

Toll free: (800) 222-JOBS (5627)

Email: [vesidadm@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:vesidadm@mail.nysed.gov)

Website: [http://www.vesid.nysed.gov/adult\\_vocational\\_rehabilitation\\_services/about.htm](http://www.vesid.nysed.gov/adult_vocational_rehabilitation_services/about.htm)

Address: One Commerce Plaza, Room 1603  
Albany, NY 12234

## **Rehabilitation Services Administration**

New York State Liaison

Phone: (202) 245-7598

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**

### **Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities, Transition Services**

Phone: (518) 474-1711

Toll free: (800) 222-JOBS (5627)

Email: [vesidadm@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:vesidadm@mail.nysed.gov)

Website: <http://www.vesid.nysed.gov/specialed/transition/tranmain.htm>

Address: One Commerce Plaza, Room 1603  
Albany, NY 12234

## **State Mental Health Representative**

### **New York State Office of Mental Health**

Phone: (800) 597-8481

Website: <http://www.omh.state.ny.us>

Address: 44 Holland Avenue  
Albany, NY 12229

### **National Alliance on Mental Illness New York**

Phone: (518) 462-2000

Toll free Helpline: (800) 950-3228

Email: [info@naminys.org](mailto:info@naminys.org)

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

Address: 260 Washington Ave.  
Albany, NY 12210

## **Programs for People with Developmental Disabilities**

### **New York State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities**

Phone: (866)-946-9733

TTY: (866) 933-4889

Website: <http://www.omr.state.ny.us>

Address: 44 Holland Avenue  
Albany, NY 12229

## **Councils on Developmental Disabilities**

### **New York State Developmental Disabilities Planning Council**

Phone: (518) 486-7505

Toll free: (800) 395-3372 (Voice/TTY/TDD)

Fax: (518) 402-3505

Email: [ddpc@ddpc.state.ny.us](mailto:ddpc@ddpc.state.ny.us)

Website: <http://www.ddpc.state.ny.us>

Address: 155 Washington Avenue, Second Floor  
Albany, NY 12210

## **Protection and Advocacy Agency**

### **Commission on Quality of Care and Advocacy for Persons with Disability**

Protection and Advocacy Phone: (518) 388-2892

General Information toll free: (800) 522-4369 (Voice/TTY/Spanish)

Fax: (518) 388-2890

Website: <http://www.cqcapd.state.ny.us>

Address: 401 State Street  
Schenectady, NY 12305

## **Client Assistance Program**

### **Commission on Quality of Care and Advocacy for Persons with Disability**

Protection and Advocacy Phone: (518) 388-2892

General Information toll free: (800) 522-4369 (Voice/TTY/Spanish)

Fax: (518) 388-2890

Website: <http://www.cqcapd.state.ny.us>

Address: 401 State Street  
Schenectady, NY 12305

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

### **New York State Department of Health, Children with Special Health Care Needs Program**

Website: [http://www.health.state.ny.us/community/special\\_needs](http://www.health.state.ny.us/community/special_needs)

Address: Corning Tower  
Empire State Plaza,  
Albany, NY 12237

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

### **Child Health Plus**

Phone: (800) 698-4KIDS [(800) 698-4543]

TTY: (877) 898-5849

Website: <http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/chplus/index.htm>

Please see the above website for the contact information of the office in your community.

**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-Northeast ADA Center**

Phone: (607) 255-6686 (Voice / TTY / Spanish)

Toll free: (800) 949-4232 (Voice / TTY / Spanish)

Fax: (607) 255-2763

Email: [dbtacnortheast@cornell.edu](mailto:dbtacnortheast@cornell.edu)

Website: <http://www.ilr.cornell.edu/ped/northeastada>

Address: Employment and Disability Institute

201 ILR Extension Building

Cornell University

Ithaca, NY 14853-3901

**University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities**

**Westchester Institute for Human Development**

Phone: (914) 493-8150

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

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

Address: Cedarwood Hall

Valhalla, NY 10595

**Technology-Related Assistance**

**TRAID Project**

Phone: (518) 388-2892

TTY: (518) 473-4231

Toll free: (800) 522-4369 (Voice/TTY/Spanish)

Fax: (518) 388-2890

Website: <http://www.cqcapd.state.ny.us/AssistTechTRAID/Asst-Tech-TRAID.htm>

Address: NYS Commission on Quality of Care and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities

401 State Street

Schenectady, NY 12305

**State Mediation System**

**New York State Dispute Resolution Association Inc.**

Phone: (518) 687-2240

Fax: (518) 687-2245

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

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

Alternate Website: <http://www.vesid.nysed.gov/lsn/mediation.htm>

Address: 255 River Street, 4th Floor

Troy, NY 12180

### **Special Format Library**

#### **New York State Library, Talking Book and Braille Library**

Phone: (518) 474-5935  
Toll free: (800) 342-3688  
Fax: (518) 486-1957  
Email: [tbbl@mail.nysed.gov](mailto:tbbl@mail.nysed.gov)  
Website: <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/tbbl>  
Address: Cultural Education Center  
Albany, NY 12230-0001

### **State Department on Aging**

#### **New York State Office for the Aging**

Toll free: (800) 342-9871  
Email: [nysofa@ofa.state.ny.us](mailto:nysofa@ofa.state.ny.us)  
Website: <http://www.aging.ny.gov>  
Address: 2 Empire State Plaza  
Albany, NY 12223-1251

### **State Medicare and Medicaid**

#### **New York State Department of Health, Medicaid in New York State**

Email: [medicaid@health.state.ny.us](mailto:medicaid@health.state.ny.us)  
Website: [http://www.health.state.ny.us/health\\_care/medicaid](http://www.health.state.ny.us/health_care/medicaid)  
Address: Corning Tower Empire State Plaza  
Albany, NY 12237

### **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**

#### **New York State Division of Veterans Affairs**

Phone: (518) 474-6114  
Toll free: (888) VETS NYS [(888) 838-7697]  
Fax: (518) 473-0379  
Email: [DVAinfo@ogs.state.ny.us](mailto:DVAinfo@ogs.state.ny.us)  
Website: <http://veterans.ny.gov/index.html>  
Address: 5 Empire State Plaza, Suite 2836  
Albany, NY 12223-1551

## **Organizations Especially for Parents**

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

#### **The Advocacy Center**

Phone: (585) 546-1700 (Voice/TDD)

Toll free: (800)-650-4967

Fax: (585) 546-7069

Website: <http://www.advocacycenter.com>

Address: 590 South Avenue

Rochester, NY 14620

## **Other Disability-Related Resources**

#### **Easter Seals New York**

Phone: (212) 244-6053

Toll free: (800) 727-8785

Fax: (212) 244-6059

Website: [http://ny.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=NYDR\\_homepage](http://ny.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=NYDR_homepage)

Address: 29 W. 36th Street, 4th Floor

New York, NY 10018

### **Community Information and Referral**

#### **United Ways of New York State**

Phone: 211

Website: <http://www.211ny.org>

#### **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 New York.