

NEWTON & JASPER COUNTY INDIANA SPECIAL EDUCATION CONTACT LIST

| School                      | Address                   | Phone Number | Contact                      | Area Served                   |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Cooperative School Services | 116 N. Van ST. Rensselaer | 219-866-8540 | Special Education Department | All of Newton & Jasper County |

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| Newton & Jasper County Sites    | Address                           | Phone Number | Contact Email  |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|--|
| Council On Aging                | 1005 Campbell Box 246, Valparaiso | 219-531-5571 | <a href="mailto:karen.wilson@geminus.org">karen.wilson@geminus.org</a>     |
| Hebron Resource Center          | 611 N. Main St, Hebron            | 219-996-5882 | <a href="mailto:karen.wilson@geminus.org">karen.wilson@geminus.org</a>     |
| South Haven                     | 310 W. U.S. Hwy 6, Valparaiso     | 219-763-2666 | <a href="mailto:marcia.saprony@geminus.org">marcia.saprony@geminus.org</a> |
| Westchester Intermediate School | 1050 S. 5th St., Chesterton       | 219-983-3726 | <a href="mailto:marcia.saprony@geminus.org">marcia.saprony@geminus.org</a> |

### LOCAL PRIVATE THERAPY PROVIDERS

| Agency / Program                             | Address                                    | Phone Number           | Comments           |
|--|--|------------------------|--------------------|
| Children's Therapy Plus                      | 6504 East 129th Ave, Crown Point           | 219-662-7654           |                    |
| Deaconess                                    | 3207 Cascade Dr. Ste. B-C, Valparaiso      | 219-465-5460           |                    |
| Jacob's Ladder                               | P.O.Box 2385, Portage                      | 219-764-4888           |                    |
| Kidworks - Developmental Intervention Center | 1120 S. Calumet Rd. Ste. 1 & 3, Chesterton | 219-983-WORK<br>(9675) |                    |
| Hospital                                     | Address                                    | Phone Number           | Contact            |
| Jasper County Hospital                       | 1104 E. Grace St, Rensselaer               | 219-86605141           | Therapy Department |
| Methodist Hospital (CDC) Southlake           | 303 East 89th Avenue, Merrillville         | 219-73803500           | Therapy Department |
| St. Margaret Rehab Center                    | Omni 41—221 US Route 41, Schererville      | 219-322-2037           | Therapy Department |

### LOCAL RESOURCES

| Resource         | Address                | Phone Number   | Comments  |
|------------------|------------------------|----------------|---|
| ConneXions       | P.O. Box 27, Lafayette | 1-800-932-3302 | Provides information regarding child care locations for families as well as train child care providers in Newton & Jasper Counties. For more information visit <a href="http://www.cnxcare.com">www.cnxcare.com</a> |
| Family to Family | Not Applicable         | 1-800-396-7188 | Connecting families in the community. For information please visit <a href="http://www.inf2f.org">www.inf2f.org</a>   |

## LOCAL COMMUNITY PROGRAMS / ACTIVITIES

| Community Programs                       | Address                             | Phone Number | Comments   |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------|--|
| DeMotte Public Library                   | 901 Birch St., S.W., Demotte        | 219-987-2221 | For more information regarding programs & activities please visit <a href="http://www.jasperco.lib.in.us/">www.jasperco.lib.in.us/</a>       |
| Rensselaer Public Library                | 208 W. Susan St., Rensselaer        | 219-866-5881 | For additional information regarding programs & activities please visit <a href="http://www.jasperco.lib.in.us/">www.jasperco.lib.in.us/</a> |
| Wheatfield Public Library                | 170 S. Grace St., Wheatfield        | 219-956-3774 | For additional information regarding programs & activities please visit <a href="http://www.jasperco.lib.in.us/">www.jasperco.lib.in.us/</a> |
| Horizon Gymnastics                       | 1254 Horse Prairie Ave., Valparaiso | 219-477-6542 | <a href="http://www.horizongymnasticscenter.com">www.horizongymnasticscenter.com</a>   |
| Lakeshore Gymnastics                     | 878 W. Indiana Ave., Chesterton     | 219-926-4274 |  |
| Lafayette Family YMCA                    | 1950 S. 18th St, Lafayette          | 765-474-3448 | For more information on the facility and programs please visit <a href="http://www.lafayettefamilyymca.org">www.lafayettefamilyymca.org</a>  |
| YMCA—Duneland Family YMCA                | 215 Roosevelt St., Chesterton       | 219-926-4204 | For more information on the facility and programs please visit <a href="http://www.duneland.com/ymca.html">www.duneland.com/ymca.html</a>    |
| YMCA—Valparaiso                          | 55 Chicago St., Valparaiso          | 219-462-4185 | For more information on the facility and programs please visit <a href="http://www.valpoymca.org">www.valpoymca.org</a>                      |
| Gymboree Play and Music                  | 1155 Marsh St., Valparaiso          | 219-548-8404 | For more information please visit <a href="http://www.gymboree.com">www.gymboree.com</a>   |
| Gymboree Play Program                    | 1501 D., Dyer                       | 219-864-0266 |  |
| Opportunity Enterprises / All About Kids | 2801 Evans Ave. Valparaiso          | 219-464-9621 | Expressive speech group for children up to 3½.   |
| Parents As Teachers - Lafayette          | Lafayette                           | 765-420-7711 | For information please send an email to <a href="mailto:vleuck.villages.org">vleuck.villages.org</a>   |
| Parents As Teachers of Family Services   | Lafayette                           | 765-423-5361 | For information please send an email to <a href="mailto:robbin@fsilafayette.org">robbin@fsilafayette.org</a>                                 |

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**INDIANA STATEWIDE DISABILITY INFORMATION NUMBERS**

| PROGRAM NAME  | DESCRIPTION  | PHONE NUMBER                       |
|---|--|------------------------------------|
| ADA Technical Assistance Program                          | The Great Lakes ADA Center answers questions regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act and provides technical assistance and training to people with disabilities and business.<br>Website: <a href="http://www.adagreatlakes.org">www.adagreatlakes.org</a>   | 800-949-4232                       |
| The Arc of Indiana  | Advocates for people with mental retardation and related developmental disabilities and their families. TheArcLink provides resources and advice on home and community based services with detailed information on service providers via the Web site. Website: <a href="http://www.arcind.org">www.arcind.org</a> or <a href="http://www.TheArcLink.org">www.TheArcLink.org</a> | 800-382-9100<br>Or<br>317-977-2375 |
| Area Agencies on Aging (& Disability)                     | Provides a broad range of in-home and community-based services to eligible older adults and persons of all ages with disabilities. This toll-free number will connect you with your local office.  | 800-986-3503                       |
| ATTAIN (Assistive Technology through Action in Indiana)   | Promotes access to technology-related services, through training, individual advocacy activities, individual case advocacy on funding issues, policy review and position statements.<br>Website: <a href="http://www.attaininc.org">www.attaininc.org</a>  | 800-528-8246<br>Or<br>317-486-8808 |
| Breaking New Ground (BNG)                                 | Provides information and resources for people with disabilities working in agriculture and rural families in Indiana who have been impacted by disabilities. Website: <a href="http://www.ecn.purdue.edu/ABE/Extension/BNG">www.ecn.purdue.edu/ABE/Extension/BNG</a>   | 800-825-4264<br>Or<br>765-494-5088 |
| Center for Disability Information & Referral              | Statewide referral services on disability, including providers, support groups, educational and residential facilities. Lends books and videos (part of the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community).<br>Website: <a href="http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/~cedir">www.iidc.indiana.edu/~cedir</a>   | 800-437-7924<br>Or<br>812-855-9396 |
| 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                       |
| 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.<br>Website: <a href="http://www.state.in.us/crc">www.state.in.us/crc</a>  | 800-628-2909<br>Or<br>317-232-2600 |
| Disability, Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DDARS)     | Assists eligible people with disabilities and older Hoosiers through in-home services, supported employment, independent living, deaf/hard-of-hearing services, blind and visually impaired services, and social security disability eligibility and more. Website: <a href="http://www.state.in.us/fssa">www.state.in.us/fssa</a>   | 800-545-7763<br>Or<br>317-232-7000 |
| Division of Special Education—<br>Department of Education | Provides information on special education services and issues for individuals from ages 3-22.<br>Website: <a href="http://www.indstate.edu/soe/fseas/dse.html">www.indstate.edu/soe/fseas/dse.html</a>   | 877-851-4106<br>Or<br>317-232-0570 |
| Family Helpline   | Telephone hotline through the Indiana State Department of Health. Responds to all categories of calls for assistance.  | 800-433-0746                       |
| 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. Website: <a href="http://www.state.in.us/fssa/first_step/">www.state.in.us/fssa/first_step/</a>  | 800-441-7837<br>Or<br>317-232-1144 |
| Hoosier Healthwise Hotline                                | Assists lower-income residents of Indiana by providing insurance coverage for health care services, including Hoosier Healthwise for children. Website: <a href="http://www.state.in.us/fssa/HTML/PROGRAMS/HH4C.html">www.state.in.us/fssa/HTML/PROGRAMS/HH4C.html</a>   | 800-889-9949                       |

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| Indiana Institute on Disability and Community               | Provides training, advocacy and research to support inclusive education; community living/membership; integrated employment; autism support; and choice for people with disabilities and families.<br>Website: <a href="http://www.iidc.indiana.edu">www.iidc.indiana.edu</a>  | 800-825-4733<br>Or<br>812-855-6508             |
| Indiana Parent Information Network (IPIN)                   | A family directed organization that works with parents, professionals and volunteers to support children with special needs. Website: <a href="http://www.ipin.org">www.ipin.org</a>   | 800-964-4746<br>Or<br>317-257-8683             |
| IN*SOURCE (Resource Center for Families with Special Needs) | Provides families with information/training to help assure effective educational programs and appropriate services for children and young adults with disabilities. Links families with parents in their community who have been trained to help resolve special education issues and concerns.<br>Website: <a href="http://www.insource.org">www.insource.org</a> | 800-332-4433<br>Or<br>219-234-7101             |
| NAMI Indiana (National Alliance for the Mentally Ill)       | Provides family and consumer support and public education about people with psychiatric disabilities.<br>Website: <a href="http://www.namiindiana.org">www.namiindiana.org</a>   | 800-677-6442<br>Or<br>317-925-9399             |
| Protection and Advocacy Services (Indiana)                  | Assists people with disabilities to resolve disability-related problems including problems with services and access discrimination issues. Website: <a href="http://www.state.in.us/ipas/">www.state.in.us/ipas/</a>   | 800-622-4845<br>Or<br>317-722-5555             |
| State Information Center                                    | Provides general information and referral for all state government services, permits, licenses, etc. For an online listing of state agency telephone numbers, go to: <a href="http://www.isd.state.in.us/cgi-bin/phone/tms#START">www.isd.state.in.us/cgi-bin/phone/tms#START</a>  | 800-457-8283<br>Or<br>317-233-0800             |
| United Cerebral Palsy Association of Greater Indiana        | Provides information, referral, advocacy, diagnostic and treatment clinics, equipment funding and support services to people with cerebral palsy and their families throughout Indiana.  | 800-723-7620<br>Or<br>317-632-3561             |
| Vocational Rehabilitation                                   | Provides referral for persons with disabilities to local office for educational/training for job placement.  | 800-545-7763<br>ext.1319<br>Or<br>317-232-1319 |

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Website: [www.state.in.us/gpcpd](http://www.state.in.us/gpcpd)

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