

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

The offices listed in this resource guide are primarily state-level offices. Even if an office is not close to your home, they can usually put you in touch with resources in your community, as well as provide you with information and assistance about disability issues in New Jersey. If you find that an address or number has changed or is incorrect, please e-mail NJ Citizen Action at financialed@njcitizenaction.org and let us know.

New Jersey State Agencies and Organizations

United States Senators

Honorable Frank Lautenberg (D)

Hart Senate Office Building, Suite 324

Washington, DC 20510

(202) 224-3224

(202) 228-4054 (Fax)

E-mail Web Form: <http://lautenberg.senate.gov/webform.html>

Web: <http://lautenberg.senate.gov>

Honorable Robert Menendez (D)

502 Senate Hart Office Building

Washington, DC 20510

(202) 224-4744

(202) 228-2197 (Fax)

E-mail Web Form: <http://menendez.senate.gov/contact/contact.cfm>

Web: <http://menendez.senate.gov/>

United States Representatives

To find the contact information for your representative in the House of the U.S. Congress, visit the House's Web site at: www.house.gov, or call: (202) 225-3121; (202) 225-1904 (TTY).

New Jersey Governor

Honorable Jon S. Corzine

Office of the Governor

P.O. Box 001

Trenton, NJ 08625

(609) 292-6000

Web: www.state.nj.us/governor

Official State of New Jersey Web Site

Web: www.state.nj.us/

State of New Jersey Department of Education: Special Education

Roberta Wohle, Acting Director

Office of Special Education Programs

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

New Jersey Department of Education
100 Riverview Plaza
P. O. Box 500
Trenton, NJ 08625-0500
(609) 633-6833
E-mail: Roberta.Wohle@doe.state.nj.us
Web: www.state.nj.us/education

State of New Jersey Coordinator for NCLB (No Child Left Behind)

Diane Schonyers, NCLB State Coordinator
New Jersey Department of Education
100 Riverview Plaza
P.O. Box 500
Trenton, NJ 08625-0500
(609) 292-4442
E-mail: diane.schonyers@doe.state.nj.us
Web: www.state.nj.us/education

NJ Programs for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities: *Ages Birth through 2*

Terry Harrison, Part C Coordinator
Department of Health and Senior Services
Division of Family Health Services
Early Intervention System
50 E. State Street
P. O. Box 364
Trenton, NJ 08625-0364
(609) 777-7734; (800) 322-8174 (Childfind Birth-21)
E-mail: terry.harrison@doh.state.nj.us
Web: www.state.nj.us/health/fhs/eis/index.shtml

NJ Programs for Children with Disabilities: *Ages 3 through 5*

Barbara Tkach, Section 619 Coordinator
Office of Special Education Programs
New Jersey Department of Education
100 Riverview Plaza
P. O. Box 500
Trenton, NJ 08625-0500
(609) 984-4950
E-mail: special.education@doe.state.nj.us
Web: www.state.nj.us/education

State of New Jersey Vocational Rehabilitation Agency

Thomas G. Jennings, Director
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services
New Jersey Department of Labor
135 E. State Street
P.O. Box 398

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

Trenton, NJ 08625-0398
(609) 292-5987; (609) 292-2919 (TTY)
E-mail: thomas.jennings@dol.state.nj.us
Web: www.wnjp.state.nj.us/

NJ Coordinator for Transition Services

Bob Haugh, Transition Coordinator
Office of Special Education Programs
New Jersey Department of Education
Riverview Executive Plaza
Building 100 Route 29
P.O. Box 500
Trenton, NJ 08625
(609) 633-6431
E-mail: robert.haugh@doe.state.nj.us
Web: www.state.nj.us/education

Office of State of New Jersey Coordinator of Vocational Education for Students with Disabilities

Rochelle Hendricks, Director
Office of Vocational-Technical, Career and Innovative Programs
New Jersey Department of Education
100 Riverview Plaza
P. O. Box 500
Trenton, NJ 08625-0500
(609) 633-0665
E-mail: rochelle.hendricks@doe.state.nj.us
Web: www.state.nj.us/education

State of New Jersey Mental Health Agency

Kevin Martone, Assistant Commissioner
Division of Mental Health Services
New Jersey Department of Human Services
50 E. State Street, Capital Center
P. O. Box 727
Trenton, NJ 08625-0727
(609) 777-0702; (800) 382-6717
E-mail: dmhsmail@DHS.state.nj.us
Web: www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhs/

State of New Jersey Mental Health Representative for Children and Youth

Bruce Stout, Director
Division of Child Behavioral Health Services
50 E. State Street, 4th Floor
P.O. Box 717
Trenton, NJ 08625-0717
(609) 292-4741

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

E-mail: bruce.stout@dcf.state.nj.us

Web: www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dcbhs

NJ Programs for People with Developmental Disabilities

Carol Grant, Director

Division of Developmental Disabilities

New Jersey Department of Human Services

Capital Center

50 E. State Street

P.O. Box 726

Trenton, NJ 08625-0726

(609) 987-0864

E-mail: carol.grant@dhs.state.nj.us

Web: www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddd/index.html

New Jersey Developmental Disabilities Council

Ethan B. Ellis, Executive Director

New Jersey Council on Developmental Disabilities

20 W. State Street, 7th floor

P. O. Box 700

Trenton, NJ 08625-0700

(609) 292-3745

E-mail: ethan.ellis@njddc.org

Web: www.njddc.org

New Jersey Protection and Advocacy Agency

Sarah W. Mitchell, Executive Director

New Jersey Protection and Advocacy, Inc.

210 S. Broad Street, 3rd Floor

Trenton, NJ 08608

(609) 292-9742; (609) 633-7106 (TTY)

(800) 922-7233 (in NJ)

E-mail: advocate@njpanda.org

Web: www.njpanda.org

Client Assistance Program

Lillie Lowe-Reid, Coordinator

Contact Protection and Advocacy Agency listed above.

NJ Programs for Children with Special Health Care Needs

Gloria M. Rodriguez, Ph.D., Director

Special Child, Health and Early Intervention Services

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services

50 E. State Street

P.O. Box 364

Trenton, NJ 08625

(609) 984-0755

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

E-mail: gloria.rodriguez@doh.state.nj.us

Web: www.state.nj.us/health

New Jersey State CHIP Program

(health care for low-income uninsured children)

New Jersey Family Care

P.O. Box 4818

Trenton, NJ 08650-4818

(800) 701-0710

Web: www.njfamilycare.org

New Jersey Programs for Children and Youth who are Blind or Visually Impaired

Vito DeSantis, Executive Director

Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

New Jersey Department of Human Services

153 Halsey Street, 6th Floor

P.O. Box 47017

Newark, NJ 07101

(973) 648-2324

Web: www.state.nj.us/humanservices/cbvi/index.html

New Jersey Programs for Children and Youth who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

Ira Hock, Acting Director

Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

New Jersey Department of Human Services

P. O. Box 074

Trenton, NJ 08625-0074

(609) 984-7281 (V/TTY)

(800) 792-8339 (V/TTY in NJ only)

E-mail: ira.hock@dhs.state.nj.us

Web: www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddhh/index.html

New Jersey Programs for Children and Youth who are Deaf-Blind

Chris Corvino, Executive Director

New Jersey Association of the Deaf-Blind

24K World Fair Drive

Summerset, NJ 08873

(732) 805-1912 (V/TTY)

Web: www.njadb.org

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

(800) 852-7897 (V)

(800) 852-7899 (TTY); 711 (TTY)

(800) 229-5746 (Speech to Speech - English)

(866) 260-9470 (Speech to Speech - Spanish)

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

State of New Jersey Education Agency Rural Representative

Special Education
High Point Regional High School
299 Pigeon Hill Road
Sussex, NJ 07461
(973) 875-3102

Regional ADA & IT Technical Assistance Center

S. Antonio (Tony) Ruiz-Quintanilla, Director & PI
DBTAC - Northeast ADA Center
Cornell University
201 ILR Extension
Ithaca, NY 14853
(607) 255-6686 (V/TTY/Spanish)
(800) 949-4232 (V/TTY//Spanish)
E-mail: northeastada@cornell.edu
Web: www.northeastada.org

UMDNJ University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities

Deborah Spitalnik, Ph.D., Executive Director
The Elizabeth M. Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities
University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey
Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Liberty Plaza
335 George Street, 3rd Floor
P.O. Box 2688
New Brunswick, NJ 08903-2688
(732) 235-9300
E-mail: deborah.spitalnik@umdnj.edu
Web: <http://rwjms.umdnj.edu/boggscenter>

Technology-Related Assistance

Ellen Catanese, Project Director
Assistive Technology Advocacy Center
New Jersey Protection and Advocacy, Inc.
210 S. Broad Street, Third Floor
Trenton, NJ 08608
(609) 292-9742; (609) 633-7106 (TTY)
(800) 922-7233 (in NJ)
E-mail: advocate@njpanda.org
Web: www.njpanda.org

State of New Jersey Mediation System

Office of Special Education Programs
New Jersey Department of Education
100 Riverview Plaza
P.O. Box 500
Trenton, NJ 08625-0500

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

(609) 984-1286

Web: www.state.nj.us/education

Special Format Library

New Jersey Library for the Blind and Handicapped

2300 Stuyvesant Avenue

Trenton, NJ 08618

(609) 530-3260; (800) 792-8322

E-mail: njlhb@njstatelib.org

Web: www.njlhb.org/

NJ Housing Resources for Individuals with Disabilities

New Jersey Department of Community Affairs website www.njhousing.gov

Disability-Specific Organizations in New Jersey

Attention Deficit Disorder

To identify an ADD group in your state or locality, contact either:

Children and Adults with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (CHADD)

8181 Professional Place, Suite 150

Landover, MD 20785

(301) 306-7070

(800) 233-4050 (Voice mail to request information packet)

Web: www.chadd.org

Attention Deficit Disorder Association (ADDA)

P.O. Box 543

Pottstown, PA 19464-0543

(484) 945-2101

Web: www.add.org

Autism

Paul Potito, Executive Director

New Jersey Center for Outreach and Services for the Autism Community (COSAC)

1450 Parkside Avenue, Suite 22

Ewing, NJ 08638

(609) 883-8100; (800) 4-AUTISM (in NJ)

E-mail: information@njcosac.org

Web: www.njcosac.org

Blind/Visual Impairments

Regina Genwright, Director of Information Center

American Foundation for the Blind

11 Penn Plaza, Suite 300

New York, NY 10001

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

(212) 502-7600; (212) 502-7662 (TTY)

E-mail: afbinfo@afb.org

Web: www.afb.org

Carol Castellano, President
Parents of Blind Children-New Jersey

23 Alexander Avenue

Madison, NJ 07940

(973) 377-0976

E-mail: blindchildren@verizon.net

Web: www.blindchildren.org

Joe Ruffalo, President

National Federation of the Blind of New Jersey

254 Spruce Street

Bloomfield, NJ 07003

(973) 743-0075; (866) 632-1940

E-mail: nfbnj@yahoo.com

Web: www.nfbnj.org

Brain Injury

Barbara Geiger-Parker, Executive Director

Brain Injury Association of New Jersey

1090 King George Post Road, Suite 708

Edison, NJ 08837

(732) 738-1002; (800) 669-4323 (in NJ only)

E-mail: info@bianj.org

Web: www.bianj.org

Cerebral Palsy

Jack M. Mudge, Executive Director/CEO

Cerebral Palsy of New Jersey

1005 Whitehead Road Extension, Suite 1

Ewing, NJ 08638

(609) 882-4182; (888) 322-1918

E-mail: info@cpofnj.org

Web: www.cpodnj.org

Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Tom Baffuto, Executive Director

The Arc of New Jersey

985 Livingston Avenue

North Brunswick, NJ 08902-1843

(732) 246-2525

E-mail: info@arcnj.org

Web: www.arcnj.org

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

Epilepsy

Eric M. Joice, Executive Director
Epilepsy Foundation of New Jersey
429 River View Plaza
Trenton, NJ 08611
(609) 392-4900; (800) 336-5843
E-mail: ejoice@efnj.com
Web: www.efnj.com

Learning Disabilities

Terry Cavanaugh, President
Learning Disabilities Association of New Jersey
P.O. Box 492
Towaco, NJ 07082
(973) 265-4303
E-mail: ldanj@optonline.net

Mental Health

Carolyn Beauchamp, Executive Director
Mental Health Association in New Jersey
88 Pompton Avenue, Suite 1
Verona, NJ 07044
(973) 571-4100
E-mail: info@mhanj.org
Web: www.mhanj.org

Sylvia Axelrod, Executive Director
NAMI New Jersey
1562 Route 130
North Brunswick, NJ 08902
(732) 940-0991
E-mail: naminj@optonline.net
Web: www.naminj.org/

Special Health Care Needs

Lauren Agoratus, Project Coordinator
Family Voices of New Jersey, at SPAN
35 Halsey Street, 4th floor
Newark, NJ 07102
(973) 642-8100; (800) 654-SPAN, ext. 110
E-mail: span@spannj.org
Web: www.spannj.org

Speech and Hearing

Monique S. Kaye, President
New Jersey Speech-Language Hearing Association
203 Towne Centre Drive
Hillsborough, NJ 08844

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

(908) 359-5308
E-mail: info@njsha.org
Web: www.njsha.org

Spina Bifida

Jane Horowitz, Executive Director
Spina Bifida Association of Tri-State Region
84 Park Avenue, Suite G-106
Flemington, NJ 08822
(908) 782-7475
E-mail: info@sbatsr.org
Web: www.sbatsr.org

Tourette Syndrome

Faith Warner Rice, President
Tourette Syndrome Association of New Jersey, Inc.
50 Division Street, Suite 205
Somerville, NJ 08876
(908) 575-7350
E-mail: NJTSA@aol.com
Web: www.tsanj.org

Organizations Especially for Parents of Children with Disabilities in NJ

Parent Training and Information Center (PTI)

Diane Autin, Executive Co-Director
Deborah Jennings, Executive Co-Director

Statewide Parent Advocacy Network (SPAN)

35 Halsey Street, 4th Floor
Newark, NJ 07102
(973) 642-8100; (800) 654-7726 (In NJ)
E-mail: span@spannj.org
Web: www.spannj.org

Parent-To-Parent

Malia Corde, Program Coordinator
New Jersey Statewide Parent-to-Parent
35 Halsey Street
Newark, NJ 07102
(908) 537-4673; (800) 372-6510
E-mail: Parent2Parent@spannj.org
Web: www.spannj.org/familywrap/parent2parent.htm

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

New Jersey Congress of Parents and Teachers
900 Berkeley Avenue

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

Trenton, NJ 08618-5322
(609) 393-5004
E-mail: nj_office@pta.org
Web: www.njpta.org

Other Parent Organization

Michelle Evans, Co-Founder and Director of Support and Family Relations
Special Parent Assistance & Resource Center (SPARC)
UCP of Hudson County, Inc.
721 Broadway
Bayonne, NJ 07002
(201) 656-3779
E-mail: SPARKLEOFUCP@yahoo.com
Web: www.geocities.com/sparcofucp

Other Disability Organizations in New Jersey

Alliance for the Betterment of Citizens with Disabilities

Lowell Arye, Executive Director
127 Route 206, Suite 18
Hamilton, NJ 08610
(609) 581-8375
E-mail: lowell@abcdnj.org
Web: www.abcdnj.org

Easter Seals New Jersey

Brian J. Fitzgerald, President/CEO
1 Kimberly Road
East Brunswick, NJ 08816-1076
(732) 257-6662; (800) 486-0027
E-mail: essnj@nj.easterseals.com
Web: www.eastersealsnj.org

Family Support Center of New Jersey

Jacqueline Moskowitz, Director
2516 Route 35 North
Manasquan, NJ 08736
(732) 528-8080; (800) 372-6510 (in NJ)
E-mail: jacqui.moskowitz@fscnj.org
Web: www.fscnj.org

Rehabilitative and Support Services for Persons with Acquired Brain Injury

Paula Blum, Director
New Jersey Mentor
505 S. Lenola Road
Blason Office Plaza II, Suite 217
Moorestown, NJ 08057

New Jersey Citizen Action Resource Guide for Individuals with Disabilities

(856) 235-5505

E-mail: paula.blum@thementornetwork.com

Web: www.thementornetwork.com

New Jersey Self-Help Group Clearinghouse

(free help to those seeking to find or start a local or national support group)

Edward Madara, Director

100 Hanover Avenue, Suite 202

Cedar Knolls, NJ 07927-2020

(973) 326-6789; (800) 367-6274 (in NJ)

E-mail: ed@selfhelpgroups.org

Web: www.njgroups.org

Division of Disability Services

William A. B. Ditto, Director

P.O. Box 700

Trenton, NJ 08625-0700

(609) 292-7800; (609) 292-1210 (TTY)

(888) 285-3036

E-mail: william.ditto@dhs.state.nj.us

Web: www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dds

VSA arts of New Jersey

Vanessa Young, Executive Director

703 Jersey Avenue

New Brunswick, NJ 08901

(732) 745-3885; (732) 745-3913 (TTY)

E-mail: info@vsanj.org

Web: www.vsanj.org

Independent Living

For contact information for the Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC) in NJ, contact:

Independent Living Research Utilization Project - The Institute for Rehabilitation and Research

2323 South Sheppard, Suite 1000

Houston, TX 77019

(713) 520-0232 (V); (713) 520-5136 (TTY)

E-mail: ilru@ilru.org

Web: www.ilru.org

To find out the contact information for centers for independent living (CILs) in NJ, contact:

National Council on Independent Living

1710 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, 5th Floor

Washington, DC 20036

(202) 207-0334 (V); (202) 207-0340 (TTY)

E-mail: ncil@ncil.org

Web: www.ncil.org