

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD - DISABILITY NETWORK DIRECTORY

## Children & Youth Services

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### Basic Concepts, LLC

1680 E. Gude Drive, Suite 307

Rockville, MD 20850

240-447-8013 (V)

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

[www.basicconcepts.org](http://www.basicconcepts.org)

Speech language and educational therapies, social skills groups, and diagnostic and consultative services. Offer a summer camp designed to improve language, academic, and social skills.

### Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health Program

#### Montgomery County Government

240-777-1450 (V)

Provides family-focused outpatient mental health services to children, adolescents, and their families to help address severe emotional, behavioral, substance abuse, and victimization issues. Services include mental health screening & assessment; diagnostic evaluation, family, individual and group psychotherapy; clinical case management; drug and alcohol assessment, and education; behavioral and medication management and follow up services; and outreach treatment and support services in the selected school sites for children and adolescents who are involved with Montgomery County Public Schools, ED (Emotionally Disabled) classrooms. As a part of the Montgomery County System of Care, Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services coordinates treatment services with family members and other agencies involved with children and families.

### Child Welfare League of America

202-688-4200 (V)

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

[www.cwla.org](http://www.cwla.org)

Coalition of hundreds of private and public agencies serving vulnerable children and families. Leads and engages its network of public and private agencies and partners to advance policies, best practices and collaborative strategies that result in better outcomes for children, youth and families that are vulnerable.

### ChildLink (Early Child Services) - Montgomery County Children, Youth & Family Services

1401 Rockville Pike

Rockville, MD 20852

240-777-4769 (V)

[www.montgomerycountymd.gov/childlink](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/childlink)

Information and referral service for families with young children. Provide referrals, consultation on child development or parenting issues, or linkages and follow up for families presenting more complex or at-risk situations which require early intervention services. Also assists families and providers in accessing mental health consultation on-site in childcare programs.

### Children's Defense Fund

840 First Street NE, Suite 300

Washington, DC 20002

202-628-8787 (V)

Email: [cdfinfo@childrensdefense.org](mailto:cdfinfo@childrensdefense.org)

[www.childrensdefense.org](http://www.childrensdefense.org)

Advocate nationwide on behalf of children. Offer child advocacy resources, research, data, and publications. Provide the training, support, and resources to make it possible for anyone who is interested to make a difference in the lives of children.

### Community Support Network

#### Montgomery County Aging and Disability Services

1401 Rockville Pike, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Rockville, MD 20852

240-777-1216 (V)

[www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Disability/DevDis.html](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Disability/DevDis.html)

Assist children and adults with developmental disabilities access public and private services, and provide professional support and guidance to families needing assistance in caring for their family member with a disability. Summer camp scholarships.

- **Autism Waiver** staff coordinate with Montgomery County Public Schools staff and monitor services for children (ages 0 - 21) in the program who have been diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Through the Autism Waiver Program, students and families receive respite care, environmental accessibility adaptations, family training, supported adult life planning, and intensive individual support services in the home and community, therapeutic integration service, service coordination and, in some cases, residential habilitation.

### Community Support Network Continued

- **Individual and Family Supports** monitors funding provided by the State of Maryland's Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) for family and individual support services for individuals with developmental disabilities.
- **My Turn Program** provides support and assistance to families with children ages three to thirteen who have developmental disabilities and are not connected with State of Maryland resources. Services include outreach, assistance with summer camp placements and other programmatic and financial assistance.
- **Coordination of Community Services** (CCS) program is one of six agencies in the County that provides case management services to eligible school to work transition students and adults people who have developmental disabilities and are eligible for the Maryland DDA Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Waiver services.
- **Respite Services** provides short-term temporary relief to unpaid live-in caregivers/families who are providing full-time care to children with severe medical conditions, children/adults with disabilities, or frail seniors. Care is provided by trained, certified care workers in the family's home or in a respite care facility.
- **Transition Youth with Disabilities** Assists students with developmental disabilities in the process of exiting from the school system, and their families with transitioning into adult services for ongoing supports through the DDA. Services include adult vocational training, day habilitation, or supported employment services.

### CSAAC (Community Services for Autistic Adults and Children, Inc.)

The Jane Salzano Center for Autism  
8615 East Village Avenue  
Montgomery Village, MD 20886  
240-912-2220 (V)  
Email: [csaac@csaac.org](mailto:csaac@csaac.org)  
[www.csaac.org](http://www.csaac.org)

- The **Intensive Early Intervention Program** provides children ages 17 months to 10 years old with structured behavioral intervention based on the principles of applied behavior analysis.
- **Community School of Maryland** is a non-public school that provides educational services to students with autism. This 12-month program is non-graded and provides full day and residential special education and related services. School students range between 6 and 21 years of age. Students receive vocational training that includes school-based and community-based job opportunities.

### CSAAC Continued

- **Residential Supports** oversees 68 homes in Montgomery County providing community living to children and adults with autism. Homes are staffed around the clock by counselors who teach independent living skills such as housekeeping, personal hygiene, shopping, money management, communication, telephone use, and leisure activities.
- **Vocational Supports** supported employment program enables adults with autism to find and keep jobs in the community. Assesses individuals for their own interests, skills and characteristics of autism that will influence employment.

### Dyslexia Tutoring Program

The Rotunda, Suite 310  
711 W. 40<sup>th</sup> Street  
Baltimore, MD 21221  
410-889-5487 (V)

[www.dyslexiatutoringprogram.org](http://www.dyslexiatutoringprogram.org)

Teach low-income children and adults who are dyslexic or have a language-based learning disability to read. Provide screening, remedial tutoring, information, and referral for educational and vocational help. There are support groups, assistance with the schools, and partnerships with educational and healthcare institutions. Services are free depending on income guidelines.

### Easter Seals DCMDVA

#### Early Care & Education Centers

1420 Spring Street  
Silver Spring, MD 20910  
301-588-8708 (V)  
1-800-886-3771 (Toll Free)

[www.easterseals.com/DCMDVA](http://www.easterseals.com/DCMDVA)

Provide inclusive, early childhood education and development at each of their Child Development Centers for children with and without disabilities. Provide respite services and caregiver supports for children with disabilities or special needs, and their siblings, including Military and Wounded Warrior families. Developmental screenings and collaborative services. Supportive therapy services for children with disabilities and/or developmental delays. Inclusive programming.

### **Infants and Toddlers Program – Montgomery County Children, Youth and Family Services**

Mary Manning-Falzarano, Director  
1401 Rockville Pike, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Rockville, MD 20852

240-777-3997 (V) - Child birth through 34 ½ months

301-929-2222 (V) - Children older than 34 ½ months

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[www.montgomerycountymd.gov/infantsandtoddlers](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/infantsandtoddlers)

Children are eligible if they meet the following criteria: demonstrate a 25% delay in one of the developmental areas, have atypical development or have a high probability condition that would likely result in developmental delays. The program includes a developmental assessment; a review of family concerns; priorities and resources; meetings with the family to develop an individualized family service plan; service coordination to ensure that the individual and his or her family receive needed services which may include but are not limited to physical therapy, occupational therapy, audiology, health/medical services, nursing services, nutrition services, psychological services including specialized play groups or therapy sessions, counseling, speech and language assistance, special instructional services, transportation, and parenting skills development; and ongoing evaluation of the child's progress and his or her changing enrichment needs. These services are provided in a family centered practice model where families participate with service providers to learn skills and strategies to support their children's development. All services are provided at no cost.

#### **Early Screening, Diagnosis and Intervention Program**

Jennifer Arnaiz, Manager III/Acting Administrator

240-777-3055 (V)

240-777-4769 (Main)

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The initiative's multi-prong approach includes the promotion of an electronic screening and data management tool among area pediatricians and County clinics, expansion of efforts at the Montgomery County's Infants and Toddlers Program (MCITP) to quickly diagnose infants and toddlers screened positive for developmental conditions such as autism, and the adoption of electronic tools and new strategies to expedite referrals to MCITP and to evidence based interventions after the identification of a developmental delay.

### **Ivymount School**

11614 Seven Locks Road

Rockville, MD 20854

301-469-0223 (V)

[www.ivymount.org](http://www.ivymount.org)

The **Autism Program** provides highly structured teaching environments using the Applied Behavior Analysis methodology. The program provides students ages 4 to 21 with one-to-one, two-to-one and small group instruction. Speech and language, occupational therapy, and related services are delivered in a consultative classroom model. The **Multiple Learning Needs Program** serves students with disabilities including Autism/PDD, developmental delays, speech / language and other health impairments. The program serves students Elementary/Middle School (grades K-8) and Secondary School (grades 9-12), ages 4 to 21 (students earning Certificate of Completion). The school provides therapeutic, social and pragmatic skills programming depending on the ages and learning needs of the students. Career development is embedded in the educational program. The **Model Asperger Program (MAP)** is for students with average to above average cognitive abilities but struggle in mainstream learning environments due to difficulties with social skills, executive functioning, flexible thinking and self-regulation. Serves students elementary/Middle School (grades K – 8) and Secondary School (grades 9 – 12).

### **Jewish Social Service Agency**

200 Wood Hill Road

Rockville, MD 20850

301-838-4200 (V)

Email: [contactus@jssa.org](mailto:contactus@jssa.org)

[www.jssa.org](http://www.jssa.org)

Develop an individualized program that coordinates a variety of assessment, treatment, intervention and support services specific to your child's and family's unique needs. Services include behavioral, emotional and psychological evaluations, service planning and care coordination, individual and group therapy, social skills therapy groups, psychiatric evaluations and medication management, parenting and family workshops and support groups, educational and neuropsychological assessments and solutions, and workshops and support groups. Offer a social club for individuals diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder and related challenges.

### **Kids Enjoy Exercise Now (KEEN) Foundation**

P. O. Box 341590  
Bethesda, MD 20827-1590  
301-770-3200 (V)  
Email: [info@keengrdc.org](mailto:info@keengrdc.org)  
[www.keengreaterdc.org](http://www.keengreaterdc.org)

Provide one-on-one recreational opportunities to children, teens and young adults with significant developmental and physical disabilities by pairing them with trained volunteers for fun, noncompetitive activities. Programs include sports, swimming, music, tennis, bowling, fitness, Family Sports Day, and KEEN Club. Provided at no cost to the participant or their family.

### **Linkages to Learning**

#### **Montgomery County Public Schools**

240-777-1731 (V)  
Email: [linkagestolearning@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:linkagestolearning@montgomerycountymd.gov)  
[www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/community-engagement/linkages-to-learning/](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/community-engagement/linkages-to-learning/)

Community school partnership with an integrated focus on health, social services, community engagement and leadership to support student learning, strong families, and healthy communities. Program provides accessible services to at-risk children and their families to improve adjustment to and performance in school, home, and community. Prevention and early intervention services include health, mental health, social services and educational support (including academic tutoring for students, mentoring and adult education classes, such as ESOL and literacy) to improve the well-being of children and their families through a collaborative delivery of school-based services that address the social, economic, health, and emotional issues that interfere with the academic success of a child.

### **Maryland Association of Nonpublic Special Education Facilities (MANSEF)**

P. O. Box 6815  
Baltimore, MD 21285-6815  
410-938-4413 (V)  
Email: [mansef@aol.com](mailto:mansef@aol.com)  
[www.mansef.org](http://www.mansef.org)

Not-for-profit organization of more than 90 nonpublic special education facilities approved by the Maryland State Department of Education. MANSEF unites a diverse community of educators, professionals and parents to advocate for the needed continuum of services for children and adolescents with disabilities. MANSEF works in partnership with private/nonpublic special education facilities, families, parent groups, state and local education and government officials and related service professionals.

### **Maryland Children's Health Program (MCHP)**

#### **Maryland Department of Health**

1-855-642-8572 (Maryland Health Connection)  
1-855-642-8573 (TTY)

<https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/chp/pages/home.aspx>

Provides free or low-cost health care for children under age 19 who are low income and uninsured. Operated by the State of Maryland, also called the Maryland HealthChoice Program. Individuals in MCHP / HealthChoice choose a Managed Care Organization (MCO) after they enroll. The MCO provides a list of doctors and enrollees must choose a doctor from that list. Covered services include doctor visits, hospital care, lab work and tests, vision care, dental care, prescription medicines, immunizations (shots), mental health services and specialists, substance abuse treatments, and transportation to medical appointments.

### **National Center for Children and Families**

6301 Greentree Road  
Bethesda, MD 20817  
301-365-4480 (V)  
Email: [info@nccf-cares.org](mailto:info@nccf-cares.org)  
[www.nccf-cares.org](http://www.nccf-cares.org)

Private, nonprofit child and family welfare agency with a commitment to serving poor, disadvantaged, abused, neglected and/or abandoned children, youth, and their families. Current program services include emergency shelters and transitional housing for homeless families, a high-intensity therapeutic group home, therapeutic and traditional foster care and adoption, independent living for youth transitioning to adulthood, teen parent services, and community-based prevention services that promote academic achievement, parental involvement, economic and vocational stability, and healthy families. The **Neediest Kids Program** targets students who go without food, adequate clothing, dental and vision care in the national capital region. Program provides supports so the student can refocus on obtaining a quality education.

### **Parents' Place of Maryland**

802 Cromwell Park Drive, Suite Q  
Glen Burnie, MD 21061  
410-768-9100 (V)  
1-800-394-5694 (Toll Free)  
Email: [info@ppmd.org](mailto:info@ppmd.org)  
[www.ppmd.org](http://www.ppmd.org)

Provides information and support for families who have children and youth with disabilities or special health care needs, beginning at birth through age 26. Parent Educators and staff are available to help you understand and navigate the special education system and provide you with the information and tools you need to be an informed and active participant in your child's education. Family-to-Family Health Information Center (F2F HIC) provides a central source for families of children and young adults with disabilities and special health care needs to obtain support, advocacy, and information about health care. Services are free.

### **Play on Words Therapy, LLC**

240-283-7752 (V)

Email: [christina@playonwordstherapyllc.com](mailto:christina@playonwordstherapyllc.com)

[www.playonwordstherapyllc.com](http://www.playonwordstherapyllc.com)

Provide individual speech-language therapy sessions in the home setting. Specialize in working with younger children with significant impairments (nonverbal communicators, limited language, language delay, Autism, intellectual disability). Offer summer language sessions for children ages 3 to 7 that focus on play-based therapy, language development, and functional communication. Also offer training for families looking to create language-enriched environments in their natural routines. Serve DC, Prince George's County, and selected parts of Montgomery County.

### **Readability Corp**

11200 Willowbrook Drive

Potomac, MD 20854

202-355-8855 (V)

Email: [admin@readabilityus.org](mailto:admin@readabilityus.org)

[www.readabilityus.org](http://www.readabilityus.org)

Non-profit run by Montgomery County Public Schools students who design and create multi-sensory books and offering storytelling sessions for intellectually disabled and neurodivergent preschool and elementary age children with the DC Metro area, at no cost to groups, libraries, events and individual children and their families. Events are posted on website calendar. Email or call with inquiries about booking a fun and engaging multi-sensory storytelling session for your group or individual children.

### **Rehabilitation Services, Inc.**

14409 Greenview Drive, Suite 102

Laurel, MD 20708

301-498-8100 (V)

Email: [info@rsitherapy.net](mailto:info@rsitherapy.net)

[www.rsitherapy.net](http://www.rsitherapy.net)

Provide physical therapy, speech-language pathology, and occupational therapy services to all ages. Services include free screenings, evaluations and assessments, therapy and rehabilitation, and consultations. Accept a wide range of insurances, including Healthnet for military families.

### **Treatment and Learning Center (TLC)**

#### **Outcomes Adult Services**

Sherri Stocklin, Admissions and Community Supports Coordinator

2092 Gaither Road, Suite 100

Rockville, MD 20850

301-294-9205 (V)

Email: [sstocklin@ttlc.org](mailto:sstocklin@ttlc.org)

[www.ttlc.org/outcomes-adult-services/](http://www.ttlc.org/outcomes-adult-services/)

Serving a diverse group of transitioning youth and adults with disabilities including developmental disabilities, autism, brain injury and other neurological conditions. Job placement specialists work with over 50 employers annually to help consumers find and maintain meaningful employment. Consumer social groups and independent living skills are also emphasized. Outcomes staff are active advocates with and for their consumers, participating in state and local organizations that advocate for individuals with disabilities. Funding for services is received through DDA, DORS, and various private sources. Partnerships with a variety of community organizations assist in providing comprehensive services.

### **Youth and Family Programs**

#### **City of Rockville**

Community Services Division

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[www.rockvillemd.gov/index.aspx?nid=376](http://www.rockvillemd.gov/index.aspx?nid=376)

Programs designed to prevent youth from engaging in delinquent behaviors, specifically drug and alcohol abuse, gang involvement and other criminal activities. Offer mentoring, counseling, and parent training. After school programs for students in grades K to 10. Youth must live or attend school in the City of Rockville to be eligible for the programs.