

# RESOURCE GUIDE

## Indiana Statewide Disability Services and Information

The Indiana Governor's Council for People with Disabilities | 317.232.7770 | [GCPD.in.gov](http://GCPD.in.gov)

### 2-1-1 CONNECT2HELP (FINDING SERVICES)

Call 211 statewide to speak with a live specialist, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**Call: 211 | [in211.dreamhosters.com](http://in211.dreamhosters.com)**

### ABOUT SPECIAL KIDS (ASK)

A “parent-to-parent” organization that answers questions and provides support, information and training to Indiana families with children with special needs.

**317.257.8683 | 800.964.4746 | [aboutspeakalkids.org](http://aboutspeakalkids.org)  
[facebook.com/AboutSpecialKids](https://facebook.com/AboutSpecialKids)**

### ADA CENTER (GREAT LAKES)

Answers questions regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act and provides technical assistance and training to people with disabilities, government organizations and businesses.

**800.949.4232 | [adagreatlakes.org](http://adagreatlakes.org)  
[facebook.com/ADAGreatLakes](https://facebook.com/ADAGreatLakes)**

### ADA INDIANA

Promotes the implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act in Indiana through training, technical assistance and small grants.

**812.855.6508 | [adainfo@indiana.edu](mailto:adainfo@indiana.edu) | [adaindiana.org](http://adaindiana.org)**

### APPLY FOR BENEFITS

Use an online screening tool to see if you qualify for Food Stamps (SNAP), Medicaid (or other health coverage) and/or TANF (cash assistance), and apply online. Call or check the directory for local offices where you may apply in person.

**800.403.0864 | [in.gov/fssa/dfr](http://in.gov/fssa/dfr)**

### THE ARC OF INDIANA

Advocates for improvements in state legislation, home and community services and resources for people with intellectual disabilities and their families.

**317.977.2375 | 800.382.9100 | [arcind.org](http://arcind.org)  
[facebook.com/TheArcofIndiana](https://facebook.com/TheArcofIndiana)**

### AREA AGENCIES ON AGING (AND DISABILITY)

Provides a range of in-home and community-based services to eligible older adults and persons of all ages with physical and mental disabilities. Toll-free number connects to your local office.

**317.205.9201 | 800.986.3505 | [iaaaa.org](http://iaaaa.org)**

### AUTISM SOCIETY OF INDIANA

Raises awareness through the statewide Indiana Allies program; provides resources, training and peer-to-peer connections through the entire lifespan of someone with autism.

**800.609.8449 | [autismsocietyofindiana.org](http://autismsocietyofindiana.org)  
[facebook.com/AutismIndiana](https://facebook.com/AutismIndiana)**

### BREAKING NEW GROUND

Provides information and resources for Hoosiers with disabilities working in agriculture and rural families who have been impacted by disabilities.

**800.825.4264 | [breakingnewground.info](http://breakingnewground.info)**

### CHILDREN'S SPECIAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES

Helps eligible families with children's medical expenses related to a disability or chronic health condition.

**800.475.1355 | [in.gov/isdh/19613.htm](http://in.gov/isdh/19613.htm)**

### CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION

Enforces Indiana civil rights laws, prohibiting discrimination in employment, housing, education, public accommodation and credit. This includes Fair Housing and many ADA provisions.

**317.232.2600 | 800.628.2909 | [in.gov/icrc](http://in.gov/icrc)**

### DISABILITY, AGING AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES (INCLUDES DEAF AND BLIND)

Assists eligible people with disabilities with: residential, in home supports, employment, deaf and blind, independent living, developmental disability and more.

**800.545.7763 | [in.gov/fssa/ddrs](http://in.gov/fssa/ddrs)**

### **IIDC CENTER FOR DISABILITY INFORMATION & REFERRAL**

Statewide information and referral services on disability. Lends books and videos (part of IIDC – the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community in Bloomington).

**812.855.9396 | 800.437.7924 | [iidc.indiana.edu/cedir](http://iidc.indiana.edu/cedir)**

### **DOWN SYNDROME INDIANA**

Offers resources for families and medical professionals and coordinates support groups to connect families.

**317.925.7617 | 888.989.9255 | [dsindiana.org](http://dsindiana.org)**

### **FAMILY HELPLINE**

Telephone hotline through the Indiana State Department of Health. Responds to all categories of calls for assistance.

**855.435.7178 | [in.gov/isdh/21047.htm](http://in.gov/isdh/21047.htm)**

### **FAMILY VOICES INDIANA**

A grassroots family-led network, which provides information, training and peer support, and advocates for comprehensive family-centered, community-based disability services and supports.

**317.944.8982 | [fvindiana.org](http://fvindiana.org)**

### **FIFTH FREEDOM NETWORK**

A cross-disability, grassroots consumer organization dedicated to disseminating information and removing barriers to full community participation through non-partisan political action, community events and projects and public issues forums.

**260.426.8789 | [fifthfreedom.org](http://fifthfreedom.org)  
[facebook.com/FifthFreedomIndiana](https://facebook.com/FifthFreedomIndiana)**

### **FIRST STEPS EARLY INTERVENTION SYSTEM**

Refers families to community early intervention programs for children from birth through age 3, who are developmentally delayed or are at risk.

**866.545.7763 | [FirstStepsWeb@fssa.in.gov](mailto:FirstStepsWeb@fssa.in.gov)  
[in.gov/fssa/4655.htm](http://in.gov/fssa/4655.htm)**

### **HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE**

Provides information on applying for health insurance coverage under the Affordable Care Act.

**800.318.2596 | [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov)**

### **INDATA (ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY)**

Promotes access to technology-related services through information and referral, training, advocacy on funding issues, and device loan and demonstration.

**317.466.2013 | 888.466.1314 | [eastersealstech.com](http://eastersealstech.com)  
[facebook.com/INDATA](https://facebook.com/INDATA)**

### **IN\*SOURCE (RESOURCE CENTER FOR FAMILIES WITH SPECIAL NEEDS)**

Provides families with information/training and support to help assure effective educational programs and appropriate services for children and young adults with disabilities.

**574.234.7101 | 800.332.4433 | [insource.org](http://insource.org)**

### **MENTAL HEALTH AMERICA OF INDIANA**

Advocates for mental health and addiction services, providing legal advocacy, training and ombudsmen services to help people utilize state services.

**317.638.3501 | 800.555.6424 | [info@mhainet.org](mailto:info@mhainet.org)  
[mentalhealthassociation.com](http://mentalhealthassociation.com)**

### **NAMI INDIANA (NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL)**

Provides family and consumer support and public education about people with psychiatric disabilities.

**317.925.9399 | 800.677.6442 | [namiindiana.org](http://namiindiana.org)  
[facebook.com/NamiIndiana](https://facebook.com/NamiIndiana)**

### **INDIANA DISABILITY RIGHTS**

Assists people with disabilities to resolve disability-related problems, including problems with services and access discrimination issues.

**317.722.5555 | 800.622.4845 | [indianadisabilityrights.org](http://indianadisabilityrights.org)**

### **SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS**

Provides cash benefits to low-income families of children with disabilities and adults with disabilities with limited or no work history or who have worked but become disabled.

**800.772.1213 | [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov)**

### **SPECIAL EDUCATION: DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Provides information and guidance on special education. Monitors programs and provides mediation and due process.

**317.232.0570 | 877.851.4106 | [doe.in.gov/specialed](http://doe.in.gov/specialed)**

### **STATE INFORMATION CENTER**

Provides general information and referral for all state government services, permits, licenses, etc. The website provides common links and an online listing of state agency telephone numbers.

**317.233.0800 | 800.457.8283 | [help.in.gov](http://help.in.gov)**

### **VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (VR)**

Provides education, training, assistive technology, placement and other services to help people with disabilities find employment.

**317.232.1319 | 800.545.7763 ext. 1319  
[in.gov/fssa/ddrs/2636.htm](http://in.gov/fssa/ddrs/2636.htm)**