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**ABSTRACT**

This directory contains information about 214 organizations that offer support, information, and other services to parents of seriously emotionally handicapped children and adolescents in the United States. The directory listings were compiled from information obtained through a 1985-86 survey of parent organizations conducted by the Families as Allies project of the Portland Research and Training Center (Oregon). The groups listed provide one or more of the following services to parents: (1) education and information; (2) parent teaching; (3) advocacy, either at the case or systems level; (4) support groups; or (5) direct assistance such as respite care, transportation, or child-care. The organizations listed represent a wide range of organizational types. They include self-help organizations organized by and for parents with no professional assistance, groups started by staff members of service-providing agencies, and groups sponsored by other organizations. The organizations are listed alphabetically within states. Each entry includes organization name, address, and telephone number; director; other contact persons; geographic service area; and a list of services offered to parents. (JDD)

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**of Seriously Emotionally Handicapped**  
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## INTRODUCTION

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Organizations included in the survey were those that indicated that they provided one or more of the following services to parents: (1) education and information; (2) parent training; (3) advocacy, either at the case or systems level; (4) support groups, or; (5) direct assistance such as respite care, transportation, or child-care.

The organizations listed in this directory represent a wide range of organizational types. They include self-help organizations organized by and for parents with no professional assistance, groups started by staff members of service-providing agencies, and groups sponsored by other organizations such as Mental Health Associations or affiliates of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, among others. We did not include organizations whose services are only available to parents when their children are also receiving services from the organization.

The groups included in this directory also reflect a variety of different goals and populations. A few are specifically and exclusively targeted to families of seriously emotionally handicapped children. The majority of the organizations included in this directory, however, serve parents of emotionally handicapped children along with other populations such as relatives of mentally ill adults or families of children with a variety of physical, emotional and educational handicaps.

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This directory is designed to fit in a standard three-hole notebook taking 5 3/8" by 8 3/8" paper. The parent organizations in this directory are listed alphabetically within states. We have done our best to insure that the listings are accurate, up-to-date and comprehensive. Recognizing that a work such as this is never complete, however, we have included forms that may be used to update or add directory listings. Forms that may be used to order additional copies of this directory are also located at the end of the listings.

We hope that this directory will be useful to parents, service providers and others interested in improving services to seriously emotionally handicapped children and adolescents throughout the country.

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Barbara J. Friesen, Principal Investigator  
Families as Allies Project

Portland, Oregon  
July, 1986

# ALABAMA

**CED Mental Health Center, DeKalb Satellite**

301 14th Street, N.W.  
Fort Payne, AL 35967  
(205) 845-4571

**Director:**

Jim Cody

**Other Contacts:**

Sandy White

**Service Area:**

DeKalb County, Alabama

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance

**CED Mental Health Center, Gadsden Satellite**

901 Goodyear Avenue  
Gadsden, AL 35903  
(205) 492-7800

**Executive Director:**

James J. Cody, ACSW

**Clinical Director:**

Kent Blocker, M.A.

**Other Contacts:**

Scott Bolton, M.A., Children's Unit

**Service Area:**

Etowah, Cherokee  
DeKalb counties in  
Northeast Alabama

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Special Education Action Committee**

**P.O. Box 8112  
Mobile, AL 36689  
(205) 478-1208**

### **Director:**

**Carol Blades**

### **Other Contacts:**

**Judy Dillaber, Parent Training Coordinator  
Hope Tallman, Administrative Assistant**

### **Service Area:**

**South Central Alabama**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Trainer-of-Trainers**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

# ALASKA

**Alaska Action for Children and Families (AACF)**

10104 Silver Street  
Juneau, AK 99801  
(907) 586-7163 or (907) 789-1575

**Director:**

Bruce McIntosh

**Other Contacts:**

Nancy Seamount

**Service Area:**

Alaska

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Systems Change

**South East Regional Resource Center  
Special Education Parent Team for  
Equal Rights (SEPTER)**

218 Front Street  
Juneau, AK 99801  
(907) 586-6806

Director:

Linda Griffith

Co-Director:

Warren Ellis

Service Area:

Alaska

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

# ARKANSAS

**Arkansas Alliance for the Mentally Ill  
Help and Hope, Inc.**

Hendrix Hall  
Room 125  
4313 West Markham  
Little Rock, AR 72201  
(501) 661-1548

Director:  
    Caroline S. Sneed  
Service Area:  
    Arkansas

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change/Advocacy
- Parent Support Groups

## **Arkansas Coalition for the Handicapped**

701 West 7th  
Little Rock, AR 72201  
(501) 376-3420

**Director:**

**Patsy Fordyce**

**Other Contacts:**

**Denese Estep, Trainer**

**Service Area:**

**Arkansas**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change Advocacy
- Parent Support Groups
- Referral Services

**Focus, Inc.**

2917 King Street  
Jonesboro, AR 72401  
(501) 935-2750

**Director:**

Barbara Semaru

**Other Contacts:**

Ramona Hodges

**Service Area:**

Northeast Arkansas

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

# ARIZONA

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## **Mental Health Association of Maricopa County**

1515 East Osborn Road  
Phoenix, AZ 85014  
(602) 274-0527

### **Director:**

John Simer

### **Other Contacts:**

Cheryl Douglas

### **Service Area:**

Northern Arizona

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Pilot Parents, Inc.**

2005 N. Central, #100  
Phoenix, AZ 85004  
(602) 271-4012

Director:

Betsy Trombino

Other Contacts:

Kathy Pastores

Service Area:

Maricopa County, Arizona

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training

# CALIFORNIA

**Association for Retarded Citizens-Fresno  
Children's Center**

420 N. Broadway  
Fresno, CA 93701  
(209) 442-0265

Director:

Marion Karian

Other Contacts:

Kathy Johnson

Service Area:

California Central Valley area

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Referral Assistance
- Parent Support Groups

**Countywide Child and Adolescent Community  
Services (C&A)**

**San Diego Mental Health Department  
3851 Rosecrans  
San Diego, CA 92110  
(619) 236-3381**

**Director:**

**Vacant**

**Other Contacts:**

**James Fay**

**Service Area:**

**San Diego County, California**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**

**Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund,  
Inc. (DREDF)  
Parent Training Project**

2212 6th Street  
Berkeley, CA 94710  
(415) 644-2555

**Director:**

Robert Funk

**Co-Director:**

Mary Lou Breslin

**Other Contacts:**

Pam Steneberg, Consultant,  
Parent Advocacy

**Service Area:**

East Bay, California

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Exceptional Family Member Program (ACS)  
Army Community Service**

**T-2067  
Sierra Army Depot  
Herlong, CA 96113  
(916) 827-4425**

**Director:**

**Barbara Gietzen**

**Service Area:**

**Sierra Depot Post,  
Herlong, California**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Family Information and Referral Service  
Telephone (FIKST)**

1801 Adeline, Room 203  
Oakland, CA 94607  
(415) 835-0188

**Director:**

**Richard York**

**Service Area:**

**Alameda County, California**

*Services Offered to Families of the Mentally Ill:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Mental Health Association of Napa County (MHA)**

1627 A Lincoln Avenue  
Napa, CA 94558  
(707) 224-9033

**Director:**

**Betty Mukerji**

**Service Area:**

**Napa County, California**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Support Groups
- Grandparent Support Group
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Multicultural Training of Trainers Project  
Protection and Advocacy, Inc.**

University Affiliated Program  
Children's Hospital of Los Angeles  
P.O. Box 54700  
Los Angeles, CA 90054  
(213) 669-2300

**Director:**

Sam Chan, Program Director

**Other Contacts:**

Albert Zonca, Executive Director,  
Protection and Advocacy, Inc.

**Service Area:**

Various project sites in  
California

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Parents Anonymous**

701 Lytle Street  
Redlands, CA 92374  
(714) 798-1576

**Director:**

Randy Engheben

**Service Area:**

Redlands, California and  
surrounding area

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Parents Helping Parents (PHP)**

535 Race Street, Suite 220  
San Jose, CA 95126  
(408) 288-5010

**Director:**

Florene Poyadue

**Co-Director:**

Georgette Strohm

**Other Contacts:**

Mary Ellen Peterson

**Service Area:**

Santa Clara County, California

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Visiting Parents
- One-to-One Peer Counseling
- Annual Symposium
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Special Education Parent Facilitator Program (PEP)**

Wittier Center, 7A  
3401 Chairmont Drive  
San Diego, CA 92117  
(619) 274-0484 or ext. 385

**Director:**

**Connie Strohbehan**

**Other Contacts:**

**Kathy Bodinger, Team Leader**

**Service Area:**

**San Diego, California**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

## **Team of Advocates for Special Kids (TASK)**

1800 E. LaVeta Avenue  
Orange, CA 92666  
(714) 771-6542

### **Director:**

Joan Tellefsen

### **Other Contacts:**

Joan Stoddard

### **Service Area:**

Southern California

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

# COLORADO

**Bethesda Community Mental Health Center, inc.**

4400 East Iliff  
Denver, CO 80222  
(303) 759-6100

**Director:**

Tom Barrett

**Other Contacts:**

Mimzy Tackney-Moehn, Clinician

**Service Area:**

Southeast Denver, Colorado

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Parent Support Groups
- Individual and Family Psychotherapy
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Colorado Children's Campaign**

1750 Gilpin  
Denver, CO 80218  
(303) 294-3212

Director:  
Marsha Gould  
Service Area:  
Colorado

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Systems Change

## **Denver Association for Retarded Citizens (DARC)**

899 Logan, Suite 311  
Denver, CO 80203  
(303) 831-7733

### **Director:**

Cristine Boswell

### **Other Contacts:**

Michael Welch, Family Support  
Coordinator

Jan Wellman, Parent Training  
Coordinator

### **Service Area:**

Denver, Colorado

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Direct Advocacy
- Community Programs
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Effective Parents Project (EPP)**

930 Ute Avenue  
Grand Junction, CO 81501  
(303) 241-4068 or (303) 243-5236

### **Director:**

Shari Dawson

### **Other Contacts:**

Eula Boelke, Consultant

### **Service Area:**

Western Colorado

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Parent Education and Assistance for Kids (PEAK)**

3709 E. Platte, Suite 101  
Colorado Spring, CO 80909  
(303) 574-2345

**Co-Director:**

Barbara Buswell

**Co-Director:**

Judy Martz

**Service Area:**

Colorado

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Parents Encouraging Parents**

13204 East Louisiana Avenue  
Aurora, CO 80012  
(303) 755-0953 or (303) 693-9932

### **Directors:**

Sharon Harris and George Harris

### **Co-Directors:**

David and Shay Eikner

### **Service Area:**

Denver metropolitan area

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Parents Encouraging Parents, Inc. (PEP, Inc.)**

3709 E. Platte, Suite 101  
Colorado Springs, CO 80909  
(303) 574-2345

**President:**

Alan Hepford

**Other Contacts:**

Judy Martz

**Service Area:**

Pikes Peak, Colorado

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- -Parent Training
- Parent Support Group
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Special Need Child Care Connection  
Parents Reaching Other Parents (PROP)**

YWCA  
1038 Bannock  
Denver, CO 80204  
(303) 534-5312 or (303) 825-7141

**Director:**

Jennifer Burnham,  
Special Needs

**Co-Director:**

Patty Mitchell, PROP

**Service Area:**

Metropolitan Denver, Colorado

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Day Care and Respite Care Information  
and Referral
- Child Care Provider Training
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Group

# CONNECTICUT

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## **Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center**

Mohegan Community College  
Mahan Drive  
Norwich, CT 06360  
(203) 886-5250 or (203) 886-2002

**Executive Director:**  
Nancy B. Prescott  
**Service Area:**  
Connecticut

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change

**Office of Protection and Advocacy for  
Handicapped Persons (P&A)**

90 Washington Street  
Hartford, CT 06106  
(203) 566-7616; 566-2102 (TDD)

**Director:**

Eliot Dober

**Assistant Director:**

Stan Kosloski

**Other Contacts:**

Sharon Johnson,

Public Information Officer

**Service Area:**

Connecticut

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter on disability rights, services
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Individual Case Advocacy
- Legal Services
- Systems Advocacy
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **State Department of Children and Youth Services**

**170 Sigourney Street  
Hartford, CT 06105  
(203) 566-5522**

### **Commissioner:**

**Mark J. Marcus**

### **Other Contacts:**

**Robert Keating, Director,  
Planning and Community  
Development**

### **Service Area:**

**Connecticut**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

# DELAWARE

## **Mental Health Association in Delaware**

1813 North Franklin  
Wilmington, DE 19802  
(302) 656-8308

**Director:**

**Zachariah Lingham, III**

**Other Contacts:**

**Julie G. Anderson**

**Service Area:**

**Delaware**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Group Referral
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Parent Information Center of Delaware, Inc.**

Newark Medical Bldg.  
Suite 5  
327 East Main Street  
Newark, DE 19711  
(302) 366-0152

Director:

Patricia Gail Herbert

Service Area:

Delaware

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

# DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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**Parent Project (PSSE)**

**Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy Institute**

801 Buchanan Street, N.E.  
Washington, DC 20017  
(202) 529-7600

**Director:**

Susan Learmonth, Project Coord.

**Other Contacts:**

Jackie Snowden, Supervisor

**Service Area:**

Washington, D.C.

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Parenting Reaching Out Services (PROS)  
DC General Hospital, Handicapped Infant  
Intervention Project**

West Wing, 4th Floor  
1900 Massachusetts Avenue, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20003  
(202) 727-3866

**Director:**

Elaine Vowels

**Other Contacts:**

Ellen Abramson

**Service Area:**

Washington, D.C.

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

# FLORIDA

**Florida Association for Children with Learning  
Disabilities (FACLD)**

210 Bel Aire Court  
Punta Gorda, FL 33950  
(813) 637-8957

**Executive Secretary:**  
Cheryl Kron

**Other Contacts:**  
Jackie Sipple, Secretary and  
Advocate

**Service Area:**  
Florida

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

**Florida Severely Emotionally Disturbed  
Network (SED Net)**

Department of Special Education, Bureau for  
Exceptional Students  
Knott Building  
Tallahassee, FL 32301  
(904) 488-1106

Director:  
Lee Clark  
Service Area:  
Florida

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Mental Health Association of Dade County**

**800 Brickell Plaza  
Miami, FL 33131  
(305) 379-3642**

**Director:**

**Patricia Register**

**Service Area:**

**Dade County, Florida**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Mental Health Association of Hillsborough  
County (MHAHC)**

209 S. Morgan Street  
Tampa, FL 33602  
(813) 273-0328

**Director:**

Reba Cook

**Service Area:**

Hillsborough County, Florida

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Northside Centers, Inc.**

13301 North 30th St.  
Tampa, FL 33612  
(813) 977-8700

**Director:**

**Anthony Broskowski**

**Other Contacts:**

**Helen West, Outpatient Director**

**Service Area:**

**Hillsborough County, Florida**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Family Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Parent Education Network of Florida (PEN)**

2215 East Henry Avenue  
Tampa, FL 33610  
(813) 239-1179

**President:**

Jackie Sipple, Chair

**Other Contacts:**

Nadine Johnson, Director,  
Cerebral Palsy

**Service Area:**

Florida

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training

## **Parent to Parent of Florida**

621 Kraft Avenue  
Panama City, FL 32401  
(904) 769-6606

### **Director:**

Sandra Muller

### **Other Contacts:**

Susan Duwa, Grant Coordinator

### **Service Area:**

Florida

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Parent Training Manual
- Workshops/Technical Assistance/Follow-up
- Parent Support Resource Information

# GEORGIA

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**Mental Health Association of Metro Atlanta (MHAMA)**

100 Edgewood Avenue, N.E., Suite 502  
Atlanta, GA 30303  
(404) 527-7175

**Director:**

Judy Nevilles-Porter

**Other Contacts:**

Michael A. Shulman

**Service Area:**

Metropolitan Atlanta, Georgia

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Information and Referral
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Legislative Advocacy
- Parent Support Group
- Parent Education
- Minority Resources

## **Parents Educating Parents (PEP)**

1851 Ram Runway  
College Park, GA 30337  
(404) 761-2745

**Director:**

Mildred Hill

**Co-Director:**

Bonnie Webb

**Other Contacts:**

Nita Ellington

**Service Area:**

Georgia

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **STOMP PROJECT**

### **Specialized Training of Military Parents**

1851 Ram Runway  
College Park, GA 30337  
(404) 767-2258

Director:

Mildred Hill

Co-Director:

Bonnie Webb

Other Contacts:

Felix Ruiz

Service Area:

Georgia

#### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Military Corner in Education Update
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Other Assistance to Parents

# HAWAII

## **Advocates for Special Kids (ASK)**

200 N. Vineyard, Suite 507  
Honolulu, HI 96817  
(808) 521-1846

**Director:**

Sheila Forman

**Other Contacts:**

Nancy Vitale, Executive  
Director

**Service Area:**

Oahu-Honolulu, Hawaii

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training in Advocacy
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Group Facilitation
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Hawaii Association of Children with Learning  
Disabilities**

200 N. Vineyard  
Honolulu, HI 96817  
(808) 536-9684

**Director:**

Iva Lee Sinclair

**Other Contacts:**

Janet Kishinor

**Service Area:**

Hawaii

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Leeward Mental Health Center Children's Team**

**860 Fourth Street  
Pearl City, HI 96782  
(808) 455-9084**

**Director:**

**Rosalind Wagner**

**Other Contacts:**

**LaVerne Tong, M.S.W., Head**

**Service Area:**

**Leeward Oahu area, Hawaii**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Respite Care**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

## **Parents Support Through Tough Love**

P.O. Box 26116  
Honolulu, HI 96825  
(808) 395-8926

**Director:**

Elizabeth Brown

**Coordinator:**

Sandy Roth

**Service Area:**

Oahu Island, Hawaii

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Protection and Advocac Agency (P&AA)**

1580 Makaloa, Suite 860  
Honolulu, HI 96814  
(808) 949-2922

Excutive Director:  
Patty Henderson  
Staff Attorney:  
Karen D'Agosto  
Other Contacts:  
Diana Tizard  
Service Area:  
Hawaii

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter and Legal Publications
- Education/Information
- Parent Training/Technical Assistance
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Single Parent Family Advocacy Network (SPAN)  
Health and Community Services**

200 North Vineyard Blvd #602  
Honolulu, HI 96817  
(808) 521-3861

**Director:**

**Sena Gates**

**Service Area:**

**Oahu Island, Hawaii**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

## **Special Parent Information Network (SPIN)**

335 Merchant, Room 215  
Honolulu, HI 96813  
(808) 548-2648

Director:  
    Susan Rocco  
Service Area:  
    Hawaii

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- New Letter
- Education/Information
- Other Assistance to Parents

# IDAHO

## **Pullman-Moscow Parent to Parent**

404 East Lewis  
Moscow, ID 38343  
(208) 882-9049

**Director:**

Kathy Salzwecki

**Co-Director:**

Lori Brokman

**Service Area:**

Moscow, Idaho and Pullman,  
Washington area

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Rathdrum Parent to Parent**

No. 9735  
Rathdrum, ID 83858  
(208) 772-6209

Coordinator:  
Lauri Hill  
Service Area:  
Rathdrum, Idaho

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups

**Idaho Falls Parent to Parent**

102 W. Crowley  
Idaho Falls, ID 83401  
(208) 522-1069

**Director:**

**Kathy Malcolm**

**Service Area:**

**Idaho Falls, Idaho**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Support Groups

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**Idaho Parents Unlimited for the Handicapped (IPUL)**

2200 E. Maryland  
Nampa, ID 83651  
(208) 467-1942

**Director:**

**Sandra Scheffert**

**Other Contacts:**

**Vickie Langston**

**Service Area:**

**Idaho**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Lewiston Parent to Parent**

2710 8th Avenue  
Lewiston, ID 83501  
(208) 746-8599

**Coordinator:**  
Connie Ireland  
**Service Area:**  
Lewiston, Idaho area

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Mental Health Association in Idaho (MHAI)**

715 So. Capital Blvd., Suite 401  
Boise, ID 83702  
(208) 343-4866

**Administrative Secretary:**  
Carolyn J. Kathman  
**Service Area:**  
Idaho

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Referral Information
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Elks Parent Group  
Parent to Parent**

Box 1100  
Boise, ID 83709  
(208) 343-2583

**Director:**

Linda Jensens

**Co-Director:**

Martha Galgen

**Other Contact:**

Brenda Davis

**Service Area:**

Boise, Idaho

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups

## **Idaho Autism Association**

2470 Warren Avenue  
Twin Falls, ID 83301  
(208) 734-7293

**Director:**

**Cheryl Nickels**

**Co-Director**

**Kathy Nicko**

**Service Area:**

**Idaho**

### *Services Offered to Parents*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

# ILLINOIS

**Alliance for Exceptional Children and Adults (IAECA)**

730 E. Vine, Room 107  
Springfield, IL 62703  
(217) 523-1232

**President:**

Alice Kelly

**Other Contact:**

Gloria Calovini, Project Manager  
Direction Service of Illinois

**Service Area:**

Illinois

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Building Parent to School Partnerships  
LaGrange Area Department of Special Education**

1301 Cossitt  
LaGrange, IL 60525  
(312) 354-5730

**Director:**

David Peterson

**Other Contacts:**

Kathleen Westling and Jean Nye

**Service Area:**

Chicago metropolitan area,  
Illinois

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Involvement
- Parent Support Groups

## **Coordinating Council for Handicapped Children (CCHC)**

220 S. State Street  
Chicago, IL  
(312) 939-3513

**Director:**

Charlotte DesJardins

**Service Area:**

Chicago Metropolitan area

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter and other publications (some free)
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Designs for Change**

220 S. State Street, Suite 1616  
Chicago, IL 60604  
(312) 922-0317

**Director:**

**Donald Moore**

**Other Contacts:**

**Rence Marie Montoya**

**Service Area:**

**Illinois**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Other Assistance to Parents

**National Parent CHAIN, Inc.**

515 West Giles Lane  
Peoria, IL 60614  
(309) 691-0256

**President:**

Sally Hoerr

**Service Area:**

USA

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Training Workshops and Conferences
- Speaker's Bureau

**Parents Educating Parents  
Department of Special Education, Southern  
Illinois University**

Pulliam Hall 121  
Carbondale, IL 62901  
(618) 453-2311

**Director:**

**Priscilla Presley**

**Co-Director:**

**Norma Ewing**

**Service Area:**

**Southern Illinois, Southeast  
Missouri, Northwest Kentucky**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Other Assistance to Parents

# INDIANA

## **Indiana Protection and Advocacy Services Commission**

850 Meridian Street, N., Suite 2C  
Indianapolis, IN 46204  
(317) 232-1150

**Executive Director:**

**Ramesh K. Joshi**

**Other Contacts:**

**Mary Lou Haines, Education  
and Training Director**

**Service Area:**

**Indiana**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents
- Legal Consultation
- Legal Representation

**Mental Health Association in Indiana (MHAI)**

1433 N. Meridan  
Indianapolis, IN 46202  
(317) 638-3501

**Executive Director:**

**Paul Messplay**

**Other Contacts:**

**Pat McGuffey, Director of  
Childhood Mental Health**

**Service Area:**

**Indiana**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Legislative Advocacy
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Task Force on Education for the Handicapped,  
Inc. (Task Force)**

812 E. Jefferson Blvd.  
South Bend, IN 46617  
(219) 234-7101

Executive Director:  
Richard I. Burden, Jr.  
Service Area:  
Indiana

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Other Assistance to Parents

IOWA

**No organizations were located in this state..**

# KANSAS

**Mental Health Association in Kansas (MHAK)**

1205 Harrison Street  
Topcka, KS 66612

**Contact:**

Sandra St. Clair

**Service Area:**

Kansas

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

# KENTUCKY

## **Parent Education and Resource Center**

Department of Education, School of Education  
University of Louisville  
Louisville, KY 40292  
(502) 588-6421

Director:

Denzil Edge

Service Area:

Kentucky

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Parents+Plus**

366 Waller Avenue, Suite 119  
Lexington, KY 40504  
(606) 278-4712

**Director:**

Ann Tucker Pike

**Associate Director:**

Deborah M. Lyons

**Service Area:**

Kentucky

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance and Referral
- Systems Change
- Professional/Parent Support Groups
- One-on-One Assistance to Parents

# LOUISIANA

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## **Louisiana Office of Mental Health**

**Box 4149  
Baton Rouge, LA 70821  
(504) 342-2534**

**Director:  
Ron Boudreaux  
Service Area:  
Louisiana**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Mental Health Association in Louisiana**

2026 Lake Charles  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
(504) 523-3845

Director:  
Richard Hitt  
Service Area:  
Louisiana

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

**MAINE**

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**"Special-Needs Parent Information Network"  
Maine Parent Federation**

P.O. Box 2067  
Augusta, ME 04330  
(207) 582-2504  
1-800-325-0220

Director:

Stacia Carver

Other Contact:

Carol Boston

Service Area:

Maine

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Group
- Other Assistance to Parents

**York County Counseling Service**

**333 Lincoln Street  
Saco, ME 04072  
(207) 282-7504**

**Director:**

**Thomas Kane, D.S.W**

**Service Area:**

**York County, Maine**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**

## **York County Parent Awareness**

**P.O. Box 265  
Hollis Center, ME 04042  
(207) 499-7754 or (207) 929-5537**

**Director:**

**Paulette Libby**

**Other Contacts:**

**Nancy Wakefield, Peer-to-Peer**

**Service Area:**

**York County, Maine**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

# MARYLAND

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## **Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Maryland**

2500 N. Charles Street  
Baltimore, MD 21218  
(301) 235-2511 or (301) 933-3744

**Director:**

**Barbara Larcom**

**Other Contacts:**

**Carol Howe**

**Service Area:**

**Maryland**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change

## **Commission for Persons with Disabilities**

**County Administration Building  
Room 1091  
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772  
(301) 952-3210**

**Director:**

**Beatrice Rodgers**

**Other Contacts:**

**Andrea Johnson, Administrative  
Assistant**

**Service Area:**

**Prince George County, Maryland**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Systems Change**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

## **Mental Health Association in Talbot County**

114 N. Washington Street  
Easton, MD 21601  
(301) 822-0444

**Director:**

Betty Perry

**Service Area:**

Talbot County, Maryland

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Patient Visitation Program
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Mental Health Association of Maryland (MHAM)**

323 East 25th Street  
Baltimore, MD 21218  
(301) 235-1178

Director:

Herbert Cromwell

Service Area:

Maryland

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletters through Local Chapters
- Education/Information
- Systems Change through Statewide Legislative  
and Executive Branch Advocacy
- Children's Committee
- Other Assistance to Parents

# MASSACHUSETTS

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## **Center for Better Living**

**31 Springhill Avenue  
Mariboro, MA 01752  
(617) 481-2100**

**Executive Director:**

**Joseph E. Francis**

**Other Contact Person:**

**Harvey Pinsky**

**Service Area:**

**Mariboro, Massachusetts**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Children's Services**

**Mental Health Center of Greater Lawrence**

351 Essex Street  
Lawrence, MA 01840  
(617) 683-3128

Director:

David Hastings

Service Area:

Greater Lawrence, Massachusetts

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

## **Cutler Counseling Center**

10 Cottage Street  
Norwood, MA 02062  
(617) 762-6592 or (617) 688-6880

**Executive Director:**

Tom Doherty

**Other Contact Person:**

William Lorlcy

**Service Area:**

South Norfolk, Massachusetts

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Federation for Children with Special Needs (FCSN)**

312 Stuart Street  
Boston, MA 02116  
(617) 482-2915

**Director:**

Martha Ziegler

**Co-Director:**

Diana Cutherbertson, TAPP Specialist

**Other Contacts:**

Eileen Souza, Information Specialist

**Service Area:**

Massachusetts (The technical  
assistance TAPP grant covers the U.S.)

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Greater Fall River Association for  
Mental Health - Clinic**

101 Rock Street  
Fall River, MA. 02720  
(617) 676-8187

**Executive Director:**

Arthur F. Cassidy

**Other Contact Person:**

June Mackie, Office Manager

**Service Area:**

Greater Fall River, Massachusetts

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Herbert Lipton Community Mental Health Center**

Nichols Road  
Fitchburg, MA 01420  
(617) 343-6966

**Director:**

**Peter T. Adler, Ph.D.**

**Service Area:**

**North Central Massachusetts**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Human Services of Southeastern Massachusetts**

219 Park Street  
Attleboro, MA 02703  
(617) 226-1660

**Executive Director:**

Mary Ann Powers

**Other Contact Person:**

Lawrence Haber

**Service Area:**

Attleboro, North Attleboro,  
Mansfield, Norton, Massachusetts

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Psychotherapy

**John C. Corrigan Mental Health Center**

49 Hillside Street  
Fall River, MA 02710  
(617) 678-2901

**Director:**

Daniel Amigone

**Other Contacts:**

David Weed, Director,  
Consultation and Education

**Service Area:**

Fall River, Massachusetts

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Massachusetts Office for Children**

150 Causeway Street  
Boston, MA 02114  
(617) 727-8900

### **Director:**

Mary Kay Leonard

### **Director of Advocacy:**

Joyce Mathow-Trotman

### **Service Area:**

Massachusetts

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Mayflower Mental Health Association**

131 Court Street  
Plymouth, MA 02360  
(617) 746-7890

**Director:**

**Michael Cote, Director,  
Mental Health Association**

**Other Contacts:**

**Dorothy Chase, Director,  
Counseling Center**

**Service Area:**

**Plymouth County, Massachusetts**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Mental Health and Retardation Association of  
Greater Lynn (GLMHRA)**

11 String Street  
Lynn, MA 01903  
(617) 593-1088

**Executive Director:**

Albert Bleau, Jr.

**Assistant Executive Director:**

Merle Rabin-Blucstein

**Other Contacts:**

Joan Birnberg Beasley,  
Clinical Director

**Service Area:**

Greater Lynn area,  
Massachusetts

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Networking/Referral
- Case Assistance
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Newton-Needham Mental Health Association**

64 Eldredge Street  
Newton, MA 02158  
(617) 969-4925

**Director:**

**Paul Welch**

**Other Contacts:**

**Joyce Barton, Clinic Social  
Worker**

**Service Area:**

**Needham and Newton,  
Massachusetts**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**North Central Area, Massachusetts Department  
of Mental Health**

**383 Main Street  
Fitchburg, MA 01420  
(617) 345-0691**

**Director:**

**John Simsarian**

**Other Contacts:**

**Selina Martin, Child and Adolescent  
Service Coordinator**

**Service Area:**

**North Central Massachusetts**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Case Assistance**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**North Central Human Services, Inc. (NCHSI)**

259 Green Street  
Gardner, MA 01440  
(617) 632-9400

**Director:**

Ernest Townsend

**Other Contacts:**

Debbie Kaegebein, Special  
Populations

**Service Area:**

North Central Massachusetts

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **North Central Office for Children (OFC)**

435 Main Street  
P.O. Box 7369  
Fitchburg, MA 01420  
(617) 342-8769

**Director:**

Mary Kay Leonard, State Director

**Co-Director:**

Jack Miller, Advocacy Coordinator

**Other Contacts:**

Nate Winship, Local Community  
Representative

**Service Area:**

North Central Massachusetts

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Volunteer Information Agency (VIA)**

460 Quincy Avenue  
Quincy, MA 02169  
(617) 770-4000

Director:

Betty Hourihan

Service Area:

Massachusetts

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Other Assistance to Parents

# MICHIGAN

**Citizens Alliance to Uphold Special Education (CAUSE)**

313 Washington Square, Suite 040

Lansing, MI 48933

(517) 485-4084; 1-800-221-9105 (Toll free in Michigan)  
(Voice/TDD on both lines)

**Director:**

Eileen Cassidy

**Other Contacts:**

Sue Pratt, Director of Training

**Service Area:**

Michigan

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Telephone Referral
- Computer "Direction Services" Referrals
- Library Resources (Lending)
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Mental Health Association in Michigan (MHAM)**

15920 W. 12 Mile Road  
Southfield, MI 48076  
(313) 557-6777

**Director:**

Tom Sovine

**Service Area:**

Michigan

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Case Assistance and Referral
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Michigan Association for Emotionally  
Disturbed Children (MAEDC)**

23555 Northwestern Highway  
Southfield, MI 48075  
(313) 356-2566

**Executive Director:**

Samuel L. Davis

**Other Contacts:**

Judith Morgan, President

**Service Area:**

Michigan, including Ohio and  
Wisconsin border areas

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Parent Training and Information Project (UCP/PT&I)  
United Cerebral Palsy of Metropolitan Detroit**

7700 Second Avenue  
Detroit, MI 48202  
(313) 871-0177

**Director:**

**Richard Heiser**

**Co-Director:**

**Patricia Mullen, Project Director**

**Other Contacts:**

**Francis Ozegovich, Training Coordinator**

**Service Area:**

**Wayne County, Michigan**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

# MINNESOTA

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**Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational  
Rights (PACER Ctr.)**

4826 Chicago Avenue, S.  
Minneapolis, MN 55417  
(612) 827-2966  
Toll free for Minnesota Parents:  
1-800-53-PACER

Co-Director:  
Paula Goldberg  
Co-Director:  
Marge Goldberg  
Service Area:  
Minnesota

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter and other publications
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**REACH**

**Mental Health Association of Minnesota**

328 E. Hennepin Avenue, 2nd Floor  
Minneapolis, MN 55414  
(612) 331-6840 or (800) 862-1799

**Director:**

**Julie Dahl, Administrator**

**Other Contacts:**

**George Carr, Executive Director,  
Mental Health Association**

**Service Area:**

**Minnesota**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Support Groups

# MISSISSIPPI

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**Mississippi Department of Mental Health (CASSP)**

1101 Robert E. Lee  
Jackson, MS 39201  
(601) 359-1568

Director:

Lucy Leslie

Other Contacts:

Charlotte Christ

Service Area:

Mississippi

*Services Offered to Parents*

- Education/Information
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change

**Mississippi Parent Advocacy Center (MS-PAC)**

**6055 Highway 18S  
Jackson, MS 39209  
(601) 922-3210**

**Director:**

**Ann Presley**

**Service Area:**

**Mississippi**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Mississippi Protection & Advocacy System for  
Developmentally Disabled (MS P&A System)**

4793B McWillie Drive  
Jackson, MS 39206  
(601) 981-8207

**Director:**

Rebecca Floyd

**Other Contacts:**

Sue Sorrell

Tamera Thaggard

**Service Area:**

Mississippi

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Information and Referral
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Education Advocacy

# MISSOURI

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**No organizations were located in this state.**

# MONTANA

**Parents - Let's Unite for Kids (PLUK)**

**P.O. Box 30935  
Billings, MT 59107  
(406) 657-2055**

**Director:**

**Kathy Kelker**

**Co-Director:**

**Rusty Koch**

**Service Area:**

**Montana**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

# NEBRASKA

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**Family Resource Center  
Mental Health Association of Nebraska**

2555 Leavenworth Street, Room 208  
Omaha, NE 68105  
(402) 346-7717 or (308) 647-5360 (Maciejewski)

**Director:**

Dorothy Woodall

**Other Contacts:**

Rich Maciejewski

**Service Area:**

Nebraska

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Case Assistance by volunteer advocates
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Home School Liaison Program  
Programs for the Behaviorally Impaired  
Omaha Public Schools**

3819 Jones Street  
Omaha, NE 68105  
(402) 978-7312

Director:

Marilyn Ryan

Co-Director:

Lou Meyer

Other Contacts:

Lawrence Heck, Director, Special  
Education

Service Area:

Omaha, Nebraska and 3 northeast  
Nebraska counties

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Parent Support Group  
Saratoga Elementary School**

2215 South 13th  
Lincoln, NE 68502  
(402) 477-2756

**Director:**  
Kathic Phillips  
**Service Area:**  
Lincoln, Nebraska

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

# NEVADA

**Coalition for Handicapped Children's  
Education (CHANCE)**

3015 Heights Drive  
Reno, NV 89503  
(702) 747-5392

**Director:**

Debbie Davis

**Other Contacts:**

Billy Rogerson

**Service Area:**

Nevada

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Nevada Specially Trained Effective Parents (N-STEP)**

6200 W. Oakey  
Las Vegas, NV 89102  
(702) 870-7050

**Director:**

Vince Triggs

**Project Coordinator:**

Cindy Pennington

**Other Contacts:**

Charlene Rogerson

**Service Area:**

Nevada, urban and rural

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Information and Referral
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Parent-to-Parent**

**7591 Rhinestone Drive  
Reno, NV 89511  
(702) 851-4178**

**Director:**

**Suc Mahinay**

**Other Contacts:**

**Sandra York**

**Service Area:**

**Northern Nevada and Northeast  
California**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

## **Special Children's Clinic Parents Auxillary**

2667 Enterprise  
Reno, NV 89512  
(702) 747-5392  
(702) 322-1949 (Diedre Hammon)

Director:

Debbie Davis

Other Contacts:

Deidre Hammon

Service Area:

North Nevada

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Developmental Disabilities Advocacy Center (DDAC)**

P.O. Box 19  
Concord, NH 03301  
(603) 228-0432  
1-800-852-3336 (Toll Free Instate)

**Director:**

Donna Woodfin

**Other Contacts:**

Ronald Lospennato, Supervising  
Attorney

**Service Area:**

New Hampshire

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Client Assistance
- Systems Advocacy

## **Parent Information Center (PIC)**

P.O. Box 1422  
Concord, NH 03301  
(603) 224-7005

**Director:**

Judith Raskin

**Service Area:**

Northeastern US region

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## NEW JERSEY

**Family Companion Program (FPP)**  
**Mental Health Association in New Jersey**

60 South Fullerton Avenue  
Montclair, NJ 07042  
(201) 744-2500

**Director:**

**Geraldine Botwinick**

**Other Contacts:**

**Omar Mendez, Mental Health Players Program  
Director**

**Malwina Rottenberg, Community Companion  
Program and Family Companion Director**

**Service Area:**

**New Jersey**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance/Advocacy
- Systems and Legislative Change
- Referral
- Volunteer Services

**Family Resource Center (FRC)  
Mental Health Association in Essex County**

424 Main Street  
East Orange, NJ 07018  
(201) 677-1773

**Director:**

Arnold Rabin, Director, Mental  
Health Association

**Other Contacts:**

Wilma Scelenfriend, Director,  
Family Resource Center

**Service Area:**

Essex County, New Jersey

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Information/Counseling/Education
- Parent Training
- Case Advocacy
- Siblings Support Group
- Parent Support Groups
- Consultation to community-based  
family groups
- Systems Advocacy

**Involve New Jersey, Inc.**

**26 C-2 East 2nd Street  
Moorestown, NJ 08507  
(609) 778-0599**

**Director:**

**Mary Callahan**

**Other Contacts:**

**Meg Ellis**

**Service Area:**

**New Jersey**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Resource Library**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Mental Health Association in Passaic County  
Family Companion Program (FCP)**

1 Westervelt Avenue  
Clifton, NJ 18011  
(201) 778-0077

**Director:**

Virginia Rizzotti

**Service Area:**

Passaic County, New Jersey

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Advocacy
- Case Assistance
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Mental Health Association of Morris County**

25 Cook Avenue  
Madison, NJ 07940  
(201) 377-9280

Director:

Deborah Taggart

Other Contacts:

Anne Sodano, Consumer Advocate

Service Area:

Morris County, New Jersey

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information and Referral
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

**Parent Volunteer Training Project (PVTP)  
Montclair Board of Education**

22 Valley Road  
Montclair, NJ 07042  
(201) 783-4000 or ext. 252/249

**Director:**

Mary Vernacchi, Project Director

**Other Contacts:**

Jackie McDonald, Coordinator

**Service Area:**

Montclair, New Jersey

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## NEW MEXICO

**Albuquerque Behaviorally Disordered (BD)  
Parents Work Group**

7732 Hermanson, N.E.  
Albuquerque, NM 87110  
(505) 766-3034 or (505) 296-5317

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Referral Assistance
- Parent Support Group (Exchange Meetings)

**Association for Retarded Citizens of New Mexico (ARC)**

8210 La Mirada N.E., Suite 500  
Albuquerque, NM 87109  
(505) 298-6796

**Director:**

**Kermitt Stuve**

**Other Contacts:**

**Bette Smith, Director,**

**Guardian and Advocacy Project**

**Service Area:**

**New Mexico**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Manzanita Center**

**University of New Mexico  
Albuquerque, NM 87131  
(505) 277-2132**

**Acting Director:  
Roger Kroth**

**Director:  
Peggy Blackwell, Dean,  
College of Education**

**Service Area:  
Albuquerque, New Mexico and  
surrounding area**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Parent Involvement Center  
Albuquerque Public Schools**

1700 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.E.  
Albuquerque, NM 87110  
(505) 292-0101

Coordinator:

Jo Paroz

Service Area:

Albuquerque, New Mexico

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training/Teacher Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Protection & Advocacy System**

**Building 4, Suite 140  
2201 San Pedro, N.E.  
Albuquerque, NM 87110  
(505) 888-0111**

**Director:**

**Beatriz Mitchell**

**Other Contacts:**

**Sallie Van Curen**

**Service Area:**

**New Mexico**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**NEW YORK**

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**Advocates for Children of New York, Inc. (AFC)**

24-16 Bridge Plaza South  
Long Island City, NY 11101  
(718) 729-8866

**Director:**

**Jane Stern**

**Co-Director:**

**Elaine Keith**

**Other Contacts:**

**Joan Harrington, Nancy Nevarcz, and  
Marva Phillips**

**Service Area:**

**New York, New York**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Bureau of Children and Youth Services  
Office of Mental Health**

44 Holland  
Albany, NY 12229  
(518) 474-8394

**Director:**

Mareasa R. Isaacs, Associate  
Commissioner for Children and Youth

**Co-Director:**

David Doty, Director, Bureau of Children  
and Youth Services

**Service Area:**

New York State

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Resource and Program Development
- Advocacy

## **Clinton County Mental Health Association**

57 Clinton Street  
Plattsburg, NY 12901  
(518) 563-8206

**Executive Director:**

Beverly A. Reuter

**Other Contacts:**

Beverly King,

Education Coordinator

**Service Area:**

Clinton County, New York

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Community Mental Health Center of Mercy  
Hospital (CMHC)**

218 Stone Street  
Watertown, NY 13601  
(315) 782-7445

**Director:**

Floyd Bajjaly

**Co-Director:**

Toby Schilling, Administrator

**Other Contacts:**

Roberta Brabant, Social Worker

**Service Area:**

Jefferson County, New York

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Family Support Project (FSP)**  
**Mental Health Association in Orange County**

255 Greenwich Avenue  
Goshen, NY 10924  
(914) 294-7411

**Director:**

Judy Dick

**Other Contacts:**

Linda Bauer, Compeer Assistant

**Service Area:**

Orange County, New York

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Jefferson-Lewis-Hamilton-Herkimer-Onedia  
Board of Cooperative Education Services (BOCES)**

Arsenal Street Road  
Watertown, NY 13601  
(315) 788-8821

District Superintendent:  
Charles H. Bohlen, Jr.

Director:  
Gary McDermott, Programs for  
Exceptional Children.

Service Area:  
Jefferson and Lewis Counties

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **League School**

657 Kingston Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11203  
(718) 498-2500

**Executive Director:**

Hannah Actenberg

**Other Contact Person:**

Zena Cohn, Director of  
Social Work

**Service Area:**

Brooklyn, New York

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Livingston County Counseling Service**

**Building 1  
Murray Hill  
Mt. Morris, NY 14510  
(716) 658-2834**

**Director:**

**Philip Yawman**

**Other Contacts:**

**Joanne Semmel, Office Manager**

**Service Area:**

**Livingston County, New York**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Management**
- Individual, Group, Family & Couple Therapy**
- Somatic Therapy**

**Mental Health Association in Erie County, Inc. (MHA)**

1237 Delaware  
Buffalo, NY 14209  
(716) 886-1242

**Director:**

Roger E. Stone

**Program Director:**

Linda Maggio

**Other Contacts:**

Suzanne Niemiec, Administrative  
Assistant

**Service Area:**

Buffalo and Erie County, New York

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/information
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Family Support Group
- Education Program

## **Mental Health Association of Broome County**

139 Corliss Avenue, Box 265  
Johnson City, NY 13790  
(607) 797-5844 or (607) 797-4057

**Director:**

**Casesmiro Epe**

**Service Area:**

**Broome County, New York**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information and Referral
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Advocacy
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Northern New York Center for Emotionally  
Disturbed (NNYC)**

**63 Broad Street  
Plattsburgh, NY 12901  
(518) 553-1160**

**Director:**

**Dante A. Santora**

**Assistant Director:**

**Sara Rowden**

**Service Area:**

**Northern New York**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Diagnosis and Treatment**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Parent Training Project  
Herbert Lehman College**

**Bedford Park Boulevard West  
Bronx, NY 10468  
(212) 960-8570**

**Director:**

**Susan Polirstok**

**Co-Director:**

**Brian Hurwitz**

**Service Area:**

**Northwest Bronx, New York City**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Parents Coalition for Education**

**c/o Advocates for Children  
24-16 Bridge Plaza South  
Long Island City, NY 11101  
(718) 729-8866**

### **President:**

**Mary France, Parents Coalition  
for Education**

### **Other Contacts:**

**June Stern, Executive Director,  
Advocates for Children**

### **Service Area:**

**New York, New York**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

## **Parents Information Group**

416 West Onondaga Street  
Syracuse, NY 13202  
(315) 446-3735

**Director:**

Susan Watson, Board President

**Service Area:**

Onondaga County, New York

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Reach Out to Parents Office (ROPO)  
New York City Board of Education**

**110 Livingston Street  
Brooklyn, NY 11201  
(718) 596-4193**

**Director:**

**Sonia N. Braniff**

**Other Contacts:**

**Rosemary Gonzales**

**Service Area:**

**New York, New York**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Resources for Children with Special Needs, Inc.**

**200 Park Avenue South, Suite 816  
New York, NY 10003  
(212) 677-4650**

**Director:**

**Karen T. Schlesinger**

**Service Area:**

**New York, New York**

***Services Offered to Parents:***

- Information and Referral**
- Parent Training**
- Case Management and Coordination**
- Systems Change**
- Other Assistance to Parents (children birth to 21 with learning, emotional, developmental or physical disabilities.)**

**Western New York Association for the Learning  
Disabled (WNYALD)**

190 Franklin Street, 3rd Floor  
Buffalo, NY 14202  
(716) 855-1135

**Executive Director:**

**Donald N. Policella**

**Co-Director:**

**Jeff Marcus, Program Director**

**Other Contacts:**

**Joan Watkins, Director,  
Parent Training**

**Service Area:**

**Western New York**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

## NORTH CAROLINA

**Advocacy Center for Children's Education and  
Parent Training (ACCEPT)**

700 Salisbury  
Raleigh, NC 27611  
(919) 821-2048

Director:

Jenny Seykora

Service Area:

North Carolina

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change

**Exceptional Children's Advocacy Council (ECAC)**

P.O. Box 16  
Davidson, NC 28036  
(704) 892-1321

**Director:**

Connie Hawkins

**Service Area:**

North Carolina

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Family Infant and Preschool Program  
Western Carolina Center**

300 Enola Road  
Morganton, NC 28655  
(704) 433-2674

**Director:**

**Carl J. Dunst**

**Coordinator:**

**Janet Weeldreyer, Coordinator**

**Service Area:**

**Western North Carolina**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Project PAVE (Parents are Volunteers Who Excel)  
Western Carolina Center,  
Family, Infant, and Preschool Program**

300 Enola Road  
Morganton, NC 28655  
(704) 433-2864

**Director:**

**Dr. Carl J. Dunst**

**Other Contacts:**

**Anita Hodges, Project  
Coordinator**

**Service Area:**

**Western North Carolina**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training

# NORTH DAKOTA

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**North Dakota Assoc. for Children and Adults with  
Learning Disabilities (NDACLD)**

2025 Idamac Court  
Minot, ND 58701  
(701) 268-3390 or (701) 839-6877

Director:  
Dorilyn Brown  
Co-Director:  
Gary Spicer  
Service Area:  
North Dakota

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Referral Service
- Workshops/Conferences
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**The Coalition for Disabled Persons**

15 South 21st Street  
Fargo, ND 58103  
(701) 232-3371

**Director:**

Linda Gress

**Other Contacts:**

Laverne Czichotzki

**Service Area:**

North Dakota and border area of  
Minnesota

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**OHIO**

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## **National Direction Service Assistance Project**

867-C High Street  
Worthington, OH 43085  
(614) 431-1911

**Project Director:**

Frances D. McCaffrey

**Co-Director:**

Donna M. Owens

**Service Area:**

USA

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Training Workshops/Conferences
- Speaker's Bureau

**Ohio Coalition for the Education of Handicapped  
Children (OCEHC)**

**933 High Street, Suite 200H  
Worthington, OH 43085  
(614) 431-1307**

**Director:**

**Margaret Burley**

**Other Contacts:**

**Ellen Frasca**

**Service Area:**

**Ohio**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Tri-State Organized Coalition For Persons with  
Disabilities (S O C Information Center)**

3333 Vine Street  
Cincinnati, OH 45220  
(513) 861-2400 and (513) 861-2475

**Director:**

**Tom Murray**

**Other Contacts:**

**Pat Merchant**

**Service Area:**

Counties in the "tri-state corner"  
of Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana,  
answers all calls and requests  
from other areas.

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

# OKLAHOMA

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## **REACH**

### **Reassurance to Families of the Mentally Ill**

5104 N. Francis, Suite B  
Oklahoma City, OK 73118  
(405) 524-6363

**Director:**

Elizabeth Holmes

**Other Contacts:**

Suzi Moseley

**Service Area:**

Oklahoma County, Oklahoma

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

# OREGON

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## **Coalition in Oregon for Parent Education (COPE)**

999 Locust, NE, #42  
Salem, OR 97303  
(503) 373-7477 (Voice/TTY)

**Director:**

**Cheron Mayhall**

**Service Area:**

**Oregon**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Parent Training Clinic  
Teaching Research**

**Western Oregon State College  
Monmouth, OR 97361  
(503) 838-1220**

**Director:**

**Carol Bunse**

**Other Contacts:**

**William Moore**

**Service Area:**

**Polk County, Oregon**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Other Assistance to Parents**
- Training for Parent Trainers**

# PENNSYLVANIA

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**Beaver County Mental Health Society (BCMHS)**

i445 Market Street  
West Bridgewater, PA 15009  
(412) 775-4165

Director:

Mary Kay Russo

Service Area:

Beaver County, Pennsylvania

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training and Coping Sessions
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

## **Berks County Mental Health Association**

540 Spruce Street  
West Reading, PA 19611  
(215) 376-3905

**Director:**

**Sue Davies**

**Other Contacts:**

**Ida Smith, Ombudsman**

**Service Area:**

**Berks County, Pennsylvania**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Civil Rights
- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Butler Alliance for the Mentally Ill (BAMI)  
Mental Health Association of Butler County**

127 East Wayne Street #1  
Butler, PA 16001  
(412) 287-1965

Director:

Pam Grabe

Service Area:

Butler County, Pennsylvania

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Education Law Center (ELC)**

2100 Lewis Tower  
225 South 15th St.  
Philadelphia, PA 19102  
(215) 732-6655

**Director:**

Marilyn Morheuser

**Managing Attorney:**

Janet Stotland, PA Office

**Other Contacts:**

Janice Jackson, Office  
Administrator

**Service Area:**

Pennsylvania

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Limited Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Indiana County Guidance Center**

**Gatti Building  
840 Philadelphia St.  
Indiana, PA 15701  
(412) 465-5576**

**Director:**

**James O'Donoghue**

**Other Contacts:**

**Edward Cain, PSA Trainee**

**Service Area:**

**Indiana County, Pennsylvania**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Parent Support Groups**

**Mental Health Association of Indiana County (MHA)**

**P.O. Box 733  
Indiana, PA 15701  
(412) 465-7782**

**Director:**

**Terry Richman**

**Other Contacts:**

**Lynn Keltz**

**Service Area:**

**Indiana County, Pennsylvania**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

## **National Society for Autistic Children**

Suite 475 1 Monroeville Center  
Monroeville, PA 15146  
(412) 856-7310

**Director:**

Constance Torisky

**Other Contacts:**

Shirley Palovsky, Secretary

**Service Area:**

Allegheny County, Pennsylvania

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Nutritional Consultation
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Parent Education Network**

240 Haymeadow Drive  
York, PA 17402  
(717) 845-9722

**Director:**

Louise Thieme

**Co-Director:**

Cliff Deardorff

**Other Contacts:**

Ruth Ann Glasser

**Service Area:**

Pennsylvania

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents
- Newsletter

**Parent Support Group for the Socially  
Emotionally Disturbed Child  
Mental Health Association in Lancaster County**

630 Janet Avenue  
Lancaster, PA 17601  
(717) 397-7461

Director:

Mary Steffy

Other Contacts:

Sandra Weit, Chair, Parent  
Group

Service Area:

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Parents Involved Network (PIN)  
Self-Help Advocacy Groups for Parents of  
Emotionally Disturbed Children and Adolescents  
Mental Health Association of Southeastern  
Pennsylvania**

311 S. Juniper  
Philadelphia, PA 19107  
(215) 735-2465

**Director:**

**Glenda Fine**

**Service Area:**

**Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and 4  
surrounding counties**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Parent Support Groups (run by parents)
- Case Advocacy
- Parent Advocacy Training
- Education and Information
- Systems Change
- Newsletter
- Special Education Advocacy
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Parents League for Emotional Adjustment (PLEA)**

733 South Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15221  
(412) 243-3464

**Director:**

**Joseph Michaux**

**Service Area:**

**Allegheny County, Pennsylvania**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Parents Union for Public Schools**

401 North Broad Street, Room 916  
Philadelphia, PA 19108  
(215) 574-0337

**Executive Coordinator:**

Christine Davis

**Co-Chair:**

Phyllis Ford

**Co-Chair:**

Karen Bojar

**Service Area:**

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Pennsylvania Association for Children and Adults  
with Learning Disabilities (PACLD)**

P.O. Box 208  
Uwchland, PA 19480  
(215) 458-8193

**Director:**

**Mary Rita Hanley**

**Other Contacts:**

**Jane Abbott**

**Service Area:**

**Pennsylvania**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Program for Socially and Emotionally Disturbed  
Lancaster/Lebanon Intermediate Unit**

1110 Enterprise Road  
E. Petersburg, PA 17520  
(717) 569-7331

**Director:**

**Richard D. Sherr**

**Other Contacts:**

**Andrew Klein, Supervisor**

**Service Area:**

**Lancaster and Lebanon Counties,  
Pennsylvania**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**REACH-Reassurance to Each  
Mental Health Association in Westmoreland  
County**

11 Garden Center Drive  
Greensburg, PA 15601  
(412) 834-6351

**Director:**

**Muriel Weeks, MHA**

**Other Contacts:**

**Lyn O'Brien, REACH**

**Service Area:**

**Westmoreland Cty, Pennsylvania**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## RHODE ISLAND

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**Adolescent Mental Health Support Project (AMHSP)  
Mental Health Association in Rhode Island**

89 Park Street  
Providence, RI 02908  
(401) 272-6730

Project Director:  
Jean B. Olsen  
Service Area:  
Rhode Island

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

## SOUTH CAROLINA

**Continuum of Care for Emotionally Disturbed  
Children (CCEDC)**

989 Knox Abbott Drive  
Cayce, SC 29033  
(803) 758-2051

**Director:**

Paul McCravy

**Service Area:**

4 counties in the Midland area of  
South Carolina

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education / Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **SOUTH DAKOTA**

## **South Dakota Parent Connection**

P.O. Box 5045  
800 E. 21st Street  
Sioux Falls, SD 57117  
(605) 338-3009

**Director:**

Judie Roberts

**Other Contacts:**

Cindy Osvog

**Service Area:**

South Dakota and border areas

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Other Assistance to Parents

# TENNESSEE

**Effective Advocacy for Citizens with  
Handicaps, Inc. (EACH, Inc.)**

P.O. Box 121257  
Nashville, TN 37212  
(615) 298-1080  
1-800-342-1560 (Tennessee only)

**Director:**

**Harriette Derryberry**

**Other Contacts:**

**Cathy Fitzgibbons-Scott**

**Service Area:**

**Tennessee**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Information and Referral
- Information Clearinghouse
- Tennessee Protection and Advocacy System
- Tennessee Client Assistance Program
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Mental Health Association of Tennessee (MHAT)**

2416 Hillsboro Road  
Nashville, TN 37212  
(615) 298-1126 or (615) 269-5355 (Schauland)

**Executive Secretary:**

Faye J. Isaacs

**Other Contacts:**

Judy Schauland, Director  
Nashville Chapter

**Service Area:**

Tennessee

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Systems Change
- Legislative Input

## **Tennessee Children's Services Commission (TCSC)**

**James K. Polk Bldg.  
Suite 1600  
505 Deaderick Street  
Nashville, TN 37219  
(615) 741-2633**

**Director:**

**Karen Edwards**

**Other Contacts:**

**Gloria Reed-Beenc, Foster  
Care Specialist**

**Service Area:**

**Tennessee**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**

# TEXAS

**Advocacy, Inc.**

7700 Chevy Chase Drive, Room 300  
Austin, TX 78752  
(512) 454-4816

**Director:**

Dayle Bebee

**Other Contacts:**

Kay Lambert, Education  
Specialist

**Service Area:**

Texas

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Technical Assistance
- Systems Advocacy
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Early Parent Intervention (EPI)**

**Beaumont State Center  
910 Seventh  
Orange, TX 77630  
(409) 883-3324**

**Director:**

**Janice Foreman**

**Other Contacts:**

**Jeanelle Cochran**

**Service Area:**

**5 counties in Southeast Texas**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Mental Health Association of Dallas County (MHA)**

2500 Maple Avenue  
Dallas, TX 75201  
(214) 871-2420

**Director:**

Cecile P. Bonte

**Service Area:**

Dallas County, Texas

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Advocacy
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Mental Health Association of Gregg County**

**325 Bramlette Building  
300 N. Green Street  
Longview, TX 75601  
(214) 758-6871**

**Director:**

**Billic Sue Garvey**

**Service Area:**

**Gregg County, Texas**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**

**Mental Health Association of Houston and Harris  
County (MHA)**

2211 Norfolk, Suite 505  
Houston, TX 77098  
(713) 522-5161

**Director:**

Betsy Schwartz

**Other Contacts:**

Lynne Murray

**Service Area:**

Houston Metropolitan area

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information on Mental Health
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Positive Involvement of Parents in Education (PIPE)**

833 Houston Street  
Austin, TX 78756  
(512) 454-6694  
1-800-252-9729

Project Coordinator:  
Rona Statman  
Director:  
Arnold Reyes  
Service Area:  
Texas

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**UTAH**

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## **Children's Behavior Therapy Unit (CBTU)**

**Salt Lake County Mental Health  
668 South 1300 East  
Salt Lake City, UT 84102  
(801) 581-0194**

**Director:**

**George W. Frangia, Ph.D.**

**Other Contacts:**

**Lynn Coffin, Administrative  
Assistant**

**Service Area:**

**Salt Lake County, Utah**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Professional Consultation**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Parents Involved in Education (PIE)**

1018 Atherton Drive, Suite 101  
Salt Lake City, UT 84123  
(801) 266-3939 or (801) 750-2013

**Director:**

**Leon Soderquist**

**Other Contacts:**

**Vaunda Lauritzen, Utah State  
University**

**Service Area:**

**Salt Lake County, Utah**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Utah Parent Information and Training Center (Ut Parent)**

4984 South 300 West  
Murray, UT 84107  
(801) 265-9883

Director:

Jean Nash

Other Contacts:

Robin Taylor, Office Manager

Service Area:

Utah

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Utah Society for Children with Emotional  
Disabilities (USCED)**

4168 Brookfield Way  
W. Valley City, UT 84120  
(801) 265-9883

Director:

Robin Taylor

Other Contacts:

Diana Madsen

Service Area:

Utah

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

# VERMONT

**Parent Information and Training (ARC)  
Vermont Association for Retarded Citizens**

The Champlain Mill, #37  
Winooski, VT 05404  
(802) 655-4016

**Director:**

Joan Sylvester

**Project Coordinator:**

Connie Curtin

**Service Area:**

Vermont

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Volunteers for Families (VFF)  
Center for Developmental Disabilities**

**U. of Vermont  
499C Waterman Building  
Burlington, VT 05405  
(802) 656-4031**

**Director:**

**Wayne L. Fox**

**Co-Director:**

**Mary Ellen Scaver-Reid**

**Other Contacts:**

**Peggy Spaulding**

**Service Area:**

**Vermont**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

# VIRGINIA

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**Parent Educational Advocacy Training Center (PEATC)**

228 S. Pitt Street, Room 300  
Alexandria, VA 22314  
(703) 836-2953

**Director:**

Win Anderson

**Service Area:**

Virginia, West Virginia, and  
Maryland

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Parents & Children Coping Together (PACCT), Inc**  
**Affiliate of Alliance for the Mentally Ill**

**P.O. Box 1-L**  
**Richmond, VA 23201**  
**(804) 786-2795**

**Chairman:**

**John Baker**

**Coordinator:**

**Barbara Hoban**

**Service Area:**

**Virginia**

***Services Offered to Parents:***

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information/Referral**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

# WASHINGTON

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**Children/Adolescent Services**  
**Good Samaritan Mental Health Center**

407 14th Avenue, S.E.  
Puyallup, WA 98371  
(206) 848-5571

**Director:**

Betty Docekal

**Co-Director:**

Ron Lewis

**Other Contacts:**

Cindy Johnson

**Service Area:**

Eastern Pierce County,  
Washington

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Individual and Family Therapy
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Children's Home Society of Washington (CHS)**

201 South 34th  
Tacoma, WA 98408  
(206) 472-3355

Director:  
Roy Beams  
Service Area:  
Washington

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)  
Army Community Services**

**Building 2027C  
Ft. Lewis, WA 98433  
(206) 967-7166**

**EFM Coordinator:**

**Stan Rose**

**Service Area:**

**Military Post, Fort Lewis,  
Washington**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Other Assistance to Parents**

**Greater Lakes Mental Health Center (GLMHC)**

9108 Lakewood Drive, S.W.  
Tacoma, WA 98499  
(206) 584-8933

**Program Manager of Adult, Family and Child  
Psychotherapy Services Dept.:**

**Jan Ottenfeld, MSW**

**Service Area:**

**Southern Pierce County,  
Washington**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Individual and Family Therapy
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Homebuilders (CCS)  
Catholic Community Services**

5410 N. 44th Avenue  
Tacoma, WA 89407  
(206) 752-2455

**Director:**

Gene Matsusaka

**Co-Director:**

Dan Evans

**Service Area:**

Northern Washington counties

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Kitsap County Parent-to-Parent**

3243 N. Perry  
Bremerton, WA 98310  
(206) 377-3473

**Director:**

**Forrestine Cotten**

**Service Area:**

**Kitsap County, Washington**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**
- Sibling Support Group**
- Other Assistance to Parents**
- Sibling Support Group**

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**Lutheran Social Services, Southwest Area  
Office**

223 N. Yakima  
Tacoma, WA 98403  
(206) 272-8433

**Director:**

Dan Haygeman

**Other Contacts:**

Bev Tschimperle

**Service Area:**

Southwest area of Washington from  
Tacoma-Pierce County South

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Parent-to-Parent**

**ARC of King County (Advocacy, Resources and  
Counseling for Persons with Developmental  
Disabilities)**

2230 Eighth Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98121  
(206) 522-9292

Director:

Eraine Schab-Bragg

Other Contacts:

Pam McDonnell

Service Area:

King County, Washington

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Parents Educating Parents (PEP)**

1025 So. 3rd Street  
Renton, WA 98055  
(206) 228-8868

**Director:**

**Mary Christie**

**Other Contacts:**

**Dorothy Spencrr**

**Service Area:**

**Washington**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Pierce County Parent-to-Parent**

507 Broadway  
Tacoma, WA 98402  
(206) 383-2646

Program Coordinator:  
Betty Johnston

Director:  
Stan Baxter

Service Area:  
Pierce County, Washington

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Parent Support Groups

## **Special Children's Intervention Association (SCIA)**

6680 Sycamore Lane  
Ft. Lewis, WA 98433  
(206) 964-5538 or (206) 964-3359

**Director:**

Lori Hoy-Logan

**Co-Director:**

Cindy Kreichbadm

**Service Area:**

Military Post, Fort Lewis,  
Washington

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**The Association for Persons with Severe  
Handicaps (TASH)**

7010 Roosevelt Way, N.E.  
Seattle, WA 98115  
(206) 523-8446

**Director:**

Elizabeth Lindley

**Other Contacts:**

Dian McKernan, Information  
Specialist

**Service Area:**

International

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Information and Referral
- Systems Change
- Journal
- Annual Conference

**Washington P.A.V.E. Parent-to-Parent  
Training Center (PAVE)**

1010 South I Street  
Tacoma, WA 98405  
(206) 272-7804

**Director:**

Martha Gentili

**Other Contacts:**

Dana Brush

**Service Area:**

Washington

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Contacts and Linking with a National  
Network and Resources
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **Washington State Parent/Community Relations (WPCR)**

4160 86th Avenue S.E.  
Mercer Island, WA 98040  
(206) 233-3396

**Director:**

**Barbara Pattison-Lehning**

**Other Contacts:**

**Christie Perkins, Training**

**Service Area:**

**Washington**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- P.L. 94-142, State Rules and Regulations
- Networking - Groups, Individuals, Systems
- Manuals, Brochures, Handouts
- Legislative Updates, Issues of Interest
- Other Assistance to Parents

# WEST VIRGINIA

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**Family Services Network  
Appalachian Mental Health Center**

P.O. Box 215  
Beverly, WV 26254  
(304) 636-7020

**Coordinator:**

Jill Olind-Davis

**Other Contacts:**

Steve Heasley, Director of  
Children's Program

**Service Area:**

38 counties in West Virginia

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

**West Virginia Advocates for Developmentally  
Disabled (WVADD)**

1200 Quarrier Street, Suite 27  
Charleston, WV 25301  
(304) 346-0847

**Director:**

**Nancy Mattox**

**Co-Director:**

**Harry Lewis**

**Service Area:**

**West Virginia**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

## **West Virginia Department of Special Education**

**Capitol Complex  
Office of Special Education  
Building 6, Room B-309  
Charleston, WV 25305  
(304) 348-8830**

**Director:**

**William Capchart**

**Co-Director:**

**Robert Sturey, Assistant Director**

**Other Contacts:**

**Ghaski Lee, Coord., Compliance**

**Service Area:**

**West Virginia**

### *Services Offered to Parents:*

- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Other Assistance to Parents

WISCONSIN

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**Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Dane County (AMI)**

101 East Mifflin Street, Suite 209  
Madison, WI 53703  
(608) 265-1695

**Director:**

**Barbara Norton**

**Co-Director:**

**Harriet Shetler**

**Other Contacts:**

**Chuck Ivey**

**Service Area:**

**Dane County, Wisconsin**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Alliance for the Mentally Ill - Milwaukee  
Support Group for Parents of Minor Children**

4011 West Capitol Drive  
Milwaukee, WI 53216  
(414) 442-9424

Director:

John Megan

Service Area:

Milwaukee County, Wisconsin

*Services Offered to Parents:*

-Parent Support Groups

**AMI of Wisconsin**

1245 E. Washington Ave.  
Suite 212  
Madison, WI 53703  
(608) 257-5888

**Contact:**

**Bev Young**

**Service Area:**

**Wisconsin**

*Services Offered for Families of the Mentally Ill:  
(Adult and older adolescents)*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

**Child Advocacy Project**  
**Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Wisconsin**

1245 E. Washington Ave., Suite 212  
Madison, WI 53703  
(608) 257-5888

**Director:**  
Linda Scharnberger, Project Director  
**Service Area:**  
Wisconsin

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Systems Change
- Parent Support Groups

## **Parent Education Project (PEP)**

152 W. Wisconsin Avenue, #308  
Milwaukee, WI 53203  
(414) 272-4500; 1-800-472-5525 (in Wisconsin);  
(414) 272-1077 (TTY)

**Director:**

**Liz Irwin**

**Service Area:**

**Wisconsin**

### *Services Offered to Parents.*

- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Parent Support Groups
- Other Assistance to Parents

**Wisconsin Association for Hyperactive  
Children (WAHC)**

**P.O. Box 1477  
Milwaukee, WI 53201-1477  
(414) 332-6162**

**Service Area:  
Wisconsin**

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Newsletter**
- Education/Information**
- Parent Training**
- Case Assistance**
- Systems Change**
- Parent Support Groups**

**Wisconsin Coalition for Advocacy (WCA)**

16 N. Carroll Street  
Madison, WI 53703  
(608) 251-9600  
1-800-363-9053

**Director:**

Lynn Breedlove

**Other Contacts:**

Pat Kelly

**Service Area:**

Wisconsin

*Services Offered to Parents:*

- Litigation
- Legal Advice
- Newsletter
- Education/Information
- Parent Training
- Case Assistance
- Systems Change
- Other Assistance to Parents

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