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What Is Assistive Technology?

An assistive technology device is any item or piece of equipment used to increase, keep or improve a person's functional capabilities. These devices may be as simple as reading glasses or as complex as a speaking personal computer.

An assistive technology service is any service that helps an individual select, get or learn to use an assistive technology device. These services include customizing, fitting, maintaining and repairing devices, assistive technology evaluations, funding, technical assistance and training on how to use assistive technology devices.

Assistive technology can help individuals maintain or become more independent at home, at work and in their communities.

Assistive technology covers a wide range of products and services.

Categories of Assistive Technology

Aids for Daily Living: Self-help aids for use in activities such as eating, bathing, cooking, dressing, toileting and home maintenance.

Augmentative Communication: Electronic and non-electronic devices that provide a means for expressive and receptive communication for persons with limited speech.

Computer Applications: Input and output devices (voice, braille), alternative access aids (head sticks, light pointers), modified or alternative keyboards, switches, special software and other devices.

Environmental Control Systems: Primarily electronic systems that enable someone without mobility to control various devices such as appliances, electronic aids and security systems in the home or other surroundings.

Home/Worksite Modifications: Structural adaptations, fabrications in the home, worksite or other areas (ramps, lifts, bathroom changes) that remove or reduce physical barriers.

Prosthetics and Orthotics: Replacement, substitution or augmentation of missing or malfunctioning body parts with artificial limbs or other orthotic aids (splints, braces, etc.).

Seating and Positioning: Accommodations to a wheelchair or other seating system to provide greater body stability, trunk/head support and an upright posture and reduction of pressure on the skin surface (cushions, contour seats, lumbar supports).

Aids for Vision/Hearing Impaired: Aids such as magnifiers, braille and speech output devices, large screens, hearing aids, TTYs and visual alerting systems.

Ambulation/Mobility Aids: Manual and power wheelchairs, mobile bases for custom chairs, walkers, three-wheel scooters and other utility vehicles used for increasing personal mobility.

Vehicle Modification: Adaptive driving aids, hand controls, wheelchairs and other lifts, modified vans or other motor vehicles used for personal transportation.

Section 1 – Major Assistive Technology Funding Sources

CHIP - WV Children's Health Insurance Program

The West Virginia Children's Health Insurance Program (WVCHIP) is a low cost health care plan for children and teenagers of working families. WVCHIP helps make sure kids are healthy by ensuring they get medical care.

WVCHIP was created to help working families who do not have health insurance for their children. WVCHIP will cover several costs including: doctor visits, check-ups, hospital visits, prescriptions, immunizations, dental care, vision care, mental health, emergency care, etc. For more information, call **877-WVACHIP (877-982-2447)**, or visit chip.wv.gov.

Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN)

CSHCN provides medical and social service care coordination for children, age birth through 20 years, who have or might have a chronic or disabling medical condition and meet medical and income eligibility requirements.

Reimbursement for medical services may come from a variety of resources including Title XIX (Medicaid waiver), Title XXI (CHIP), private insurance or by Title V for those children not eligible for other health care financing.

For more information, call **800-642-9704** or visit www.wvdhhr.org/cshcn.

Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR)

The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR) provides a wide range of services to West Virginia residents.

Emergency Assistance

Emergency Assistance gives short-term financial help to persons and families who face a financial crisis. Items that may be needed are: shelter, utilities, food, household goods, clothing, childcare, transportation or outpatient medical care. The Emergency Assistance Program is only available one time during any 12-month time period. Persons and families must meet certain program guidelines and be within certain levels for income and assets. Those applying for this program will also be referred to other community programs that may help. Call your local DHHR office (See Appendix J) for more information.

Link-up America

Link-up America is a program for low-income households offered by West Virginia telephone companies. The program offers a lower than normal cost for the connection of a telephone line in the household. Link-up America helps rural households have access to emergency and other community services. For more information, call your local DHHR office (See Appendix J).

Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP)

LIEAP is a yearly winter home-heating program that helps pay a household's winter heating bills. Households must meet income and program guidelines. Households that are facing the shut-off of their home heating services during the winter may get help through an emergency part of the program. For more information, call your local DHHR office (See Appendix J) or **866-674-6327**.

Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT)

Helps those who receive Medicaid with the costs of going to and from their doctors and medical service providers. Other costs during the travel such as meals, lodging and tolls may also be available for eligible patients. Private auto transportation providers are paid by the mile. Public transportation providers are reimbursed at rates decided by the WV Public Service Commission. For more information, call your local DHHR office (See Appendix J).

WV Family Support Foundation

The WV Family Support Foundation helps families with members who have developmental disabilities. In partnership with the state of West Virginia and the West Virginia Family Support Program, the Foundation provides supplemental funding to families who care for members with disabilities at home. Visit [Family Support Application](#) for an application. Please send your completed application to your Family Support Regional Council. For a list of Regional Councils see Appendix S.

Education and Assistive Technology

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and West Virginia Board of Education Policy 2419: Regulations for the Education of Exceptional Students in West Virginia, require school districts to ensure a free, appropriate public education (FAPE) for students with disabilities ages 3-21 in the least restrictive environment. It is the responsibility of the school district to provide assistive technology devices and services to students with disabilities if the Individualized Education Plan (IEP) team determines

that these devices and services are needed to meet the educational goals and objectives of the student.

Assessment

When a student is referred for assessment, a team of qualified individuals will conduct the assessment to identify the child's individual needs.

The assessment may be conducted by the school district or by someone contracted by the school district. If parents do not agree with the results of the assessment an independent assessment may be requested by the parents and paid for by the school district. If the assessment team and parent decide that the child is eligible for services based on the assessment and other information provided by the parent and teacher, an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) will be written for the student by the assessment team. Parents are members of the assessment team.

What do I need to bring to the assessment?

- Bring your child's medical information, family history and educational needs to the assessment. This information will give the assessment team a complete picture of your child.
- Bring your own concerns and do not be afraid to ask questions.
- Video or audio record the assessment so you do not have to write down all the information.

What is an Individualized Education Plan?

The Individualized Education Plan (IEP) for preschool and school aged children is a written plan for educating a child with a disability who needs specially designed instruction. The IEP describes the child's needs, goals and special services needed at school. The IEP is developed to help children reach goals and objectives in the least restrictive setting with their peers and to help the children learn to be as independent as possible in their daily lives.

How do we get assistive technology in the IEP?

Family members, including the child (if old enough), need to be aware that they are equal partners on the team and have every right to help write the IEP. Parents may ask advocates, assistive technology specialists or others to attend IEP meetings with them.

- Assistive technology may be written into one of three places on an IEP:
- Annual goal/short term objectives
- Supplementary aids and services

- Related services

IDEA and WV DOE Policy 2419 require that assistive technology services must be considered for ALL students involved in the IEP process. The IEP team must indicate on the IEP form that assistive technology has been considered and describe the nature and amount of service.

If assistive technology is needed by the child after school to meet the educational goals and objectives, the IEP team must indicate the assistive technology may be used at home by the student. Training on the use of assistive technology for parents, teachers, aides and others who interact with the student should also be addressed on the IEP.

The IEP is reviewed annually, generally at the end of the school year, and reevaluations are conducted every three years. However, IEP meetings may be requested at any time during the year by parents or teachers if the IEP needs to be revised or reviewed. Remember, assistive technology must be written in the child's IEP for the child to get assistive technology or assistive technology services.

The school district has to provide all services that are written into the IEP.

Students may also qualify for assistive technology under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. Contact your school principal or county school board office for more information.

Who does the assistive technology device belong to?

Assistive technology bought by the school district is owned by the school. If the child moves, the assistive technology device is kept by the school. Parents should know that any assistive technology paid for by private insurance or Medicaid belongs to the family, even if the school pays a portion of the cost of the assistive technology.

What if the IEP teams turn down my request?

If parents do not agree with the IEP, they may ask for another assessment of their child's needs or they may request a hearing. The WV Parent Training and Information Center can help in appealing a decision as well as by serving as an advocate during IEP meetings. You can call the Parent Training and Information Center at **800-281-1436** or visit www.wvpti-inc.org. The current IEP will be followed during the appeals process.

Will I be trained on how to use the assistive technology?

The school system must provide training to all team members including the child and parents on how to use the assistive technology.

Can a child take the device home?

The child can take the assistive technology home if the IEP team writes in to the IEP that the assistive technology is needed to meet educational goals. An example is when the assistive technology device is needed to complete homework assignments.

Who is responsible for repairs?

Most of the time, the owner of the assistive technology has to fix it. However, the United States Office of Special Education Programs says that schools must make sure they have similar assistive technology for the child to use while the child's device is being fixed. If they do not own similar assistive technology, they must borrow or rent it.

How Does Funding Work?

School districts are responsible for funding assistive technology devices and services if written in the IEP. Medicaid or private insurance may pay for assistive technology that is medically necessary.

Schools can ask parents to get funding through private insurance or Medicaid. Parents do not have to do this but if they do, the school should pay the co-payment or deductible. Some insurance companies will set limits on how long or how much they will pay for assistive technology. Check with your insurance company to find out what its limits are.

Call the special education director in your local school system for more information or call the West Virginia Department of Special Education at **304-558-2696**, or visit wvde.state.wv.us/osp.

What is supplemental funding for assistive technology?

Supplemental funding to provide assistive technology for students with disabilities will be made available to school districts by the West Virginia Department of Education, Office of Special Programs, Extended and Early Learning.

The intent of this supplemental funding is to provide a resource for county school districts when the district encounters an unanticipated costly assistive technology device

and/or service for a specific student with a disability and other funding sources are not available. It is the responsibility of the county school district to purchase the assistive technology device or service immediately after the student is identified.

The application is available on the following website:

wvde.state.wv.us/osp and must include the following:

- Provide student specific information
- Identify the student's specific assistive technology need(s)
- Include a copy of the student's IEP that documents the need for the assistive technology services and/or devices
- Include an invoice(s) for the assistive technology device(s) or service(s)
- Include specific Assurance Statements signed by the County Superintendent and Special Education Director

Questions about the supplemental funding for assistive technology for students with disabilities should be addressed to Coordinator, Office of Special Programs at **304-558-2696** (V/TTY).

For more information regarding hardware compatibility, on-site warranties and available state contracts, call the Office of Technology at **304-558-3784**.

Head Start/Early Head Start

Head Start and Early Head Start serve infants, toddlers and children who meet national poverty guidelines. The guidelines and income limits are issued each year by the federal government and can be found by visiting www.benefits.gov/benefit/1946. Head Start programs promote school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children through the provision of educational, health, nutritional, social and other services to enrolled children and families. They engage parents in their children's learning and help them in making progress toward their educational, literacy and employment goals.

What services do Head Start and Early Head Start offer?

Early Head Start/Head Start covers a wide range of child development services. These services include educational, health, social services and related services (parent involvement, medical, dental, mental health, occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy and assistive technology).

Educational and related services must be written in to the Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) or the Individualized Education Plan (IEP) by the diagnostic team, parents and teachers.

This program does not have an appeals process. However, parents can discuss concerns with their local Head Start/ Early Head Start agency or their executive director of the WV Head Start Collaboration at **304-872-0040** or visit www.wvheadstart.org (See Appendix R).

WV Family and Community Support Program

The Program provides individual services and supports to families who have a member with a developmental disability living at home. Family Support provides information on and referrals to community services and supports, as well as, limited flex funds when all other support options have been exhausted. For more information, visit the [Division of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities](#) page or call **304-356-4811**.

Health Check (EPSDT)

Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT), known in West Virginia as Health Check, is a mandated Medicaid program. EPSDT ensures that Medicaid eligible children birth through 20 years receive a comprehensive range of preventive and primary health services.

Who can get Health Check?

- Children under the age of 21 who receive Medicaid can participate in EPSDT.
- A child may receive Medicaid and EPSDT even if the family does not qualify for Medicaid.

What Services does Health Check offer?

Children are entitled to several medically necessary services under the EPSDT Program. Services include:

- Physician's services
- Hospital inpatient care
- Outpatient hospital services
- Emergency room services
- X-ray and laboratory services
- Prescription medication
- Prescription medication for AIDS patients
- Transportation by ambulance or other appropriate means
- Artificial limbs, braces, orthopedic shoes, crutches, walkers, wheelchairs and breathing machines, when prescribed by a doctor
- Eye care services
- Medical supplies
- Care in nursing facilities

- Family planning services
- Speech and hearing services, physical therapy and occupational therapy
- Outpatient mental health services

For more information about program benefits and local providers, call the WV Office of Maternal, Child and Family Health at **800-642-9704**, visit dhr.wv.gov/healthcheck, or your local DHHR office. (See Appendix J for DHHR Offices.)

Medicaid

West Virginia's Medical Assistance Program, Medicaid, pays most of the cost of medical care for people who otherwise could not afford it. Medicaid is a state and federal assistance program which covers medical costs for eligible individuals of all ages. Medicaid is administered by the Bureau for Medical Services, West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR).

Eligibility for Medicaid is determined by local DHHR offices. There are over fifty different ways to become eligible for Medicaid. If you think you might be eligible for Medicaid, you may file an application at the DHHR office in the county where you live. Individuals receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) are also eligible for the Medicaid Program and automatically receive a medical card from the Department of Health and Human Resources.

Medicaid covers assistive technology that qualifies as durable medical equipment, prosthetic/orthotics and medical supplies.

Durable medical equipment is equipment that is:

- Long lasting
- Used to serve a medical purpose
- Not useful to a person who does not have an illness or injury
- Used in the home

Examples of durable medical equipment are:

- Wheelchairs
- Hospital beds
- Walkers
- Oxygen equipment

Examples of medical services and supplies are:

- Home healthcare
- Speech, physical and occupational therapies
- Surgical dressings
- Splints and casts

Medicaid covers augmentative communication devices. Coverage of these devices will be only for the purpose of assisting a person to communicate basic medical needs. Devices intended to meet social, educational and vocational needs are not covered.

For more information about Medicaid, call the Bureau for Medical Services at **304-558-1700**.

Private Insurance

Private insurance is a contract between you and your insurance company. Your contract may or may not cover assistive technology. Look over your policy carefully. Even when your insurance does cover assistive technology, your policy may have a cap on how much is covered.

If you receive private insurance from your employer there is a federal law known as the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) that controls employee benefits plans. This law gives employees the chance to find out what the policy covers. Coverage guidelines will be written into a contract private insurance companies by law have to follow. Every insurance policy is different. Make sure you understand what your insurance policy covers.

You may not have health insurance through your employer but you can get insurance on your own. If you have questions about what your policy covers or would like to get insurance on your own, call the West Virginia Insurance Commission at **888-879-9842**.

Title XIX West Virginia Home and Community Based I/DD Waiver Program

The Title XIX West Virginia Home and Community Based I/DD Waiver Program ([I/DD Waiver brochure](#)) provides in-home health care for eligible clients. The Division of Developmental Disabilities manages the I/DD Waiver program for the Bureau for Medical Services (BMS).

Individuals applying for Waiver must meet three criteria prior to the receipt of services:

1. Medical eligibility
2. Allocation (or slot)
3. Financial eligibility

Medical Eligibility Criteria

- To be eligible to receive I/DD Waiver Program Services, an applicant must meet the following medical eligibility criteria:
- Have a diagnosis of intellectual disabilities and/or a related condition

- Require the level of care and services provided in an Intermediate Care Facility for persons with Intellectual Disabilities

Additionally, the cognitive impairment and/or related conditions with associated concurrent adaptive deficits:

- Were manifested prior to the age of 22
- Are likely to continue indefinitely

To qualify for the I/DD Waiver an individual must also have substantially limited functioning in three or more of the following major life areas: self-care, receptive or expressive language, learning, mobility self-direction and capacity for independent living.

Financial Eligibility Criteria

Income

The individual's monthly income may not exceed 300% of the current maximum Supplemental Security Income (SSI) monthly payment. The parent's income is not considered for determining financial eligibility.

An individual does not have to be SSI eligible to become eligible for the I/DD Waiver Program.

Assets

An individual's assets may not exceed \$2,000 in order to be Medicaid eligible for I/DD Waiver services (excluding residence and furnishings).

The parent's assets are not considered for determining financial eligibility.

Application

The application for financial eligibility can be completed at the county DHHR office by the applicant, a family member or legal representative or you can request an application (WVBMS I/DD-01) information packet from APS Healthcare by calling **1-866-385-8920**.

For more information about the I/DD Waiver, please call the Division of Developmental Disabilities, Office of Behavioral Health Services at **304-356-4583**.

Rehabilitation Services, Division of

The West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS) is a program of state government that helps West Virginians who have disabilities achieve independence within the workplace, school, family and local community. DRS is funded through the state and federal government. For more information on rehabilitation services or any of

their programs (listed below) call **800-642-8207** or your local office. (See Appendix C for a list of offices.)

What are rehabilitation services?

The West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services (WVDRS) is the designated agency to operate the state and federal rehabilitation program in West Virginia. The agency's mission is simple – to enable and empower individuals with disabilities to work and live independently. WVDRS has assisted thousands of eligible West Virginians with disabilities in preparing for, obtaining, keeping or advancing in jobs in the competitive labor market.

Who can get rehabilitation services?

Any individual with a physical or mental impairment that results in a substantial impediment to employment and can benefit in terms of an employment outcome from provision and rehabilitation services may be eligible for services. The individual must require vocational rehabilitation service to prepare for, enter into, engage in or retain employment consistent with the person's strengths, resources, priorities, concerns abilities, capabilities and informed choice. Services may begin as early as age 16. For additional information regarding eligibility, call **800-642-8207** or visit the website at www.wvdrs.org. (See Appendix C for a list of DRS offices.)

School Transition Program

The School Transition Program is an agreement between DRS and the Board of Education to see that students with disabilities are provided all the rights they are entitled to by law. It enables DRS and the schools to work together to provide the best services available to eligible students. The DRS counselor will assist you in your transition from school to adult life. (See Appendix C for a list of DRS offices.)

West Virginia's Technology-Related Assistance Revolving Loan Fund

The West Virginia Legislature set aside funds for a revolving loan fund to allow West Virginia residents with disabilities to purchase assistive technology. A seven-member board appointed by the Governor administers the fund. Loans may range from a minimum of \$500 or a maximum of \$5,000. A person may borrow up to 90% of the cost of the technology-related device or service. The interest rate is calculated at the time the loan application is received. Call **800-642-8207** for an application or for more information.

Centers for Independent Living

There are three Centers for Independent Living in West Virginia. West Virginia Centers for Independent Living (CILS) have grants from the Department of Education/

Rehabilitation Services Administration to provide services at no cost to persons of all ages who have physical, mental, or sensory disabilities. The goal of this program is to give support to people with disabilities to help them become independent in their homes and other non-work settings. See Appendix F for a complete listing of the centers.

Veterans Affairs, Division of

Veterans Affairs (VA) provides health care for veterans and, in some cases, their families.

Veterans Spina Bifida Program

This program provides monetary allowances, vocational training and rehabilitation to Vietnam veterans' birth children with Spina Bifida. It covers most health care services and supplies, including assistive technology that is medically or psychologically necessary for the treatment of conditions related to Spina Bifida.

Who can get services?

Natural child (born with Spina Bifida – excludes Spina Bifida Occulta) of an individual who served in Vietnam

Regardless of age or marital status, a child born after the date the parent first served in the Republic of Vietnam between January 9, 1962, and ending on May 7, 1975, without regard to the characterization of the individual's service is eligible for services.

Prospective beneficiaries must call a regional office to initiate the application process. Call the local VA regional office at **800-827-1000** or visit the website at [Spina Bifida Benefits](#).

The Agent Orange Benefits Act

The Agent Orange Benefits Act of 1996 gives Vietnam veterans children with all forms of Spina Bifida (except Spina Bifida Occulta) health care benefits including home, hospital, outpatient, preventative and rehabilitative care. Assistive technology devices and services, supplies, medicines and other equipment are covered if determined to be necessary.

The law provides a monthly allowance for any disability resulting from Spina Bifida. Monthly amounts, which range from \$200 to \$1,200, are based on the degree of disability. The Act also provides vocational training for Vietnam veterans children with Spina Bifida.

For more information, call the Spina Bifida Association of America National Resource Center at **800-621-3141, ext. 35**.

West Virginia Birth to Three

West Virginia Birth to Three services are administered by the Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Public Health, Office of Maternal, Child and Family Health in accordance with Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). The West Virginia Early Intervention Interagency Coordinating Council provides advice and assistance regarding components of the WV Birth to Three System. All eligible infants, toddlers and their families are entitled to receive early intervention services as identified on their Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP).

Who can get services?

Eligibility:

- Age eligibility includes children up to 35 months
- No financial requirements
- Eligibility is based on a child meeting one or more of the following eligibility categories:

Is experiencing a developmental delay: An infant or toddler who is diagnosed by a multidisciplinary team as having a significant delay in one or more of the following areas of development:

Cognitive development

Physical development including vision and hearing

Communication development

Social and emotional development

Adaptive development

Has a diagnosed physical or mental condition that has a high probability of resulting in developmental delay includes infants and toddlers who have a diagnosed condition but may not be demonstrating delays at the time of evaluation. Examples of such conditions include, but are not limited to:

Downs Syndrome and other chromosomal abnormalities associated with delay

Congenital syndromes or genetic disorders associated with developmental delays

Inborn errors of metabolism

Is at significant risk of having substantial developmental delays if early intervention (EI) services are not provided. Risk may be established when children are experiencing a combination of multiple biological and environmental risk factors in accordance with the state definition.

Assessment or Plan

Children who are suspected of having or being at significant risk of developmental delay receive a multidisciplinary evaluation to determine eligibility for the WV Birth to Three Program. The multidisciplinary assessment also helps to identify the needs of the child and family. With family participation, an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP)

is developed for each child's family based on the strengths and abilities of the child and shaped by the concerns and priorities of the family. Services and supports listed on the plan are targeted to promote the child's development as well as to support the ability of the family and other caregivers to address the special needs of their child.

Services

According to federal law, services identified on the child and family's IFSP are delivered in the natural environments – places where the child and family live, work and play. Services support the child's learning in these various home and community settings.

Assistive technology is one of several services that may be identified as needed on an eligible child's Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP). Services identified on the IFSP are provided at no charge to the family.

Call **800-642-8522** or **800-642-9704** for more information about WV Birth to Three. You may also visit the Birth to Three website at www.wvdhhr.org/birth23.

Section 2 – Other Funding Sources

AARP Foundation Benefits

State and federal benefits may be available to eligible children and caregivers such as disability benefits, prescription drug coverage and support from other programs. To help connect grand families with the programs that are right for them, the AARP Foundation Benefits Outreach Program offers Benefits QuickLINK, a free tool at aarp.org/quicklink.

Association of Blind Citizens (ABC)

This funding source will cover 50% of the retail price of adaptive devices or software. The ABC Board of Directors believes that this program will allow individuals who are blind or have visual impairments to access technology products that will have a significant impact on improving employment opportunities, increase their level of independence and enhance overall quality of life. Applications must be submitted by June 30 and December 31 for each grant period (two per year). For more information, visit www.blindcitizens.org/assistive_tech.htm.

Cabell-Wayne Association of the Blind

The Cabell-Wayne Association of the Blind (CWAB) in Huntington, WV provides free services to residents of Cabell and Wayne counties who have vision impairments. These services include computer training, cooking classes, transportation, rehabilitation, exercise classes, orientation and mobility classes, recreational and social activities, and focus groups. CWAB also has in-house visits for people who may need assistance with their banking, comparative shopping, and other services. For more information, call **304-522-6991** or visit www.cwab.org.

Catholic Charities of West Virginia

Catholic Community Services, Inc., (CCS), is a non-profit organization that provides social services throughout West Virginia to the less fortunate regardless of race creed, color, gender, disability or religious preference. CCS maintains programs for children and parents, community outreach and the aged and disabled. CCS is comprised of seven regions. For more information, call **888-900-2989** or visit catholiccharitieswv.org (See Appendix O for a list of Catholic Community programs in your area.)

Children with Disabilities Community Service Program (formerly TEFRA)

Children with Disabilities Community Services Program provides benefits to severely disabled children who meet the program's eligibility requirements. The CDCSP is an alternative to institutionalization and provides medically necessary services that are community-based and cost less than institutional services. For more information, call **304-356-4867** or visit www.dhhr.wv.gov/bms/Programs/CDCSP/Pages/default.aspx.

Children's Vision Rehabilitation Project

The Children's Vision Rehabilitation Project is designed to provide access to visual aids, training and support to West Virginia school-aged children with low vision. Diagnostic and rehabilitation services are provided free of charge at all outreach sites. The Children's Vision Rehabilitation Project is sponsored by the West Virginia University Eye Center, The West Virginia School for the Blind and the West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation. For more information, and the clinic schedule, call **304-598-4820** or visit medicine.hsc.wvu.edu/eye/outreach/childrens-vision-rehabilitation-program-cvrp/.

Corporate Angel Network

The Corporate Angel Network is a nationwide public charity whose mission is to arrange passage for cancer patients to treatment centers using empty seats on corporate jets. Employees and volunteers work with patients and families to coordinate their travel needs with Corporate Angels – 500 major corporations who make empty seats on their aircraft available to patients. For more information, call **914-328-1313** or visit www.corpangelnetwork.org.

Disability Rights of West Virginia

Disability Rights of West Virginia (DRWV) is the federally mandated protection and advocacy system for people with disabilities in West Virginia. DRWV is a private, nonprofit agency. Services are confidential and free of charge. Visit www.drofww.org or call **800-950-5250**.

Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center

The Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center in Wheeling is a non-profit organization that provides a wide range of services to children including assistive technology clinics, orthotic and prosthetic clinics, audiological and cognitive evaluations, preschool development classes, medical consultations, early intervention, occupational therapy, physical therapy, pool therapy, psychological evaluations, social services and

coordination, speech therapy, augmentative communication and hippotherapy. For more information, call **304-242-1390** or visit www.wv.easterseals.com.

Family Voices

Family Voices is a national grassroots network of families and friends speaking on behalf of children with special health care needs who advocate for the inclusion of a set of basic principles in every health care reform proposal. For more information about Family Voices, call **888-835-5669** or visit familyvoices.org/.

Feeding and Swallowing Clinic (Center for Excellence in Disabilities)

The Clinic offers interdisciplinary assessments of infants, children and adolescents who have feeding problems. Assessments are completed by professionals in the areas of nutrition, speech-language pathology, occupational therapy, behavioral psychology, social work and audiology. The team strives to improve eating skills and behaviors, physical growth and development and nutritional intake. Additionally, the team assists families in connecting with community resources and treatment programs. For more information, call **304-293-4692** or visit cedwvu.org/feeding-swallowing-clinic/.

Hear Now

Hear Now is a program to help people who cannot afford hearing aids. Since 1995, Hear Now has provided more than 65,000 children and adults with hearing aids. Hear Now accepts donations of old, used, and no longer used hearing aids, which are then sold to a repair lab. Money generated through these sales is used to purchase the aids used in the program's hearing aid assistance program, the National Hearing Aid Bank. For more information on applying for assistance, or to donate a hearing aid, call **800-328-8602** or visit www.starkeyhearingfoundation.org.

iCanConnect

iCanConnect is another name for the National Deaf-Blind Equipment Distribution Program (NDBEDP), a federal program designed to help the many thousands of Americans with combined vision and hearing loss to connect with family, friends and community. For this program, "deaf-blind" is defined as any individual with a combination of the disabilities described below for whom it is extremely difficult to attain independence in daily life activities, achieve psychosocial adjustment or obtain a vocation.

Must meet at least one of these sight guidelines:

- Visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with corrective lenses

- A field defect such that the peripheral diameter of visual field subtends an angular distance no greater than 20 degrees
- Progressive visual loss with a prognosis leading to one or both of above conditions

In the state of West Virginia, Perkins School for the Blind is responsible for the iCanConnect program, and works with Rachel Gill and others to provide local service in West Virginia. Those interested in applying to the program should contact **Rachel Gill at 304-315-4640**. For other questions about the overall program, contact **Marcia Brooks, Perkins School for the Blind**, marcia.brooks@perkins.org or **617-972-7724**.

INSITE/VISA

INSITE/VISA offers home based services for children between the ages of birth and five years who have vision impairments. For more information, call the WV School for the Blind at **304-822-4883** or visit wvde.state.wv.us/osp/vi/in-site.html.

James “Tiger” Morton Catastrophic Illness Commission

To be eligible for the funds, a patient must be a resident of West Virginia one year prior to the date of onset or diagnosis, have a condition that meets the definition of catastrophic illness and must have exhausted all other resources. Persons eligible for medical assistance through WV Medicaid are not eligible. Past due medical bills are not accepted and all services must be pre-authorized. To apply call, 304-558-6073. Applications may be made over the phone and decisions may be made within approximately one week. For more information, call **304-558-6073** or visit www.wvdhhr.org/cic/.

Kinship Care

Children are often eligible for state and federal benefits even if their caregivers do not have legal guardianship or custody. These programs include: financial assistance, food stamps and health insurance. Grandparents and other relative caregivers may apply for free or low-cost health insurance on behalf of the children they are raising through West Virginia’s Medicaid and the West Virginia Children’s Health Insurance Program (WV CHIP). In some cases, caregivers may also be eligible for free coverage under Medicaid. For more information, call **(877) WVA-CHIP** or visit www.chip.wv.gov.

Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND) Clinic (Center for Excellence in Disabilities)

An interdisciplinary team consisting of a behavioral psychologist, occupational therapist, speech pathologist, audiologist, social worker, pediatric neurologist and other providers as needed, evaluate children from birth to age 21 who have developmental or behavior problems. The team provides recommendations for services, offers follow-up behavioral treatment when appropriate and gives specific advice as to further testing or consultations. LEND Clinic is part of the US Maternal and Child Health Bureau's leadership training initiative. For more information, call **304-293-4692** or visit www.lend.cedwvu.org

Limbs for Life

This mission of the Limbs for Life Foundation is to benefit amputees by providing comfortable and fully functional prosthetic care for individuals who cannot otherwise afford it. For more information, call **405-225-5174** or visit limbsforlife.org.

Lions Club International

Provides financial assistance for eye care; service may vary depending on locality. Check your telephone directory for local club or call the Organization's national office at **630-571-5466** or visit www.lionsclubs.org.

March of Dimes

March of Dimes researchers, volunteers, educators, outreach workers and advocates work to give all babies a fighting chance against threats to their health: prematurity, birth defects and low birth weight. Offers parent education regarding health care. For more information, call **866-898-4088** or visit www.marchofdimes.com/westvirginia.

National Captioning Institute

The National Captioning Institute (NCI) Help Desk will assist individuals with questions and concerns about closed captioning and related media access services. For more information, call **703-917-7600** or visit www.ncicap.org.

News-2-You

News-2-You is a symbol-based newspaper that can be downloaded from the Internet every week. News-2-You is illustrated with black and white, line drawn pictures. All items in the weekly newspaper relate to the week's lead story. To subscribe, call **800-697-6575** or visit www.n2y.com/.

Pearle Vision Foundation

Pearle Vision Foundation awards grants to economically disadvantaged individuals for surgeries and low vision equipment and to non-profit organizations for research, education, training and projects related to preserving lifetime vision. Eligibility is based on individuals who demonstrate financial hardships and are in need of vision care. People who can be assisted are those who are presently unemployed, on a limited income and cannot obtain insurance or medical assistance. For more information, visit [Pearle Vision](#).

Positive Behavior Support (Center for Excellence in Disabilities)

Positive Behavior Support activities offer assistance to people who have challenging behaviors (aggression, self-injury, etc.) and a disability. Training and consultation are available to individuals, their families and support personnel to help prevent problem behaviors, to create effective community supports and to encourage planning and life goals centered on the individual's needs. Goals include increasing independence, productivity and inclusion in the home and community. This is a collaborative program with the West Virginia Office of Behavioral Health Services, Bureau for Behavioral Health and Health Facilities, Department of Health and Human Resources. For more information, call the CED at **304-293-4692**, or visit www.pbs.cedwvu.org.

Seeing Hand Association

The Seeing Hand Association is a private, non-profit organization established to provide services to the blind in the Upper Ohio Valley. The Association assists individuals, families and professionals in accessing services and/or resources to meet their needs. It also offers support groups and low vision clinics for individuals who are blind or visually impaired. For more information, call **304-232-4810** or visit www.seeinghandassociation.com.

Self Help for Hard of Hearing People

Self Help for Hard of Hearing People (SHHH) is the nation's largest organization for people with hearing loss. It is also the nation's leading consumer advocacy group helping people with hearing loss. SHHH seeks to open the world of communication for people with hearing loss through information, education, advocacy and support. For more information, call **301-657-2248**. For information on joining, and a wealth of hearing loss information, visit www.hearingloss.org.

Shriners Hospitals for Children

Nineteen Shriners Hospitals across the nation provide free orthopedic care and

rehabilitation to children with congenital orthopedic problems. Some of the most common orthopedic problems are: scoliosis and other spinal curvatures, clubfoot, osteogenesis imperfecta (brittle bone disease), Spina Bifida/ Myelodysplasia, skeletal growth abnormalities, neuromuscular disorders, hand discrepancies and metabolic bone disease. Interdisciplinary medical teams include physicians, nurses, physical, occupational and recreational therapists, specially trained orthotic and prosthetic technicians, nutritionists, gait lab specialists and other medical personnel. Any child may be eligible for care at the Shriners Hospital if the child is under the age of 18 and there is a reasonable possibility the child's condition can be helped. Shriners Hospitals are open to all children without regard to race, religion, or relationship to a Shriner. There is never a charge to the patient or parents for any medical care or service provided at the Shriners Hospital. Applications for admission to Shriners Hospitals can be obtained from any Shrine Temple Club or by calling the Shriners' toll free referral line at **800-237-5055**.

Starkey Hearing Foundation

The Starkey Hearing Foundation donates more than 10,000 hearing aids each year to people who cannot afford them. For more information, visit www.starkeyhearingfoundation.org or call **800-328-8602**.

Sunshine Foundation

The Sunshine Foundation grants wishes to children with developmental disabilities. For more information, call **215-396-4770** or visit <https://www.sunshinefoundation.org>.

Telephone Relay Service

The WV Telephone Relay Service works to connect people who are deaf, deaf-blind, hearing, hard-of-hearing and speech disabled. A Telephonic Communication Device Loan Program is available for interested individuals. For more information, about these services call the WV Commission for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing at **866-461-3578 (V/TTY)** or visit www.wvdhhr.org/wvcdhh.

Title V Toolbox for Family Participation

Every state and the District of Columbia have a Title V Program for Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN) that provides health and support services to children with special needs and their families. Title V provides funds to states to develop and operate public health care programs for certain children with special health care needs as well as to establish other programs to promote the health of low income mothers and children. On the Title V Toolbox website you can: (1) search for documents

by topic (and state of origin) resources such as program mission statements and policies pertaining to family involvement, family advisory committee development tools, sample contracts, and more; (2) download or print documents; (3) submit documents over the Internet and (4) learn about Title V and Performance Measure 14 of the Block Grant. For more information, call **888-835-5669**.

Traveling Resource and Information Library Service (TRAILS) Vans

A mobile resource outreach program that uses vans equipped with resources of interest to early childhood providers. Resources include educational and developmentally appropriate toys for children ranging in ages from birth to thirteen years, children's books, videos, computer software, music teaching curriculum and idea books, assistive technology, art supplies, and large equipment such as highchairs and cribs. Any WV licensed, registered, or certified provider within the listed counties can call for an appointment. Different areas of West Virginia are served by different TRAILS providers. Visit <http://mountainheartwv.org> or please locate your provider below:

MountainHeart North TRAILS Van

For TRAILS service in Berkeley, Jefferson, Morgan, Hardy, Grant, Hampshire, Mineral, and Pendleton Counties, call the Martinsburg Office at **888-915-7653**.

For TRAILS service in Barbour, Taylor, Upshur, Randolph, Tucker, Preston, and Lewis counties, call **877-811-5437**.

MountainHeart South Outreach

For TRAILS service in Wyoming, Mercer, McDowell, Nicholas, Webster, Greenbrier, Fayette, Raleigh, Monroe, Summers, Pocahontas or Braxton counties, call **800-834-7082**.

LINK TRAILS Van

For TRAILS service in Boone, Lincoln, Mason, Mingo, Putnam, Wayne, Logan and Cabell Counties, call **800-894-9540**.

Child Care Resource Center

For TRAILS service in Monongalia, Marion, Wetzel, Tyler, Marshall, Ohio, Brooke, and Hancock Counties, call **800-585-1603**.

Connect TRAILS Van

For TRAILS service in Kanawha, Jackson, Clay or Roane Counties, call **888-595-8290**.

Choices TRAILS Van

For TRAILS service in Wood, Wirt, Ritchie, Pleasants, Harrison, Doddridge, Calhoun or Gilmer Counties, call **866-622-6528**.

TRICARE

Active duty military family members (ADFM) who meet specific hearing loss requirements are eligible to receive hearing aids, including services and supplies, as a TRICARE benefit. Hearing aids are covered for ADFMs diagnosed with a “profound” hearing loss. TRICARE has established separate hearing level thresholds for adults and children. For more information, call TRICARE at **877-TRICARE (877-874-2273)** or visit <https://www.tricare.mil/>.

UnitedHealthcare Children’s Foundation

The UnitedHealthcare Children’s Foundation provides grants to families who have children ages 16 or younger with medical needs not covered or not fully covered by their commercial health benefit plan. Individuals who receive care via Medicaid, Medicare or other state or federally subsidized health insurance programs are not eligible. The amount awarded to an individual within a 12-month period is limited to either \$5,000 or 85% of the fund balance, whichever amount is less. Awards to any one individual are limited to a lifetime maximum of \$7,500. For more information, call **855-698-4223** or apply online at <https://www.uhccf.org/>.

United Mine Workers of America (UMWA) Health and Retirement Funds

The United Mine Workers of America offers a Diabetes Education Program, a Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Education Program and a Congestive Heart Failure Education Program. Each program offers private consultations, educational materials, educational sessions and evaluations for improved physical fitness. UMWA also offers a case management program in which individuals can call and speak with registered nurses who have varied backgrounds, including transplant, oncology, psychiatric, nursing home and home health experience. For more information, call **800-291-1425**.

Verizon Center for Customers with Disabilities

This Center is a communications resource for people who have low vision or blindness, hearing loss or deafness, cognitive, speech or mobility impairments. Verizon’s mission is to provide the highest quality of service to customers with disabilities and have representatives who are trained to help with services and equipment. For additional information call **800-974-6006** or visit www.verizon.com/about/accessibility/overview.

West Virginia Assistive Technology System (WVATS)

WVATS is dedicated to increasing the access to and acquisition of assistive technology for West Virginians of all ages and types of disabilities. WVATS disseminates information about assistive technologies and services, provides demonstrations and trainings on assistive technologies and operates a lending library, available online at wvats.cedwvu.org. For more information, call **800-841-8436**.

West Virginia Association for the Deaf, Inc. (WVAD)

WVAD serves a wide array of individuals with hearing loss as an advocacy and information network. Members of the WVAD have donated various models of Closed Captioning devices (CC) to be distributed to individuals. Criteria for the donating of a CC device are the person is deaf or hard of hearing and shows a financial burden of purchasing the device themselves. For more information, visit www.wvdhhr.org/wvcdhh/wvad/.

West Virginia Commission for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing (WVCDHH)

The WVCDHH is an agency that provides free and confidential services to individuals interested in services concerning individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. Services include referral, access to advocacy, training and educational opportunities. The commission also has a TTY loan program. For more information, call **866-461-3578** or visit www.wvdhhr.org/wvcdhh.

West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources Subsidized Guardianship Program

Provides an ongoing subsidy for eligible children in the West Virginia foster care system whose qualified adult caregivers become their legal guardians. To receive a subsidy on behalf of the child, the guardian must show that there is a strong emotional tie with the child and that the child is not likely to be adopted or otherwise placed without the subsidy. The state will determine the amount of the subsidy awarded as well as the frequency of payments. The subsidy can be in the form of funding for services or stipends. For more information, call **304-558-7980**.

West Virginia Early Childhood Training Connections and Resources

The WV Early Childhood Training Connections and Resources provide professional development opportunities for the WV early care and education community through information, training and technical assistance, resources and collaboration to achieve

high quality services for young children and their families. For more information, visit <http://www.wvearlychildhood.org/>.

West Virginia Head Start Association

The WV Head Start Association, a nonprofit organization, was organized in WV to promote academic, social and emotional development for income-eligible families. Association members have an opportunity four times a year to bring staff, parents and community supporters together to meet and exchange ideas, attend trainings, work as a group to foster the Head Start image in the state and gain knowledge of the state initiatives. To become a member or for information, call **304-872-0040** or visit <https://wvheadstart.org/>.

West Virginia Insurance Commission

Obtaining insurance can seem like an overwhelming task and deciding whether or not a policy is necessary can confuse even the most knowledgeable consumer. The West Virginia Insurance Commission offers a variety of services to individuals who have concerns or questions regarding insurance. For more information, call **888-TRY-WVIC (888-879-9842)** or visit www.wvinsurance.gov.

West Virginia Parent Training and Information

WV Parent Training and Information (WVPTI) provides information to parents and other professionals who work with children with disabilities. Presentations are available for any interested group, organization or agency. WVPTI offers fact sheets and other information. For more information, call **800-281-1436** or **304-472- 5697** or visit <http://www.wvpti-inc.org/>.

West Virginia Relatives as Parents Program

A multi-service program for WV kinship caregivers raising children outside of the foster care system. The program offers support groups across the state, informational workshops, a listserv, annual training conference, social activities and referrals to community resources. Its objective is to create and expand supportive community-based services for kinship caregivers, improve community and state agency responses to kinship care families and raise community awareness. For more information, call **866-225-5698**.

West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Outreach Services

The West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind Outreach Services is a group of

dedicated individuals whose goal is to enhance the lives of young children with hearing or vision impairments, their families and care givers. Training and services focus on early intervention and early childhood programming for infants and young children, aged birth to five. For more information, call WV School for the Deaf and the Blind at **304-822-4843**.

West Virginia University Speech Center

The West Virginia University Speech Center conducts therapy session Monday through Friday 9 am to 5 pm with services of a fully certified supervisory staff. Individual as well as group therapy is offered each semester to meet the needs of the clients. The clinic also conducts augmentative communication evaluations as part of its services. There is a fully equipped laboratory for acoustic and physiological study of speech disorders. For more information, call **304-293-4241** or visit csd.wvu.edu/clinical-facilities.

Wheelchair Foundation

The Wheelchair Foundation is a nonprofit organization designed to create awareness of the needs and abilities of people with physical disabilities and to deliver a wheelchair to every individual in the world that needs one, but cannot afford one. For more information, call **877-378-3839** or visit www.wheelchairfoundation.org.

Additional Funding Sources for Assistive Technology

A quick reference list of funding sources used by professionals to purchase equipment and services.

The most common sources for AT funding are public agencies. They include:

- ALS Foundation
- Christina Foundation
- Medicaid/Medicare
- Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR)
- Waiver Programs
- ARC
- School Districts
- RESAs
- SSI/SSDI work incentives

Private Agencies, Foundations and Commercial Insurance include:

- Travelers
- Metropolitan Life
- Prudential Insurance
- Equitable Life
- Mutual of Omaha
- State Farm
- Blue Cross/Blue Shield
- Aetna
- Champus

Potential contributors include:

- Private individuals
- Businesses
- Sports organizations
- Athletes
- Parental purchase of device for classroom use
- PTOs/PTAs

Lending Libraries include:

- West Virginia Assistive Technology System (WVATS) 800-841-8436
- Vendor loan programs
- T.R.A.I.L.S. (Traveling Resource and Information Library Services) **888-915-7653**
- Early Childhood Resource Lending Library (ECRLL) **800-642-9704**

Resources within the community can be sought and mini-grant proposals can be written and submitted to businesses and civic groups. They include:

- Business and professional women's associations
- Exchange Club
- Kiwanis
- Elks
- LionsChurch groups
- "A Dream Come True"
- "Make-A-Wish"
- Masons/Shriners
- Knights of Columbus
- Quota Club
- Seratoma
- Junior Women's League
- Telephone Pioneers
- Moose Lodges
- Fraternal Orders of Police
- Sunshine Foundation

The following list provides some examples of alternate funding sources. They include:

- Fund raising events
- GoFundMe sites
- Call or e-mail individual companies for donations
- Garage sales/flea markets

Coordinating efforts with technical classes in high schools, community colleges, clubs and universities that require specific projects (i.e., senior projects required in mechanical engineering course, boy scout projects, etc.)

Once activities and technology needs have been identified, consider people who have specific skills in carpentry, electronics, mechanical engineering, computers and general "fix-it" skills to help with design and construction of adaptations.

Section 3 – Common AT Funding Source Questions

Funding Information for Augmentative Communication Devices

How can you get funding for Augmentative Communication Devices (AAC)?

- Public programs
- Private insurance
- Private foundations

You should not buy or ask a funding source to pay for an AAC device unless you have had an assessment by an expert in AAC. Everyone's needs are different and literally hundreds of AAC devices are available. Probably more AAC devices are in closets than any other assistive technology device. Trying AAC devices out is absolutely necessary. So look to one of the loan sources in this section before purchasing. For an assessment, call Karen Haines at (304) 293-2477 or e-mail karenhaines@mail.wvu.edu.

AAC Funding Sources

Medicaid

Medicaid covers augmentative communication devices for the purpose of assisting a Medicaid recipient to communicate basic medical needs only. At least one of the following criteria must be met before an AAC will be considered for approval:

- The person cannot communicate basic wants and needs verbally or through gestures due to various medical conditions in which speech is not expected to be restored. Basic needs include eating, drinking, toileting and indicating discomfort or pain.
- The person cannot verbally or through gestures participate in medical care, i.e., make decisions regarding medical care or indicate medical needs.
- The person cannot verbally or through gestures communicate consent on medical decisions.

Devices intended to meet social, educational and vocational needs are not covered. Call 877-267-2323 to discuss the Medicaid process further.

Private Insurance for Augmentative Communication

Under most health insurance policies, a communication device is not usually seen as a covered item, but the policy may cover prosthesis. A prosthesis is a device, external or implanted that substitutes or supplements a missing or

defective part of the body. You can request the communication device as a voice prosthesis and appeal if your request is turned down. These decisions are made on a case-by-case basis. The request and appeal should include information from your physician and a speech pathologist showing how the assistive technology will encourage normal function and will improve the user's ability to function.

Other funding sources for augmentative communication are:

- Public school systems
- Veterans Administration for veterans and some family members
- Family Support Program
- Financial loan programs
- Used devices through advertisements
- Private foundations
- Civic groups

Loan Sources

Augmentative Communication Loan Sources

- WVATS Loan Library
- RESA Lending Libraries
- Vendors who will rent or lend
- Easter Seals
- Child Care Center Resource Libraries

Funding for Tablets and iPads

ACT Today!

Autism Care and Treatment Today! is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to increase access to effective autism treatment. The goal is to help facilitate treatment by providing the necessary resources including funding, information and referrals to individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASDs) and their families.

www.act-today.org

Autism Escapes

Autism Escapes will serve as an Angel Network for families of children with autism. Its primary purpose is to arrange air travel on private jets for families in need of medical care for their children. www.autismescapes.org

C.A.R.E. Foundation: California Autism Research and Evaluation Foundation

CARE Grant Program is for helping families with medication, autism diagnosis/evaluation, therapy session (including speech, OT and ABA,) autism summer camps, autism service dogs, and anything related to improving the lives of children affected by autism.

careautismfoundation.com

Chrysalis Fund, Inc.

The Chrysalis Fund was established in 2016 to provide children with autism with greater educational resources in both public and private school environments. It provides funding to public schools to upgrade autism classrooms, and allocate stipends to parents to pay for after-school and summer learning programs for their children. www.chrysalisfund.org

Different Needz Foundation

The Different Needz Foundation has a mission to provide grants to individuals with developmental disabilities, their families and organizations that support them to provide medical equipment and/or services. www.differentneedzfoundation.org

First Hand Foundation

First Hand Foundation is a nonprofit organization that helps children with health-related needs when insurance and other financial resources have been exhausted. First Hand's mission is to directly impact the health status of a young

life. www.firsthandfoundation.org

Friends of Disabled Adults and Children, Too!

FODAC is a statewide and national provider of home health care equipment—mobility aids and daily living devices for people with disabilities and the newly injured.

www.fodac.org

Fund It Forward

Fund It Forward is a volunteer run non-profit organization which believes that parents of special needs children are strong, willing and able to endure daily struggles. Fund It Forward's mission is to ease the burdens of families with special needs children by raising money for adaptive equipment not covered by health insurance.

www.funditfwd.org

Helping Hand Program: National Autism Association

The Helping Hand Program provides families with financial assistance in getting necessary biomedical treatments, supplements and therapy services for their autistic child.

nationalautismassociation.org

MyGOAL Inc. Enrichment Grant

MyGOAL Inc. is proud to offer a grant program that will enable families to take advantage of socialization and educational opportunities designed for individuals with special needs. The purpose of the grants is to enrich the body, mind, and spirit of individual(s) with Autism Spectrum Disorders, resulting in a higher quality of life.

mygoalautism.org/mygoal-resources

SEAL Naval Special Warfare Family Foundation

Our NSWKids program supports direct educational diagnostic testing, services and tutoring/mentoring and support to the families of active duty SEALs, SWCC and support personnel who have special needs children. To date, over 100 children and their families have received support. The average cost of care per child is \$10,000 depending on the diagnosis and needed services. www.sealnswoff.org

Small Steps in Speech

Small Steps in Speech assists children with speech and language disorders by funding supplemental therapies and treatments for individuals as well as grants to charitable organizations who serve children with communicative disorders. Our goal is to give children the chance to better express themselves in the world in which we live.

www.smallstepsinspeech.org

Talk About Curing Autism: Family Scholarship Program

The TACA Family Scholarship Program was developed to help families who are pursuing treatment for their children with autism, but are struggling to find the funding. The Family Scholarship program provides limited financial assistance to qualified families. tacanow.org

Funding Information for Computers

Computers for the Blind

Computers for the Blind is a company that offers low cost computers with assistive technology to individuals who are blind. There is a cost of \$130.00 for processing. They assist individuals in finding grants that can help lower the processing cost. Visit www.computersfortheblind.net or call **214-340-6328**.

Computers for Learning

Computers for learning is a federally operated program designed to streamline the transfer of excess and surplus federal computer equipment to schools and nonprofit educational organizations. Special consideration is given to those with the greatest need. Equipment is shipped free. All schools and educational nonprofits are eligible for participation. For more information, call **866-333-7472** or visit https://computersforlearning.gov/htm/docs/CFL_Brochure.pdf

Dell Computer Company

Dell offers reasonably priced, previously owned PCs that have been thoroughly tested. For more information, call **888-518-3355** or visit www.dell.com/outlet.

GiveTech

Computer tools designed specifically for those with severe physical disabilities allow for increased self-reliance and a vastly enhanced computing and Internet experience. GiveTech's goal is to provide such technological tools to those in need. For more information, call **415-750-2570** or visit www.givetech.org.

PC Renewal

PC Renewal is a West Virginia company specializing in the recycling of retired computer and office equipment. This company refurbishes old and donated equipment and office equipment and redistributes equipment at a discounted price to individuals who need a computer or office equipment. For more information, call **304-291-8550** or visit www.wvpcrenewal.com.

Funding Information for Ramps and Home Modification

Ramps and other home modifications are needed by many people to make their residences accessible. Listed below are sources that might be of assistance.

Private insurance: Depending on the terms of an individual or group policy, private insurance may pay for ramps and home modifications. Such modifications are considered to be durable medical equipment by many insurance companies. Contact your insurance company representative for more information.

Managed Care Programs: Managed care programs may pay for ramps and home modifications on a case-by-case basis if the doctor writes a prescription and if they are considered to be durable medical equipment. For more information, call your managed care program.

Home and Community Based Waiver: Medicaid can pay \$1,000 per year for ramps and home modifications under the Home and Community-Based Waiver program as part of an array of in-home services. This is an important note: An individual cannot be made eligible for the waiver just to get these modifications. The individual must receive extensive services that enable them to stay in the home instead of living in a nursing home. For more information, call your Medicaid Waiver case manager.

Rural Housing Administration: Individuals living in a rural community of less than 20,000 individuals can apply for Section 504 loans or grants. The grants may be up to \$7,000 for those 62 and older and loans up to \$15,000 at 1% interest. There are strict income guidelines. For more information, call your local Rural Housing Administration.

I/DD Special Services and Equipment Fund: This Special Services and Equipment Fund helps pay for assistive technology services and devices for individuals with intellectual disabilities and developmental disabilities who have exhausted all other sources of funding. This fund may pay for ramps and some home modifications. For more information, call your case manager.

Veterans Administration: The Veterans Administration (VA) offers programs that pay for ramps and home modifications for qualified veterans. For more information, call your local VA office (See Appendix D)

Regional Programs: County or regional organizations may provide labor and/or materials. Call your local Community Action program to see if it will assist you or knows of an organization in your community that will help.

Other Suggestions: Because of the scarcity of funding and resources many individuals with disabilities turn to churches and other local charity organizations for help in installing ramps or modifying their home. If you have tried the above resources without success, see if you can find a local group that may be able to help you.

Funding Information for Vans and Lifts

Funding for adaptive vans usually involves funding the vehicle itself and additional funding for adaptive equipment, such as lifts or adapted driving aids. Programs for funding are:

- Financial loan programs
- Private foundations
- Civic groups
- Public programs
- Community Alternatives Program - I/DD
- Vocational Rehabilitation

Public programs may give help to people who qualify. Funding will depend on income and how severe the disability is.

I/DD Waiver program may cover the cost of the lift if the person qualifies for services. This is a Medicaid waiver program that provides assistance to people with intellectual or developmental disabilities. Call your local Department of Health and Human Resources for more information. (See Appendix J for a list of DHHR offices)

Division of Rehabilitation Services may also help put in a lift for a vehicle that has been certified as “sound”. For more information, call your local rehabilitation counselor.

The **Bryon Riesch Paralysis Foundation** offers a charitable grant to assist in lift and accommodation costs. Grants are reviewed quarterly in January, March, June, and September. Funds are limited and generally cannot support charitable grants over \$10,000. Request should be for a specific item. Requests from Wisconsin residents are given precedence but are not limited to the state. To apply for funding, fill out the application at brpf.org/charitable-grant-application or call **262-547-2083**. Because of the high number of grant requests received you will only be notified if you receive a grant.

Eligibility Requirements for Individual Grants:

- Applicants must suffer from a neurological disorder with preference going to spinal cord injuries.
- Applicants must demonstrate financial need and may be required to provide documentation.
- There is no age requirement.
- Applicants must reside in the United States

- Applicants must request specific modifications or equipment to apply for a Bryon Riesch Paralysis Foundation grant; requests for “anything you can give” will not be considered.
- Partial Payments toward larger items (i.e. vans) will not be considered unless all payments are already in place for the total amount. For example, if requesting \$7,000 toward a \$30,000 van, you must have already obtained \$23,000 to complete the transaction.

Examples of eligible items include upgrade and maintenance of wheelchairs, vehicle modifications (i.e., hand controls or lifts), small home modifications including ramp and lift installation, computers, and other adaptive equipment.

Grants are disbursed directly to suppliers of the desired equipment or modifications. Individuals making the grant application are required to submit estimates from potential suppliers.

The National Organization for Vehicle Accessibility (NOVA) Funding - This program is directed to individuals with disabilities who have secured the majority of the money needed to fund vehicle modification products and just need some additional help to reach their goal. The mobility assistance grant program is designed to bridge the funding gap that prevents people in need of mobility products from achieving their mobility goals. For more information visit novafunding.org/grant-program or call **574-607-5995**.

Ability Fund - Provides medical and rehabilitation equipment to individuals who have a medical condition covered by the program. Call **877-231-4567** or visit www.abilityfound.org/about/how-we-work for more information.

Magicmobility Wheelchair Van Assistance Program - Operates a widely acclaimed Wheelchair Van Assistance Program, helping needy families nationwide access handicap vans for their disabled family member. They help children, adults and disabled veterans. www.specialkidsfund.org/wheelchair

HelpHOPELive - Helps patients who have exhausted all other resources by awarding them a one-time grant for fundraising and providing other financial services. HelpHOPELive can help people mobilize their communities to raise funds for uninsured expenses related to catastrophic injury, including, but not limited to, vehicle modifications. **1-800-642-8399**

Automotive Company Assistance Programs

Chrysler's Automobility - Chrysler offers assistance to individuals who buy or lease new Chrysler cars, trucks and vans and who install adaptive driving aids and conversion equipment in their vehicles. Chrysler will provide reimbursement for such equipment up to \$750, which must be installed within one year of the vehicle purchase.

Reimbursements of up to \$1,000 are available on some full-size wagons and vans.

Individuals are reimbursed for adaptations and must supply an invoice with the application. For more information, call **800-255-9877** or visit

www.fcausautomobility.com/vehicles

Ford Mobility Motoring - Ford Mobility Company will provide \$1,000 toward the installation of adaptive equipment or passenger equipment for an individual who purchases any new Ford or Lincoln-Mercury vehicle. The qualified applicant will also receive a complimentary cellular phone and a complimentary one-year membership to Ford Auto Club that includes 24-hour emergency service. Any individual with a disability or the family member of an individual with a physical disability who purchases a new vehicle is eligible for assistance. For more information, call **800-952-2248** or visit www.fordmobilitymotoring.com. The Ford Mobility Motoring helpline can offer information on nearby driver assessment centers, local adaptive equipment dealers and more.

General Motors Mobility Assistance Center - General Motors will reimburse up to \$1,000 of the cost of adaptive equipment and its installation in any new GM vehicle. The purchase assistance is only available to drivers or passengers with disabilities who purchase a new GM vehicle. In addition the GM Mobility Program provides resource information by state, including locations of mobility equipment installers, driver assessment centers and other transportation resources. GM Mobility has partnered with iCan.com, an online community for people who have disabilities. iCan Auto Channel provides information about vehicles, conversion options, funding and driving programs for people who have special mobility needs. For more information, call **800-353-3867** or visit www.toyotamobility.com.

Toyota's Mobility Assistance Program - Toyota Motor Sales, USA Inc., offers assistance toward the cost of qualified aftermarket adaptive equipment installed on eligible new Toyota and Lexus vehicles. Toyota and Lexus will provide cash reimbursements of up to \$1,000 to each eligible, original retail customer for the cost of purchasing and installing qualifying adaptive driving or passenger equipment for people with physical disabilities. The offer applies to all purchased or leased Toyota or Lexus vehicles. In the Lexus and Toyota Mobility Assistance programs the following are considered obvious mobility adaptations and do not require a doctor's note or other documentation to qualify for reimbursement: Automatic door opener, automatic door and lift controls, assist handles, hoist or lifter-type products, vinyl seat covers and transfer seats. For more information, call **800-331-4331** or visit www.toyotamobility.com.

Volkswagen Mobility Access Program - Volkswagen of America offers up to \$1,500 in assistance under its mobility Access Program for conversions and modifications to its Eurovan and Camper models when purchased new. The purchase assistance is only available to individuals who purchase the models specified. Proof of wheelchair use is required at the time of purchase. For more information, call **800-374-8389**.

Hearing Aids for Children

From the Early Childhood Hearing Outreach initiative (www.kidshearing.org):

Funding hearing aids for children can be a challenge for those without the means to purchase them privately. While more state's now require insurance policies to cover hearing aids, many do not and some policies have challenging limitations, leaving the burden of paying for the hearing aids on the family. Some ideas for possible assistance with funding include:

State and University Programs

State Medicaid Programs

Most state Medicaid programs provide some level of coverage for hearing aids. Be sure to contact your state for specifics regarding coverage including type of amplification provided, frequency of replacement and what follow up services are allowed and covered.

The Hearing Loss Association of America, a support and advocacy group, provides a list of Medicaid-provided hearing services for qualifying individuals in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Visit www.hearingloss.org/hearing-help/financial-assistance/medicaid for more information.

University Audiology Training Programs

Training programs in your state may have programs where they provide refurbished hearing aids. Commonly called "HARP - 'Hearing Aid Refurbishing Program", these are programs that take in used hearing aids and refurbish them. These programs are increasingly raising the standard for acceptable donations, being aware that it is especially important for children to be able to access current technology in order to optimize development. In these cases the child is fit with a donated hearing aid and the family is charged only for the costs incurred in the refurbishing process. These programs can be a very good deal for families. Be sure to contact the training programs in your state and see what they have to offer.

State Health Departments

In many states, the State Health Department's division of speech, vision and hearing services have hearing aid assistance programs. Similar to the HARP programs mentioned above, they receive donations of used hearing aids and have them refurbished to fit new patients. Contact your State Health Department to see what they offer.

Other Personal Means for Financing Hearing Aids

Union Membership

Your union may have negotiated hearing-aid benefits. For example, in New York City the United Federation of Teachers offers a supplemental plan for eligible members and dependents that pays up to a specified amount per aid, to be replaced no more frequently than every three years.

Flexible Medical Spending Account

Use a medical flexible spending account. Many employers let you contribute a portion of your pretax income to such plans. The proceeds can be used toward all manner of health-care costs, including hearing aids and batteries. A taxpayer in the 28-percent bracket who set aside \$5,000 in such an account and used all of it for a \$5,000 pair of hearing aids would reap an effective savings of \$1,400.

Deduct the cost

Health-care costs that exceed 7.5 percent of your adjusted gross income can be deducted from your federal income taxes if you itemize. Both hearing aids and their batteries can be deducted this way. The best way to reach this threshold is to bunch hearing-aid costs together in a single year. So if you know your family needs any elective care and hearing aids, pay for them all in the same year. Check IRS Publication 502 Medical and Dental Expenses, for details.

Hearing Aid Assistance Programs

The Starkey Hearing Foundation and Hear Now

Provides hearing aids to needy individuals free of charge. Contact them through their website at: <https://www.starkeyhearingfoundation.org/>

Children's Hospitals

Your local children's hospital will most likely have a comprehensive Audiology department. They will be well networked with local, state and national resources for hearing aid. For example, our local children's hospital fits hearing aids on a "no interest" payment plan. They work out a payment the family can make and then allow them to pay for as long as they need to with no interest. The staff also accesses the above foundations and other resources. You may be able to work something out like this with your local hospitals/clinics.

Lions Affordable Hearing Aid Project

A project of the Lions Club International Foundation, the Lions Affordable Hearing Aid Project assists hearing-aid users who can't afford aids. Program participation varies by location. Contact your local Lions chapter for more information. Visit lionsclubs.org/en/discover-our-foundation/mission

Sertoma

Sertoma (short for "service to mankind") provides mostly refurbished hearing aids to people who need assistance. Contact them through their website at sertoma.org

Section 4 – How to Organize Your Funding Request

Step 1: Get an evaluation and choose the right AT

Get an evaluation by a person with professional experience.

Health insurance, government or private, has to have a health care provider make the decision on whether a person needs assistive technology. Other professionals, including speech/language pathologists, and physical or occupational therapists (PTs or OTs) may evaluate the person, but you must still get an assistive technology prescription from a health care provider.

The Evaluation/Diagnosis will drive the entire funding process. You must have a good evaluation that is clear about the person's assistive technology needs.

You can start by collecting the information below. You may need to get more specific information once you speak with the funding source. To get a good start, you should gather the following:

- Individual's background and history. You should include the individual's level of ability and how assistive technology will improve his or her condition. Include age, disability or medical diagnosis and goals for the future.
- Whether the individual is covered by private insurance
- Information about other money sources or programs the individual may be using or has used
- The name, maker or vendor of the assistive technology and its cost

Choosing the right assistive technology is difficult. Many kinds of assistive technology are available at different prices. Here are a few questions that will help.

- What type of assistive technology will increase the individual's level of independence?
- Who sells the assistive technology?
- How much does the assistive technology cost? Can it be loaned or rented to try out?
- Is there a professional person such as a case manager who can help you write a funding request?
- What other services are needed to train you and others in how to use the assistive technology, to follow up to see if it works right, and to teach you how to take care of the assistive technology?
- Is there a professional person such as a speech pathologist or occupational therapist who can help with training and follow-up?
- Can the assistive technology vendor provide follow-up help?

Once all of the above information is collected it's time to write a justification for funding. The justification should not be based on why the assistive technology is needed but on what the assistive technology does for the person.

- A good funding justification should include the following:
- Details about what type of help the assistive technology will provide for the individual
- Evidence that the assistive technology is useful to the individual
- Why this assistive technology was chosen. Include other assistive technology choices that you tried and did not work. Explain why the assistive technology is the ONLY real answer to the individual's problems and why other assistive technology did not work.
- Pictures or videotapes of the individual with and without the assistive technology.

Step 2: Find out what funding is available

Several funding sources are available. Finding the best one may take time. You can start by answering the questions below.

- Can you pay for the assistive technology? Do you have private insurance? If so, will it pay for the assistive technology? Does the private insurance have limits or caps on what it will pay?
- Do you qualify for help from government agencies?
- Are there private funding sources or grants? What are the requirements of each? How can I apply? How long is the wait? Are funds easily available?
- Can I get a loan? Do local banks give assistive technology loans? Do I qualify for the Revolving Loan Program?
- Does the assistive technology vendor have a special way to finance the assistive technology?

You don't have to find the funding source on your own. This would be a perfect time to get professional advice from a case manager, an advocate, a health care professional or a social worker. They can help you tackle the following questions based on their experiences.

- Will the assistive technology vendor order the assistive technology knowing funding is not approved yet, and then submit billing to the funding source?
- Will the assistive technology vendor be able to help with any financing? For example, will the supplier accept a lesser payment and finance the remainder or write it off as payment in full?

- Have you reviewed what information the funding source needs and what assistive technology they will cover? (Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance, etc.)
- Is it possible to combine two funding sources that will equal 80% or more of the total cost? Private insurance funding sources may only pay up to 80% or less. For example, if your private insurance paid less than 80%, Medicaid could pay the difference up to 80%.
- Are there charitable groups in your area that can help raise the necessary funds? (Lions Club, Kiwanis, etc.)

Step 3: Funding approval

What happens when your request is approved?

The amount of funding that was approved from your request will be stated in writing. Hopefully, your request was approved for the full amount requested. If this is the case, the vendor will order the assistive technology.

What do you do if the request was approved but for less money?

If the approval was for less than the amount you asked for, then you must think about some other things to do. Go to your records on all the possible funding sources that you have found and look over this information before moving on to Step 4.

What do you do if the request was turned down?

If the funding source called to say the request was turned down, you have the right to ask for that information in writing. The funding source must also tell you in writing why the request was turned down. Go to Step 5.

Step 4: Seek funds to make up the difference

If you are not happy with the amount of funding that was approved, there are other options that you can try before paying for the assistive technology on your own. You may choose either option or both.

- Look for other funding sources
- File an appeal to try and increase the amount of funding

After you have looked into the two options above without success, it is possible that you may have to pay for the amount of the funding that was not approved.

- Can you get a bank loan or possibly a home equity loan?

- Are there any other funding sources, for example, community agencies or local clubs that can help in covering the difference?

Step 5: Attacking the appeals process

If your request for funding was turned down or not fully funded, it is time to ask for an appeal. Look over your funding request package and ask the following questions.

- Was my request clear?
- Did I include all the necessary information? Was it organized?

If you answer “no” to either of the above questions you should take care of any problems and resubmit the funding request.

If you answer “yes” to either of the above questions you have the right to file an appeal.

This is your opportunity to ask for the decision to be reviewed. Many times funding sources say no to funding for assistive technology due to lack of understanding by whomever is making the decision or a lack of evidence that the assistive technology meets your needs.

All funding sources have an appeals process. You have the right to request an appeal to have your request looked at. This is why it is important to keep all your records on file. The appeal will be much easier if you have already collected evidence of how the assistive technology will help you.

Find out what is most important to the funding source. If possible find out why the request was denied. Does the funding source need more information? Were they out of funds until a certain date in the future? It will be helpful if you have built a good relationship with the funding source staff, since these same people can discuss why the request was denied and help you appeal the decision.

Try to find evidence of whether the funding source has funded this type of assistive technology request in the past. If so, it will be more difficult for the agency to turn your appeal down.

Key elements in successful funding are:

- Determination...Never Give Up
- Self-advocacy
- Educating funding sources about the advantages of the assistive technology chosen
- Looking for other funding sources, if necessary

Remember that knowledge is power. By educating funding sources you are paving the way for other people in the future. Other individuals may benefit from your efforts.

Fundraising for Assistive Technology

On occasion it is necessary for an individual or family to consider fundraising as a means of purchasing needed assistive technology.

How do you start a fundraising effort?

If you are an individual or family member needing assistive technology, it may be helpful to approach a church, fraternal or civic organization within your community to sponsor the fundraising effort. They may be willing to sponsor a bake sale, bazaar, pancake breakfast or similar activity that can help raise funds for your cause. Usually organizations are already familiar with this type of fundraising.

If you have a willing sponsor that has no experience in fundraising but is willing to assist, here are some general guidelines that can help take some of the mystery out of fundraising.

- What is the funding need? Be specific.
- Work with your supporter on a plan to achieve the goal.
- Include a timeline on when things should be accomplished.
- Be available to answer questions and make appearances at events on your behalf.

If your sponsor wishes to create a donor letter campaign, these are a few things to keep in mind when creating the letter:

- Think about why you are writing the letter.
- Who is the audience you are writing to?
- Write the letter so it reads well out loud.
- Include why the donation is needed and what it will be used for.
- Let donors know what an impact their donation will have.
- Use short paragraphs and simple concise descriptions.
- If your sponsor is a nonprofit entity that can accept charitable contributions, check if the donor can get a tax exemption for their gift.

It is often necessary to combine several types of resources. It can often be difficult to go to the community for assistance. But it is important to remember that asking for assistance is not admitting defeat, but realizing that there are people willing to help donate time and money to your cause.

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Appendix A: What a Justification Letter Should Include

A funding justification letter should be in report form.

Some useful terms are:

- “Prevention of” or “accommodation to” For example: sores, contractures, orthopedic deformities “Promote and/or support” For example: breathing, swallowing, mobility
- The term to use is “adequate” not “optimal.” No product is ever “perfect.” It will not last forever because conditions of the patient and situation are constantly changing.
- A health care professional’s note to endorse the report is usually necessary.
- It is also important to point out the long-term benefits. These benefits should include those that apply to medical needs/benefits:
 - Bone growth
 - Respiratory activity
 - Strengthening of anti-gravity muscles
 - Development of head and trunk control
 - Development of hand/eye coordination
 - Opportunity for cognitive growth

Other helpful hints:

- Refer to a three wheel trike as a “therapeutic mobility device.”
- Always use the term “patient” not “client.” It is a medical system and the product is for medical reasons. Health care providers do not have clients.
- It is imperative to define the product as a medical necessity.

For examples of medical justification letters look on the website www.freedomconcepts.com under funding.

Appendix B: Effective Terminology

Effective Terminology for Insurance Companies, Medicaid, or Medicare

“significantly improves condition of patient”

“medically necessary”

“prosthesis to replace organ or limb”

“replaces a nonfunctional part of patient’s body”

“other therapeutic and prosthetic services and supplies”

“durable medical equipment”

“improvement of a malformed body member”

“restoration of patient to best possible functional level”

As you investigate the possible avenues of funding for assistive technology, keep in mind that some options may affect your own insurance policies in the future.

Definitions

Co-payment: Specified charges that must be paid each time care or medical services of a particular type are received. The instances in which a co-payment will be required are specified in your policy’s schedule of benefits. The co-payment must be paid before any other payment will be made for that specific benefit. The co-payment amount does not count toward satisfaction of the insured’s deductible or out-of-pocket maximum for the plan year.

Deductible: The amount the insured must pay on covered benefits before the insurance company will pay during a benefit period.

Life Time Cap: The maximum amount (limit) that the insurance company is obligated to pay for all medical care during the lifetime of the insured.

**Appendix C: WV Department of
Rehabilitation Districts and
Offices**

District 1 – Counties: **Boone, Calhoun,
Clay, Jackson, Kanawha, Mason,
Putnam and Roane**

Charleston District & Branch Office

4701 MacCorkle Avenue, SE
Charleston, WV 25304
304-356-2371

Point Pleasant Branch Office

2807 Jackson Ave, Suite 200.
Point Pleasant, WV 25550
304-675-0867

Ripley Branch Office

206 Stone Drive
Ripley, WV 25271
304-373-0313

Spencer Branch Office

321 Market St.
Spencer, WV 25276
304-927-0954

Teays Valley Branch Office

115 Liberty Square

Hurricane, WV 25526
Phone: 304-760-7082

District 2 – Counties: **Barbour, Gilmer,
Harrison, Lewis, Marion, Monongalia,
Preston, Randolph, Taylor, Tucker
and Upshur**

Clarksburg District & Branch Office

153 West Main Street, Suite F
Clarksburg 6301
Phone: 304-625-6044

Elkins Branch Office

1025 North Randolph Avenue
Elkins, WV 26241
304-637-0205

Fairmont Branch Office

109 Adams St., Suite 240
WV Office Complex Bldg.
Fairmont, WV 26554
304-367-2714

Morgantown Branch Office

Sabraton Plaza
1415 Earl Core Rd.
Morgantown, WV 26505
304-285-3155

Weston Branch Office

306 Market Place Mall

Weston, WV 26452

304-269-0547

District 3 – Counties: **Brooke, Doddridge, Hancock, Marshall, Ohio, Pleasants, Ritchie, Tyler, Wetzel, Wirt and Wood**

Parkersburg Branch Office

State Office Bldg.

400 5th St.

Parkersburg, WV 26101

304-420-4580

New Martinsville Office

WorkForce WV Office

257 N. State Route 2

New Martinsville, WV 26155

304-455-0912

Weirton Branch Office

100 Municipal Plaza, Suite 200

Weirton, WV 26062

304-723-5311

Wheeling District Office

1324 Chapline Street, Suite 200

Wheeling, WV 26003

304-238-1092

District 4 – Counties: **Braxton, Fayette, Greenbrier, Mercer, Monroe, Nicholas, Pocahontas, Raleigh, Summers, and Webster**

Beckley District & Branch Office

800 New River Town Center

Beckley, WV 25801

304- 256-6900

Lewisburg District Office

777 North Jefferson St.

Suite 105

Lewisburg, WV 24901

304-647-7515

Princeton Branch Office

195 Davis St.

Princeton, WV 24740

304-425-1256

Summersville Branch Office

812 Northside Drive

Suite 113

Summersville, WV 26651

304-872-0813

District 5 – Counties: **Cabell, Lincoln, Logan, McDowell, Mingo, Wayne and Wyoming**

Cabell Midland High School

2300 US Rt. 60 East

Ona, WV 25545

304-743-7496

Huntington District & Branch Office

2699 Park Ave., Suite 200

Huntington, WV 25704

304-528-5585

Huntington High School

Highlander Way

Huntington, WV 25701

304-528-6511

Logan Branch Office

130 Stratton Street, Suite 231.

PO Box 896

Logan, WV 25601

304-792-7060

Marshall University Branch Office

Prichard Hall, Room 113

Huntington, WV 25755

304-696-2394

Mullens Branch Office

316 Howard Ave.

Mullens, WV 25882

304-294-5653

Welch Branch Office

110 Park Ave.

Welch, WV 24801

304- 436-3175

District 6 – Counties: **Berkeley, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Jefferson, Mineral, Morgan and Pendleton**

Keyser Branch Office

67 North Tornado Way

Keyser, WV 26726

304-788-2313

Martinsburg District Office

489 Mid Atlantic Parkway, Suite 2

Martinsburg, WV 25404

304-267-0005

Moorefield Branch Office

151 Robert C. Byrd Industrial Park Rd,
Suite 3

Moorefield, WV 26836

304-538-2701

Romney Branch Office

24948 Northwestern Pike

PO Box 943

Romney, WV 26757

304-822-3957

Appendix D: WV Division of Veteran Affairs

Charleston Administrative Office

304-558-3661

Entire State

Beckley Field Office

304-256-6955

Raleigh, Fayette

Charleston Field Office

304-746-4497

Kanawha, Parts of Fayette

Clarksburg Field Office

304-627-2175

Harrison, Lewis, Doddridge, Marion, Monongalia, Preston, Taylor

Elkins Field Office

304-637-0235

Barbour, Randolph, Tucker, Upshur

Huntington Field Office

304-399-9395

Cabell, Wayne

Lewisburg Field Office

304-647-7500

Greenbrier, Pocahontas, Parts of Monroe

Logan Field Office

304-792-7055

Logan, Mingo, Boone, Lincoln

Martinsburg Field Office

304-267-0040

Berkeley, Jefferson, Morgan

Moorefield Field Office

304-538-2839

Pendleton, Grant, Hardy, Hampshire, Mineral

Parkersburg Field Office

304-424-1952

Pleasants, Ritchie, Tyler, Wood, Mason

Princeton Field Office

304-425-5194

Mercer, Summers, McDowell, Wyoming, Parts of Monroe

Spencer Field Office

304-927-0980

Calhoun, Gilmer, Jackson, Roane, Wirt

Summersville Field Office

304-827-0829

Braxton, Nicholas, Clay, Webster

Teays Valley Field Office

304-562-3612

Putnam

Wheeling Field Office

304-238-1085

Hancock, Brooke, Ohio, Wetzel, Marshall

Veterans Administration

Medical Centers in WV

Beckley VAMC

877-902-5142

304-255-2121

Clarksburg VAMC

800-733-0512

304-623-3461

Huntington VAMC

800-827-8244

304-429-6741

Martinsburg VAMC
800-817-3807

304-263-0811

Appendix E: WV Behavioral Health Centers

Appalachian Community Health Center, Inc.

The Appalachian Community Health Center is a comprehensive behavioral health center established for the benefit of the public. Its mission is to identify, respond and serve the behavioral health needs and promote physical, social, emotional and intellectual well-being of consumers and the community. Services provided include: counseling for children, teens and families, adult day program, developmental disabilities (DD) programs, MR/DD Waiver, life skills training, alcohol and drug abuse assistance and programs, parent education workshops, psychological and psychiatric evaluations and information & referral services. For more information, call **304-636-3232** or **888-357-3232** or visit www.achcinc.org.

Green Acres Regional Center, Inc.

Green Acres is a behavioral health center serving only those with mental retardation and/or developmental disabilities. The mission of Green Acres is to provide a comprehensive continuum of services and support for skill development to assist developmentally disabled adults in Cabell, Mason, Lincoln and Wayne counties to function at their maximum potential. Participants gain basic, academic and functional living skills as well as vocational training and work experience. Green Acres includes a staff of over 100 including certified professionals in fields like nursing, social work, counseling and psychology. For more information, call **304-762-2522**.

Kanawha Valley Center (KVC)

KVC is a private, not-for-profit behavioral healthcare organization that provides an integrated array of programs for children, adolescents and their families who are at risk or in crisis. KVC provides family and community support services through a partial hospital program, outpatient services, respite care, state-of-the-art training center and family resource library. Some services provided include: pediatric services, emergency services, family foster care, child, family, and community education and juvenile intake and assessment program. Local offices are in Cabell, Fayette, Kanawha, Lincoln, Logan, Mason, Mercer, Putnam, Roane, Wood, Wyoming and Wayne counties. For more information, call **304-347-9818** or **800-825-5277** or visit westvirginia.kvc.org.

Northwood Health Systems, Inc.

Formerly known as Northern Panhandle Behavioral Health Center, Northwood Health Systems is network of services ranging from outpatient to residential care. Northwood operates from 30 locations in Ohio, Marshall and Wetzel counties, providing direct

services for children, adolescents, adults and senior citizens. Northwood serves people who have mental illnesses, developmental disabilities, emotional problems and substance dependencies. For more information, call **304-843-1111** or visit www.northwoodhealth.com.

Oasis Behavioral Health Services

Oasis Behavioral Health Services provides outpatient mental health services. Some of their services include consultation, psychotherapy, addiction services, psychiatric services, therapy groups, DOT/SAP Services, EAP Services and psychological testing. Counties served are Cabell and surrounding counties. For more information, call **304-733-3331** or visit www.psychoasis.com.

The Potomac Center

The Potomac Center is an independent, non-profit short-term residential facility. This Center assists children and adults with developmental disabilities, helping them learn skills for successful community living. The center offers an intensive training program, respite program, crisis respite, Kids on the Block program and a specialized family care program. There are also group homes like the Washington Street Group Home and Birch Lane Group Home. Counties served are Barbour, Berkeley, Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Jefferson, Mineral, Morgan, Pendleton, Randolph, Tucker, and Upshur counties. For more information, call **304-822-3861** or visit www.potomaccenter.com.

Prestera Center

Prestera Center provides clients and their families with services ranging from outpatient services to 24-hour emergency care and residential substance abuse treatment. Additional services provided include: addiction programs, children & family programs and adult programs such as life-planning, advocacy & monitoring, in-home support services, adult case management, hospital admission & discharge planning, job development and placement, basic living skills development, self-help groups and crisis assistance. Prestera has sites in eight counties including Boone, Cabell, Clay, Kanawha, Lincoln, Mason, Putnam and Wayne counties. For more information, call **800-642-3434** or visit www.prestera.org.

Seneca Health Services, Inc.

Seneca Health Services, Inc. provides community-based behavioral health services to adults and children/adolescents with a mental illness, a developmental disability or an addiction. Services include: adult outpatient mental health and substance abuse services, child/adolescent outpatient services, advocacy and linkage with other service providers, in-home support services, hospital admission and discharge planning,

medication management, psychotherapy, supportive individual and group counseling, crisis assistance 24 hours daily, day treatment and training, residential services, substance abuse prevention, education and treatment and specialized services to persons with a developmental disability. Counties served are Clay, Greenbrier, Nicholas, Pocahontas, and Webster counties. For more information, call **304-872-6503** or visit www.shsinc.org.

Valley HealthCare System

Valley HealthCare is a comprehensive community mental health center, providing behavioral health services in north central West Virginia for over 30 years. Valley HealthCare offers individuals services and programs in mental health, cognitive impairments, developmental disabilities and chemical dependency. Counties served are Marion, Monongalia, Preston, and Taylor. For more information, call **304-296-1731** or visit www.valleyhealthcare.org.

Appendix F: Centers for Independent Living

Appalachian Center for Independent Living

Services provided: Advocacy/individual and systems, information and referral services, peer support, skills development, community integration support, personal assistance services, housing, transportation and educational services.

Elk Office Center

4710 Chimney Dr., Suite C

Charleston WV 25302-4804

Phone: **800-642-3003**

Website: www.acilwv.org

Counties served: **Boone, Clay, Calhoun, Jackson, Kanawha, Putnam**

Mountain State Centers for Independent Living

Services provided: Advocacy/individual and systems, information and referral, peer support, skills development, community integration support, personal assistance services, housing, transportation, volunteer program, community integration project and educational services.

329 Prince St.

Beckley WV 25801

Phone: **304-255-0122**

Website: mtstcil.org

821 Fourth Ave.

Huntington WV 25701

Phone: **304-525-3324**

Website: mtstcil.org

Counties served: **Cabell, Raleigh, Tyler, Wayne**

Northern West Virginia Council for Independent Living

A resource center for persons with a disability that offers direct and community based services. Service include: intake/assessment, advocacy, independent skills training, peer and support counseling along with benefit assistance, information and referral, awareness training, resource library, technical assistance workshops and presentations. Working to help individuals and their community change a situation that has created a barrier for a person's independence.

601-3 East Brockway Ave., Ste. A-B,
Morgantown WV 26501
Phone: **844-212-3464**
Website: nwvcil.org

109 Randolph Ave
Elkins WV 26241
Phone: **866-262-2875**
Website: nwvcil.org

Counties served: **Barbour, Berkeley, Braxton, Doddridge, Gilmer, Hampshire, Harrison, Jefferson, Lewis, Marion, Monongalia, Morgan, Preston, Randolph, Taylor, Tucker, Upshur**

Appendix G: Advocacy Organizations

ADAPT WV

ADAPT (American with Disabilities for Attendant Programs Today) works for the civil rights of persons with disabilities. Through direct activism, ADAPT has played a vital role on the national level. ADAPT has an informal structure. To become involved, you must have an active interest in the issue of changing the long-term care system, getting individuals attendant services in the community and getting individuals out of nursing homes and other institutions. For more information, call **304-319-2697**.

Disability Rights of WV (DRWV)

Disability Rights of West Virginia (DRWV) is the federally mandated protection and advocacy system for people with disabilities in West Virginia. DRWV is a private, nonprofit agency. Services are confidential and free of charge. Visit www.drofww.org or call **800-950-5250**.

Client Assistance Program DRWV

DRWV administers the Client Assistance Program. CAP provides advocacy to individuals seeking services under the federal Rehabilitation Act (such as services from the West Virginia Division of Rehabilitation Services, Centers for Independent Living, supported employment programs and sheltered workshops).

Protection and Advocacy Agency for Assistive Technology (PAAT)

DRWV administers the PAAT program. The PAAT program protects and promotes the rights of persons with disabilities to access assistive technology devices and services.

Phone: **304-346-0847 (V/TTY)**

Toll-free: **800-950-5250** (in WV)

Website: www.drofww.org

Legal Aid of West Virginia

Legal Aid of West Virginia provides free legal assistance and representation to low-income people in civil matters only. There are no fee-generating cases. Legal Aid works to prevent homelessness, maintain family income and keep individuals safe from family violence. There is also an ombudsman program and advocacy for the residents of long-term care facilities and individuals with behavioral health problems. The advocacy project conducts abuse and neglect investigations and monitors seclusion, restraints, accidents and injuries occurring to patients in state-operated behavioral health facilities. Legal Aid advocates for persons with severe emotional disturbances, severe mental illness, substance addiction and co-existing conditions who are outside of the state

facilities and not eligible for other advocacy services. The Ombudsman Program advocates for the health, safety, welfare and rights of residents of long-term care facilities. Identity of complainant or resident is not revealed unless authorized by that person. For more information, call **866-244-5385** or visit www.lawv.net.

MSPCAN

MSPCAN program offers support, education and advocacy to parents or caregivers of mentally or behaviorally challenged children. It also offers information and referral, emotional support and advocacy training for parents who have children with emotional, psychiatric or behavioral support needs. For more information, call **800-244-5385** or visit www.mspscan.org.

WV EMS Technical Support Network (Medley & Hartley Programs)

WV EMS Technical Support Network is a Non-profit corporation that provides programmatic support and technical assistance to the WV Office of EMS. TSN is funded by both Federal grants and state appropriations. The WV EMS TSN also operates the Hartley and Medley Advocacy Project.

21 Middletown Road
Whitehall, WV 26554
Phone: **304-366-3022**

Other Important Resources:

Medicaid Application Assistance
800-642-8589

Poison Control Center
800-642-3625

Social Security Administration
800-772-1213 (national hotline) **800-234-5772** (West Virginia)

West Virginia Human Rights Commission
888-676-5546

West Virginia Insurance Commission Consumer Services Division
888-879-9842
TTY **800-435-7341**
www.wvinsurance.gov

Appendix H: Local Health Departments

Barbour County

23 Wabash Ave.
Philippi, WV 26416
Phone: 304-457-1670

Berkeley County

122 Waverly Court
Martinsburg, WV 25403
Phone: 304-263-5131

Boone County

213 Kenmore Dr.
Danville, WV 25053
Phone: 304-369-7967

Braxton County

617 Old Turnpike Road
Sutton, WV 26601
Phone: 304-765-2020

Brooke County

Courthouse 2nd Floor
204 Courthouse Square
Wellsburg, WV 26070
Phone: 304-737-3665

Cabell County

703 7th Ave.
Huntington, WV 25701
Phone: 304-523-6483

Calhoun County

186 Hospital Dr., Bldg. 2
Grantsville, WV 26147
Phone: 304-354-6101

Clay County

452 Main St.
Clay, WV 25043

Phone: 304-587-4269

Doddridge County

Rt. 2 Box 54
West Union, WV 26456
Phone: 304-873-1531

Fayette County

202 Church St.
Fayetteville, WV 25840
Phone: 304-574-1617

Gilmer County

809 Mineral Rd., Suite 3
Glennville, WV 26351
Phone: 304-462-7351

Grant County

PO Box 608, 739 North Fork Highway
Petersburg, WV 26847
Phone: 304-257-4922

Greenbrier County

9207 Seneca Trail So.
Ronceverte, WV 24902
Phone: 304-645-1787

Hampshire County

HC 71 Box 9
16189 Northwestern Pike
Augusta, WV 26704
Phone: 304-496-9640

Hancock County

PO Box 578
100 North Court St.
New Cumberland, WV 26047
Phone: 304-564-3343

Hardy County

411 Spring Ave., Ste. 101
Moorefield, WV 26836
Phone: 304-530-6355

Harrison County
330 W Main St.
Clarksburg, WV 26301
Phone: 304-623-9308

Jackson County
504 South Church St.
Ripley, WV 25271
Phone: 304-372-2634

Jefferson County
1948 Wiltshire Rd., Suite 1
Kearneysville, WV 25430
Phone: 304-728-8416

Kanawha County
108 Lee St. East
Charleston, WV 25323
Phone: 304-348-6494

Lewis County
125 Court Ave.
Weston, WV 26452
Phone: 304-269-8218

Lincoln County
PO Box 527
8008 Court St., Court House Annex
Hamlin, WV 25523
Phone: 304-824-3330

Logan County
300 Stratton Street, Rm. 203
Logan, WV 25601
Phone: 304-792-8630

Marion County
300 Second St.
Fairmont, WV 26554
Phone: 304-366-3360

Marshall County
PO Box 429

513 Sixth St.
Moundsville, WV 26041
Phone: 304-845-7840

Mason County
216 Fifth St.
Point Pleasant, WV 25550
Phone: 304-675-3050

McDowell County
PO Box 218
Rt. 103
Wilcoe, WV 24895
Phone: 304-448-2174

Mercer County
978 Blue Prince Road
Bluefield, WV 24701
Phone: 304-324-8367

Mineral County
541 Harley O. Staggers Dr. Ste 1
Keyser, WV 26726
Phone: 304-788-1321

Mingo County
PO Box 1096
1st Ave. & Logan St. Memorial Bldg.
2nd Floor
Williamson, WV 25661
Phone: 304-235-3570

Monongalia County
453 Van Voorhis Rd.
Morgantown, WV 26505-3408
Phone: 304-598-5100

Monroe County
PO Box 590
200 Health Center Dr.
Union, WV 24983
Phone: 304-772-3064

Morgan County

187 South Green St., Suite 2
Berkeley Springs, WV 25411
Phone: 304-258-1513

Nicholas County

One Stevens Rd., Suite 201
Summersville, WV 26651
Phone: 304-872-5329

Ohio County

1500 Chapline St.
Wheeling, WV 26003
Phone: 304-234-3682

Pendleton County

PO Box 520
223 Mill Rd.
Franklin, WV 26807
Phone: 304-358-7565

Pocahontas County

900 Tenth Ave.
Marlinton, WV 24954
Phone: 304-799-4154

Preston County

106 West Main St., Suite 203
Kingwood, WV 26537
Phone: 304-329-0096

Putnam County

11878 Winfield Road
Winfield, WV 25213
Phone: 304-757-2541

Raleigh County

1602 Harper Rd.
Beckley, WV 25801
Phone: 304-252-8531

Randolph County

32 Randolph Avenue, Suite 101

Elkins, WV 26241
Phone: 304-636-0396

Ritchie County

125 West Main St.
Harrisville, WV 26362
Phone: 304-643-2917

Roane County

PO Box 909
200 East Main St.
Spencer, WV 25276
Phone: 304-927-1480

Summers County

PO Box 898
151 Pleasant St.
Hinton, WV 25951
Phone: 304-466-3388

Taylor County

718 West Main St.
Grafton, WV 26354
Phone: 304-265-1288

Tucker County

206 Senior Lane
Parsons, WV 26287
Phone: 304-478-3572

Upshur County

15 North Locust St.
Buckhannon, WV 26201
Phone: 304-472-2810

Wayne County

PO Box 368
590 Railroad Ave.
Wayne, WV 25570
Phone: 304-272-6761

Webster County

112 Bell Street, Suite C

Webster Springs, WV 26288
Phone: 304-847-5483

Wetzel-Tyler County
425 South Fourth Ave.
Paden City, WV 26159
Phone: 304-337-2001

Wirt County
PO Box 670
Lower Washington St.
Elizabeth, WV 26143
Phone: 304-275-3131

Wood County
211 Sixth St.
Parkersburg, WV 26101
Phone: 304-485-7374

Wyoming County
PO Box 1679
Courthouse Annex, Bank and Cedar St.
Pineville, WV 24874
Phone: 304-732-7941

**For a complete list of Local Health
Department profiles online visit:
www.wvdhhr.org/wvlocalhealth/lhd_profiles/lhdreport/index.asp

Appendix I: WV Government Agencies and Officials

Toll free: **888-438-2731**
Website: <https://governor.wv.gov>

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Joe Manchin, III
306 Hart Senate Office Building
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510-4801
Phone: **202-224-3954**
(TTY): **202-224-4849**

Honorable Shelly Moore Capito
Russell Courtyard 5
Washington, DC 20510_4801
Phone: **202-224-6472**
Web site: www.capito.senate.gov

UNITED STATES CONGRESS

Honorable David B. McKinley
2239 Rayburn HOB
Washington, DC 20515
Phone: **202-225-4172**
Website: mckinley.house.gov

Honorable Alexander Mooney
2440 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
Phone: **202-225-2711**
Website: mooney.house.gov

Honorable Carol Miller
1605 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
Phone: **202-225-3452**
Website: miller.house.gov

GOVERNOR

Jim Justice
Governor's Office
1900 Kanawha Blvd., East
Charleston, WV 25305-0370
Phone: **304-558-2000**

**WV Vocational Rehab Agency
Director**
Division of Rehabilitation Services
107 Capitol St.
Charleston, WV 25307
Phone: **304-356-2060**
Website: www.wvdrs.org

**Equal Employment Opportunity
Office**
50 Dee Drive
Charleston, WV 25311
Phone: **304-558-0400**
Website: eeo.wv.gov

**West Virginia Department of Health
and Human Resources - Cabinet
Secretary**
One Davis Square, Suite 100 East
Charleston, WV 25301
Phone: **304-558-0684**
Email: DHHRSecretary@wv.gov

**West Virginia Department of
Education - Superintendent of
Schools**
West Virginia Department of Education
1900 Kanawha Boulevard East,
Charleston, WV 25305
Phone: **304-558-2681**
Website: wvde.us

Appendix J: WV Department of Health & Human Resources (DHHR)

State/Regional/County Management
Bureau for Children and Families 9005
Middletown Mall, White Hall, WV 26554
• Phone: **304-368-4420**

REGION I

Doddridge County DHHR

PO Box 207
Smithburg, WV 26436
Phone: 304-873-2031

Community Service Managers Calhoun/Gilmer/Wirt Counties

PO Box 280
404 Main St.
Grantsville, WV 26147
Phone: 304-354-6118

Jackson/ Roane/Clay Counties

677 Ripley Road, Suite 3
Spencer, WV 25276
Phone: 304-373-2560

Marion/Monongalia Counties

416 Adams Street, Suite 307
Fairmont, WV 26554
Phone: 304-368-4420

Marshall/Tyler/Wetzel Counties

1236 North State Route 2
New Martinsville, WV 26155
Phone: 304-455-0920

Ohio/Brooke/Hancock Counties

1236 North State Route 2
New Martinsville, WV 26155
Phone: 304-455-0920

Ritchie/Pleasants/Doddridge Counties

1655 South Pleasant Hwy.
St. Marys, WV 26170
Phone: 304-684-9244

Wood County

PO Box 1547
400 5th St.
Parkersburg, WV 26102
Phone: 304-420-2560

REGION II

Kanawha Co. DHHR

4190 W. Washington St.
Charleston, WV 25313
Phone: 304-746-2380

Community Service Managers Boone County

PO Box 468
8209 Court Avenue
Hamlin, WV 25523
Phone: 304-824-5811

Cabell County

2699 Park Ave., Suite 100
Huntington, WV 25704
Phone: 304-528-5800

Kanawha County

4190 W. Washington St.
Charleston, WV 25313
Phone: 304-746-2360

Logan County

130 Stratton Street
Logan, WV 25601
Phone: 304-792-7095

Mason/Putnam Counties

12531 Winfield Road
Winfield, WV 25213
Phone: 304-586-1520

Wayne County

203 Kenova Avenue
Wayne, WV 25570
Phone: 304-272-6311

REGION III

Harrison DHHR

153 W. Main Street, Suite D
Clarksburg, WV 26301
Phone: 304-627-2295

**Community Service Managers
Berkeley/Jefferson/Morgan Counties**

PO Box 1247
433 Mid-Atlantic Park
Martinsburg, WV 25404
Phone: 304-267-0100

Hampshire/Mineral Counties

18 N Tornado Way
Keyser, WV 26726
Phone: 304-788-4150

Hardy/Grant/Pendleton Counties

112 Beans Lane.
Moorefield, WV 26839
Phone: 304-539-2391

Harrison County

153 W. Main Street, Suite D
Clarksburg, WV 26301
Phone: 304-627-2295

Lewis/Upshur Counties

PO Box 1268
91 Arnold Ave.

Weston, WV 26452
Phone: 304-269-6820

Randolph/Tucker Counties

1027 N. Randolph Ave.
Elkins, WV 26241
Phone: 304-637-5560

Taylor/Preston/Barbour Counties

PO Box 100
18351 Veteran's Memorial Hwy)
Kingwood, WV 26537
Phone: 304-329-4340

REGION IV

Raleigh Co. DHHR

407 Neville Street
Beckley, WV 25801
Phone: 304-256-6930

**Community Service Managers
Fayette County**

1400 Virginia St.
Oak Hill, WV 25901
Phone: 304-465-9613

**Greenbrier / Monroe / Pocahontas /
Summers**

316 Maplewood Ave., Suite 3
Lewisburg, WV 24901
Phone: 304-647-7476

McDowell County

840 Virginia Ave.
Welch, WV 24801
Phone: 304-436-8302

Mercer County

200 Davis St.
Princeton, WV 24740
Phone: 304-425-8738

Mingo County

203 East Third Avenue
Williamson, WV 25661
Phone: 304-235-4680

Nicholas/Webster County

707 Professional Park Drive
Summersville, WV 26651
Phone: 304-872-0803

Raleigh County

407 Neville St.
Beckley, WV 25801
Phone: 256-6930

Wyoming County

1767 Bearhole Road
Pineville, WV 24874
Phone: 304-732-6900

Appendix K: Summer Activities For Children with Disabilities

Camp Echo

Held at Cedar Lakes in Ripley. This is a five night camp for individuals 15 and older with severe disabilities. For more information, call **304-428-4280**.

Camp Gizmo

Held at the WV School for the Deaf and Blind in Romney for children birth to eight who use assistive technology devices and their families. Teams help children actively participate in all activities and find out which forms of assistive technology work for the child. For more information, call **800-642-8541**.

Camp WINACA (Winning Against Cancer)

Held at Camp Golden Horseshoe, in Tucker County for any child 7-16 who has had cancer. For more information, call **304-293-1205**.

Celebrate Independence

Held in Wheeling, WV for youth ages 12 to 17 years who are visually impaired. The camp focuses on life skills that promote independence. Activities include computing and outdoor nature workshop. \$25.00 per camper. For more information, call Seeing Hand Association **304-232-4810**.

Children's Vision Rehabilitation Project Summer Institute

The Summer Institute provides direct instruction on specific skills like braille, independent living, assistive technology, orientation and mobility and self-help skills. The Institute addresses specific skills the children do not get during the school year.

Additionally, Summer Institute provides an opportunity for students, parents and teachers from different counties to network and establish support systems.

CVRP offers two summer institutes per year throughout West Virginia for children ages 6-13 years of age. For more information, call **304-598-6970** or visit medicine.hsc.wvu.edu/eye/outreach/childrens-vision-rehabilitation-program-cvrp.

International Sports Jamboree

Held at North Bend State Park for teens between 12-20 who have mobility and/or visual disabilities and do not qualify for the Special Olympics. The event is sponsored by the Verizon West Virginia Pioneers. For more information, call **304-965-1779**.

Mountain Milestones & Teen Adventures Summer Day Camp – Stepping Stones

Held in Morgantown for ages 6-18. The camp is six weeks long. Activities include swimming, bowling, golfing,

kayaking, outdoor recreation and arts and crafts for children of all abilities. For more information, call **304-983-7837**.

Mountaineer Spina Bifida Camp

Held at Cedar Lakes in Ripley for ages 8-18. Swimming, socialization skills, sports and all kinds of fun activities are offered to campers. For more information, email mountaineercamp@yahoo.com.

Muscular Dystrophy Association Summer Camp

Held at Cedar Lakes. Each camper has their own counselor, who stays with them during the week and helps them during camp activities, including scavenger hunts, fishing, swimming and boating. A prom is also scheduled. For more information, call **304-344-9807**.

Special Olympics Summer Games

Held in Charleston. For more information, call **800-926-1616**.

Appendix L: WV Parent Educator Resource Centers (PERCs)

Barbour County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
Rt. 2, Box 343 BMS
Belington, WV 26250
Phone: **304-823-1245**

Berkeley County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
515 W. Martin St.
Martinsburg, WV 25401
Phone: **304-263-5717**

Cabell County

Family Connection
1302 Main Street
Milton, WV 25541
Phone: **304-528-5208**

Calhoun County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
50 Underwood Circle
Mt. Zion, WV 26151
Phone: **304-354-9504**

Doddridge County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
104 Sistersville Pike
West Union, WV 26456
Phone: **304-873-2778**

Fayette County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
111 Fayette Ave.
Fayetteville, WV 25840
Phone: **304-574-1176 ext. 2183**

Harrison County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
Rt. 3 Box 43-B, Suite 205
Clarksburg, WV 26301
Phone: **304-326-7693**

Jackson County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
PO Box 770
Ripley, WV 25271
Phone: **304-273-3545**

Jefferson County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
370 Page-Jackson School Road
Charles Town, WV 25414
Phone: **304-725-6473**

Kanawha County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
157 2nd Avenue
South Charleston, WV 25303
Phone: **304-348-7715**

Lincoln County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
10 Marlin Avenue
Hamlin, WV 25523
Phone: **304-824-5531 ext. 238**

Logan County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
PO Box 477
Logan, WV 25601
Phone: **304-792-2075**

Marshall County

Parent-Educator Resource Center

162 Middle Grave Creek Road
Moundsville, WV 26041
Phone: **304-843-4457**

McDowell County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
McDowell County Board of Education
30 Central Avenue
Welch, WV 24801
Phone: **304-436-8440 ext. 264**

Mingo County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
Route 2 Box 310
Williamson, WV 25661
Phone: **304-235-3333**

Monongalia County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
200 West Park Ave
Westover, WV 26501
Phone: **304-291-9288**

Pendleton County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
PO Box 888
Franklin, WV 26807
Phone: **304-358-7072**

Pleasants County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
PO Box 308
Saint Marys, WV 26170
Phone: **304-684-7208**

Raleigh County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
301 Park Ave
Beckley, WV 25801

Phone: **304-256-4667**

Tucker County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
501 Chestnut St.
Parsons, WV 26287
Phone: **304-478-3827**

Wayne County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
PO Box 70
Wayne, WV 25570
Phone: **304-272-5993 ext. 345**

Webster County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
315 South Main St.
Webster Springs, WV 26288
Phone: **304-847-5638 ext. 120**

Wetzel County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
WCCCF
RR 2, Box 107
New Martinsville, WV 26155
Phone: **304-455-3014**

Wirt County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
PO Box 699
Elizabeth, WV 26143
Phone: **304-275-3977 ext. 30**

Wood County

Parent-Educator Resource Center
Wood County Board of Education
1210 13th St.
Parkersburg, WV 26101
Phone: **304-420-9590**

Appendix M: Family Resource Networks

Barbour County

PO Box 126
39 South Main St.
Philippi, WV 26416
Phone: **304-457-2691**
Region III

Berkeley County

FRN of the Panhandle, Inc.
433 Mid Atlantic Pkwy
Martinsburg, WV 25404
Phone: **304-262-5360**
Region III

Boone County, Regional FRN

1701 Fifth Ave. Suite 18
Charleston, WV 25387
Phone: **304-414-4470**
Region II

Braxton County

Braxton Community Coalition 606 Elk
Street
Gassaway, WV 26624
Phone: **304-364-6021**
Region IV

Brooke, Hancock Counties FRN

4215 Wells St.
Weirton, WV 26062
Phone: **304-748-7850**
Region I

Cabell County

625 4th Ave.

Huntington, WV 25701
Phone: **304-697-0255**
Region II

Calhoun County

236 Court Street
Grantsville, WV 26147
Phone: **304-354-7177**
Region I

Clay County

PO Box 148
Clay, WV 25043
Phone: **304-587-4389**
Region II

Doddridge County

RR 2, Box 25B
West Union, WV 26456
Phone: **304-873-1245**
Region I

Fayette County

PO Box 307
Fayetteville, WV 25840
Phone: **304-574-4338**
Region I

Gilmer County

PO Box 115
113 East Main St.
Glennville, WV 26351
Phone: **304-462-7545**
Region I

Grant, Hampshire, Hardy, Pendleton Counties

Eastern Regional FRN
PO Box 568

Moorefield, WV 26836

Phone: **304-530-5480**

Region III

Greenbrier County

PO Box 623

Lewisburg, WV 24901

Phone: **304-646-3622**

Region IV

Harrison County

118 N 6th St

Clarksburg, WV 26301

Phone: **304-423-5049**

Region III

Jackson County

P O Box 641

Ripley, West Virginia 25271

Phone: **681-358-8722**

Region I

Kanawha County

Regional FRN

1701 Fifth Ave., Suite 18

Charleston, WV 25387

Phone: **304-414-4470**

Region II

Lewis County

PO Box 1168

126 East 2nd Street

Weston, WV 26452

Phone: **304-269-4000**

Region III

Lincoln County

PO Box 510

West Hamlin, WV 25571

Phone: **304-824-7002**

Region II

Logan County

699 Stratton St

Logan, WV 25601

Phone: **304-792-2016**

Region II

Marion County

112 Adams St., Rm. 203D Fairmont, WV
26554

Phone: **304-366-4445**

Region I

Marshall County

1501 Second Street

Moundsville, WV 26041

Phone: **304-845-3300**

Region I

Mason County

1 Walden Roush Way

Point Pleasant, WV 25550

Phone: **304-593-0072**

Region II

McDowell County

Families Agencies Children Enhancing
Services

PO Box 426

Welch, WV 24801

Phone: **304-436-5255**

Region IV

Mercer County

Community Connections Inc.

215 South Walker Street

Princeton, WV 24740

Phone: **304-913-4956**
Region IV

Mineral County

251 ½ W. Piedmont St.
Keyser, WV 26726
Phone: **304-788-9099**
Region III

Mingo County

PO Box 1335
16 West Avenue
Williamson, WV 25661
Phone: **304-235-5607**
Region II

Monongalia County

United Way FRN
278 Spruce Street
Morgantown, WV 26505
Phone: **304-284-8400**
Region I

Monroe County

Monroe County Coalition for Children
and Family, Inc.
PO Box 737
Union, WV 24983
Phone: **304-772-5960**
Region IV

Morgan County

FRN of the Panhandle, Inc.
218 West King Street
Martinsburg, WV 25401
Phone: **304-263-0603 Ext. 28**
Region III

Nicholas County

PO Box 553
Summersville, WV 26651
Phone: **304-872-4707**
Region IV

Ohio County

56 13th Street
Wheeling, WV 26003
Phone: **304-232-5600**
Region I

Pendleton County

PO Box 1601
8 South High Street, Suite B
Romney, WV 26757
Phone: **304-822-5787**
Region III

Pleasants County

Pleasants County Committee on Family
Issues
213 Second Street
Saint Marys, WV 26170
Phone: **304-684-3962**
Region I

Pocahontas County

926 5th Avenue
Marlinton, WV 24954
Phone: **304-799-6657**
Region IV

Preston County

Preston County Caring Council
105 West High Street
Kingwood, WV 26537
Phone: **304-329-1968**
Region III

Putnam County

Regional FRN
1701 Fifth Ave., Suite 18
Charleston, WV 25387
Phone: **304-414-4470**
Region II

Raleigh County

129 Main St., Ste. 307
Beckley, WV 25801
Phone: **304-255-3764**
Region IV

Randolph County

PO Box 689
Elkins, WV 26241
Phone: **304-636-4454**
Region III

Ritchie County

PO Box 244
Harrisville, WV 26362
Phone: **304-643-4187**
Region I

Roane County

PO Box 322
216 Market Street, Suite 208
Spencer, WV 25276
Phone: **304-927-6070**
Region II

Summers County

PO Box 1291
11 Camp Lightfoot Rd.
Hinton, WV 25951
Phone: **304-466-4040**
Region IV

Taylor County

PO Box 342
1 Prospect Street
Grafton, WV 26354
Phone: **304-265-6838**

Tucker County

501 Chestnut St.
Parsons, WV 26287
Phone: **304-478-3827**
Region III

Tyler County

PO Box 187
302 Main St.
Middlebourne, WV 26149
Phone: **304-758-5046**
Region I

Upshur County

PO Box 2115
Buckhannon, WV 26201
Phone: **304-473-1051**
Region III

Wayne County

PO Box 250
Wayne, WV 25510
Phone: **304-272-6003**
Region II

Webster County

PO Box 389
Webster Springs, WV 26288
Phone: **304-847-2943**
Region IV

Wetzel County

PO Box 313

New Martinsville, WV 26155

Phone: **304-771-8533**

Region I

Wirt County

PO Box 759

Elizabeth, WV 26143

Phone: **304-275-4833**

Region I

Wood County

914 Market St., Ste. 202

Parkersburg, WV 26101

Phone: **304-420-9574**

Region I

Wyoming County

Box 183 19 Bank Street

Rock View, WV 24880

Phone: **304-202-0357**

Region IV

Appendix N: 800 Numbers

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

ADA InfoLine – U.S. Department of Justice

800-514-0301

800-514-0383 (TTY)

www.ada.gov/infoline.htm

Center for Universal Design

projects.ncsu.edu/ncsu/design/cud

ADA National Network

800-949-4232 (V/TTY)

adata.org

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

800-669-4000

800-669-6820 (TTY)

www.eeoc.gov

Job Accommodation Network

800-526-7234 (V/TTY)

877-781-9403 (V/TTY; ADA Information)

askjan.org

U.S. Access Board

800-872-2253 or 800-993-2822 (TTY)

www.access-board.gov

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development –HUD User

800-245-2691 or 800-927-7589 (TTY)

www.huduser.gov/portal/home.html

Assistive Technology / Devices

ABLEDATA

800-227-0216

www.abledata.com

AbleNet

800-322-0956

www.ablenetinc.com

Alliance for Technology Access

800-914-3017

www.ataccess.org

IBM Accessibility Center

800-426-4832 or 800-426-4833 (TTY)

www.ibm.com/able

Georgia Tech Center for Assistive Technology and Environmental Access

(CATEA)

404-894-4960

www.catea.gatech.edu

Blind / Visual Impairments

American Council of the Blind

800-424-8666

www.acb.org

American Foundation for the Blind

212-502-7600

www.afb.org

American Printing House for the Blind

800-223-1839

www.aph.org

Blind Children's Center

323-664-2153

blindchildrenscenter.org

Library Reproduction Service

800-255-5002

largeprintschoolbooks.com

Lighthouse International
800-284-4422 or 212-821-9713 (TTY)
www.lighthouseguild.org

National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped
888-657-7323
www.loc.gov/nls

Prevent Blindness America
800-331-2020
www.preventblindness.org

Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic
800-221-4792
learningally.org

Foundation for Fighting Blindness
800-683-5555 or 800-683-5551 (TTY)
www.fightingblindness.org

**Communication Disorders
American Speech-Language-Hearing
Association**
800-638-8255
www.asha.org

**National Institute on Deafness and
Other Communication Disorders
Clearinghouse**
800-241-1044 or 800-241-1055 (TTY)
www.nidcd.nih.gov

National Stuttering Association
800-937-8888
westutter.org

Stuttering Foundation of America
800-992-9392
www.stutteringhelp.org

**Craniofacial Syndromes
Aboutface USA**
800-766-0222
aboutface-usa.org

Children's Craniofacial Association
800-535-3643
ccakids.org

Craniofacial Foundation of America
800-418-3223

**FACES – The National Craniofacial
Association**
800-332-2373
www.faces-cranio.org

**Foundation for Nager and Miller
Syndromes**
800-507-3667
fnms.org

**Deafness / Hearing Impairments
Alexander Graham Bell Association
for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing**
202-337-5220
www.agbell.org/Families/Listening-and-Spoken-Language

American Academy of Audiology
703-790-8466
www.audiology.org

American Society for Deaf Children
800-942-2732 (V/TTY)
deafchildren.org

**American Speech-Language-Hearing
Association**
800-638-8255
www.asha.org

Better Hearing Institute
202-975-0905
www.hearing.org

Hear Now
800-328-8602
www.starkeyhearingfoundation.org

Hearing Aid Helpline
734-522-7200
ihinfo.org/lhsV2/Home/Index.cfm

John Tracey Clinic
213-748-5481
www.jtc.org

National Cued Speech Association
800-459-3529 (V/TTY)
www.cuedspeech.org

**National Consortium on Deaf-
Blindness**
Phone: 503-838-8150
Website: nationaldb.org/

**National Institute on Deafness and
Other Communication Disorders**
800-241-1044 or 800-241-1055 (TTY)
www.nidcd.nih.gov

**Disability Awareness
/Community Inclusion
Best Buddies**
305-374-2233
www.bestbuddies.org

Easter Seals
Phone: 800-221-6827
Website: www.easterseals.com

The Kennedy Center
Phone: 800-444-1324
Website: www.kennedy-center.org

**Yes I Can! Foundation for
Exceptional Children**
888-232-7733
www.cec.sped.org/yesican

**Employment /
Independent Living
Disabled and Alone, Inc.**
800-995-0066
www.disabledandalone.org

**Employer Assistance and Recruiting
Network**
www.askearn.org

Job Accommodation Network
800-526-7234 (V) or 877-781-9403
(TTY)
askjan.org

**National Center on Workforce and
Disability/Adult**
www.onestops.info

**National Collaborative on Workforce
and Disability/Youth**
877-871-0744
www.ncwd-youth.info

**National Council on Independent
Living**
844-778-7961
www.ncil.org

The Center on Human Policy
800-894-0826
thechp.syr.edu

Information Center

ABLEDATA

800-227-0216

www.abledata.com

**HRSA Information Center (U.S. Dept.
of Health & Human Services)**

877-464-4772

www.hrsa.gov

March of Dimes

888-663-4637

www.marchofdimes.org

**National Center on Birth Defects and
Developmental Disabilities**

800-232-4636

www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/index.html

National Health Information Center

240-453-8281

health.gov/nhic

National Lead Information Center

800-424-5323

www.epa.gov/lead/forms/lead-hotline-national-lead-information-center

National Library of Medicine

www.nlm.nih.gov

**Office of Minority Health Resource
Center**

800-444-6472

www.minorityhealth.hhs.gov

**Zero to Three/National Center for
Infants, Toddlers, and Families**

800-899-4301

www.zerotothree.org

Appendix O: Catholic Charities West Virginia

Eastern Region

*Serving Berkeley, Grant, Hampshire,
Hardy, Jefferson, Mineral, Morgan,
Pendleton, Preston Randolph, and
Tucker Counties*

Regional Office

224 S. Queen St.
Martinsburg, WV 25401
Phone: **304-267-8837**

Romney Outreach

260 School St.
Romney, WV 26757
Phone: **304-822-5414**

Elkins Outreach

1513 Harrison Avenue, Suite C-10
Elkins WV 26241
Phone: **304-636-4875**

Immigration & Refugee Services

224 S. Queen St.
Martinsburg, WV 25401
Phone: **304-267-3071**

Promise House Family Resource Center

224 South Queen Street
Martinsburg WV 25401
Phone: **304-267-8837**

Raymond Wolfe Center

Serving Preston County
P.O. Box 407
119 South Price St.

Kingwood, WV 26537
Phone: **304-329-3644**

Northern Region

*Serving Barbour, Brooke, Doddridge,
Gilmer, Hancock, Harrison, Lewis,
Marion, Marshall, Monongalia, Ohio,
Pleasants, Ritchie, Taylor, Tyler, Upshur,
and Wetzel counties*

Regional Office

2000 Main St, Suite 200
Wheeling, WV 26003
Phone: **304-905-9860 ext. 2201
Ext. 2120**

Catholic Charities-Neighborhood Center

125-18th St.
Wheeling, WV 26003
Phone: **304-232-7157**

Case Management & Emergency Services

125 – 18th Street
P O Box 6176
Wheeling WV 26003
Phone: **304-232-7157**

Morgantown Outreach

827 Fairmont Run Road, Suite #203
Morgantown WV 26501
Phone: **304-292-6597**

New Martinsville Outreach

21 Rosary Road, Suite #A
New Martinsville WV 26155
Phone: **304-455-9740**

Taylor County Outreach
17 West Washington Street
Grafton WV 26354
Phone: **304-265-3091**

HomeCare – Weirton
3501 West Street
Weirton WV 26062
Phone: **304-905-9860 ext. 2209**

HomeCare – Wheeling
2000 Main Street, Suite #200
Wheeling WV 26003
Phone: **304-905-9860**

**Child Care Resource Center -
Fairmont**
118 Adams Street, Suite #201
Fairmont WV 26554
Phone: **304-366-3018**

**Child Care Resource Center -
Morgantown**
965 Hartman Run Road, Suite #1103
Morgantown WV 26505
Phone: **304-292-7357**

**Child Care Resource Center – New
Martinsville**
1236 North Street Route 2
New Martinsville WV 26155
Phone: **304-455-0920**

**Child Care Resource Center -
Wheeling**
2000 Main Street, Suite #100
Wheeling WV 26003
Phone: **304-232-1603**

Child Care Resource Center - Weirton
3622-B West Street
Weirton WV 26062
Phone: **304-748-2007**

**Child Care Food Program – Northern
Region**
2000 Main St, Suite 121
Wheeling WV 26003
Phone: **304-230-1280**

WV Birth to Three
2000 Main St, Suite 222
Wheeling, WV 26003
Phone: **304-214-5775** (Main Office)
Phone: **304-296-3660** (Morgantown
Office)
Phone: **304-455-0920** (New Martinsville
Office)

Western Region
*Serving Boone, Braxton, Cabell,
Calhoun, Clay, Jackson, Kanawha,
Lincoln, Logan, Mason, Mingo,
Pleasants, Putnam, Ritchie, Roane,
Tyler, Wayne, Wetzel, Wirt, and Wood
Counties*

Regional Office
1116 Kanawha Blvd.
Charleston, WV 25301
Phone: **304-380-0162**

Parkersburg Outreach Office
1226 Market St.
Parkersburg, WV 26101
Phone: **304-917-4486**

**Mobile Outreach & WellnessWorks
Food Pantry**

1226 Market St.
Parkersburg, WV 26101
Phone: **304-917-4486**

Migration and Refugee Services

1116 Kanawha Blvd.
Charleston, WV 25301
Phone: **304-343-1036**

**Center for Community Learning and
Advancement**

901 5th Avenue
Huntington, WV 25701
Phone: **304-650-3514**

HomeCare - Charleston

1116 Kanawha Blvd.
Charleston, WV 25301
Phone: **304-345-2103**

HomeCare - Parkersburg

1226 Market Street
Parkersburg, WV 26155
Phone: **304-422-6116**

Southern Region

*Serving Fayette, Greenbrier, McDowell,
Mercer, Monroe, Nicholas, Pocahontas,
Raleigh, Summers, Webster and
Wyoming counties*

Regional Office

P.O. Box 386
203 South 7th St
Princeton, WV 24740-2909
Phone: **304-425-4306**

McDowell County Learning Center

110 Park Ave, Room 215
Welch, WV 24801
Phone: **304-436-4796**

Loaves & Fishes

207 Temple St
PO Box 56
Hinton, WV 25951
Phone: **304-466-2110**

Webster Springs Outreach

113 North Main Street
Webster Springs, WV 26288
Phone: **304-847-7416**

Appendix P: Low Cost Dental Care

Community Health Centers with onsite dental services (sliding fees based on income; Medicaid accepted)

Clay-Battelle Community Health Services Assoc.

5861 Mason Dixon Highway
Blacksville, WV 26521
Phone: **304-432-8211**
Website: cbhealthwv.org

E.A. Hawse Health Center

17978 Rt 55 & 259
Baker, WV 26801
Phone: **304-897-5915**
Website: hawsehealth.com

Minnie Hamilton Health Care Center

186 Hospital Dr.
Grantsville, WV 26147
Phone: **304-354-9244**
Website: www.mhhs.healthcare

Preston-Taylor Community Health Centers

2060 N Mountaineer Hwy
Newburg, WV 26410
Phone: **304-892-2812**

Tug River Health Association

103 Supply Street
Gary, WV 24836
Phone: **304-448-2101**
Website: www.tugrivermedical.org

Valley Health-Fort Gay

71 Wayne St.

Fort Gay, WV 25514
Phone: **304-648-5544**

Website: valleyhealth.org/location/fort-gay

Valley Health- Harts

22 Fleming Dr.
Harts, WV 25524
Phone: **304-855-4595**
Website: valleyhealth.org/location/harts

Valley Health- Upper Kanawha

408 Alexander St.
Cedar Grove, WV 25039
Phone: **304-595-1770**
Website: valleyhealth.org/location/upper-kanawha

Valley Health - Huntington

1301 Hal Greer Boulevard
Huntington, WV 25701
Phone: **304-525-0572**
Website: valleyhealth.org/location/huntington

Wirt County Health Services Association

1301 Elizabeth Pike
Elizabeth, WV 26143
Phone: **304-275-8780**

Free Clinics with onsite dental services (free services or small donation accepted)

West Virginia Health Right

1520 Washington St. E.
Charleston, WV 25311

Phone: **304-343-7000**

Website: www.wvhealthright.org/wvs-premiere-free-charitable-clinic

Milan Puskar Health Right

341 Spruce St.

Morgantown, WV 26505

Phone: **304-292-8234**

Website: mphealthright.org

Ebenezer Medical Outreach, Inc.

1448 Tenth Ave. #100

Huntington, WV 25701

Phone: **304-529-0753**

Website: www.emohealth.org

Susan Dew Hoff Memorial Clinic

925 Liberty St.

West Milford, WV 26451

Phone: **304-745-3700**

Appendix Q: Social Security Administration Offices

5475 Robert C. Byrd Dr, Suite A-8
Mount Hope, WV 25801
800-722-1213

3014 E Cumberland Rd.
Bluefield, WV 24701
800-772-1213

500 Quarrier St., Ste. 300
Charleston, WV 25301
800-722-1213

Clarksburg Federal Ctr.
320 W Pike St., Suite 100
Clarksburg, WV 26301
800-722-1213

Ste. 325
300 Third St.
Elkins, WV 26241
800-772-1213

Middletown Mall
9039 Middletown Mall
Fairmont, WV 26554
800-772-1213

3rd Floor
301 9th St.
Huntington, WV 25701
800-722-1213

1103 George Kostas Dr.
Logan, WV 25601
800-772-1213

14 Compass Point
Martinsburg, WV 25401
866-416-1919

3596 Collins Ferry Rd, Suite 100
Morgantown, WV - 26505
800-772-1213

425 Juliana St.
Parkersburg, WV 26101
800-772-1213

111 S Grove St, Suite 3
Petersburg, WV 26847
877-405-2885

49 Olde Main Plaza
Saint Albans, WV 25177
800-772-1213

50 McDowell St.
Welch, WV 24801
800-772-1213

123 16th St.
Wheeling, WV 26003
800-772-1213

146 E First Ave.
Williamson, WV 25661
800-772-1213

Appendix R: WV Head Start and Even Start

AFL-CIO Appalachian Council Inc.

501 Leon Sullivan Way
Charleston, WV 25301
Phone: **304-342-4138**

Braxton County Head Start

98 Carter Braxton Dr
Sutton, WV 26601
Phone: **304-765-7101**

CWVCAA, Inc.

RR 1 Box 302A
Shinnston, WV 26431
Phone: **304-592-3054**

Coalfield CAP, Inc. Head Start

1626 West 3rd Ave
Williamson, WV 25661
Phone: **304-235-1701**

Community Action of South Eastern WV (CASE WV)

307 Federal Street Suite 323
Bluefield, WV 24701
Phone: **304-327-3506**

E.A.C.H.S.

112 Beans Lane
Moorefield, WV 26836
Phone: **304-530-5511**

Fayette County Child Development, Inc.

102 Hunter St.
Oak Hill, WV 25901
Phone: **304-465-5613**

Greenbrier County Head Start

202 Chestnut St.
Lewisburg, WV 24901
Phone: **304-647-6470**

Kanawha County Board of Education

200 Elizabeth Street
Charleston, WV 25311
Phone: **304-348-7770**

Mineral County Board of Education

One Baker Place
Keyser, WV 26726
Phone: **304-788-4216**

Monongalia County Head Start

1433 Dorsey Ave.
Morgantown, WV 26501
Phone: **304-291-9330**

Monroe County Board of Education

PO Box 330
9875 Willow Bend Road
Union, WV 24983
Phone: **304-772-3094**

Mountain Heart Community Services, Inc.

PO Box 1509
Oceana, WV 24870
Phone: **304-682-8271**

Nicholas Community Action Partnership, Inc.

1205 Broad Street
Summersville, WV 26651
Phone: **304-872-1162**

North Central WVCAA, Inc.

1304 Goose Run Road
Fairmont, WV 26554
Phone: **304-363-2170**

Northern Panhandle Head Start, Inc.

1 Orchard Rd., Suite 1
Wheeling, WV 26003
Phone: **304-233-3290**

PRIDE Community Services, Inc.

699 East Stratton St.
Logan, WV 25601
Phone: **304-752-6868**

Raleigh CCA Head Start

114 Lebanon Lane
Beckley, WV 25801
Phone: **304-252-6396**

RESA VIII

109 South College Street
Martinsburg, WV 25401
Phone: **304-267-3595**

**Southwestern CAC Head Start
Program**

540 5th Avenue
Huntington, WV 25701
Phone: **304-525-5151**

Upshur Human Resources, Inc.

6 Cleveland Avenue
Buckhannon, WV 26201
Phone: **304-472-2016**

West Virginia Even Start

Braxton County Even Start
98 Carter Braxton Dr.
Sutton, WV 26601
Phone: **304-765-7101**

Doddridge County Even Start/LEAD

103 Sistersville Place
West Union, WV 26456
Phone: **304-873-3216**

Jackson County Even Start

PO Box 770
Ripley, WV 25271
Phone: **304-372-7300**

Lincoln County Even Start

10 Marland Avenue
Hamlin, WV 25523
Phone: **304-824-3033**

Monongalia County Even Start

1433 Dorsey Avenue
Morgantown, WV 26501
Phone: **304-291-9330 Ext. 121**

**Nicholas County Even Start/Friends
R Fun**

70 Friends R Fun Drive
Summersville, WV 26651
Phone: **304-722-2157**

Raleigh County Even Start

111 Willow Lane
Beckley, WV 25801
Phone: **304-252-0688**

Randolph County Even Start

938 S. Davis Avenue

Elkins, WV 26241

Phone: **304-636-2188**

Summers County Even Start/REACH

355 Bluefield Ave

Bluefield, WV 24701

Phone: **304-327-3506**

Webster County Even Start

315 South Main Street

Webster Springs, WV 26288

Phone: **304-847-5638**

Wetzel County Even Start

RR2, Box 107

New Martinsville, WV 26155

Phone: **304-455-4054**

Appendix S: Family Support Regional Councils

Region 1 - Brooke Hancock FRN c/o
Ohio County FRN
56 13th Street
Wheeling, WV 26003
304-748-7850
Brooke, Hancock, Marshall, Ohio,
Wetzel

Region 2 - East Ridge Health Systems
235 South Water Street
Martinsburg, WV 25401
304-263-8954 ext. 127
Berkeley, Grant, Hampshire, Jefferson,
Hardy, Mineral, Morgan, Pendleton

Region 3 - Westbrook Health Services
2121 E 7th Street
Parkersburg, WV 26101
304-485-1721 ext. 550
Calhoun, Jackson, Pleasants, Ritchie,
Roane, Tyler, Wirt, Wood

Region 4 - West Virginia Center for
Independent Living
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Morgantown, WV 26501
Barbour, Braxton, Doddridge, Gilmer,

Harrison, Lewis, Marion, Monongalia,
Preston, Randolph, Taylor, Tucker,
Upshur

Region 5 - Pretera Center
911 Michael Ave.
Charleston, WV 25312
304-414-2065 ext. 2810
Boone, Cabell, Clay, Kanawha, Lincoln,
Logan, Mason, Mingo, Putnam, Wayne

Region 6 - Southern Highlands
Community Mental Health Center
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Princeton, WV 24740
304-425-9541
McDowell, Mercer, Wyoming

Region 6 - Seneca Health Systems
804 Broad St.
Summersville, WV 26651
304-872-2090 ext. 122
Greenbrier, Nicholas, Pocahontas,
Webster

Region 6 - FMRS
101 S. Eisenhower Dr.
Beckley, WV 25801
304-256-7100
Fayette, Monroe, Raleigh, Summers

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