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Dear NJ Constituents:

We are pleased to provide you with our newly updated **New Jersey Resources** publication. This comprehensive guide identifies the many helpful programs and services the Department of Human Services offers to New Jersey residents, caregivers, and advocates, as well as resources and programs offered by our partners in other agencies.

In this directory, families can find information on available food, income or employment assistance programs; caregivers can find information on support programs and services to assist them in caring for their loved ones; and individuals with disabilities can find information on services including in-home supports, vocational rehabilitation, personal care assistance and education. Information is also available on transportation programs, utility assistance, healthcare, and many other essential services available to New Jersey residents.

This directory is the result of a collaborative effort between the Department of Human Services and our many sister agencies.

While eligibility guidelines included in this print edition reflect 2024 standards, the online version is continually updated to reflect current information in an accessible digital format in English and Spanish through Human Services' Division of Disability Services (DDS) at: ni.gov/humanservices/dds/home/.

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If you have any questions or need further assistance, contact DDS' certified Information and Referral specialists toll-free at 1-888-285-3036.

We hope you find this resource to be of value.

Sincerely,

Sarah Adelman Commissioner



HOTLINES

Disability-Related Information and Referral

NJ Division of Disability Services (DDS)

1-888-285-3036

For assistance navigating statewide disability-related supports and services

Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC)

1-877-222-3737

For assistance navigating statewide caregiver and other services available for older NJ residents

NJ Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD)

1-800-832-9173

For accessing services for adults (ages 21 and older) with intellectual/developmental disabilities

PerformCare

1-877-652-7624

For accessing services for children and adolescents (up to age 21) with behavioral health, mental health, or substance use challenges, and/or intellectual/developmental disabilities

NJ Division of Deaf and Hard of Hearing

1-800-792-8339

Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

1-877-685-8878

General Information and Referral

NJ 2-1-1 provides a 24/7 call center to connect with services available in your local community.

Dial 2-1-1 OR text your zip code to 898-211 or visit their website at: www.nj211.org

Veterans

Veterans Benefit Hotline

1-888-865-8387

NJ Veterans Counseling Hotline

1-866-838-7654

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

Dial **988** and press **1** to contact the Veterans Crisis Line or Text 838255 or chat at:

VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat

Insurance/Medical Assistance Hotlines

NJ FamilyCare

1-800-701-0710

NJ FamilyCare Fraud and Abuse Hotline

1-888-937-2835

NJ Medicare Information Line (State Health Insurance Assistance program, SHIP)

1-800-792-8820

Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD)/Senior Gold/Lifeline Utility Program

1-800-792-9745

Medicare

1-800-633-4227



Mental Health/Addictions Hotlines

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

988 provides 24/7 access to trained crisis counselors. Call or text **988** or chat **988lifeline.org**

NJ Disaster Mental Health Helpline

1-877-294-4357

NJ Mental Health Cares

1-866-202-4357

Addictions Access Center

1-844-276-2777

NJ Addictions Hotline

1-800-238-2333

NJ Connect for Recovery

1-855-652-3737

NJ Quitline

1-866-657-8677

Peer Recovery Warmline

1-877-292-5588

ReachNJ (Addictions Helpline)

1-844-732-2465

NJ Council on Compulsive Gambling

1-800-426-2537

Abuse/Neglect/ Exploitation

In immediate danger, call 911

Child Abuse and Neglect

1-877-652-2873

Health Care Facility Complaints

1-800-792-9770

Long Term Care Ombudsman

1-877-582-6995

Adult Protective Services

1-855-825-5277 / (855-TELL-APS)

Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Abuse/Neglect Hotline

1-800-832-9173 (then press 1)

Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) Abuse/Neglect Hotline

1-800-832-9173 (then press 1)

Domestic Violence

1-800-572-7233

NJ Coalition Against Sexual Assault

1-800-601-7200

Women's Referral Central Hotline

1-800-322-8092

Childcare Related

New Jersey Child Care Helpline

1-800-332-9227

Child support

1-877-655-4371

SAFE HAVEN

1-877-839-2339

Other

Home Energy Assistance Hotline

1-800-510-3102

New Jersey Poison Control

1-800-222-1222







CHAPTER 1:

INCOME ASSISTANCE

Work First New Jersey (WFNJ): Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and General Assistance (GA)

New Jersey's cash assistance program is called Work First New Jersey (WFNJ). The program for families is known as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and the program for single adults and couples without children, is known as General Assistance (GA). To be eligible for TANF, a family of three can have a gross monthly income of \$839. To be eligible for GA, a single adult can have a gross monthly income of \$278. WFNJ provides monthly cash assistance, short-term housing support, child care, employment and training services. You can check your eligibility or apply online by visiting www.NJHelps.gov or in person at your County Social Service Agency.

See Appendix 2 for a list of County Social Service Agencies.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a federal program that provides monthly payments to certain people who have limited income and few resources. The basic monthly SSI payment for 2025 is the same nationwide. It is: \$967 for one person; or \$1,450 for an eligible individual with an eligible spouse, but not everyone gets the same amount. Where and with whom you live also makes a difference in the amount of your SSI payment. In New Jersey, SSI recipients also receive NJ FamilyCare (Medicaid).

Eligibility

Eligibility: US residents who are 65 or older & those of any age, including children, who are blind or who have disabilities may be eligible if they also meet income and resource guidelines.

To apply for an adult, please visit: www.ssa.gov/apply or call Social Security to schedule an in-person or telephone appointment 1-800-772-1213.

Eligibility for children has different rules and is based on parental income. While a portion of the application for children can be completed online, you must schedule an in-person or telephone appointment to submit the full application for children.

For more information about benefits for children, please visit: www.ssa.gov/benefits/disability/apply-child.html or call 1-800-772-1213.



Receiving Social Security Disability and considering working?

The social security administration publishes the **Redbook: A Helpful Guide to Social Security Work Incentives**.

Find a copy here: www.ssa.gov/redbook/

Go to Chapter 7 to learn more about Social Security work incentives.

Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)

The Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) program pays benefits to workers who have a permanent disability and their families. To be eligible for SSDI, you must be determined to have a permanent disability and must have earned a minimum number of credits from work covered under Social Security. The required number of credits varies depending on your age at the time you became disabled.

You should apply as soon as you become permanently disabled. While disability determinations can be processed faster for certain conditions that are noted on the compassionate allowances list, processing an application can take three to five months.

To learn more or to apply, please visit: www.socialsecurity.gov or call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 to schedule an in-person or telephone appointment.

Paid Family and Medical Leave

Also known as Temporary Disability and Family Leave Insurance. Provides cash benefits to New Jersey workers who stop working due to:

- Care for their own, or a loved one's physical or mental health condition
- Pregnancy and childbirth recovery
- Bond with a new child
- Cope with domestic or sexual violence or care for a loved one who is a victim/survivor

Most employers in New Jersey are required to pay into these programs, or provide a private insurance plan. Ask your employer which coverage you have.

See the current year's eligibility requirements, maximum weekly benefits and apply for benefits at: myleavebenefits.nj.gov.

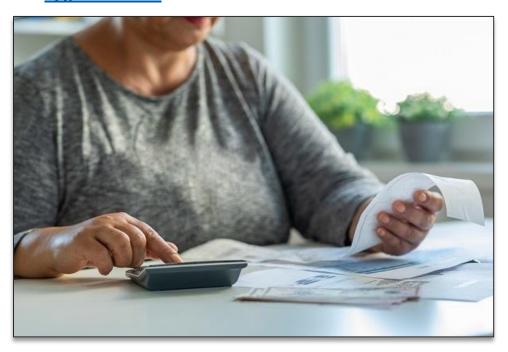
A worker's job may also be protected under State and Federal law. Learn more about job protection at myleavebenefits.nj.gov/jobprotection.



Workers' Compensation

Workers' compensation provides medical treatment, wage replacement and permanent disability compensation to employees who suffer job-related injuries or illnesses, and death benefits to dependents of workers who have died as a result of their employment. If a worker is injured at work, the employer must be notified as soon as possible. Notice can be given to the worker's supervisor, personnel office, or anyone in authority at the worker's employer. Under NJ workers' compensation law, the employer and/or the insurance carrier can select the physician(s) to treat injured workers for work related injuries. Please note that if a dispute arises, a worker may file a formal claim petition or an application for an informal hearing with the Division of Workers Compensation.

Learn more at: nj.gov/labor/wc or call 609-292-2515





CHAPTER 2:

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund

The Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund is a financial assistance program for New Jersey Families whose children have an illness or condition and, as a result, have incurred expenses that remain uncovered by insurance, State or Federal programs, or other sources, such as fundraising. The child must have been 21 years old or younger when the expenses were incurred. In order to be eligible, qualified uncovered expenses must exceed 10 percent of the family's income (plus 15 percent of any income over \$100,000). Families may reapply annually. Applications may be submitted online or requested by calling 1-800-335-3863. For more information, please visit www.state.nj.us/humanservices/cicrf/home/.

Housing and Utility Assistance

Homeownership Preservation Foundation

The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is a nonprofit group that helps financially challenged homeowners navigate their budget problems and, whenever possible, helps them to avoid mortgage foreclosure. For more information, **please call 1-888-995-4673** or visit: www.995hope.org

The resources listed on pages 4-5 provide options for help paying utility bills. For an online list of all programs, please visit: www.bpu.state.nj.us/bpu/assistance/programs/.

For additional housing assistance resources, see chapter 3.

NJ SHARES

NJ SHARES is a non-profit corporation that provides assistance to income eligible households in paying their energy, telephone/broadband and water bills. A list of programs and eligibility guidelines can be found here: www.njshares.org/program-eligibility/. Inquiries on eligibility or how to apply can be made at any of the participating social service agencies throughout the state as listed here: www.njshares.org/agencies/ or by visiting their website www.njshares.org or by phone at 1-866-657-4273.

New Jersey 2-1-1

Dial 2-1-1 any day, any time for confidential referrals to local health and human service assistance services or search NJ 2-1-1's on-line database at: www.nj211.org. Funded by the United Ways of NJ in partnership with the State of New Jersey, 2-1-1's utility assistance prompt can help you find additional local utility assistance help after you have exhausted USF, LIHEAP and PAGE utility assistance benefits.



Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Universal Service Fund (USF)

LIHEAP and USF are two utility assistance programs designed to help households with their heating and electric bills. LIHEAP helps pay for heating costs and certain medically-necessary cooling expenses. Applicants can qualify for LIHEAP even if their heating and cooling costs are included in their rent. USF helps pay for electric and natural gas costs. The monthly USF credit amount is based on how much a customer spends on energy in relation to their income. One application serves both programs. Typically, applications for LIHEAP are accepted from October 1st through June 30th of each year while funds last, and are accepted year-round for USF. Both programs have the same income limits, which can be viewed at: www.energyassistance.nj.gov. You can apply online at www.nj.gov/dca/dcaid, or with a paper application available at: www.energyassistance.nj.gov or by calling 2-1-1 or by going to www.energyassistance.nj.gov.

Fresh Start: Fresh Start is an energy debt forgiveness program available to USF customers once in a five-year period. Fresh Start is administered by the electric and gas utility companies in New Jersey and overseen by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. Fresh Start allows eligible USF households to earn forgiveness for pre-existing arrearages by making full, on-time payments of their current monthly charges for 12 months. You cannot apply for Fresh Start, but if you are eligible, you will be automatically enrolled by your utility company and receive information about the program in the mail. For more information about Fresh Start, please call your utility company at the number on your bill. For complaints about Fresh Start please call the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities at: 1-800-624-0241. More information about Fresh Start is available at: www.nj.gov/bpu/assistance/programs/.

NJ Lifeline Utility Assistance

Lifeline is administered by the NJ Dept. of Human Services and provides a \$225 annual energy benefit to seniors and people with disabilities who meet the pharmaceutical assistance to the aged and disabled (PAAD) eligibility requirements or who receive SSI. The benefit is also available to customers who have electric and/or gas costs included in their rent. For more information, call **1-800-792-9745**. To apply, **complete an NJSave application at**:

www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/l-p/njsave/.

More information about the Lifeline program is available at: www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/l-p/lifeline-utility/.

Payment Assistance for Gas & Electric

PAGE is a state-funded utility assistance program designed to assist low to moderate income families in New Jersey with up to \$700/year in benefits to pay their utility bills. Income eligible applicants must apply for the Universal Service Fund (USF) and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) programs first before seeking supplemental assistance from PAGE.



For more information or to apply, **please call New Jersey SHARES at: 1-866-657-4273** or visit: **https://njshares.org/programs/.** Information is also available on the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities website: **www.nj.gov/bpu/assistance/programs/.**

Reduce Home Energy Bills through New Jersey's FREE energy efficiency programs:

Comfort Partners

This program is designed to improve energy affordability for income eligible households through direct installation of free energy efficiency measures and education about steps to save energy. (Electric and gas heating customers only). For more information including income eligibility limits or to apply, please call **1-866-378-4345** or go to: www.njcleanenergy.com/residential/comfort-partners.

New Jersey Weatherization Assistance Program (NJWAP)

This program assists income eligible NJ residents in weatherizing their homes, improving their heating system efficiency and conserving energy. The NJ WAP contracts with a network of community-based organizations that deliver weatherization throughout the State. (All heating types served). For more information about NJWAP, please **call 609-913-4159** or got to www.energyassistance.nj.gov.

New Jersey Utility Assistance Bill of Rights

Know your rights: Review the Utility Customer Bill of Rights at: www.nj.gov/bpu/assistance/rights

What do I do if I receive a shut off notice from my utility company or if my service is disconnected for non-payment?

- 1) Call your utility company at the number on your bill and request a payment arrangement where you can pay a portion of the amount you owe each month in addition to your current bill for a certain period of time. If you are not able to reach a fair payment arrangement with your utility company, contact the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJ BPU) at 1-800-624-0241 or file a complaint online at: www.nj.gov/bpu/assistance/complaints/.
- 2) Apply for the utility assistance and energy efficiency programs listed above to reduce your balance and your energy usage. If you don't know where to start, please call 2-1-1 or email: utilityhelp@nj211.org.



Winter Termination Program

Administered by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU), the Winter Termination Program (WTP) protects specific categories of customers from having their gas, electric, water or sewer service shut off between November 15th and March 15th. Those enrolled in specific programs (SSI, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, General Assistance, Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled, USF, LIHEAP and Lifeline) are protected by WTP, and an additional "catch-all" category is included for people unable to pay their utility bills because of circumstances beyond their control, such as unemployment or illness. During the WTP period, customers should contact their utility company at the number on their bill to request protection under WTP. Then if further information is needed, they should contact the NJBPU at: 1-800-624-0241.

Community Solar Energy Program

The Community Solar Energy Program enables utility customers to participate in a solar energy project that is remotely located from their property. This program is designed to allow residents who rent or otherwise cannot install their own solar panels to participate in and benefit from the clean energy transition. Customers who subscribe to the electricity generation of a community solar project will receive a bill credit on their utility bill and discounts of approximately 15–25%. Projects must reserve more than half of their capacity for low- to moderate-income households. Interested residents may find a project at the <u>Community Solar Project Finder</u> and learn more at the BPU website <u>www.njcleanenergy.com/renewable-energy/programs/CS</u>.

Life-Sustaining Equipment Program

If you (or a member of your household) rely on electricity to operate life-sustaining equipment, such as a respirator or dialysis machine, it is important that you notify your utility company. In such cases, companies work with you to prevent shutoffs should you fall behind in paying your electric bills.





Lifeline (Free Smartphone Program)

Lifeline is a federal program that provides eligible low-income individuals with a free smartphone and free wireless phone service (free data, free monthly minutes and unlimited texting). This Lifeline program is operated by the federal government, and should not be confused with the state's Lifeline utility assistance program.



Property Tax Reimbursement ("Senior Freeze")

The Senior Freeze Program reimburses eligible senior citizens and individuals with disabilities for property tax or mobile home park site fee increases on their principal residence. For eligibility guidelines and information on how to apply, **please call 1-800-882-6597** or visit: www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/ptr/



Auto Insurance Assistance

The Special Automobile Insurance Policy (SAIP) is an initiative to help make limited coverage auto insurance available to drivers who are likely to go uninsured because of limited financial resources. The policy costs \$365 for the year and is available to people who are currently enrolled in some, not all, NJ FamilyCare programs. For more information on eligibility and application **call 1-800-652-2471** or **visit**:

www.state.nj.us/dobi/division_consumers/insurance/saip.htm

Did you know?

The New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC) provides a discount on the cost of vehicle registration to SSI, PAAD and Lifeline recipients.

In order to receive this discount, PAAD recipients must provide a current PAAD eligibility card at the time of vehicle registration. Lifeline only and SSI recipients should provide a letter showing their eligibility in these programs (letter can be obtained from the Division of Aging Services) at the time of vehicle registration.

For more information, contact the MVC at 609-292-6500.

Saving Money for Disability Related Expenses

NJ Achieving a Better Life Experience (NJ ABLE)

With NJ ABLE, eligible individuals with disabilities can save money for disability-related expenses in tax advantaged savings and investing accounts. Savings in ABLE accounts are disregarded when determining eligibility for many government assistance programs with asset thresholds, including but not limited to: Medicaid, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and Housing and Urban Development (HUD) programs. For Supplemental Security Income (SSI), account balances of up to and including \$100,000 are excluded from the SSI resource limit. If an individual's balance exceeds \$100,000, the SSI cash benefit will be suspended, but he/she will continue to be eligible for Medicaid. Once the balance falls below \$100,000 again, the cash benefit will be reinstated automatically—no need to reapply.

Allowable withdrawals or expenses are not limited to medical necessity and can include: education, housing, transportation, personal support services, and more. The individual with the disability is the account owner and anyone can contribute to the account. Income earned by the account is not taxed.



Want more information on NJ ABLE?

The Division of Disability Services (DDS) is available to host **NJ ABLE Presentations** at your request. To schedule an NJ ABLE presentation or to request brochures, please contact DDS at **1-888-285-3036**.

NJ ABLE Eligibility

To be eligible, individuals must meet two requirements:

- 1. Their disability was present before age 26; and
- 2. One of the following is true:
 - They are eligible for SSI or SSDI because of a disability
 - They experience blindness as determined by the Social Security Act; OR
 - They have a similarly severe disability with a written diagnosis from a licensed physician.

Apply online: www.savewithable.com/nj/home.html

Have questions? Call NJ ABLE at 1-888-609-8869 or email at:

nj.clientservice@savewithable.com

NJ ABLE is administered in partnership with the contracted program manager, Ascensus College Savings Recordkeeping Services.

Special Needs and Pooled Trust

A Special Needs Trust (SNT) is a legal instrument that is established by placing funds and other assets under the control of a trustee for the financial protection of an individual with a disability. Until the ABLE Act became law, creating a SNT was the only legal way to save money without sacrificing eligibility for government benefits. There are three distinct types of Special Needs Trusts: third party/supplemental trusts, first party/pay-back or self-settled/d(4)(A) trusts, or pooled Special Needs Trusts. The funds in the Special Needs Trust supplement, but do not supplant, government benefits.

Generally, a Special Needs Trust is easy to tailor to specific needs and can handle larger sums of money, for example, from a settlement. However, in New Jersey, a SNT must be established in accordance with specific Medicaid guidelines in order to preserve an individual's eligibility for benefits.

For more information, visit: www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/clients/snt.html



Qualified Income Trust

A Qualified Income Trust (QIT), also known as a Miller Trust, is a special legal arrangement for holding a person's income. A QIT is a written trust agreement for which the trustee establishes a dedicated bank account. The income deposited into this dedicated bank account is disregarded when determining financial eligibility for Long Term Services and Supports. A QIT requires that a trustee is appointed to manage the monthly deposits and expenses and account for the funds in the trust. The trustee must be someone other than the Medicaid applicant/recipient. A QIT written agreement has special conditions that must be met and is subject to the approval of, and monitoring by, the appropriate Medicaid eligibility determining agency (EDA) and the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS). For more information, visit:

www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/clients/mtrusts.html





CHAPTER 3:

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS ASSISTANCE

Emergency Assistance (EA)

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients and Work First New Jersey (WFNJ) clients (individuals or families receiving cash assistance) facing immediate risks of homelessness and those who have experienced a substantial loss of housing, food, clothing or household furnishings due to a disaster may receive Emergency Assistance (EA) for a limited period of time. EA benefits may include, but are not limited to: essential food, clothing, shelter and household furnishings; temporary rental assistance or back rent or mortgage payments; utility payments (such as heat, water, and electric); transportation to search for housing; and moving expenses. **Contact your County Social Service Agency to request EA**.

See Appendix 2 for a list of County Social Service Agencies.

Homeless Hotlines Call 2-1-1

Social Services for the Homeless/Homeless Hotline

The Social Services for the Homeless program provides assistance to families and individuals who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, but are not eligible for Work First NJ (usually because income is too high). The program provides emergency food, emergency shelter, and payment of security or utility deposits as well as back rent, mortgage and utilities costs. These services, also include referral services and limited case management.

New Jersey residents experiencing homelessness can call 2-1-1 for help. NJ 2-1-1 will work in partnership with county agencies to ensure residents have a safe place to stay and get connected to resources.

NJ 2-1-1 operators will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and accessible in different languages for non-English speakers. Information provided by the callers will be kept confidential, except for information that must be shared with providers involved in providing shelter or shelter-related services.

Call 2-1-1 for a list of agencies in your county or visit: www.nj.gov/humanservices/dfd/programs/ssh/



New Jersey Housing Resource Center (NJHRC)

The New Jersey Housing Resource Center has an online tool that will allow you to search thousands of affordable, subsidized and market rate units throughout New Jersey. You can customize your search based on your specific needs, budget and desired location. The NJHRC is free, anonymous, and updated regularly. To access the NJHRC, **go to**: www.nj.gov/njhrc/ or call 1-877-428-8844.

The Section 8 Housing Voucher Program and the State Rental Assistance Program (SRAP)

Based on the premise that housing costs (rent and utilities) should not exceed 30 percent of a household's income, these programs assist in making safe and quality housing in the private rental market affordable to low and very low-income households by reducing housing costs through direct rent subsidy payments to landlords. There are waiting lists for these programs. To see if the waiting lists are accepting preapplications, please visit the statewide open enrollment waiting list site at: www.nj.gov/dca/dhcr/offices/vouchers.shtml

609-292-4080

Email: <u>customer.service@dca.nj.gov</u>

DCAid

The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' (DCA) Division of Housing and Community Resources (DHCR) created a user-friendly eligibility screening tool designed to help New Jersey residents find available housing-related assistance programs through DCA for which they may qualify.

The eligibility screening process is a series of questions that takes approximately 1-2 minutes to complete. Users can find out if they are eligible for DCA services that provide assistance with rent, including the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program and the State Rental Assistance Program, heating costs, utility bills, removal of lead hazards in the home, Veterans Affair Supportive Housing (VASH), weatherization assistance, and homelessness prevention programs. The results, based on general income and household information entered, will provide the user with a brief description of eligible programs with contact information for the agency where the user can apply.

The **DCAid – Program Eligibility Screening Tool** can be accessed at: www.nj.gov/dca/dcaid. Individuals in emergency situations should dial NJ 2-1-1 for information on immediate assistance.



Office of Homelessness Prevention

Homelessness Prevention Program

Coordinates efforts to prevent homelessness among State and local agencies and private organizations that provide services to individuals who are homeless or at risk for homelessness. The office has both programmatic and research, and evaluation capacities, which are used to assess State and local homelessness prevention services, and to develop and implement innovative programs and resources that address and support the evolving needs of individuals in the State who are homeless or at risk for homelessness.

- Advances emerging and innovative practices from across the country to address homelessness
- Uses data to drive decision-making and policy at the state and local levels
- Convenes stakeholders and providing technical assistance and training at the local level
- Administers DCA's prevention programs

Funding Source: State

Assistance Provided To: State and local agencies and private organizations

Other Information: In connection with this program, assistance also is provided by the Department of Human Services.

Contact: 609-292-4080 (Phone)

customer.service@dca.nj.gov (E-mail)

www.nj.gov/dca/dhcr/offices/index.shtml (Offices & Programs)

Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP)

The Homelessness Prevention Program provides up to three months of assistance to pay past due rent to households in imminent danger of eviction due to temporary financial problems beyond their control.

Funding Source: State

Assistance Provided To: Households in imminent danger of eviction

Contact: 609-292-4080 (Phone)

customer.service@dca.nj.gov (E-mail)

www.nj.gov/dca/dhcr/offices/dhcrohp.shtml (Office of Homelessness

Prevention – OHP)

HPP PROVIDERS:

www.nj.gov/dca/dhcr/offices/pdf/HPP%20Agency%20Contact%20List

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Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program (HPRP2)

HPRP2 provides assistance to households in imminent risk of homelessness due to an eviction summons and temporary rapid re-housing assistance to individuals and families living on the streets, in places not meant for human habitation (e.g., encampments and vehicles) and in emergency shelters (up to 90 days) to obtain permanent housing.

Financial assistance to help pay for housing

· Case management and services to maintain housing

Funding Sources: State
Assistance Provided To:

- Households in imminent risk of homelessness due to an eviction summons
- Individuals and families living on the streets or in emergency shelters (up to 90 days)

Other Information: Maximum gross annual income 30% of AMI

Contact: 609-292-4080 (Phone)

customer.service@dca.nj.gov (E-mail)

Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Program Agency List

www.nj.gov/dca/dhcr/offices/docs/hprpagencycontacts.pdf

www.nj.gov/dca/dhcr/offices/dhcrohp.shtml

Homelessness Diversion Pilot (Diversion)

The Homelessness Diversion Pilot deploys rapid housing stabilization case management paired with flexible funding to rapidly prevent and exit eligible households from risk of unsheltered homelessness and shelter placement.

Assistance Provided To: Households in imminent risk of homelessness

Contact: 609-292-4080 (Phone)

customer.service@dca.nj.gov (E-mail)

Agency List

www.nj.gov/dca/dhcr/offices/docs/hprpagencycontacts.pdf

www.nj.gov/dca/dhcr/offices/dhcrohp.shtml

Rural and Suburban Street Outreach (R/S Outreach)

The Rural and Suburban Street Outreach program utilizes mobile case management and no-barrier direct client assistance to exit households experiencing homelessness from unsheltered conditions in order to stabilize housing situations and enter into permanent housing.

Assistance Provided To: Households experiencing homelessness

Other Information: Maximum gross annual income 120% of AMI



Contact: 609-292-4080 (Phone)

customer.service@dca.nj.gov (E-mail)

Agency Contact List

www.nj.gov/dca/dhcr/offices/dhcrohp.shtml

Integrated Homelessness Prevention and Services Program (IHPS)

The Integrated Homelessness Prevention and Services Program deploys wrap-around homelessness services (Street Outreach, Diversion, Homelessness Prevention, and Rapid Rehousing) to targeted areas in the state to enhance local efforts working to accelerate exits from homelessness and reduce system recidivism.

Assistance Provided To: Targeted areas in the state

Other Information: Maximum gross annual income 120% of AMI

Contact: 609-292-4080 (Phone)

customer.service@dca.nj.gov (E-mail)

Agency Contact List

www.nj.gov/dca/dhcr/offices/dhcrohp.shtml

Document Assistance and Support for Housing (DASH) Program

The Document Assistance and Support for Housing (DASH) program works with persons at-risk of homelessness and unhoused persons selected in the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) programs operated through DHCR's Office of Housing Assistance to overcome barriers to tenancy and accelerates permanent housing outcomes in conjunction with municipal, county, and continuum-of-care partners.

Funding Source: State

Assistance Provided To: Persons at-risk of homelessness and unhoused persons selected in the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) programs

Contact: www.nj.gov/dca/dhcr/offices/dhcrohp.shtml

(Office of Homelessness Prevention – OHP)

New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (NJHMFA)

The goal of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (NJHMFA) is to encourage the production of affordable housing for all New Jersey citizens. The NJHMFA provides a variety of programs to help prospective homebuyers purchase a home including first time homebuyer and down payment assistance programs, among others.

To learn more about their programs, please visit: www.theroadhomenj.com/ or their full site at: www.nj.gov/dca/hmfa/ or call 1-800-654-6873 or Email: askstaff@njhmfa.gov.



CHAPTER 4:

FOOD ASSISTANCE

Food Pantries/Soup Kitchens:

To locate local food pantries or soup kitchens, visit: www.nj211.org/ or call: NJ 2-1-1 or text your zip code to 898-211

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)

There are six Emergency Feeding Organizations working with the Pantries, Community Kitchens and Shelters serving NJ's Food Insecure residents. They offer USDA and State foods and provide support to families and individuals participating in other programs.

Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, & Union Counties Community Food Bank 908-355-3663 www.Cfbnj.org

Atlantic, Cape May & Cumberland Counties
Community Food Bank Southern Branch 609-383-8843
www.Cfbnj.org

Burlington, Camden, Gloucester & Salem Counties

Food Bank of South Jersey 856-662-4884 www.Foodbanksj.org

Mercer County

Mercer Street Friends Food Bank 609-406-0503 www.Mercerstreetfriends.org

Monmouth & Ocean Counties
Fulfill
732-918-2600
www.Fulfillnj.org

Hunterdon, Sussex & Warren Counties
NORWESCAP
908-454-4322

www.Norwescap.org

distribution/

Atlantic, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Middlesex, Passaic & Salem Counties

Southern Regional Food Distribution Center 856-327-3145 <a href="mailto:cumberlandfamilyshelter.com/food-cumberlandfamilyshelter.com



Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (NJ SNAP)

NJ SNAP is a food assistance program to help individuals and families with low-incomes buy the groceries needed to eat healthy. Eligibility depends on your household's income, size and resources. To be eligible for NJ SNAP, a single person can have a gross monthly income of \$2,248. A household size of three can have a gross monthly income of \$3,833. Eligibility numbers are from October 2024 to September 2025 and are updated every October. Visit www.NJSNAP.gov for current eligibility.

You can verify your eligibility by visiting <u>www.NJHelps.gov</u>. This is a quick and easy way to find out if you might be able to get help. Screening takes about 5-10 minutes to complete and submitting an application takes about 20-45 minutes.

You can apply online, by mail or in person at your County Social Service Agency. If you are unable to get to the County Social Service Agency due to illness or disability, you may send an authorized representative on your behalf or request a telephone interview.

NJ SNAP Hotline number: 1-800-792-9773

If you need assistance with your application, a **SNAP Navigator** can teach you about SNAP availability and eligibility requirements, can answer your questions about applying and can assist you with your SNAP application. Navigators also can help you learn if you may be eligible for other programs, such as Work First New Jersey cash assistance. You can learn more about SNAP Navigators and find a SNAP Navigator in your area on the "Get Help Applying" (www.nj.gov/humanservices/njsnap/apply/help/) page on www.njsnap/apply/help/)

Households in which all members are applicants for, or recipients of, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) may apply for NJ SNAP at the Social Security District office at the same time you apply for SSI.

Supplemental Nutrition-New Jersey WIC

The Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) provides supplemental nutritious foods, nutrition education, breastfeeding promotion and support, immunization screening, and health care referrals to pregnant women, women who have delivered a child within the last six months, breastfeeding women who have delivered a child within the last year, and infants and children under five years old.

For local WIC agencies, call: 1-800-328-3838 www.nj.gov/health/fhs/wic/index.shtml



Seniors Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP)

Administered by the NJ Department of Health's WIC program, this seasonal program provides \$50 worth of vouchers to purchase fresh, nutritious, unprepared, and locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs, and honey through participating farmers' markets, roadside stands and community-supported agriculture programs to low-income seniors. For more information, **contact your local Area Agency on Aging (AAA)**.

For a listing of your County AAA see Appendix 3.

Congregate or Group Meals

This service, administered by the Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) in each county, provides at least one hot nutritious meal per day, five or more days per week. These meals, along with education, socialization, and other services, are usually provided in locations such as senior centers, schools, or churches. The program is available to all persons age 60 or over and their spouses, regardless of age. Participants are provided with an opportunity to voluntarily contribute whatever they can afford toward the cost of these meals.

Home-Delivered Meals

This service, administered by Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) in each county, provides one (or sometimes more) hot meal a day at least five days per week to older persons who are homebound. This program is federally funded and serves only persons age 60 or older. A meal may be provided to the spouse if it is in the best interest of the homebound older person being served. This federal program has been supplemented by state legislation providing nutrition services on weekends and holidays for frail eligible participants.

A nutrition assessment is required for participation in these programs. There is no income requirement; financial need, however, may be used to prioritize service participation.

Participants are provided with an opportunity to voluntarily contribute whatever they can afford toward the cost of these meals.



CHAPTER 5:

HEALTH INSURANCE AND HEALTHCARE ASSISTANCE

Get Covered New Jersey

Get Covered New Jersey is the state's official health insurance marketplace, and a source of affordable health insurance for New Jersey residents who do not have health coverage from their employers or access to other health care programs. Financial help is available to help lower the cost of premiums and out-of-pocket costs for those who qualify. Residents can also learn at Get Covered New Jersey if they might qualify for NJ FamilyCare, New Jersey's publicly funded health insurance program. Open Enrollment is once each year and is typically the only time you can enroll in coverage; however special enrollment opportunities are available throughout the year under certain circumstances.

For more information, visit getcovered.nj.gov

NJ FamilyCare

NJ FamilyCare, New Jersey's publicly funded health coverage program, provides health coverage to children; pregnant women; parents; caretaker relatives; single adults; childless couples; individuals who are elderly, blind, and have disabilities; and individuals qualified for long-term care services. NJ FamilyCare's comprehensive health coverage program provides a wide-range of services including: doctor visits, hospital services, prescriptions, tests, vision care, mental health care, dental, nursing home care and other healthcare services, depending on the person's eligibility category. Most NJ FamilyCare beneficiaries are enrolled in managed care. With managed care, a managed care organization health plan, also known as an MCO, coordinates an individual's health care needs.

MCO Contact Numbers

Aetna Better Health of NJ 1-855-232-3596

Fidelis Care 1-888-453-2534

Horizon NJ Health 1-800-682-9090

United Healthcare Community Plan 1-800-941-4647

Wellpoint 1-833-731-2147



How to Apply to NJ Family Care:

The fastest way to apply is online at: www.njfamilycare.org/apply.aspx

If you need help enrolling, please visit: www.njfamilycare.org/ or call 1-800-701-0710.

The NJ Workability Program offers full Medicaid coverage to working individuals with permanent disabilities whose income or assets would otherwise make them ineligible. See Chapter 7: Employment Assistance for information regarding NJ WorkAbility.

Medicaid At a Glance

Medicaid services may include:

- Doctor checkups and sick visits
- Specialist services
- Vaccinations
- Emergency Care
- Inpatient and outpatient hospital treatment
- Laboratory tests and X-rays
- Behavioral Health
- Substance use disorder treatment
- Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment
- · Home health care
- Physician services
- Nurse-midwife services
- Family Planning and any necessary supplies
- Nursing facilities
- Transportation
- Licensed practitioner services
- Private duty nursing
- Services in a clinic

- Physical, occupational and speech therapy
- Inpatient psychiatric care
- Breast feeding equipment
- Doula
- Treatment in residential treatment centers
- Vision care, including optometry services
- Dental care
- Chiropractic services
- Psychologist
- Podiatrist
- · Prosthetics and orthotics
- Drugs necessary during long term care
- Drugs at retail cost
- Durable medical equipment
- Hearing services, including hearing aids
- Hospice Care
- Personal Care Services



Questions About Your Medicaid Benefit?

Call Your County Medical Assistance Customer Centers (MACC):

County	Phone Number
Camden MACC: Atlantic / Burlington / Camden/ Cape May / Cumberland / Gloucester / Mercer / Salem Counties	856-209-0520
Passaic MACC: Bergen / Passaic / Morris / Sussex / Warren Counties	862-338-9890
Essex MACC: Essex County / Hudson County	862-682-4430
Monmouth MACC: Monmouth / Ocean / Middlesex / Hunterdon / Somerset / Union Counties	908-430-0231

Medicare

www.medicare.gov | 1-800-Medicare (1-800-633-4227)

Medicare is the federal health insurance program for:

- People who are 65 or older
- · Certain younger people with disabilities
- People with End-Stage Renal Disease (permanent kidney failure requiring dialysis or a transplant, sometimes called ESRD)

Medicare coverage is divided into four parts: Part A, Part B, Part C and Part D. Different parts of Medicare cover different services. See the guide on the next page for the breakdown of coverage. Some people get Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance) and Medicare Part B (Medical Insurance) automatically, while others need to sign up for it. In most cases, it depends on whether you're getting Social Security benefits. If you are not receiving benefits from Social Security or the Railroad Retirement Board at least three months before you turn 65, you'll need to sign up with Social Security to get Part A and Part B. Because you must pay a premium for Part B coverage, you can turn it down if you have health coverage from an employer that pays claims before Medicare. You can wait to enroll into Part B when your employment ends or your health plan ends without incurring a penalty.

While costs vary, Medicare typically pays 80 percent of the cost of covered services, while you are responsible for the remaining 20 percent plus any required coinsurance or deductibles for each benefit period.



When to apply for Medicare: You can sign up for Medicare three months before reaching age 65, even if you are not ready to start receiving retirement benefits. During the Medicare application, you can opt out of receiving cash retirement benefits and will have the option to apply for them later.

Medicare Coverage at a Glance

Part	Description of Coverage
Part A:	(Hospital Insurance) Covers inpatient hospital stays, care in a skilled nursing facility, hospice care, and some home health care.
Part B:	(Medical Insurance) Covers certain doctors' services, outpatient care, medical supplies, and preventive services.
Part D:	(Prescription drug coverage) Covers medically approved pharmaceuticals. Monthly costs vary by plan.

Medicare Advantage (also known as Part C) is an all-in-one managed care alternative to original Medicare. Advantage plans include Part A, Part B, and usually Part D, and they are typically purchased through a monthly premium. Several companies offer Medicare Advantage plans at varying costs and levels of coverage.

FOR MORE MEDICARE INFORMATION:

Watch: Medicare & You at:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=WZVQSFBq2uw&feature=youtu.be

Visit: www.medicare.gov/

Call: 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)

Call: The NJ Medicare Information Helpline (SHIP) at 1-800-792-8820

How to Apply for Medicare

Online at www.ssa.gov/medicare/sign-up

OR

Call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 or visit your local Social Security Office. Find a list of local offices here: secure.ssa.gov/ICON/main.jsp

Medigap

When an individual who is aged or disabled is not covered by an employer or union health care plan, it is possible to buy a supplemental policy to help bridge the gaps in original Medicare coverage. These policies are called Medigap, or Medicare Supplement Insurance. Medigap policies must follow federal and state laws and are standardized, so comparing different plans is relatively simple. Standardized policies cover co-payments for certain benefits. You must pay a monthly premium for Medigap policies, with costs varying based on your age and the level of the policy you purchase. To buy a Medigap



policy, you must be enrolled in Medicare Part A and Medicare Part B. For a list of Medigap plans available in New Jersey, visit:

www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/q-z/ship/

Need help paying Medicare Part B premiums?

New Jersey offers Medicare Part B premium assistance to individuals meeting income and asset guidelines.

If you have NJ FamilyCare, your Medicare Part B premium may be paid for you.

If you are not eligible for NJ FamilyCare, you may be eligible for Part B premium assistance through the **Medicare Savings Program (MSP)**. The MSP pays partial or full Medicare Part B premiums for eligible participants.

Eligibility for the Medicare Savings Program (MSP):

- Must be a New Jersey resident
- Must be enrolled in Medicare Part A
- Must not be financially eligible for NJ FamilyCare
- Must not exceed income or asset eligibility limits:
 - Income may not exceed \$21,132* for single persons and \$28,560* for married couples
 - Liquid assets may not exceed \$9,660* for single persons or \$14,470* for married couples

*Reflects 2025 limits

Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)

Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) are community-based programs that provide primary and preventive healthcare regardless of a patient's ability to pay. **To find a FQHC** in New Jersey, visit healthapps.state.nj.us/fhs/cphc/cphcSearch.aspx or see Appendix 12 for a full list of FQHCs in New Jersey.

The New Jersey Hospital Care Payment Assistance Program (Charity Care)

Charity Care is a payment assistance program available to uninsured or underinsured patients for inpatient and outpatient services at all acute care hospitals throughout New Jersey. Patients who meet income and asset criteria may receive medically necessary services at reduced fees or free. Eligibility is determined at the hospital where the medical service is provided when the completed application is submitted.

For more information: 1-866-588-5696

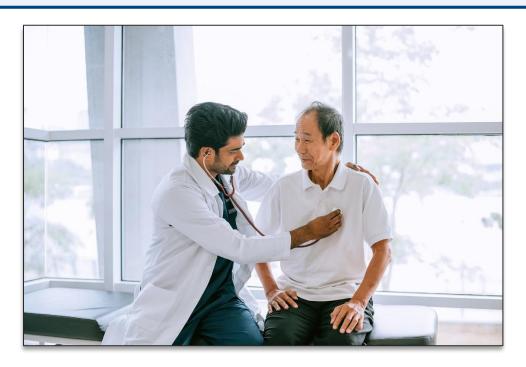
For Spanish: 609-292-4715



Need help figuring all of this out?

New Jersey provides free Medicare Counseling services through local **State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)** offices. Trained counselors can provide information to assist Medicare beneficiaries in evaluating health insurance options, as well as those who have problems or questions about their health insurance.

NJ SHIP Medicare Information Hotline: 1-800-792-8820





Dental Care Assistance

The following resources offer reduced cost dental services to eligible individuals who are uninsured or underinsured:

Dental Lifeline Network New Jersey

Southern countiesPO Box 2117
Edison, NJ 08818 **732-821-3056**

Northern counties
PO Box 621
Lincroft, NJ 07738
973-967-9171
dentallifeline.org/new-jersey/

Rutgers New Jersey Dental School
Oral Medicine Room D881
110 Bergen Street
Newark, NJ 07103
973-972-7370
Alternate: 973-972-4242
sdm.rutgers.edu/patient-care-0

Rutgers University Hospital (Emergency Care) 150 Bergen Street, Unit 1 Newark, NJ 07103 Appointments: 973-972-4242 sdm.rutgers.edu/emergency-care

c/o New Jersey Dental Association
1 Dental Plaza
North Brunswick, NJ 08902-6020
732-821-9400
www.njda.org/for-the-public/find-adentist/dental-clinics-programs

Matheny Center of Medicine & Dentistry PO Box 339 Peapack, NJ 07977 908-234-0011 ext. 1785 www.matheny.org/center-of-medicinedentistry

The New Jersey Dental Clinic Directory is designed to assist people who have difficulty accessing dental care due to insurance or financial constraints.

www.state.nj.us/health/fhs/oral/documents/dental_directory.pdf



Vision Care Assistance

Project Best: Better Eye Health Services and Treatment

Through the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired, this program offers free eye screenings to preschoolers, adults, individuals with diabetes, and migrant workers. For more information on this program and other services for individuals who are blind, visually impaired or deaf/blind, see Chapter 19.

EyeCare America

Offers medical eye exams at no cost to eligible individuals. www.aao.org/eyecare-america

Local Lions Club

Local Lions Clubs may provide eyeglasses or assistance for individuals with vision care needs. They may also know of other local resources in your area. Contact your local Lions Club for more information. To locate the Lions Club nearest you, contact either the Chamber of Commerce or visit www.lionsclubs.org

New Eyes

Provides vouchers for new eyeglasses for those with financial need and no other resources, public or private, to pay for glasses. Program accepts applications from third parties such as social service agencies or health professionals who are able to document financial needs of clients.

For more information: 973-376-4903 or www.new-eyes.org

Prevent Blindness

Patients who participate in a vision screening through Prevent Blindness, a Prevent Blindness affiliate or one of the organization's many health program partners, and receive a referral for an exam to an eye care professional, may then bring their new prescription with the card to participating locations. For more information about this Eyeglass Program, please call 1-800-331-2020 or visit: www.preventblindness.org/

Respectacle

Donates free, used eyeglasses. Users need to enter their prescription on-line and fill out some basic demographic information. Used eye glasses will be mailed within 7 to 10 days of order. No additional paperwork required. **Visit:** www.respectacle.org/



Hearing Aid Assistance

New Jersey Hearing Aid Project

Through this innovative project launched by the New Jersey Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Montclair State University, and Sertoma/Hearing Charities of America, used hearing aids are collected, reconditioned, and dispensed free to eligible seniors in need. Eligible New Jersey Residents must be 65 years of age or older and have an income of no more than 250 percent of the federal poverty level, \$42,142 if single and \$49,209 if married. For more information on this program and other services for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, see Chapter 20.

Hearing Aid Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (HAAAD)

This program provides up to a \$500 reimbursement (or up to \$1000 for a pair) to eligible recipients to offset the purchase of hearing aids. Income for 2025 must be less than \$52,142 if single or less than \$59,209 if married. **For more information: 1-800-792-9745**.





CHAPTER 6:

PHARMACEUTICAL ASSISTANCE

Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD)

The Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD) program is a statefunded program that helps eligible older adults and individuals with disabilities save money on their prescription drug costs. The program will pay any costs above the co-payment of \$5 for each covered generic drug or \$7 for each covered brand-name drug.

Eligibility for PAAD:

- · You are a New Jersey resident;
- You are age 65 or older or between ages 18 and 64 and receiving Social Security Disability benefits; and
- Your income for 2025 is less than \$53,446* if single or less than \$60,690* if married.
- Medicare-eligible PAAD beneficiaries are also required to enroll in a Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan. PAAD will pay the monthly premium for certain Part D plans with a monthly premium at or below the regional benchmark. These plans will cover medically necessary prescription medications under Medicare Part D, and will pay any costs above the PAAD co-payments.
- If a Medicare Part D plan does not pay for a medication because the drug is not on its formulary, PAAD beneficiaries will have to switch to a drug on their Part D plan's formulary or their doctor will have to request an exception due to medical necessity directly to their Part D plan. Medicare Advantage participants must add a prescription benefit to their coverage and PAAD will contribute up to the regional benchmark amount toward the prescription portion of their total premium.

^{*}Reflects 2025 limits



Senior Gold Prescription Discount Program

The Senior Gold Prescription Discount Program (Senior Gold) is a state-funded prescription program with different co-pays and income eligibility guidelines than those of PAAD.

Eligibility for Senior Gold:

- You are a New Jersey resident;
- You are age 65 or older or between ages 18 and 64 and receiving Social Security Disability benefits;
- Your annual income* for 2025 is between \$53,446 and \$63,446 if you are single, or \$60,690 and \$70,690 if you are married.
- All Medicare-eligible Senior Gold beneficiaries are also required to enroll in a prescription drug plan of their choice. They will be responsible for paying the monthly premium directly to the Medicare Part D plan. They also will be responsible for paying any late enrollment penalty imposed by Medicare for each month they were eligible to enroll in Medicare Part D but did not enroll.

*Reflects 2025 limits

For information about applying for Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD) or Senior Gold, contact the Division of Aging Services PAAD Hotline at 1-800-792-9745 or your local pharmacy.

You can also contact your county's Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) at 1-877-222-3737 or visit: www.adrcnj.org/

You can also apply online through NJSave at: www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/l-p/njsave/

Medicare Part D: Low Income Subsidy (LIS)

Beneficiaries with Medicare who have limited income and assets may qualify for help with the costs of their prescription drugs through the Part D Low Income Subsidy (LIS), also known as Extra Help. Those enrolled will receive either a full or a partial subsidy, depending on their income and asset levels. Most people on LIS pay no premiums or deductibles (unless receiving the partial subsidy) and no more than \$12.15 for each drug their plan covers. LIS beneficiaries can switch their Part D plan quarterly and beneficiaries who enrolled in Part D after their initial eligibility date pay no late enrollment penalty.



Eligibility for LIS:

In 2025, the income limits are \$23,475 for individuals and \$31,725 for couples and the asset limits are \$17,600 and \$35,130, respectively.

To apply, go to www.ssa.gov/benefits/medicare/prescriptionhelp, the NJSave online application www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/l-p/njsave/, or contact the Division of Aging Services PAAD Hotline at 1-800-792-9745

Medicine Assistance Tool (MAT)

PhRMA's Medicine Assistance Tool (MAT) is a search engine designed to help patients, caregivers and health care providers learn more about the resources available through the various biopharmaceutical industry programs. MAT is not its own patient assistance program, but rather a search engine for many of the patient assistance resources that the biopharmaceutical industry offers. MAT includes information in the following areas as well: prescription savings cards, finding free or low-cost clinics, and other healthcare assistance resources.

For more information visit: www.medicineassistancetool.org/

AIDS Drug Distribution Program (ADDP)

The AIDS Drug Distribution Program provides life-sustaining and life-prolonging medications to low-income New Jersey residents with no other source of payment for these drugs.

For more information call 1-877-613-4533 or visit <u>www.nj.gov/health/hivstdtb/hiv-aids/medications.shtml</u>

NJ Medicinal Cannabis Program (previously the Medicinal Marijuana Program)

The New Jersey Medicinal Cannabis Program allows patients with specific conditions to be certified by a physician to receive medicinal cannabis products for medical use. Individuals interested in participating in the program should talk to their physician or a physician participating in the program. Physicians are responsible for establishing bona fide relationships with their patients, conducting a comprehensive evaluation of the patient, certifying the use of medicinal cannabis, and determining the amount to be obtained in a given certification period. There is a \$50 registration fee for patients and caregivers. Reduced \$20 fees are available for veterans, seniors and individuals receiving government assistance.

For more information: 609-292-0424 www.nj.gov/cannabis/medicinalcannabis/



CHAPTER 7:

EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

One-Stop Career Centers

One-Stop Career Centers throughout the state offer a wide range of tools to help people, including military veterans, those who are 55+, and individuals with disabilities, find a new job or career. All services are free of charge to help New Jersey's workers:

- Find a job
- · Strengthen job-search skills
- Get training
- Improve reading and basic skills
- Network the way to a job
- Use labor market information to make career decisions
- Start a business

To connect with your local One-Stop Career Center, call: 1-877-872-5627 or visit www.nj.gov/labor/career-services/contact-us/one-stops/index.shtml

Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Any individual with a physical, mental, cognitive, or other form of disability that has a substantial impediment to employment may be eligible for vocational rehabilitation services. Each consumer is evaluated individually for eligibility and assistance needed to achieve employment.

Within the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVRS), counselors work with individuals and their families to develop and carry out a plan for training and placement. If financial need is established, the Division will purchase other rehabilitative services from private providers, such as further evaluation or counseling, training at a vocational center or technical school and on-the-job training. Individuals who are blind or visually impaired are served by the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CBVI). All others receive services from DVRS.

For more information on CBVI and services for individuals who are blind and visually impaired or deaf/blind, see Chapter 19.

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New Jersey Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVRS)

Administrative Office: 1 John Fitch Plaza, 12th Floor PO Box 398 Trenton, NJ 08625-0398

Telephone: 609-292-5987

VP: 609-498-6221

www.nj.gov/labor/dvrs

Vocational Rehabilitation at a Glance

Services Provided

- Diagnostic Evaluation
- Individual Vocational Counseling and Guidance
- Job Seeking Skills Training and Selective Job Placement
- Employment Support Services
- Post-Employment Services
- Physical Restoration
- Job Coaching, Vocational, Professional, or On the Job Training
- Business Outreach Team
- Pre-Employment Transition Services
- Benefits Counseling Services

Self-Employment Initiative

Individuals with an interest in becoming self-employed can work with their vocational rehabilitation counselor to develop a business plan that can lead to self-employment.

Fee for Service

Many of the services are provided free of charge. Coverage of expenses for medical services, training, books and supplies, tools, and other equipment are based on an individual's ability to pay.

See Appendix 7 for DVRS County Offices



State as a Model Employer (SAME) Program

The New Jersey State as a Model Employer program, often referred to as "SAME," is an initiative aimed at promoting inclusive and equitable employment practices within the State government of New Jersey. Founded on the principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion, this program strives to set an example for employers across the State and the nation.

At its core, SAME is a response to the need for a more inclusive and representative workforce, and was established to enable New Jersey state agencies to hire, promote, retain, and advance qualified individuals whose physical or mental disabilities impact their ability to participate in the competitive hiring and promotion process within the State workforce.

SAME seeks to eliminate barriers to State employment and provide reasonable accommodations that enable individuals with disabilities to thrive in their roles. The NJ Civil Service Commission's Division of Equal Employment Opportunity & Affirmative Action is charged with developing and implementing the SAME program, including the creation of a fast-track hiring process for qualified individuals with significant disabilities, a work-based learning and internship program for students with disabilities, and a mentorship program with a focus on supporting employees with disabilities. This program uses a fast-tracking process to ensure that people who are eligible for the program are offered an opportunity to participate in interviews when applying for unclassified, non-competitive permanent and temporary positions.

The SAME program shall be implemented by each State agency, inclusive of any State department, authority, commission, office, department, division, bureau, board, or any other agency or instrumentality thereof, including institutions of higher education.

For additional information, see: www.nj.gov/csc/same/fast/index.shtml
For SAME Job Announcements, see: www.nj.gov/csc/jobs/announcements/otherstate/

Ticket to Work & Work Incentives Improvement Act

Social Security's Ticket to Work Program is available to people ages 18 through 64 who are blind or have a disability and who receive Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI). Participation in the Ticket to Work program is free and voluntary. If you choose to participate, you will receive services such as career counseling, vocational rehabilitation, and job placement and training from authorized Ticket to Work service providers, such as Employment Networks (EN) or your State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) agency. The service provider you choose will serve as an important part of your "employment team" that will help you on your journey to financial independence.

For more information, contact: 1-866-968-7842 www.choosework.ssa.gov



Plan to Achieve Self-Support (PASS)

PASS is an SSI provision to help individuals with disabilities return to work. If you receive SSI or could qualify for SSI after setting aside income or resources and wish to pursue a work goal, you could benefit from a PASS. A PASS can include supplies to start a business, school expenses, equipment and tools, transportation, uniforms and other items or services you need to reach your employment goal. PASS can help the participant save to pay these costs without jeopardizing SSI eligibility.

For more information, contact a PASS specialist at: 1-866-348-5403 (Last names A-M: dial extension 23648, N-Z: dial extension 23645) or visit: www.socialsecurity.gov/disabilityresearch/wi/pass.htm

Work Incentives Planning and Assistance

Receiving Social Security Disability and considering working?

The social security administration publishes the Redbook: a helpful guide to Social Security Work Incentives. Find a copy here: www.ssa.gov/redbook/

Need more help? Contact the Ticket to Work helpline to get connected with *FREE* Work Incentives and Planning Assistance.

Ticket to Work Help Line: 1-866-968-7842

Work Incentives Planning and Assistance (WIPA), also referred to as "benefits counseling", is available for free to any SSI and SSDI beneficiary. The following two organizations are authorized by the Social Security Administration to provide free benefits counseling to help you make informed choices about work.

Goodwill Industries of Greater New York and Northern New Jersey

Serving residents of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, and Union Counties

NJ WINS (New Jersey Work Incentive Network Support) www.njwins.org

Serving residents of Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Passaic, Salem, Somerset, Sussex, and Warren Counties



NJ WorkAbility

The NJ WorkAbility Program offers full New Jersey Medicaid health coverage to working individuals with disabilities whose income or assets would otherwise make them ineligible.

NJ Workability has expanded to make health care coverage available to all workers with disabilities!

Eligibility

NJ WorkAbility offers NJ FamilyCare health care coverage to people who are:

- At least 16 years old;
- A New Jersey resident;
- Employed, either full or part time and able to show proof of employment;
 and
- Determined as disabled by the Social Security Administration OR the Medical Review Team at the Division of Medical Assistance & Health Services, prior to age 65.

NJ WorkAbility no longer has income or asset limits, and is now open to people over age 65.

Individuals with countable income in excess of 250% of the Federal Poverty Level must agree to pay a premium. Spouse's income is no longer counted when determining eligibility or premium.

Please visit <u>www.nj.gov/humanservices/dds/programs/njworkability/</u> for current eligibility information or **call the Division of Disability Services at 1-888-285-3036**.

Visit the New Jersey Benefits to Work Calculator at www.nj.db101.org

This site assists individuals ages 18-64 who are using public disability benefits in understanding how working may affect their total income or health benefits.



Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)/WorkForce 55+

The SCSEP/Workforce 55+ is the only federal program targeted to help older workers obtain employment and self-sufficiency. SCSEP participants gain work experience in a variety of community service activities at non-profit and public facilities, including schools, libraries, hospitals, day-care centers and senior centers. Participants work an average of 18 hours a week and are paid minimum wage. This training serves as a bridge to employment for participants. Participants must be at least 55, unemployed and have a family income of no more than 125% of the federal poverty level.

For more information, visit:

www.state.nj.us/labor/wioa/workforce55/workforce55.html





Displaced Homemaker Programs

The New Jersey Department of Children and Families' Division on Women administers 22 Displaced Homemaker Programs in all 21 New Jersey counties. Displaced Homemaker Programs provide training and employment-related services for individuals who worked in the home for many years and through the death, disablement, or divorce of a spouse, find themselves as the primary source of household income. Displaced Homemaker Programs are designed to enhance employability and create new job opportunities and include the following services:

- Educational and vocational counseling, short term certificate/education funds, interest and aptitude testing, information on financial aid for education, job readiness training and computer training.
- Resume writing, interviewing skills, referrals and job search assistance.
- Life skills workshops in self-confidence and self-esteem, assertiveness, goal setting, career development, financial planning and the legal implications of separation and divorce.

See <u>Appendix 9: Displaced Homemaker Programs</u>, for the full list of Displaced Homemaker Programs throughout the state.

Hispanic Women's Resource Centers

Hispanic Women's Resource Centers (HWRCs), which are administered through the New Jersey Department of Children and Families' Division on Women, provide programs that facilitate professional development to increase the employability of Hispanic women. These agencies serve people identifying as women who are of Spanish or Latin American culture, with origins in Mexico, the Caribbean Islands, South or Central America. Programs are designed to enhance the job prospects of Hispanic women and positively impact their earning potential. The Centers focus on helping Hispanic women gain workplace skills, including but not limited to: English language classes, resume preparation, interviewing skills, and computer training.

See <u>Appendix 13: Hispanic Women's Resource Centers</u> (HWRC) for the full list of HWRCs throughout the state.



Other Helpful Resources

AbilityJobs

www.abilityjobs.com

The leading career website dedicated to employment of people with disabilities. Individuals can search through thousands of jobs and post resume for free. Employers can utilize website to search for qualified candidates for employment openings.

US Small Business Administration

www.sba.gov

The SBA helps Americans start, build and grow businesses. Assists individuals in various aspects including developing business models, counseling, locating funding sources, and establishing professional contacts.

US Office of Disability Employment Policy

www.dol.gov/odep

This office's mission is to develop and influence policies and practices that increase the number and quality of employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

Employer Assistance and Resource Network on Disability Inclusion (EARN)

www.askearn.org/

EARN helps employers and HR professionals recruit, hire, retain and advance people with disabilities in the workplace. EARN offers information and resources, including training and materials, to assist employers in building a disability-inclusive environment and meeting their workplace diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility (DEIA) goals.





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TRANSPORTATION

Transportation Management Associations

Transportation Management Associations (TMA) are non-profit, public-private partnerships dedicated to reducing traffic congestion and improving mobility by promoting alternative commuting modes like transit, community shuttles, and van/carpool programs. Eight TMAs cover all 21 counties in New Jersey.

Find the TMA serving your county at: 1-800-245-7665 www.state.nj.us/transportation/commuter/rideshare/tma.shtm

Modivcare

Modivcare provides non-emergency medical transportation to NJ FamilyCare clients living anywhere in the state. Passengers should call to request rides two days prior to their appointment and provide the following information:

- Your NJ FamilyCare ID number
- · Your pick-up address and zip code
- Name, phone number and address of medical provider
- · Appointment time and date
- Special transportation needs

Modivcare

Make an appointment for a ride: 1-866-527-9933

Book your trip online: tripcare.modivcare.com/login

Healthcare Facility Line: 1-866-527-9945 (for standing orders and hospital

discharges)

"Where's my Ride?"

For return trips (will call) or if a Transportation provider is running late or doesn't arrive, call: 1-866-527-9934

To file a formal complaint: 1-866-333-1735

For more information about the service, visit: www.mymodivcare.com/members/nj



New Jersey Transit

New Jersey Transit provides commuter services through bus routes and rail lines in New Jersey and into New York and Pennsylvania. Lift-equipped and kneeling buses, as well as accessible rail stations, are important elements of New Jersey Transit's services to people with disabilities.

Access Link: New Jersey Transit's ADA Paratransit

Access Link can be used for any purpose including the following: travel to places of employment, education, recreation, shopping, to attend social functions, visit family, friends, physicians, dentists, run errands or just to get out of the house and relax. Comparable to the local bus service, it is a "shared-ride" system, meaning other customers may be picked up and dropped off while transporting you to your final destination, service is available during the same days and hours as the regularly scheduled local fixed route service, and you are charged a fare to ride.

While riders generally need to be able to leave their house and board the bus on their own, drivers may assist individuals in walking from house to bus. This is done on a case-by-case basis as long as riders, when scheduling, ask for an accommodation.

For more information, refer to the box below.

Access Link: New Jersey Transit's ADA Paratransit

Access Link provides origin to destination public transportation to eligible people with disabilities who are unable to use local bus service. Individuals need to apply for eligibility. Once eligible, all rides must be scheduled by reservation.

For more information: accesslink.njtransit.com

To apply: 973-491-4224

New Jersey Transit Reduced Fare Program

Special rates are available for residents 62 years of age or older and people with disabilities. Personal assistants ride for free when proper identification is presented by the person with a disability. Even qualifying out-of-state residents can ride on NJ TRANSIT buses and trains at the reduced rate. Passengers with disabilities and those who are 65 and older may simply show their valid NJ Transit Reduced Fare ID or Medicare Card to the vehicle operator and present the appropriate fare. Those between the ages of 62-64 may be asked to present a valid ID including date of birth to get the reduced fare.

For more information: 973-491-7112 or visit: www.njtransit.com/schedules-and-fares/reduced-fare-program



Amtrak

Amtrak offers additional services to passengers with disabilities.

For more information: 1-800-872-7245

www.amtrak.com/accessible-travel-services

County Paratransit System

Each of the 21 counties in New Jersey provides a paratransit service for older residents and people with disabilities.

For more information on local paratransit services, including hours of operation, reservation procedures and any fees:

County	Phone Number
Atlantic County	609-645-5910
Bergen County	201-368-5955
Burlington County	877-603-5111
Camden County	856-456-3344
Cape May County	609-889-3700
Cumberland County	856-691-7799
Essex County	973-618-1280
Gloucester County	856-686-8350
Hudson County	201-369-4320
Hunterdon County	800-842-0531
Mercer County	609-530-1971
Middlesex County	800-221-3520
Monmouth County	732-431-6480
Morris County	973-829-8103
Ocean County	877-929-2082
Passaic County	973-305-5756
Salem County	856-339-8644
Somerset County	908-231-7115
Sussex County	973-579-0480
Union County	908-241-8300
Warren County	908-454-4044



Out of State Accessible Transit Services

Similar to NJ Transit's Access Link, the services below provide door to door transportation for individuals 65 years of age or older and individuals with disabilities who are unable to use public transportation. Rides are required to be scheduled 1-3 days ahead of time.

Pennsylvania:

SEPTA's Customized Community Transportation Paratransit Service 215-580-7145 www.septa.org

New York:

MTA's Access-A-Ride 718-393-4999 web.mta.info/nyct/paratran/guide.htm

NJTIP @ Rutgers

The New Jersey Travel Independence Program (NJTIP) teaches individuals with disabilities and older adults how to use public transportation safely and independently. NJTIP customers learn how to read bus and train schedules, plan their trips, pay their fares and take safety precautions. The only cost to customers during training is paying their own fares. Each graduate receives a free one-month bus pass. Training is offered in English and Spanish through one-on-one instruction, individual concierge and trip-planning services, small and large group instructions, and in-school instruction.

Telephone: 848-932-4499

Email: njtip_info@njtip.rutgers.edu Website: vtc.rutgers.edu/njtip/

Complete an <u>online program referral form</u>



CHAPTER 9:

CHILD CARE AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Child Care Assistance

The state's Child Care Assistance Program helps lower-income families who are working, in school, job training or a combination of these activities by paying a portion of their child care. To apply, you will need to provide proof of income, work/school/training hours and household size to help determine eligibility. **To see if you are eligible, visit www.ChildCareNJ.gov.**

Child Care Resource and Referral (CCR&R) Agencies

Located in every county, CCR&Rs have trained staff to provide information about the availability of child care services provided through the Child Care Assistance Program, different types of child care providers and other social service programs for which you may be eligible. To get more information or connect to your local CCR&R, call 1-800-332-9227 or visit www.ChildCareNJ.gov/CCRR.

Grow NJ Kids, New Jersey's Quality Rating Improvement System, is an initiative to raise the quality of child care and early learning across the state. Programs that choose to participate are provided with training along with on-site quality improvement technical assistance and access to information on the most current evidence-based practices. For parents, Grow NJ Kids helps you select a quality provider so you can make the most of your child's early learning opportunities.

<u>ChildCareNJ.gov</u> has all the information you need if you are thinking about or applying for the Child Care Assistance Program. You can search for child care in your area, view licensing information and inspection reports, and find a Grow NJ Kids rated or participating program near you.

Child Support

New Jersey's Child Support Program promotes financial stability and helps parents meet the needs of their children by offering a full range of support to both custodial and non-custodial parents. For more information on how to file an application and resources, visit www.NJChildSupport.org, contact your local child support office located at your County Social Service Agency, or call 1-877-655-4371 and request an application.

For a list of County Social Service Agencies, see Appendix 2.

The Kinship Navigator Program

The Kinship Navigator Program (KNP) provides assistance to caregivers who have taken on the responsibility of caring for their relatives' or family friends' children, including siblings, grandchildren, nieces and/or nephews. KNP aids caregivers of children under age 18 or, if disabled, age 21. Local kinship agencies help caregivers navigate other forms

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of government assistance, determine their eligibility for Kinship Navigator Program benefits, and provide technical support with legal commitments to the child. Services available through the program include, but are not limited to, help with the following:

- Wraparound case management and subsidies for short-term or one-time expenses, such as furniture, moving costs, clothing, tutoring, or summer camp for the child,
- Guidance and support to a caregiver who desires to petition the court to be appointed as a Kinship Legal Guardian (KLG) for the child and seek a KLG subsidy,
- Recommendations and referrals to support the family, such as child care, medical coverage, housing assistance, legal services and support groups.

To be eligible for KNP services, the following criteria must be met:

- The child is under 18, or between 18-21 and has a disability;
- The relationship of caregiver and child has been established; the caregiver is a guardian, has custody, provides for, or has control of the child;
- The child and caregiver live in the same household;
- The caregiver meets income criteria; and
- There is no active case with the Division of Child Protection and Permanency.

KNP services are available in all 21 counties. To access KNP services, contact 211 to be referred to your local kinship agency. Caregivers can also contact their local kinship agency directly:

- Care Plus, NJ: 201-398-9110, ext. 5645
 - Serving Bergen, Hudson, Morris, Passaic, Sussex and Warren Counties
- The Salvation Army: 973-623-5959
 - Serving Essex County
- Children's Home Society: 1-800-396-4518
 - Serving Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, Somerset, Hunterdon, and Union Counties
- Center for Family Service: 1-877-569-0350
 - Serving Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem Counties

For more information, visit: www.nj.gov/dcf/families/support/kinship/



Family Success Centers

Located throughout the state, New Jersey's 57 Family Success Centers (FSC) are "one-stop shops" that provide information, resources, and supports that families need in order to thrive. FSCs offer a calendar of free family-friendly activities that focus on: health services, economic self-sufficiency and job readiness, information and referral services, life skills training, housing services, parent education, parent-child activities, and advocacy. All FSC programming is free to community members and affirms the rich ethnic and cultural diversity of their communities.

To obtain more information or to locate the nearest Family Success Center, please visit www.nj.gov/dcf/families/support/success/ or see Appendix 11: Family Success Centers.

Connecting NJ

Connecting NJ is a network of county-based agencies dedicated to helping New Jersey families thrive. Connecting NJ provide mothers, fathers, grandparents, and guardians free or affordable access to people, organizations, and other sources of information needed to raise healthy children. Connecting NJ provides referrals to community resources, programs, and services such as:

- NJ FamilyCare, New Jersey's publicly funded health insurance program that includes coverage for doula care, doctor visits, prescriptions, vision, dental care, mental health, substance use services, and more.
- Community doulas who provide culturally competent, emotional, and social support to mothers before, during, and after pregnancy.
- Home visiting programs, like Nurse-Family Partnership, Healthy Families, Parents as Teachers, and Universal Home Visiting (Family Connects), that provide community-based education and in-home support to parents.
- Women, Infants and Children (WIC), a successful public health nutrition program that provides wholesome food, nutrition education and community support for income eligible women who are pregnant and post-partum, infants, and children up to five years old.



Home Visiting Programs

DCF and DOH co-manage a statewide network of evidence-based home visiting services, including Nurse Family Partnership, Parents as Teachers, and Healthy Families America (HFA), which are available free of charge to participating families. Home visiting services aim to improve the physical and emotional well-being of infants, children, and their families by providing community-based education and inhome support to parents. The HFA home visitation model is grounded in an infant mental health framework and aims to cultivate and strengthen nurturing parent-child relationships, promote healthy childhood growth and development, and enhance family well-being by reducing risk and building protective factors. In addition to promoting positive parenting and healthy growth and development of infants and children, HFA links new or expectant parents to existing social service and health care resources. HFA recommends that services start prenatally, if possible, but allows for families to enroll after the child is born.

Visit: www.nj.gov/dcf/families/early/visitation/

Individuals and families who are interested in getting connected can contact a Connecting NJ office listed in the following table.

See <u>Appendix 10: Connecting NJ</u> for information on where to find Connecting NJ Offices in each County.



NJ Parent Link

A website designed to meet the information and resource needs of expectant parents, families with young children (newborns up to children entering kindergarten) and professional stakeholders vested in the health & well-being of New Jersey's children & families. Parenting and support resources for families with older children, school aged to young adulthood, are also available. **Visit:** www.njparentlink.nj.gov





CHAPTER 10:

SPECIAL CHILD HEALTH SERVICES

Each of New Jersey's 21 counties has a Special Child Health Services Case Management Unit that works with the child's parents, physician, and/or specialists to evaluate a child's strengths and needs, and collaborates with the family and community-based partners to develop an individual service plan (ISP) for the child and family.

See The Following Chapters for Additional Information Regarding:

Early Intervention Services: Chapter 11

Educational Services: Chapter 11

PerformCare (Services for Children with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities): Chapter 18.

Special Child Health Services

PO Box 364 Trenton, NJ 08625-0364 **609-777-7778**

www.state.nj.us/health/fhs/sch/index.shtml





County Case Management Units

County	Phone Number
Atlantic County	609-909-9269
Bergen County	201-634-2620 ext. 5
Burlington County	609-914-8550 ext. 42837
Camden County	856-374-6021
Cape May County	609-465-6841
Cumberland County	856-327-7602
Essex County	973-395-8836
Gloucester County	856-218-4111
Hudson County	201-204-0004 ext. 7
Hunterdon County	908-788-6399
Mercer County	609-588-8460
Middlesex County	732-745-3100
Monmouth County	732-224-6950
Morris County	973-971-4155
Ocean County	732-341-9700 ext. 3
Passaic County	973-523-6778
Salem County	856-935-7510 ext. 8305
Somerset County	908-725-2366
Sussex County	973-948-5239
Union County	908-889-0950 ext. 2544
Warren County	908-475-7960



CHAPTER 11:

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) guarantees children with disabilities, ages 3 to 21, the right to a free, appropriate public education delivered in the least restrictive environment. The New Jersey Department of Education, Office of Special Education provides leadership to ensure compliance with state and federal regulations and to establish standards that promote improved outcomes for students with disabilities. The New Jersey Department of Health also provides services to support children with disabilities. Below are some of the resources available.

The New Jersey Early Intervention System (NJEIS)

Children develop at different paces, but there are developmental milestones that children should reach by certain times during the first three years of their lives. The Early Intervention System can conduct an evaluation if your child is not meeting those developmental milestones. The NJEIS implements New Jersey's statewide system of services for infants and toddlers, birth to age three, with developmental disabilities. The cost of Early Intervention services for a child is determined by their family income. Families may receive Early Intervention services at no cost depending on their household income.

1-888-653-4463

www.nj.gov/health/fhs/eis/

Project Child Find

Project Child Find is a free referral service and public awareness campaign to assist in the identification of youth with a disability from ages birth through 21.

1-800-322-8174

www.nj.gov/education/specialed/policy/index.shtml



Regional Collaboratives

The Regional Early Intervention Collaboratives (REICs) are independent, non-profit corporations established to provide a community-based, culturally competent and consumer-driven early intervention system. The collaboratives are responsible for child find, public awareness, initial referral, service coordination, training and technical assistance and family support.

Family Link Regional Early Intervention Collaborative

2333 Morris Avenue, Suite A204 (2nd Floor)

Union, NJ 07083

908-964-5303

www.familylinkreic.org

(Essex, Morris, Sussex, Union, and Warren Counties)

Helpful Hands Northeast Regional Early Intervention Collaborative

82 Totowa Road

Wayne, NJ 07470

973-256-8484

www.nreic.org

(Bergen, Hudson, and Passaic Counties)

Central Jersey Family Health Consortium Regional Early Intervention Collaborative

Central Jersey Family Health Consortium

30 Silverline Dr., 2nd Floor, Suite 1

North Brunswick, NJ 08902

732-937-5437

www.cjfhc.org

(Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, and Somerset Counties)

Southern New Jersey Regional Early Intervention Collaborative (SNJREIC)

1044 South Route 73, Suite A

Berlin, NJ 08009

856-768-6747

www.snjreic.org

(Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem Counties)

<u>See Chapter 10</u> for information regarding Special Child Health Services



Head Start

Head Start is a comprehensive preschool program for low-income children ages birth through five years old. It provides children with a developmentally appropriate early childhood education. The program ensures that young children get health checkups and treatment, oral health screenings and treatment, are fed a nutritious hot meal every day. Families who are not currently employed qualify for Head Start/Early Head Start programs.

To see if you are eligible for Local Head Start Programs or to find a location near you, call: 609-376-9077

eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/center-locator

Parental Rights In Special Education Guide (PRISE)

This document describes the state and federal laws affecting the provision of special education to help parents understand their rights in the special education process. It is available in English, Spanish, Arabic, Chinese and Portuguese at:

www.nj.gov/education/specialed/parents/index.shtml

Child Study Teams

A Child Study team (CST) is a multidisciplinary group of professionals employed by the board of education to provide parents and teachers with a variety of learning related services. These services include consultative, evaluative and prescriptive services for students who are experiencing academic difficulties. A typical CST consists of a psychologist, a learning disabilities teacher-consultant, and social worker. The CST is responsible for conducting evaluations to determine eligibility for special education and related services.

When a student is determined eligible for special education and related services, an Individualized Education Program (IEP), with stated goals and objectives, is written with the participation of the parents. An IEP is a written document that defines the student's goals and specific accommodations, supports, and services the school will provide for a student with disabilities to help them succeed in school.

County Offices of Education

Each county office serves as a resource for parents and educators, is led by an Executive County Superintendent and has a core staff, which includes an Executive County Business Official, a County Education Specialist and a County Special Education Specialist.

www.nj.gov/education/about/counties/



Learning Resource Centers

Learning Resource Centers provide research reports, educational guides, training, and workshops for parents and educators of students with disabilities.

www.ni.gov/education/specialed/LRC.shtml

Learning Resource Center - Northern Region

7 Glenwood Avenue, 2nd Floor, Suite 201

East Orange, NJ 07017

973-414-4491

Serving: Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic, Sussex, and Warren Counties

Learning Resource Center - North Satellite

William Paterson University

1600 Valley Road, Suites G001-G016

Wayne, NJ 07470

973-706-0080

Serving: Bergen, Essex, Morris, Sussex, Passaic & Union Counties

Learning Resource Center - Central Region

200 Riverview Plaza, First Floor

PO Box 500

Trenton, NJ 08625

609-376-3955

Serving: Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, Somerset, and Union

Counties

Learning Resource Center - Southern Region

Rowan University – James Hall 1140

1 Memorial Circle

Glassboro, NJ 08028

856-256-4704

Serving: Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, and

Salem Counties

For more information on services for children and adults with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, see Chapter 18.



NJDOE Office of Special Education

This office provides professional development, technical assistance, coaching, and resources to educators, parents and other stakeholders across the state to improve outcomes for students with disabilities, ages 3 through 21.

The office also provides dispute resolution options such as mediation and due process hearings when there is a disagreement between the school district and parents.

Office of Special Education P.O. Box 500

Trenton, NJ 08625-0500

609-376-9060

Email: oseinfo@doe.nj.gov

NJDOE Special Education Ombudsman

The Office of the Special Education Ombudsman offers valuable resources and information to support parents, students and educators regarding special education rights and services.

P.O. Box 500 Trenton, NJ 08625-0500 **609-376-9060**

Email: specedombudsman@doe.nj.gov

www.nj.gov/education/specialed/parents/index.shtml

New Jersey Higher Education Student Assistance Authority (HESAA)

HESAA provides New Jersey students and families with the financial and informational resources for students to pursue their education beyond high school.

1-800-792-8670 www.hesaa.org



CHAPTER 12:

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES

Assistive technology is equipment or a service that serves to increase, maintain or improve the functional capability of an individual with a disability. This section lists agencies, outside of state government, that provide assistive technology services.

Assistive Technology Advocacy Center (ATAC): "Back in Action"

Provides information on assistive technology and maintains a used equipment recycling program that provides used items at low cost or free. View available items on their website.

www.at4nj.org/

210 S. Broad Street, 3rd Floor

Trenton, NJ 08638

Toll free: 1-800-922-7233 609-292-9742

disabilityrightsnj.org/how-we-help/areas-of-assistance/assistive-technology/

National Disability Institute: Assistive Technology Loan Program

Provides affordable loans of \$500 to \$45,000 to residents of New Jersey and New York.

202-449-9521

www.nationaldisabilityinstitute.org/financial-wellness/assistive-technology-loan-program/

Advancing Opportunities: Assistive Technology Services/Lending Center

Assists people with disabilities, their families, teachers and employers identify and learn how to use the technology that will be most effective in meeting their goals. Their Technology Lending Center allows NJ residents with disabilities the opportunity to borrow assistive technology for a trial period, for free.

1005 Whitehead Road Ext., Suite 1

Ewing, NJ 08638

Toll free: 1-888-695-0845

609-882-4182

www.assistivetechnologycenter.org



Goodwill Home Medical Equipment

Refurbishes donated home medical equipment and offers it to individuals and families at low costs.

300 Benigno Blvd.
Bellmawr, NJ 08031
609-396-1513, 609-812-2210
www.goodwillhomemedical.org





CHAPTER 13:

LEGAL AND ADVOCACY RESOURCES

NJ Council on Developmental Disabilities (NJCDD)

The NJCDD provides a forum for public and private agencies serving individuals with disabilities to come together with consumers, family members, and advocates, to develop a coordinated social policy. The Council also funds projects to educate and inform decision-makers, legislators, and the general public about developmental disabilities.

Mary Roebling Building 20 West State Street, 6th Floor PO Box 700 Trenton, NJ 08625-0700 **Toll free: 1-800-792-8858**

Email: njcdd@njcdd.org

www.njcdd.org/

Regional Family Support Planning Councils (RFSPCs)

RFSPCs provide a venue for parents and family members of people with developmental disabilities to exchange knowledge and information about available family support services. RFSPC members advise state agencies on how they can best meet the needs of families and individuals with developmental disabilities. Family members of people with developmental disabilities are encouraged to serve on a council. Councils generally meet monthly and may have up to 11 voting members. Meetings are open to the public and all families are welcome to attend. All 21 counties are represented by 10 regional councils. To find the council representing your county, visit: <a href="www.njcdd.org/the-regional-family-support-planning-councils/fa

Kyoko Coco, Statewide RFSPC Coordinator

Telephone: 609-341-3112 Email: <u>kyoko.coco@njcdd.org</u>

Centers for Independent Living (CILs)

CILs are community-based, consumer-driven organizations designed to support individuals with disabilities by providing a multitude of services based on individual needs, such as life skills training, advocacy, information and referral, peer counseling, socialization and community-based activities. Membership is open to all people with disabilities, their able-bodied friends, and supporters. CILs promote personal growth and empowerment through choice, self-determination, and participation in programs providing information, education, skills development, and networking opportunities.

See Appendix 4 for a list of CILs by County.



Association for Special Children and Families

This nonprofit consists of a group of parent consultants who support and educate other parents raising children with disabilities.

PO Box 494 Hewitt, NJ 07421-0494 **973-728-8744**

www.ascfamily.org

SPAN Parent Advocacy Network

This nonprofit group provides education to families and professionals, family workshops, support groups and advocacy in the following areas: effective parent involvement, child care, general and special education, dropout and bullying prevention, child welfare, health care, mental health, youth leadership, transition to adult life, incarcerated youth, military family support, violence prevention and more.

35 Halsey Street, 4th Floor Newark, NJ 07102

Toll free: 1-800-654-7726 www.spanadvocacy.org

Adult Protective Services

Adult Protective Services (APS) receives reports of suspected abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation of vulnerable adults ages 18 or older who reside in the community. Reports to APS that meet state criteria will generate a thorough assessment, including a private face-to-face interview with the potentially at-risk adult, to determine if further intervention is warranted. All information generated by the investigation is confidential. A report of suspected maltreatment should be made directly to the APS office in the county in which the vulnerable adult resides. The Division of Aging Services may be contacted to help facilitate the report to APS by calling 855-825-5277 (855-TELL-APS).

See Appendix 5 for a list of APS offices by County.



Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of New Jersey

CASA of New Jersey provides a voice for abused and neglected children by empowering a statewide network of county-based programs. Working through community volunteers, these programs advocate on behalf of children in foster care and other out-of-home placements to ensure their well-being and ultimate placement in safe and nurturing permanent homes.

77 Church Street
New Brunswick, NJ 08901
609-695-9400
info@casaofnj.org
www.casaofnj.org/

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)

This private, nonprofit, nonpartisan organization is devoted to defending the principles of freedom, justice and equality guaranteed by our state and federal constitutions and civil rights laws. They undertake litigation and advocacy on behalf of individuals and lobby for civil liberties in state and local government.

PO Box 32159 Newark, NJ 07102 973-642-2084 www.aclu-nj.org

Legal Services of New Jersey (LSNJ)

LSNJ coordinates the statewide legal services system in New Jersey, providing free legal assistance to low-income people in civil matters. This service is provided at no charge, but applicants must be financially eligible to qualify. Legal help is available in all languages and to the hearing-impaired. Services are provided in all 21 counties through local offices. Visit www.lsnj.org/LegalServicesOffices.aspx to find contact information for your local office.

100 Metroplex Dr. PO Box 1357 Edison, NJ 08818

Toll free: 1-888-576-5529

www.lsnj.org



Community Justice Center

This nonprofit legal service serves low-income and homeless individuals with disabilities and returning disabled veterans and their families, primarily within Central New Jersey.

310 W. State Street, Third Floor Trenton, NJ 08618 609-218-5120 www.nj-communityjusticecenter.org

Disability Rights New Jersey (DRNJ)

DRNJ provides free legal and advocacy services to individuals with disabilities. They also provide education, training and technical assistance to individuals with disabilities, the agencies that serve them, advocates, attorneys, professionals, courts and others regarding the rights of individuals with disabilities.

210 South Broad Street, 3rd Floor Trenton, NJ 08608

Toll free: 1-800-922-7233 advocate@drni.org

www.disabilityrightsnj.org

Community Health Law Project (CHLP)

This organization provides low cost, fee-for-service legal services to assist individuals living with disabilities and their families pursue civil and entitlement issues. This organization also provides free services to individuals receiving services through the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD). They have several offices throughout the state. Visit www.chlp.org/contact to find contact information for your local office.

CHLP Administrative Office

185 Valley Street South Orange, NJ 07079 973-275-1175 www.chlp.org



CHAPTER 14:

DISABILITY RIGHTS AND LAWS: INFORMATION, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, AND ENFORCEMENT

Many laws protect the rights of individuals with disabilities. Brief overviews of relevant laws and local contacts for additional information and enforcement have been provided below. For a more comprehensive guide to disability rights and laws, please visit: www.ada.gov/resources/disability-rights-guide/

The NJ Law Against Discrimination (NJ LAD)

The New Jersey Law Against Discrimination (N.J.S.A. 10:5-12) (NJLAD) prohibits discrimination and bias-based harassment based on actual or perceived: race or color; religion or creed; national origin, nationality or ancestry; sex, pregnancy or breastfeeding; sexual orientation; gender identity or expression; disability; marital status or domestic partnership/civil union status; liability for military service; age, atypical hereditary cellular or blood trait, genetic information, the refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available to an employer the results of a genetic test; familial status and source of lawful income used for rental or mortgage payments.

The LAD prohibits unlawful discrimination in employment, housing, places of public accommodation, credit and business contracts. **Learn more about the types of discrimination covered by the LAD at:** www.njoag.gov/about/divisions-and-offices/division-on-civil-rights-home/know-the-law/.

The New Jersey Family Leave Act (NJFLA)

The NJFLA requires covered employers to grant time off from work to eligible employees for the birth, adoption or placement for foster care of a child, or the serious illness of a family member or a person equivalent to family. **Learn more about the NJFLA at:** www.njoag.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/fact-FLA.pdf and/or email NJFLA@njcivilrights.gov.

The Fair Chance Housing Act (FCHA)

The FCHA bars housing providers from asking about criminal history on housing applications in most instances. The FCHA is the first state law of its kind in the country and is intended to ensure people with past criminal histories have a fair shot at accessing safe and affordable housing. Learn more about the types of discrimination covered by the FCHA at: https://www.njoag.gov/about/divisions-and-offices/division-on-civil-rights-home/fcha/



New Jersey Division on Civil Rights:

The NJ Division on Civil Rights (NJ DCR) is responsible for enforcing the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination (NJLAD), the New Jersey Family Leave Act (NJFLA), and the Fair Chance in Housing Act (FCHA). The Division investigates claims of discrimination in employment, housing, and places of public accommodation (e.g. schools, stores, parks). The Division also offers free seminars and other outreach activities to educate the public on anti-discrimination laws. **Complaints may be filed online via the NJBIAS portal, which is accessible at:** bias.njcivilrights.gov. Complaints must be filed with the Division within 180 days after the alleged act of discrimination. Complaints may also be filed in New Jersey State Superior Court within two years of the alleged act of discrimination.

NJ DCR Regional Offices:

Northern Regional Office

31 Clinton Street, 3rd Floor Newark, NJ 07102 **973-648-2700**

Central Regional Office

140 East Front Street: 6th Floor PO Box 090 Trenton, NJ 08625 **609-292-4605** Southern Regional Office

5 Executive Campus, Bldg 5, Ste 107 Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 **856-486-4080**

South Shore Regional Office

1601 Atlantic Ave, 6th Floor Atlantic City NJ 08401 **609-441-3100**

DCR Housing Discrimination Toll-Free Hotline: 1-866-405-3050

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

The ADA prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in employment, state and local government, public accommodations, commercial facilities, transportation, and telecommunications.

ADA Title I: Employment

Prohibits discrimination in recruitment, hiring, promotions, training, pay, social activities, and other privileges of employment against otherwise qualified individuals with disabilities.

Enforced locally by:

NJ Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC):

Newark Area Office

Toll free: 1-800-669-4000; ASL Video Phone: 844-234-5122

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ADA Title II: State and Local Government Activities

Requires that state and local governments provide people with disabilities an equal opportunity to benefit from all programs, services, and activities.

Enforced by:

US Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division

Toll free: 1-800-514-0301 TTY: 1-833-610-1264 <u>civilrights.justice.gov/</u>

ADA Title II: Public Transportation

Requires that public transportation authorities do not discriminate against people with disabilities in the provision of their services. Requires accessible vehicles and the provision of paratransit services where they operate fixed-route bus or rail systems.

Enforced by:

US Office of Civil Rights, Federal Transit Administration

Toll free: 1-888-446-4511

www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/civil-rights-ada/

ADA Title III: Public Accommodations

Requires that places of public accommodation provide full access to goods and services to people with disabilities by removing barriers in existing buildings where it is easy to do so without much difficulty or expense and by allowing "reasonable accommodations" when serving people with disabilities. It also requires that places of public accommodation take steps necessary to communicate effectively with customers with vision, hearing, and speech disabilities.

Enforced by:

US Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division

Toll free: 1-800-514-0301 TTY: 1-833-610-1264 <u>civilrights.justice.gov/</u>

ADA Title IV: Telecommunication Relay Service (TRS)

Requires that common carriers establish TRS Services, which enable callers with hearing and speech disabilities who use TTYs (also known as TDDs), and callers who use voice telephones to communicate with each other through a third-party communications assistant. Title IV also requires closed captioning of federally funded public service announcements.

Enforced by: The Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

Toll free: 1-888- 225-5322; VP: 1-844- 432-2275

www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/telecommunications-relay-services-trs

ADA Title V: Miscellaneous



Contains a variety of provisions relating to the ADA as a whole, including its relationship to other laws, state immunity, impact on insurance providers and benefits, prohibition against retaliation and coercion, illegal use of drugs, and attorney's fees. This title also provides a list of conditions that are not to be considered as disabilities.

For local information, training, and or technical assistance on the ADA:

Northeast ADA Center 1-800-949-4232 www.northeastada.org Disability Rights New Jersey (DRNJ)
Toll free: 1-800-922-7233
advocate@drnj.org
www.disabilityrightsnj.org

For information and technical assistance on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) at the Federal level:

Department of Justice ADA Information Line 1-800-514-0301 www.ada.gov

The Fair Housing Act (FHA):

The Fair Housing Act protects people from discrimination when they are renting or buying a home, getting a mortgage, seeking housing assistance, or engaging in other housing-related activities. Additional protections apply to federally assisted housing. The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in housing due to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, or disability.

Visit this page for answers to frequently asked questions about the housing rights of people with disabilities and the responsibilities of housing providers and building and design professionals under federal law:

www.hud.gov/topics/information for disabled persons



Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act:

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

To file a complaint related to the FHA or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, contact your local HUD office at:

New Jersey HUD Newark Field Office One Newark Center 1085 Raymond Boulevard 13th Floor Newark, NJ 07102-5260 973-776-7200

Email: NJ_Webmanager@hud.gov

US Access Board

The US Access Board is an independent federal agency that provides accessibility guidelines for the built environment, transportation, communication, medical diagnostic equipment, and information technology.

202-272-0080 ext. 3 www.access-board.gov

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

A federal law that makes available a free, appropriate public education to eligible children with disabilities and ensures special education and related services to those children.

sites.ed.gov/idea/

Air Carrier Access Act

Federal law which requires airlines to accommodate the needs of passengers with disabilities. It applies to all flights in the United States and to flights to, or from, the United States by foreign airlines. It prevents airlines from refusing to transport a passenger solely because of a disability; limits the circumstances under which passengers with disabilities must provide advance information about their disabilities to air carriers; states that assistive devices do not count against passenger baggage limits; and sets accessibility guidelines for airplane facilities. Airline personnel must provide routine physical assistance but are not required to provide what would customarily be regarded as personal care assistance. However, if a passenger requires an attendant, the airline must transport the attendant free of charge. The law does not require an airline to transport an individual who may endanger the health or safety of others. The Act mandates that a Complaints Resolution Officer (CRO) be immediately available to resolve disputes between airlines and passengers with disabilities.

www.transportation.gov/airconsumer/passengers-disabilities



Voting Accessibility for Individuals with disabilities

Requires polling places across the United States to be physically accessible to people with disabilities for federal elections or to provide an alternate means of casting a ballot on the day of the election. This law also requires states to make registration and voting aids available for voters with disabilities and those who are elderly.

For more information, visit: disabilityrightsnj.org/who-we-are/programs/





CHAPTER 15:

MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES

Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS)

The Division oversees New Jersey's adult system (18+) of community-based behavioral health services. Provider agencies deliver a full array of mental health and substance use disorder services, including: prevention, intervention, emergency screening, outpatient and intensive outpatient mental health and addictions services, partial care and partial hospitalization, case management, medication-assisted treatment for substance use, and long and short-term mental health and substance use residential services.

PO Box 362 Trenton, NJ 08625 **1-800-382-6717**

www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhas/home/

Behavioral Health, Substance Use, and Intellectual/Developmental Disability Services for Youth Under Age 21

For children/youth under age 21, families may contact **PerformCare** (877-652-7624) which provides a family-centered, community-focused single point of entry to obtain available services related to behavioral health, substance use, and intellectual/developmental disabilities. PerformCare is available 24 hours a day. Parent/legal guardian consent is required for youth under 18.

Toll-free:

1-877-652-7624 (24/7 access)

www.performcarenj.org/

For Mental Health Information and Referrals:

1-800-382-6717

For Substance Use Treatment Services (ReachNJ):

1-844-732-2465

NJ Mental Health Cares Helpline

1-866-202-HELP (1-866-202-4357) 8am to 8pm daily

www.njmentalhealthcares.org/



County Crisis Intervention Contacts

The numbers listed below provide callers with access to psychiatric emergency services for non-medical emergencies and crisis intervention:

County	Phone Number
Atlantic County	609-344-1118
Bergen County	201-262-4357
Burlington County	609-835-6180
Camden County	856-428-4357
Cape May County	609-465-5999
Cumberland County	856-455-5555
Essex County (Clara Maas)	973-844-4357
Essex County (Beth Israel)	973-926-7444
Essex County (UBHC)	973-623-2323
Gloucester County	856-845-9100
Hudson County	866-367-6023
Hunterdon County	908-788-6400
Mercer County	609-396-4357
Middlesex County	732-235-5700
Monmouth County	732-923-6999
Morris County	973-625-6160
Ocean County	732-886-4474
Passaic County	973-754-2230
Salem County	856-299-3001
Somerset County	908-526-4100
Sussex County	973-383-0973
Union County	908-994-7131
Warren County	908-454-5141

24/7 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline

Dial: 988

Trained counselors are available for free, confidential support

Call 24 hours per day, 7 days per week



Early Intervention Support Services (Crisis Intervention Services)

Short term, mental health services for **adults** who are experiencing significant emotional or psychiatric distress and are in need of immediate intervention. Early Intervention Support Services offers crisis intervention and crisis stabilization services in a setting that is an alternative to hospital-based emergency room treatment. Outreach (non-office based) services are available.

Atlantic County

Atlanticare Behavioral Health
Early Intervention Support Services
13 N Hartford Avenue
Atlantic City, NJ 08401
1-866-750-6612
609-348-1161
6010 Black Horse Pike
Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234

Bergen County

Comprehensive Behavioral Health Services Wellness and Support Center 569 Broadway Westwood, NJ 07675 201-957-1800

Burlington County

Catholic Charities
Early Intervention Support Services
25 Ikea Drive
Westampton, NJ 08060
609-386-7331 ext. 2452

Camden County

Oaks Integrated Care Early Intervention Support Services 2051 Springdale Road Cherry Hill, NJ 08003 856-254-3800

Cape May County

Acenda Integrated Health 128 Crest Haven Cape May Court House, NJ 08210 609-778-3020

Cumberland County

Oaks Integrated Care Early Intervention Support Services 1420 S. Lincoln Avenue Vineland, NJ 08361 856-537-2310 ext. 51705

Essex County

Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care Early Intervention Support Services 183 South Orange Avenue Newark, NJ 07103 973-972-6100

Gloucester County

Acenda Integrated Health 20 Hollydell Drive Sewell, NJ 08080 844-4-ACENDA

Hudson County

Bridgeway Rehabilitation Services
Crisis Intervention Services
152 Central Avenue
Jersey City, NJ 07306
201-885-2539
Access Line: 201-370-4232

Hunterdon County

Rutgers University Behavioral Healthcare 8 Main Street, Suites 7 & 8 Flemington, NJ 08822 908-358-6175



Mercer County

Catholic Charities – Diocese of Trenton Early Intervention Support Services

1225-1255 Whitehorse Mercerville Road, Building B, Suite 504-505 Hamilton, NJ 08619 **609-256-4200**

Middlesex County

Rutgers University Behavioral Healthcare Early Intervention Support Services

667 Hoes Lane West Piscataway, NJ 08855 **732-235-4422**

Monmouth County

Monmouth Medical Center
Early Intervention Support Services

West Side Plaza, 3301 Highway 66, Building B, 1st Floor Neptune, NJ 07753 **732-922-1042**

Morris County

St. Clare's Behavioral Health Wellness and Recovery Center

56 Morris Avenue Denville, NJ 07384 **973-625-0096**

Toll-Free: 1-888-476-2660

Ocean County

Bright Harbor Healthcare – Community Resource for Emergency Support and Treatment (CREST)

409 Main Street Toms River, NJ 08753 **732-240-3760**

Passaic County

Comprehensive Behavioral Health Services

Wellness and Support Center 680 Broadway, Suite 206 Paterson. NJ 07514

1590 Union Valley Road, Suite 1610a West Milford, NJ 07480 **973-221-8100**

Salem County

Healthcare Commons, Inc.
Healthcare Commons Mental Health
Urgent Care

500 S. Pennsville-Auburn Road Carneys Point, NJ 08069 856-299-3200 ext. 131

Somerset County

Rutgers University Behavioral Healthcare

Currently Operating from Middlesex County **856-334-0501**

Union County

Bridgeway Crisis Intervention Services – Union

Bridgeway Behavioral Health

615 North Broad Street Elizabeth, NJ 07202 Office: 908-469-6517 Fax: 908-248-9342

Warren County

Saint Clare's Behavioral Health Wellness and Recovery Center of Warren County

140 Boulevard, 2nd fl., Suite 3 Washington, NJ 07882 **908-477-2100**



Mental Health-Related Support Associations

NJ Self-Help Group Clearinghouse

673 Morris Avenue Springfield, NJ 07081 **Toll free: 1-800-367-6274**

www.njgroups.org

Mental Health Association in NJ

673 Morris Ave, Suite 100 Springfield, NJ 07081 **Toll free: 1-800-367-8850**

www.mhanj.org

National Alliance on Mental Illness of New Jersey

1562 Route 130 North Brunswick, NJ 08902 **732-940-0991**

www.naminj.org

National Coalition for Mental Health Recovery

25 Bigelow St Cambridge, MA 02139 **202-642-4480**

www.ncmhr.org

NJ Association of Mental Health and Addiction Agencies, Inc.

3635 Quakerbridge Road, Suite 35 Mercerville, NJ 08619

609-838-5488

www.njamhaa.org

Addiction Resources

Reach NJ Addictions Helpline Toll free: 1-844-732-2465

reachnj.gov

NJ Connect for Recovery Toll free: 1-855-652-3737

www.njconnectforrecovery.org

New Jersey Quitline: 866-NJ-STOPS

(866-657-8677)

www.njquitline.org

Alcoholics Anonymous

South Jersey Intergroup:

856-486-4444

Cape Atlantic Intergroup:

609-641-8855

Central Jersey Intergroup:

609-586-6902

Intergroup of Northern NJ:

908-687-8566 www.aa.org

Intoxicated Driving Program

Call Center: 609-815-3100

AL-ANON Adult Children & Family Group ALA-TEEN North Jersey: 973-744-8686 www.northjerseyal-anon.org

Gamblers Anonymous Toll Free: 1-855-222-5542

www.ga4nj.com

Narcotics Anonymous Toll free: 1-800-992-0401

www.na.org

NAR-ANON Family Group Toll free: 1-877-424-4491

naranonofni.org

Nicotine Anonymous Toll free: 1-877-879-6422

info@nicotine-anonymous.org
www.nicotine-anonymous.org

National Alcohol and Substance Abuse Information Center

Toll free: 1-800-784-6776

NJ Association of Mental Health and

Addiction Agencies, Inc.

3635 Quakerbridge Road, Suite 35

Mercerville, NJ 08619

609-838-5488

www.njamhaa.org



CHAPTER 16:

PERSONAL CARE ASSISTANT SERVICES AND RESOURCES FOR CAREGIVERS

Personal Care Assistant Service (PCA)

PCA services are non-emergent, on-going health related tasks performed by qualified staff in an eligible NJ FamilyCare (Medicaid) member's home. The purpose of the program is to accommodate long-term/chronic or maintenance health care by providing assistance with activities of daily living and household duties essential to the individual's health and comfort. The number of hours authorized is based upon medical necessity, as determined by a nursing assessment. To apply, contact your NJ FamilyCare Managed Care Organization (MCO). See Numbers below.

Personal Preference Program (PPP)

The PPP offers an alternate way for individuals to receive their NJ FamilyCare Personal Care Assistant (PCA) services. Using a self-directed model, this program enables eligible NJ FamilyCare recipients to direct and manage their PCA services rather than receiving traditional PCA agency services. NJ FamilyCare recipients work with a financial management service to help develop a plan through which they can decide the services they need, as well as the individuals and/or agencies they wish to hire to provide the identified services. For more information, **click here** to access the PPP Web Page.

To enroll, contact your NJ FamilyCare Managed Care Organization (MCO) and ask to speak with a Care Manager:

Aetna Better Health of New Jersey: 1-855-232-3596 Aetna Assure Premier Plus (D-SNP): 1-844-362-0934

Fidelis Care (formerly Wellcare): 1-855-642-6185 (option #3, then option #2)

Horizon NJ Health: 1-855-465-4777

UnitedHealthcare Community Plan: 1-800-645-9409 (option #3) **Wellpoint (formerly Amerigroup:** 1-855-661-1996 (option #1)

Managed Long Term Services and Supports (MLTSS)

The Managed Long Term Services and Supports program (MLTSS) is a New Jersey initiative intended to provide a better way to help older adults and individuals with disabilities live at home for as long as possible. An individual is eligible for the MLTSS program when they meet nursing home level of care determined by a comprehensive assessment completed by the MCO or the Office of Community Choice Options (OCCO). The program is designed to coordinate support services according to a participant's needs. Participants will receive their primary, acute, behavioral, and long-term care needs through a NJ FamilyCare MCO.



MLTSS includes services such as:

- Access to all NJ FamilyCare Plan A Benefits (see Chapter 5)
- Care Management;
- Home and Vehicle Modifications:
- Home Delivered Meals;
- Respite;
- Personal Emergency Response Systems;
- Mental Health and Addiction Services:
- Assisted Living;
- Community Residential Services;
- Nursing Home Care.

For more information about MLTSS, visit:

www.nj.gov/humanservices/dmahs/home/mltss.html

To apply for MLTSS:

Birth through age 20: Contact the Division of Disability Services (DDS) at 1-888-285-3036.

21 years or older: Contact your county's Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) or your county Board of Social Services. See Appendix 3 for a listing of those numbers by county.

Individuals already enrolled in a NJ FamilyCare/Medicaid MCO: Contact your Managed Care Organization's (MCO) member services line to request an evaluation for enrollment into MLTSS. See Chapter 5

Program of All Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)

PACE provides frail individuals comprehensive medical and social services coordinated and provided by a team of professionals in a community-based center and in their homes, helping program participants delay or avoid long-term nursing home care. To participate in PACE, an individual must be 55 years of age or older, require nursing home level of care but be able to live safely in the community at time of enrollment with the services of PACE, and reside in the service area of a PACE organization. You can leave a PACE program at any time. Eight PACE agencies are currently operating in New Jersey and you must live in their coverage area to participate.

For more information, visit: www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/l-p/pace/
To apply, contact the PACE agency serving your area at the numbers listed below:



PACE Centers:

Capital Health LIFE:

609-599-5433 (serving Mercer County and portions of Burlington County) www.capitalhealth.org/medical-services/living-independently-for-elders

Trinity Health LIFE New Jersey:

856-675-3675 (serving most of Camden County and portions of Burlington County) www.trinityhealthpace.org/th-life-new-jersey

Lutheran Senior LIFE:

Toll Free: 1-877-543-3188 (serving most of Hudson County)

www.lifelsmnj.org/

Inspira LIFE Vineland:

Toll Free: 855-295-5433 (serving Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem Counties) www.inspirahealthnetwork.org/life-center

Inspira LIFE Williamstown:

Toll Free: 855-295-5433 (serving Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem Counties) www.inspirahealthnetwork.org/services-treatments/inspira-life-program

Beacon of LIFE (Monmouth County):

732-592-3400 (serving Monmouth County) www.beaconpace.com/monmouth-county/

Beacon of LIFE (Ocean County):

732-716-4600 (serving Ocean County) www.beaconpace.com/ocean-county/

AtlantiCare LIFE Connection:

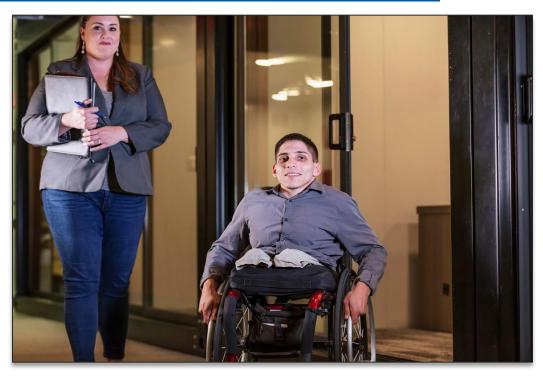
609-572-8588 (serving Atlantic and Cape May Counties) www.atlanticare.org/services/life-connection/services



The Personal Assistance Services Program (PASP)

The PASP is a personal care assistance program for individuals with permanent physical disabilities who are capable of directing their own services. The program provides up to 40 hours per week of routine, non-medical personal care assistance to adults ages 18 and above who are employed, preparing for employment (attending school or other training), or engaged in volunteer work. Personal assistants help with personal care tasks including, but not limited to, bathing, dressing, eating, grooming, meal preparation, shopping, light housekeeping, driving, or using public transportation. Eligibility is open to all who meet the above criteria, regardless of earnings, but there is a cost share based on income. To apply, contact your county PASP Coordinator. For more information and County Coordinator contact information, visit:

www.nj.gov/humanservices/dds/programs/personalassistance/





Jersey Assistance for Community Caregiving (JACC)

Jersey Assistance for Community Caregiving (JACC) is a program that provides in-home services to seniors age 60 and over who require a nursing facility level of care but wish to remain in their homes. JACC includes an array of services designed to supplement the assistance given by the individual's existing network of family caregivers. Qualified individuals may have the opportunity to hire their own eligible family, friends, or neighbors to provide the care they need. By designing service plans uniquely tailored to the individual, JACC works to enhance the individual's community care options. JACC also strengthens the ability of caregivers to continue in their vital role as primary support providers. Services available through JACC include the following: care management, personal care assistance, caregiver relief (respite), home modifications, special medical equipment and supplies, chore services, personal emergency response system, homedelivered meal services, social adult day care, and transportation. JACC has a monthly co-pay based on the participant's (and spouse's) income.

Individuals eligible for this program must:

- require a nursing facility level of care, but wish to remain at home
- not participate in other services that provide this type of care
- meet financial guidelines for income and assets:
 - countable monthly income that is no more than 365% of the Federal Poverty Level (\$4,581 for individuals and \$6,217 for a couple in 2025) and
 - countable resources at or below \$40,000 for an individual or \$60,000 for a couple

For more information, visit: www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/a-k/jacc/

To apply, please contact your County Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC). <u>See Appendix 3</u>.

Statewide Respite Care Program

This program offers services to individuals needing care so as to provide a break ("respite") to unpaid caregivers. Services can include adult day care, home care, companion services, campership, or a short stay in a facility. There is a caregiver directed option, which allows the caregiver to pay for and be reimbursed for services or items that make caregiving easier. Cost share determined on a sliding scale from 0% to 25% of the cost of care apply.



Individuals eligible for this program must:

- live in the community and require daily, basic care that is currently being provided by unpaid caregivers, such as a spouse, family members, or friends
- not participate in other services that provide this type of care
- meet financial guidelines for income (\$2,829 monthly for individuals and \$5,658 for a couple) and assets \$40,000 for an individual or \$60,000 for a couple
- There may be a co-pay based on income.

For more information, visit: www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/q-z/srcp/

To apply, please contact your county AAA/ADRC. <u>See Appendix 3</u>.

Alzheimer's Adult Day Services Program (AADSP)

This program gives a break (respite) to unpaid caregivers who are caring for a person with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder, such as dementia, by subsidizing adult day care at participating day centers. The day centers provide higher staffing ratios and dementia-specific care. There are co-pays based on income.

Individuals eligible for this program must:

- have a qualifying diagnosis that includes permanent and progressive dementia
- live in the community and require daily, basic care that is currently being provided by unpaid caregivers such as a spouse, family members, or friends
- not participate in other services that provide this type of care
- meet financial guidelines for income (\$50,256 for an individual and for \$58,632 for a couple) and assets \$40,000 for an individual or \$60,000 for a couple
- There may be a co-pay based on income.

For more information, please visit:

www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/a-k/aads/

To apply, call your County AAA/ADRC. See Appendix 3.



Older Americans Act Funded Programs

This Division of Aging Services administers programs funded through the Older Americans Act. Services vary depending on county and consist of things like homedelivered meals, congregate nutrition programs, information and assistance, and benefits screening. Some counties may have light home repair, or "handyman", services available. Eligibility for these programs is not based on income. Most programs are for individuals in need age 60 and older, but some services are also available to caregivers of any age and to grandparents age 55 or older.

To learn what services your county has available, call your County AAA/ADRC. <u>See Appendix 3</u>.

Other Resources for Caregiver Support

Care2Caregivers Program

Care2Caregivers provides free and confidential telephone counseling, education, support, referrals and resources for New Jersey individuals and the caregivers who support them. Trained peer counselors who have also been family caregivers can help with every step on the caregiving journey.

Toll free: 1-800-424-2494 www.care2caregivers.com

The Caregiver Action Network (CAN)

The Caregiver Action Network is the nation's leading family caregiver organization working to improve the quality of life for the more than 65 million Americans who care for loved ones with chronic conditions, disabilities, disease, or the frailties of old age. CAN serves a broad spectrum of family caregivers ranging from the parents of children with special needs to the families and friends of wounded soldiers; from a young couple dealing with a diagnosis of MS to adult children caring for parents with Alzheimer's disease. CAN (formerly the National Family Caregivers Association) is a nonprofit organization providing education, peer support, and resources to family caregivers across the country free of charge.

Toll free: 1-855-227-3640 www.caregiveraction.org

Family Caregiver Alliance (FCA)

Family Caregiver Alliance was the first community-based nonprofit organization in the country to address the needs of families and friends providing long-term care at home. Long recognized as a pioneer in health services, FCA now offers programs at national, state, and local levels to support and sustain caregivers.

Toll free: 1-800-445-8106

www.caregiver.org



American Healthcare Association (AHCA)

AHCA is the nation's largest association of long-term and post-acute care providers. They advocate for quality care and services for individuals who are frail, elderly, and/or have disabilities. AHCA members provide essential care to approximately one million individuals in over 13,500 not-for-profit and proprietary member facilities.

202-842-4444

www.ahcancal.org

Well Spouse Association

The Well Spouse Association, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) membership organization, advocates for and addresses the needs of individuals caring for those with chronic illnesses or disabilities. The agency offers peer-to-peer support and educates healthcare professionals and the general public about the special challenges and unique issues "well" spouses face every day.

732-577-8899

info@wellspouse.org www.wellspouse.org

National Alliance for Caregiving

Established in 1996, the National Alliance for Caregiving is a nonprofit coalition of national organizations focusing on issues of family caregiving. Alliance members include grassroots organizations, professional associations, service organizations, disease-specific organizations, a government agency, and corporations.

202-918-1013

info@caregiving.org www.caregiving.org

Safe Care Cam Program

The Safe Care Cam program makes micro-surveillance cameras available for free 30-day loans to anyone who suspects their loved one is being abused or neglected by home health aides or other in-home caregivers.

For more information, call the Division of Consumer Affairs.

Toll free: 1-800-242-5846 or 973-504-6375



Find a Long-Term Care Facility:

healthapps.state.nj.us/facilities/fsSearch.aspx www.nj.gov/health/ltc/nursing-homes/

Find Hospitals, Ambulatory Care, and other Acute Care Facilities:

healthapps.state.nj.us/facilities/acSearch.aspx

Fraud Prevention

NJ Long-Term Care Ombudsman (NJLTCO)

The NJLTCO is responsible for securing, preserving, and promoting the health, safety, and welfare of New Jersey's elderly population through investigations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation; legislative and regulatory advocacy; policy work; and education and outreach.

P.O. Box 852 Trenton, NJ 08625-0852 1-877-582-6995 www.state.nj.us/ooie/

Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP)

Senior Medicare Patrols (SMPs) empower and assist Medicare beneficiaries, their families, and caregivers to prevent, detect, and report health care fraud, errors, and abuse through outreach, counseling, and education.

732-777-1940

www.seniormedicarepatrolnj.org/



Other Anti-fraud Resources

- The New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs is charged with protecting the public from fraud, deceit, and misrepresentation in the sale of goods and services. Report allegations to 1-800-242-5846, 973-504-6200 or visit their website at www.njconsumeraffairs.gov.
- The U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC) works to prevent fraudulent, deceptive, and unfair business practices and to help consumers to spot, stop, and avoid them. To find information or file a complaint, visit their website at www.ftc.gov or call 1-877-382-4357.
- National Consumer League's Fraud Center has a website where you can file a complaint on-line at <u>www.fraud.org</u>.





CHAPTER 17:

SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

Established in 1997 within the NJ Department of Human Services, the Division of Disability Services (DDS) serves as the lead state agency representing the interests of individuals with disabilities by providing information and support to enhance health, education, employment, recreation and social engagement. Through partnerships with other state and local agencies, DDS ensures representation in policy and decision-making to improve access, equity and inclusion. DDS serves all individuals with disabilities, statewide.

How We Help:

Information and Referral (I&R) Services

Through our toll-free hotline, **1-888-285-3036**, nationally certified Community Resource Specialists (CRSs) are available during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, to:

- assist NJ residents with disabilities in navigating and accessing community supports;
- provide information and technical assistance for NJ ABLE and NJ WorkAbility (See more about NJ WorkAbility in Chapter 7: Employment Assistance
- initiate Managed Long Term Services and Supports (MLTSS) enrollment for children and young adults, 20 years old and younger (See more about MLTSS in <u>Chapter 16: Personal Care Assistant Services and</u> Resources for Caregivers);
- create and distribute publications, such as New Jersey Resources and the NJ Guide to Accessible Parking; and
- attend public events throughout the state to provide information and answer questions.

Traumatic Brain Injury Fund (TBI Fund)

The TBI Fund provides services and supports to New Jersey residents of any age, who have a traumatic brain injury. The Fund aims to foster independence and maximize quality of life when insurance, personal resources, and/or public programs are unavailable to meet those needs.

Services include, but are not limited to: companion care; personal care; household management; assistive technology; physical/occupational therapies; cognitive rehabilitation therapy; and home/vehicle modifications.

A portion of the Fund is used to support public education, outreach, and prevention strategies related to TBI.



An eligible applicant must be a NJ resident for at least 90 days prior to the application date, have liquid assets less than \$100,000, and have a medically documented traumatic brain injury.

Personal Assistance Services Program (PASP)

The PASP is a personal care assistance program for individuals with permanent physical disabilities who are capable of directing their own services. The program provides up to 40 hours per week of routine, non-medical personal care assistance to adults ages 18 and above, who are employed, preparing for employment (attending school or other training) or engaged in volunteer work. Personal assistants help with personal care tasks including, but not limited to: bathing, dressing, eating, grooming, meal preparation, shopping, light housekeeping, driving or using public transportation. Eligibility is open to all who meet the above criteria, regardless of earnings, but there is a cost share based on income.

The PASP is administered through County offices with oversight and funding provided by the DDS. (See more about PASP in Chapter 16: Personal Care Assistant Services and Resources for Caregivers)

Inclusive Healthy Communities Grant Program (IHC)

The Inclusive Healthy Communities (IHC) Grant Program provides funding to communities and organizations in New Jersey to promote inclusive practices through policy, systems and environmental changes that support the health and well-being of individuals with disabilities in the communities where they live. For more information, visit: www.inclusivehealthycommunities.org/

Disability Health and Wellness Initiatives

DDS aims to promote healthy living and prevention of secondary conditions for people with disabilities and create healthier, more inclusive communities. (See more on Disability Health and Wellness in Chapter 27: Health and Wellness for People with Disabilities)

For more information regarding services provided by DDS and to access electronic versions of our publications, visit: www.nj.gov/humanservices/dds/



DDS Communications

To stay current with the latest information from DDS, subscribe to our listserv, DDS Communications, under "related links" on our homepage at:

www.nj.gov/humanservices/dds/

NJ Division of Disability Services (DDS)

PO Box 705 11A Quakerbridge Plaza Trenton, NJ 08625

1-888-285-3036

Email: <u>DHSCO-DDS-Information@dhs.nj.gov</u>

Email to request printed copies of publications: DDS.publications@dhs.nj.gov

www.nj.gov/humanservices/dds/





CHAPTER 18:

SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

A developmental disability is a chronic physical or intellectual disability, or a combination thereof, that:

- manifests before age 21;
- · is permanent;
- substantially limits an individual's ability to complete activities in at least three of the following life activities:
 - self-care;
 - learning;
 - mobility;
 - communication;
 - self-direction;
 - economic self-sufficiency;
 - the ability to live independently.
- reflects the need for a combination and sequence of special interdisciplinary or generic care, treatment, or other services that are lifelong or extended and individually planned and coordinated.

Some Examples of developmental disabilities are:

Down Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, Autism Spectrum Disorders and Muscular Dystrophy. However, it's important to remember that the definition of a developmental disability is not based on diagnosis alone. It's dependent upon the age at which the disability occurred and the effect on one's long-term abilities to complete activities of daily living. Therefore, injuries to the brain or spinal cord incurred before the age of 21 may also qualify as developmental disabilities provided they are permanent and effect an individual's ability to complete day-to-day tasks in three or more areas of life activity.



In New Jersey, services for individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities (I/DD) are categorized into children services or adult services:

Services for Children with I/DD (birth through age 21):

are administered through the NJ Children's System of Care (CSOC), under the Department of Children and Families (DCF), through PerformCare.

Services for Adults with I/DD (age 21 and older):

are administered through the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD), under the Department of Human Services (DHS)

PerformCare

Toll-free: 1-877-652-7624 (24/7 access)

www.performcarenj.org

Through the New Jersey Children's System of Care (CSOC), PerformCare administers the publicly funded developmental disability service delivery system for children and youth up to age 21. PerformCare is also the single point of access to behavioral health and substance use treatment services for New Jersey youth up to the age of 21. **For more information on those services, see Chapter 15.**

The service system for children with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities is designed to help families meet the needs of children with I/DD that are not being met through school-related services, medical services reimbursable by health insurance, or by other existing supports or services. Services through this program are administered based upon level of care and the availability of funds*. (See more about early intervention and educational entitlement services in Chapter 11: Educational Resources)

Services through PerformCare include the following:

Family Support Services (FSS): FSS provide caregivers with relief (respite), assistive technology, home and vehicle modifications, and assistance with summer camp during summer breaks from school.

Connection with local Care Management Organizations (CMOs): CMOs are agencies that provide a full range of treatment and support services to children with the most complex needs. They work with child-family teams to develop individualized service plans. The CMO's goals are to keep children in their homes, schools and communities.

Out of Home (OOH) services and supports: provide out-of-home treatment for youth who are not able to safely be cared for at home. If a youth or young adult (under age 21) requires OOH Treatment, PerformCare will work with the family's Care



Management Organization (CMO) to identify the least restrictive type of treatment setting to best meet a child's identified needs.

To access developmental disability services for children: an application for developmental disability determination of eligibility must be submitted.

For youth under the age of 18 (although services are provided until age 21), the application must be submitted to PerformCare. Applications can be completed online through a secure portal or are available to download and complete by hand at: www.performcarenj.org/families/disability/determination-eligibility.aspx or you can call PerformCare at 1-877-652-7624.

For youth 18 and older, applications for access to developmental disability services can be submitted to the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD), but services will continue to be provided through PerformCare until the age of 21, at which time the eligible individual will transition to DDD. An application for an individual age 18 and older can be obtained on the DDD website at: www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddd/individuals/applyservices/ or by calling a DDD Intake worker at the DDD Community Services Office that serves the county where the individual lives. See page 84 for a list of DDD offices.

*Under the direction of the New Jersey Council on Developmental Disabilities (NJCDD), the Regional Family Support Planning Councils assist the Children's System of Care in the allocation of funding for family support services by making recommendations based on input they receive from families. See Chapter 13 for additional information about those organizations.



NJ Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD)

DDD Central Office

222 South Warren St. (PO Box 726) Trenton, NJ 08625-0726

Phone: 609-633-1482 Toll Free: 1-800-832-9173

The Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) is the state agency that ensures New Jersey adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities (I/DD) age 21 and older receive quality services to support them in living, working, and participating in their communities. The DDD partners with community-based support coordination and service provider agencies to expand opportunities for adults with I/DD to live as independently as possible, exercise their right to make choices, and reach their goals. A wide array of day and residential services (see panel to the right) are available to eligible individuals who meet the functional criteria for an intellectual/developmental disability and are eligible for Medicaid. To talk with a DDD intake worker or request to have an Application for Eligibility mailed to you, contact the DDD Community Services Office that serves the county where the individual lives. (See next page for DDD Office listings.)

The Application for Eligibility is also available on the DDD website, www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddd/individuals/applyservices/

DDD Services Available

(Based on Individual's Assessed Needs)

- Assistive Technology
- Behavioral Supports
- Career Planning
- Cognitive Rehabilitation
- Community Based Supports
- Community Inclusion Services
- Community Transition Services
- Day Habilitation
- Environmental Modifications
- Goods & Services
- Individual Supports
- Interpreter Services
- Natural Supports Training

- Occupational Therapy
- Personal Emergency Response System
- Physical Therapy
- Prevocational Training
- Respite
- Speech, Language, and Hearing Therapy
- Support Coordination
- Supported Employment
- Supports Brokerage
- Transportation
- Vehicle Modification



DDD Community Services Offices

County	Office Location
Morris, Sussex, Warren	Flanders Office: 1-B Laurel Drive Flanders, NJ 07836 973-927-2600
Bergen, Hudson, Passaic	Paterson Office: 100 Hamilton Plaza, 7th Floor Paterson, NJ 07505 973-977-4004
Essex	Newark Office: 153 Halsey St., 2nd FL PO Box 47013 Newark, NJ 07101 973-693-5080
Union, Somerset	Plainfield Office: 110 East 5th St. Plainfield, NJ 07060 908-226-7800
Ocean, Monmouth	Freehold Office: Juniper Plaza, Suite 1-J 3499 Route 9 North Freehold, NJ 07728 732-863-4500
Hunterdon, Mercer, Middlesex	Trenton Office: 11A Quakerbridge Plaza PO Box 705 Trenton NJ 08625 1-800-832-9173
Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, Salem	Mays Landing Office: 5218 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 205 Mays Landing, NJ 08330 609-476-5200
Burlington, Camden, Gloucester	Voorhees Office: 2 Echelon Plaza, 221 Laurel Rd., Suite 210 Voorhees, NJ 08043 856-770-5900



Report Suspected Abuse

REPORTS CAN BE MADE ANONYMOUSLY.

To report suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation of an individual with an intellectual or developmental disability call **1-800-832-9173** (then press 1). This DDD hotline should also be used in instances where the individual is 18 or older and in a placement funded by the Department of Children and Families' Children's System of Care. This DDD Hotline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Ombudsman for Individuals With Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities And Their Families

The Office was established by the State Legislature in December 2017 to serve individuals and their families – to help make sure that they get the services and supports they need and deserve. Appointed by the Governor and housed within the Department of Treasury, the Ombudsman serves as the administration's lead advocate and ally for New Jersey residents with intellectual or developmental disabilities of all ages and their families. The Office provides information, referrals, guidance, and assistance for individuals and families who are having difficulty receiving the services they need and works closely with other government officials to resolve issues, to identify patterns of complaints regarding rights and services of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities, and to recommend strategies for improvements to New Jersey's system of care.

Paul Aronsohn, Ombudsman

PO Box 205

Trenton, NJ 08625

Email: disability.ombudsman@treas.nj.gov

Phone: 609-984-7764

www.disabilityombudsman.nj.gov/





CHAPTER 19:

SERVICES FOR BLIND, VISUALLY IMPAIRED AND DEAF-BLIND INDIVIDUALS

Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CBVI)

153 Halsey St, 6th Floor P.O. Box 47017 Newark, NJ 07101-47017

Phone: 973-648-3333 Toll Free: 1-877-685-8878

E-mail: askcbvi@dhs.nj.gov

www.state.nj.us/humanservices/cbvi

The Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired (CBVI) provides education, employment, independent living and eye health services to individuals who are blind or visually impaired, their families, caregivers and the community. Programs are designed to enable individuals to gain independence and include orientation and mobility, braille instruction, and vocational rehabilitation.

Eligibility:

Available to all blind or visually impaired NJ residents experiencing vision loss that is affecting their daily life activities.

Visually Impaired means that an individual's vision is 20/70 or less in the better eye. (The person sees at 20 feet what a normally sighted person sees at 70 feet.)

Legally Blind means that an individual's vision is 20/200 or less in the better eye. (The person sees at 20 feet what a normally sighted person sees at 200 feet.) Also, an individual is considered legally blind if they have a restricted visual field limited to 20 degrees or less. (The person sees 20 degrees of all the objects in his or her field of vision when a normally sighted person would see 180 degrees.)

To apply or refer someone for services call 1-877-685-8878 or 973-648-3333 or a regional service office. See the end of this chapter for CBVI Regional Office contact information.

For more information, see Vision Care Assistance in <u>Chapter</u> 5: Health Insurance and Healthcare Assistance



CBVI Services and Programs

Educational Services

Educational Services are provided to students who are blind or visually impaired from birth through high school.

Infant services are provided to infants and toddlers (birth through 2 years)

In collaboration with the lead early intervention services providers within the New Jersey Early Intervention System, CBVI provides assessment and support services for infant/toddlers with vision loss, and consults with families and developmental instructors regarding all issues related to the early development and conceptual learning of blind and visually impaired babies. Services are free of charge to the families, and are provided in the child's natural environment (usually the home) with their primary caregivers.

School-based services (preschool through high school)

Provides specialized instruction, materials, technology, and other accommodations for students who are blind or visually impaired to succeed in school. These services are based upon each student's individual needs and are free of charge to students and their families regardless of family income. Services may include: Consultation and training for families; services for children who are deaf-blind or who have multiple disabilities; literacy enhancement; instruction in special areas; and accessible books, materials, devices and equipment. Students can be referred at any time in their school careers by the family, school personnel, medical professionals, or social services providers.

PUMP (Pre-high school Upwardly Mobile Program):

PUMP is a summer learning experience conducted between the end of July and the beginning of August. This program focuses on middle school students in grades seven and eight who will soon transition to high school. The program occurs at the CBVI Joseph Kohn Training Center in New Brunswick during the last week of the Life 101 Program. Our middle school students engage in joint activities with the high school students attending Life 101. The students participate in discussions, questions, and answers intended to share the joys and challenges of the high school experience as a blind or visually impaired student. The themes of their discussions are twofold: 1) Be true to yourself; 2) if you have a problem, seek out a trusted adult. Our middle school students also participate in activities focusing on self-advocacy, independence, and celebrating oneself.

Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Services

Provides vocational training and counseling specifically designed to assist individuals who are blind, visually impaired, or deaf-blind to prepare for, secure, retain or advance in employment that is consistent with their strengths, skills, and interests.



The scope of Vocational Rehabilitation Services includes:

- Assessment for determining eligibility and VR needs by qualified personnel;
- VR counseling and guidance, including information and support services to assist an individual in exercising informed choice, including referral and services from other agencies;
- Physical and mental restoration services;
- Vocational and other training services;
- Maintenance and transportation related to the rendering of any VR services;
- Vocational rehabilitation services to family members to assist in achieving the employment goal for an individual with a disability, e.g., family counseling;
- Interpreter services, including sign language and oral interpreter services, for individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing, and tactile interpreting services for individuals who are deaf-blind;
- Independent living skills instruction including personal and home management;
- Orientation and mobility services to instruct in methods of independent community travel;
- Services to assist students to transition from school to work;
- Job-related services, including job search and placement assistance, job retention services, follow-up services, and follow-along services;
- Supported employment services;
- Personal assistance services, including reader services;
- Occupational licenses, tools, equipment, initial stocks, and supplies;
- Technical assistance to individuals who are pursuing self-employment;
- Rehabilitation technology services and devices; and
- Post-employment services, i.e., short term services required to keep a job.

Pre-Employment Transition Services

Transition services are available to eligible students with disabilities, ages 14 to 21, and include: job exploration counseling, work-based learning experiences, workplace readiness training, instruction in self-advocacy, and counseling on post-secondary enrollment opportunities. These transition programs include:

 Life 101: a two-week summer, residential program for ninth and tenth grade students. The program is comprised of interactive and community-based activities, focused on career exploration, independent living skills, and postsecondary education.



- EDGE (Employment, Development, Guidance, and Engagement)1.0: helps prepare blind and visually impaired high school students receiving transition services to become successful professionals. Students attend monthly workshops to develop their professional, self-advocacy, and independent living skills. Additionally, students attend community trips to socialize with other blind peers, build life skills, and learn about opportunities to find employment or become more involved in extracurricular activities.
- EDGE (Employment, Development, Guidance, and Engagement) 2.0: serves college undergraduates who are blind and visually impaired. Students learn how to maximize their college experience through individualized plans that addresses barriers on campus, sets academic and social goals, and campus and community engagement. Students have career development plans that provide a map to graduation and a guide to careers in their fields of interest. In addition, students participate in campus visits with a career advisor, monthly mentor conversations, and peer meetings with career-centered activities. Using each of these resources and a career-focused approach, students enhance their ability to become employed competitively in their field of choice.
- ACE Academy: CBVI partners with Sky's the Limit Communications to provide short-term Pre-ETS training to our high school and college students. These trainings are held virtually or in person with two legally blind facilitators. Topics include leadership, advocacy, networking, career development, and navigating the college environment.
- CBVI Pre-Employment Transition Programs at The College of New Jersey

The goal of the CBVI Transition Programs at The College of New Jersey is to provide Pre-ETS Programs for Transition/Vocational Assessment and Instruction, including year-round workshops and three (3) two-week summer residency programs for students who are blind, visually impaired, and deaf-blind. The three programs are described as:

- CREATE Program (Career Research, Exploration, and Awareness for Transition to Employment), a career preparation program.
- SUCCESS Program (Students Understanding College and Career Expectations for Excellence in School and Society), a college preparation program.
- STEPS Program (Successful Transition Experiences Preparing Students), a work skills preparation program.

All students in these programs are immersed in an intensive learning environment to prepare students for college, careers, and independent living, and work through coursework, community-engaged learning, and workshops tailored to meet their goals:

 Youth Employment Solutions (YES) Program: Provides job coaching and job development services to individuals 18-25 years old in partnership with TCNJ.



Assistive Technology Support

Assists consumers in gaining direct access to computer equipment and other technology through a comprehensive assessment of skill and accessibility needs. The purpose of the unit is to minimize barriers and enable individuals to have more efficient professional or academic lives. Regional Technology Assistance Centers (RTACs) are located in Newark, Freehold, Cherry Hill, Atlantic City, Trenton, and New Brunswick.

Joseph Kohn Training Center (JKTC)

Offers vocational rehabilitation, employment services, and independent living skills training to blind, deaf-blind, and visually-impaired individuals. Individuals 18 years or older who are blind or visually impaired, have exited from their secondary school program, and want to learn the independent living skills that will enable them to be integrated into their community may be eligible. The program is customized for each consumer, free of charge, and can range in duration from approximately 2 weeks to 20 weeks or more.

Business Enterprises New Jersey (BENJ)

As the State Licensing Agency (SLA) CBVI directly oversees New Jersey's Federal Randolph-Sheppard program. This program enables individuals who are blind to manage their own businesses, including: vending machines, newspaper stands, snack bars, and full-service cafeterias. Individuals who wish to enter BENJ are required to: be at least 18 years old, be legally blind, have a high school diploma (or GED), pass a background check, be registered to receive CBVI vocational rehabilitation services, and be a US citizen.

Business Relations Unit (BRU)

Provides services to both public and private sector businesses in order to assist them with meeting their diversity initiatives in hiring individuals with disabilities. The BRU partners with businesses to address their needs, such as education and technical assistance on recruiting, hiring, and retaining employees who are blind, deaf-blind, and visually-impaired.

Independent Living Services (IL)

Provides training designed to help people of any age who are blind or visually impaired to adjust to their vision loss and gain the skills of daily living that they need to lead a full and productive life. Services include in-home instruction in the areas of daily living activities and home management; orientation and safe independent travel within the home, community, work, and school environment; child care training; training in braille and other communication methods; eye health education; low-vision services and referral to community resources.



Assistive Support Programs for Independence Renewal and Education (ASPIRE)

A state-wide network of peer support groups designed to provide individuals who are living with vision loss the opportunity to gain the necessary coping skills, information, and education needed to thrive. ASPIRE offers individuals with vision loss the opportunity to become more socially engaged and connected with peers who face similar challenges and life experiences.

The Senior Hands-On Retreat Experience (SHORE)

Provides consumers age 55+ the opportunity to participate in a six-day retreat that includes intensive instruction in independent living, travel, health and wellness, assistive technology, communication, and self-advocacy skills. Consumers also obtain information about, and/or participate in, coping with vision loss, community integration, emergency preparedness, and leisure activity options. Some of the specific activities/lessons covered include eye health and nutrition, diabetic education, grocery shopping, kitchen safety, dining at restaurants, and music and relaxation therapy.

Library Equal Access Program (LEAP)

Helps individuals age 55 and older with a change in vision to gain access and learn how to utilize assistive technology. Instructional devices include computers (with speech and magnification software), iPads, and Closed Circuit Television Systems (CCTV). The collaborative libraries are located in, East Brunswick, Cherry Hill, Hackensack, Toms River, Ewing, Newark, Atlantic City, and Mullica Hill (Gloucester County). To sign up for classes, call the Talking Book & Braille Center at 1-800-792-8322, extension 812.

The Fellowship Program

The Fellowship Program is a mentorship program designed to address the needs of individuals with vision loss residing in New Jersey. The goal of the program is to create a sense of community and mutual mentorship by building meaningful connections between individuals 18-21 years of age and individuals over 21 years of age, who are experiencing vision loss. Objectives foster mutual respect, independence, resilience, and advocacy through a series of educational and skills-based activities.

Project BEST (Better Eye Health Services and Treatment):

The primary role of the Project BEST screening unit is to identify eye disease in target populations of New Jersey residents that do not have access to eye health care, facilitate treatment through community providers, and to identify and refer individuals in need of CBVI services. Along with identifying those in need of eye health care and follow up, Project BEST provides outreach and education to those who host as well as participate in the eye screenings. Project BEST provides, in conjunction with the Department of Health and Center for Disease Control, a Diabetic Eye Disease Detection Screening, targeting populations with diagnosed Type II Diabetes. The Early Childhood Screening program (Pre-School Vision Screenings) identifies impediments to education, as well as



eye disease specific to that age group. Migrant Worker Screenings and the Adult Vision Screenings target primarily adult populations, but are available to children as well. Schools, faith-based groups, Federally Qualified Health Centers, municipalities, and other organizations throughout New Jersey can access vision screenings by contacting the Supervisor of Project BEST at 973-648-7400. For a schedule of eyescreenings, visit: www.nj.gov/humanservices/cbvi/services/prevention/index.html

Deaf-Blind Services

Provides transition and vocational rehabilitation services to individuals with dual sensory impairments. The full range of CBVI services are provided to assist individuals with hearing and vision loss to reach their highest level of independence and prepare for, obtain, or retain employment.

iCanConnect NJ

Provides various types of assistive technology and telecommunication devices to New Jersey residents who are both vision and hearing impaired. Devices such as iPads, iPhones, Braille note takers, laptops, screen readers, and adaptive software may be purchased for individuals meeting the program's eligibility requirements. Any New Jersey resident with combined hearing and vision loss can reach out to see if they qualify for the iCanConnect program to receive free technology to support distance communication. Program guidelines can be found at www.icanconnect.org/how-to-apply.

The Support Services Providers of New Jersey Program (SSP)

SSP-NJ is a consumer-driven program providing qualified trained professionals to support and promote the independence of deaf-blind New Jersey residents. SSPs provide visual and environmental information, as well as human guiding, to acclimate the consumers to their environment so that they can make informed decisions. The program supports consumers in a variety of activities such as post-secondary education, household management, employment, health/well-being, and community integration

CBVI Regional Offices

Northern Regional Office (NRO):

153 Halsey St., 5th Floor, Newark, NJ 07102 973-648-2111 Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic, Sussex, and Warren

Central Regional Office (CRO):

100 Daniels Way Freehold, NJ 07728 **732-308-4001** Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, Somerset, and Union

Southern Regional Office (SRO):

2201 Rt. 38 East, Suite 600 Cherry Hill, NJ 08002 **856-482-3700** Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Mercer, and Salem

SRO Atlantic City Satellite:

1300 Atlantic Avenue, 3rd Floor Atlantic City, NJ 08401 **609-441-3074**



Other CBVI Locations

Joseph Kohn Training Center: 130 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick, NJ 08901 732-937-6363

Business Enterprise New Jersey: 130 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick, NJ 08901

732-418-3270



Additional Services Outside of CBVI

NJ State Library Talking Book and Braille Center (TBBC)

2300 Stuyvesant Avenue Trenton, NJ 08618 1-800-792-8322

www.njstatelib.org/talking-bookbraille-center/

Provides free, home-delivered services to children, teens and adults who have difficulty reading standard print or trouble holding a book. All members of TBBC are eligible to register for a nocost news reading service funded by CBVI thru the National Federation of the Blind: Newsline. Newsline offers access to hundreds of audio newspapers, grocery ad flyers and magazines via the internet, telephone access, on-demand emails, or via the NFB-Newsline mobile app for Apple devices.

To register for Newsline and for more information, contact TBBC at 800-792-8322.

The Seeing Eye*

10 Washington Valley Road P.O. Box 375 Morristown, NJ 07963 973-539-4425 www.seeingeye.org

Association for the Multiple Impaired Blind, Inc.

35 Beaverson Blvd. Building #13 Brick, New Jersey 08723 732-262-0082 www.amib.net

The Margaret Winchester **Enrichment Center for the Blind** and Visually Impaired

168 Sunny Slope Drive Bridgeton, NJ 08302 856-451-5623 mwblind@comcast.net

John D. Young Memorial Lions **Blind Center**

100 Crestview Ave. Absecon, NJ 08201 609-677-1199 www.lionsblindcenter.org

The Center on Sensory and **Complex Disabilities**

2000 Pennington Road Ewing, NJ 08628 609-771-3083

nicscd.tcnj.edu

National Federation of the Blind-NJ

295 Broad Street Keyport, NJ 07735 732-421-7063 www.nfbnj.org

NJ Council of the Blind, Inc.

242 Clay Street Trenton, NJ 08611 609-375-6682 www.njcounciloftheblind.org

Blind Athletes Inc.

P.O. Box 632 Wharton, NJ 07885 678-362-4560 www.blindathletes.org

NEW JERSEY RESOURCES



Learning Ally

20 Roszel Road Princeton, NJ 08540 **800-221-4792** www.learningally.org/ custserv@learningally.org

Literacy solutions for individuals who are dyslexic, blind and visually impaired.

Association of Blind Athletes of New Jersey (ABANJ)

(Goalball, Beep Baseball, and Soccer) 848-459-5983 abanjsecretary@gmail.com

New Jersey Blind Citizens' Association

18 Burlington Avenue Leonardo, NJ 07737 732-291-0878 director@njbca.org www.njbca.org/

Vision Loss Alliance of NJ

155 Morris Avenue Denville, NJ 07834 973-627-0055 info@vlanj.org www.vlanj.org

Deaf Blind Community Access Network of NJ

187 Stewart Avenue Kearny, NJ 07032 dbcannj@gmail.com www.dbcannj.org/

St. Joseph's School for the Blind

761 Summit Avenue
Jersey City, New Jersey 07307
201-876-5432
info@schoolfortheblind.org
www.schoolfortheblind.org

* For more information on service animal organizations see Chapter 23: Service Animals





CHAPTER 20:

SERVICES FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING INDIVIDUALS

Through education, advocacy and direct services, the Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DDHH) works to eliminate barriers and promote increased accessibility to programs, services, and information to individuals who are deaf and/or hard of hearing. DDHH maintains up-to-date resources on hearing loss, and provides the following services: communication access referral, equipment distribution program, hearing aid programs, language acquisition and development services for children ages 0-5, technical assistance, education and training, stakeholder communications, and advocacy.

Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

PO Box 074 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0074

Toll Free:

1-800-792-8339 or 609-588-2648

www.state.nj.us/humanservices/ddhh/

Equipment Distribution Program

Eligible residents may receive safety and telecommunication devices such as an amplified telephone, captioned phone, visual smoke detector, and baby cry alert system, at no cost. Applicants must reside in New Jersey, have a hearing loss as attested by a physician or audiologist, and a household income under \$54.360.

Applications are available at: www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddhh/services/edp/

Communication Access Referral Services

The DDHH assists individuals and agencies in finding interpreters and captioning services. People or agencies in need of sign language interpreters or real-time captioning may obtain assistance by calling DDHH at 609-588-2648.

Lists of interpreters and captioning services are also available at: www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddhh/services/caption/



Information, Referral and Case Management

Individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing in need of services can call for information and referral assistance. In addition, a case manager fluent in American Sign Language (ASL) can assist individuals by connecting them to services and navigating through the system. The case manager often works as a liaison between consumers and service providers. **For assistance, please call DDHH**:

Voice: 609-588-2648

Videophone: 609-503-4862

DDHH.communications2@dhs.nj.gov

Assistive Communication Device Demonstration Center

Individuals who are deaf or experiencing hearing loss can visit our Assistive Communication Device Demonstration Center located in Hamilton, NJ. The center displays assistive communication devices and allows individuals to test equipment so they can make informed decisions prior to purchasing such devices. The devices on display include those in the Equipment Distribution Program as well as other practical devices for home and office, such as door bells, alarm clocks, video phones, amplified sound systems, and more. The Center is located at the DDHH office in Hamilton NJ. **Appointments can be made by calling 609-588-2648** or **via email at:**

DDHH.Communications2@dhs.nj.gov

Hearing Aid Programs

New Jersey Hearing Aid Project

New Jersey Residents who are 65 years of age or older, or disabled, and meet income requirements are eligible to receive refurbished hearing aids through the New Jersey Hearing Aid Project. For more information on obtaining or donating a hearing aid, please contact the DDHH toll free at 1-800-792-8339 or email: DDHH.communications2@dhs.nj.gov

Hearing Aid Assistance for the Aged and Disabled

The Hearing Aid Assistance for the Aged and Disabled (HAAAD) provides a \$500 reimbursement to offset the purchase of a hearing aid, or \$1,000 for two hearing aids. You may be eligible for HAAAD if you meet the following requirements:

- You are a New Jersey resident;
- You are age 65 or older or between ages 18 and 64 and receiving Social Security Disability benefits; and
- Your income for 2025 is less than \$52,142 if single or less than \$59,209 if married.



For more information, please go to: www.ni.gov/humanservices/ddhh/services/hearingaid/haaad/

Language Instruction Program

Families with deaf, hard of hearing, or deaf-blind children ages 0-5 can receive language acquisition and development services for the child in American Sign Language. Research shows that the first five years of life are essential for language learning. It is important for deaf and hard of hearing children to receive early language input during this critical time period. Did you know that learning ASL will not hinder a child's ability to learn spoken language? Families can use ASL in conjunction with spoken language development to ensure early language acquisition and development. DDHH will screen Deaf ASL Associate candidates and assign them to a Childcare Resource & Referral (CCR&R) center near you. Associates will work with your child up to 25 hours a week in providing a language model. For more information, please call 609-588-2648 or email us at: DDHH.communications2@dhs.nj.gov

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Sensitivity Training

The New Jersey Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing offers on-site sensitivity training that covers various topics including how to provide equal communication access in services for deaf and hard of hearing individuals. DDHH presentations are two hours in length and can be modified to fit scheduling needs. Our goal is to provide education so deaf and hard of hearing individuals have equal access to your services. DDHH trainings have benefited businesses, social services agencies, government entities, educational institutions, hospitals and many other organizations. Trainings are provided at no cost. For more information about our training options, please email us at:

DDHH.communications2@dhs.ni.gov





Services for The Deaf and Hard of Hearing Outside of DDHH

Accessible Communication

New Jersey Relay

A free service administered by the NJ Board of Public Utilities (BPU) in collaboration with Sprint, that enables people who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, DeafBlind or those with a Speech Disability to place and receive phone calls. Relay operators and captioners are specially trained to facilitate the calls. Listed below are the most popular services.

Visit <u>www.njrelay.com</u> for additional information and educational videos.

Text Telephone/Teletypewriter Relay (TTY Relay)

Allows individuals to use a Text Telephone/Teletypewriter (TTY) for their calls using the TTY Relay. The relay operator reads aloud the typed conversation to the other party, and types the other party's voiced messages.

Internet Protocol Relay (IP Relay)

Allows individuals to use any internet-connected device (computer, laptop, tablet, or smartphone) to call anyone using the IP Relay service. Like the TTY Relay, the relay operator reads aloud the typed message to the other party, and types the other party's voice messages.

TeleBraille Relay

Allows individuals who are DeafBlind or Deaf with low vision to use a TeleBraille device or TTY with a large visual display to make relay calls. This service allows individuals to read the phone conversation in Braille or in large print at a low words-per-minute transmission speed. The relay operator reads aloud the typed conversation to the other party, and types the other party's voiced messages.

Relay Conference Captioning (RCC)

Enables individuals to actively participate in video meetings, conference calls or webinars, using live, real-time text via a web browser on your internet-connected device (computer, laptop, tablet, or smartphone). Individuals have the option of either speaking or typing to communicate with other attendees.

Speech-to-Speech (STS)

Allows individuals who have a speech disability or those who use an assistive voice device to call anyone on the phone; a relay operator ensures that the individual will be heard and understood. No special equipment is needed.

For additional information, contact the NJ Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing at 609-588-2648 or visit www.njrelay.com



Other Communication Options

Video Relay Service (VRS)

Enables individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing and who use sign language to communicate via a qualified sign language interpreter. VRS can be accessed using any device equipped with a front facing camera or webcam and a high speed internet connection. The interpreter facilitates the conversation in sign language with the VRS user and by voice to standard telephone users.

VRS providers:

• Convo: convorelay.com

Purple: <u>www.purplevrs.com</u>

Sorenson: sorenson.com

ZVRS: www.zvrs.com

Captioned Telephones (CapTel), Web CapTel, Wireless CapTel

Allows users to listen, speak directly to the caller, and read captions of the caller's response either through a captioned telephone device (CapTel), via a computer with internet access (Web CapTel), or wirelessly using a mobile device. Spanish translation is available.

CapTel providers:

• CapTel: www.captel.com/

• InnoCaption: www.innocaption.com

Sorenson: sorenson.com/lp/captioned-calls/

Early Detection:

Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program (EHDI)

Ensures that all New Jersey children receive timely and appropriate screening, diagnosis, and intervention for hearing loss. The New Jersey EDHI program provides insight and technical assistance to birthing facilities; provides education about newborn hearing screening, diagnosis, and intervention to families and health care providers; and the establishment of a confidential registry and tracking system to ensure children are screened, have appropriate follow-up and are linked to services. **For more information,**

visit: www.nj.gov/health/fhs/nbs/ehdi/

Department of Health PO Box 364 Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Voice: 609-292-5676 Voice/TTY: 609-984-1343

EHDI@doh.nj.gov

NEW JERSEY RESOURCES



Advocacy

SPAN EHDI Mentoring & Family Engagement Project

In this role, SPAN supports the development of statewide programs and systems of care that ensure that children who are deaf or hard of hearing are identified through newborn and infant hearing screening. SPAN's Deaf Mentor Program offers ASL Deaf Mentors who will provide ASL instruction, teach families about Deaf Culture and introduce them to the Deaf Community and Snapshots Deaf Mentors who will meet with families to answer questions about growing up with hearing loss. For more information, visit: www.spanadvocacy.org/programs/ehdi/

NJ Deaf Advocacy Project

This organization provides culturally sensitive advocacy, education and supportive services to those impacted by domestic and/or sexual violence in the Deaf community.

For more information, visit: www.deafadvocacyproject.org

VP: 609-528-7216; Text: 609-619-1888 (24/7)

DAP@njcedv.org

Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center (DASACC) of Warren County Deaf Services Program

The mission of the Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault Crisis Center (DASACC) is to help, serve, and advocate for those impacted by interpersonal violence, to be proactive regarding its prevention, and to create positive change.

The Deaf Services Program provides direct services in American Sign Language (ASL) and/or with interpreters to Deaf, DeafBlind, DeafDisabled, Hard of Hearing, and Late Deafened individuals. This program also provides community education on "Intimate Partner Violence in the Deaf community" to both hearing and Deaf populations.

Vulnerable Populations Program

DASACC's Vulnerable Populations Program provides direct services to older adults and/or individuals with disabilities. In addition, the program conducts outreach and education to increase advocacy skills, awareness, and prevention of abuse of marginalized communities. Program staff engage in collaboration and relationship building with the community to bridge gaps in services for vulnerable survivors.

For more information on DASACC services, visit: www.dasacc.org/asl-videos

Deaf Services Program: Vul VP: 908-585-1668 Pho

Vulnerable Populations Program

Phone: 908-453-4181



Employment:

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services' Deaf Language Specialists

DVR employs Deaf Language Specialists, also known as Rehabilitation Counselors for the deaf, to cover all 21 counties who provide direct vocational counseling to DVRS consumers whose primary language is American Sign Language (ASL).

For more information and to find your local deaf language specialist, visit: www.nj.gov/labor/career-services/special-services/individuals-with-disabilities/deafandhardofhearingservices.shtml

Mental Health Related Services:

ACCESS Deaf Services

Behavioral health services for people who are deaf or hard of hearing. Services are provided by licensed social workers who are fluent in ASL and have experience in working with the diagnostic and treatment challenges present in this population.

Voice: 973-754-5595 VP: 973-870-0683

Email: Breuers@sjhmc.org

For more information, visit: www.stjosephshealth.org/clinical-focuses/behavioral-health-services/item/1328-access

Substance Use Disorders:

Recovery Network for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and Hearing Loss

The Center for Family Services' Recovery Network for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing outpatient program provides services to individuals experiencing substance use disorders who are Deaf, hard of hearing or who have hearing loss. All services are provided by staff that are fluent in American Sign Language (ASL) and culturally sensitive to the Deaf community. The program provides outpatient level of care that includes family sessions, group, and individual counseling.

Phone: 1-877-922-2377

Email: access@centerffs.org

www.centerffs.org/

Other Hearing Aid Resources

Grace's Law

New Jersey's Grace's law requires limited insurance coverage for children's hearing aids. Your health benefits plan may or may not be subject to the requirements of Grace's Law.

For more information, please visit:

www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddhh/assets/documents/Graces-Law_booklet.pdf



CHAPTER 21: VETERANS SERVICES

US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Veterans of the United States Armed Forces may be eligible for a range of programs and services provided by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Eligibility for most VA benefits is based upon honorable discharge from active military service, while some benefits require wartime service.

Veterans enrolled in the VA's health care system are eligible to receive health care services, personal care assistance, medications and other services. Veterans must have a service-connected disability or meet income requirements to enroll.

Veterans are also eligible for various services through the VA such as home loans, gravestone markers, funeral plots at no cost when buried at a military cemetery or reimbursement for plots purchased in other cemeteries, educational loans through the GI Bill, vocational rehabilitation and employment services, disability compensation, pensions, life insurance, and survivor's benefits.

For more information, visit: www.va.gov

Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (NJ DMAVA)

The mission of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs is to provide trained and ready forces prepared for rapid response to a wide range of civil and military operations, while providing exemplary services to citizens and Veterans of New Jersey.

For more information, visit: www.nj.gov/military/

NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs Benefits Guide

The NJ Veterans Benefits Guide is a compilation of all state of NJ and Federal VA entitlements for which Veterans and their family members are potentially eligible.

For more information, visit:

www.nj.gov/military/assets/documents/NJ%20Veterans%20Benefits%20Guide.pdf



NJ DMAVA Veterans Services Organizations (VSOs)

Through our network of regional Veteran Service Offices, Veteran Service Officers provide the State's more than 325,000 Veterans and their dependents with information and guidance in filing claims, assist with issues pertaining to employment, education, burial, counseling, housing, social and medical services, and other areas of concern to Veterans and their families.

For more information, visit: www.nj.gov/military/veterans/services/vso/

County Operated VSOs

Funded by local county governments, these offices, while similar to the state-operated VSO, can also offer services tailored to the individual county, and on a state or federal level. For more information, visit: www.nj.gov/military/veterans/services/vso/

VETERANS HOTLINES

US Department of Veterans Affairs

1-800-827-1000

NJ DMAVA Benefits Hotline:

1-888-865-8387

988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline:

Dial 988

988lifeline.org/

Vets4Warriors:

1-855-838-8255

NJ Vet2Vet:

1-866-838-7654

Vet Center Call Center:

1-877-927-8387



CHAPTER 22: **GUARDIANSHIP**

What is guardianship?

Guardianship is the appointment of a person or agency by a court to exercise control over part, or all, of another individual's person and/or property. The guardian is the person or agency appointed by a court to make personal decisions for an individual who is incapable of making some or any decisions independently. The person who lacks capacity is referred to as the "alleged incapacitated person" until a guardian is appointed by the court. Thereafter, the incapacitated person is referred to as the "individual receiving guardianship services." Many individuals with developmental disabilities are capable of making their own decisions with appropriate support and advice, and do not need a guardian.

What types of guardianship are there?

The two types of guardianships involve guardianship of property and guardianship of a person. Many times both types are required to protect an individual receiving guardianship services, but sometimes only one type is necessary.

The guardian of the property has a duty to locate and marshal the assets of the individual receiving guardianship services. This includes all assets such as bank accounts, stocks, personal property and real estate. The guardian is required to file an initial inventory and to swear that it is accurate and complete. The assets are placed in the name of the guardian. It is the responsibility of the guardian to ensure that all assets are safeguarded and spent appropriately. Annual accountings are required to be filed with the court for review and are subject to the court's approval.

The guardianship of the person is appointed to watch over and make major life decisions for the individual receiving guardianship services until the reason for incapacity no longer exists and the court has deemed the person as capable. The guardian of the person makes decisions affecting everything from the individual receiving guardianship services' residence, visitation, medical care, socialization, travel and other areas of their life. Guardians of the person are required to file annual reports with the court to inform as to the status and well-being of the individual receiving guardianship services.

What's the difference between full and limited guardianship?

Generally, a court will consider delegating an individual's decision-making rights in the following areas: residential, vocational, medical, financial, educational and legal. In a plenary, or full, guardianship, all of these rights are delegated to the guardian and no rights are reserved to the individual receiving guardianship services. In a limited guardianship, some delegable rights are delegated to the guardian while the individual receiving guardianship services reserves other rights.



What is the role of the guardian?

All guardians are responsible for:

- Assisting the individual to participate with the guardian in the decision-making process, to the maximum extent of the individual's ability, to encourage the individual to act on their own behalf whenever able to do so;
- Encouraging the individual to develop or regain higher capacity to make decisions to the maximum extent possible in those areas in which they are in need of a quardian;
- Making decisions and giving consents on behalf of the individual, but only to the extent of the court order;
- Protecting the individual from harm;
- Looking out for the individual's interests;
- Safeguarding the individual's human and civil rights;
- Ensuring that the individual's physical, emotional and developmental needs, including education and training, are met;
- Acting consistently with a previously executed power of attorney for health care or advance directive;
- Helping the individual to obtain all available and appropriate benefits and supportive services;
- Visiting the individual not less than once every three months;
- Initiating legal action on the individual's behalf; and
- Submitting reports to the court as specified by the court.

A guardian is NOT responsible for:

- Providing for the individual from his or her own funds;
- Any liability to another person for acts of the individual;
- Injury to the individual from the wrongful conduct of another person providing medical or other care;
- Taking the individual into the guardian's home to live;
- Consenting to shock treatment, psychosurgery, sterilization or medical, behavioral or pharmacological research without further order of the court.



Are there alternatives to guardianship?

Yes. In New Jersey, an individual may appoint a Power of Attorney (POA) to make decisions on their behalf. The individual with the disability must be able to understand on a basic level that they are appointing someone to make decisions on their behalf. In addition:

- A person must be able to give consent;
- A POA can cover person and/or property;
- A POA can be revoked and/or changed at any time, based on changing needs;
- A POA is significantly less costly than guardianship; and
- It is best to work through an attorney to establish POA

Supported Decision Making

In supported decision-making, there is no court-appointed legal guardian to make decisions for a person. Instead, the individual makes his or her own decisions with the assistance and support of a trusted person or people, such as friends, family members, advocates or others. More information about supported decision-making can be found through the National Resource Center for Supported Decision-Making at: www.supporteddecisionmaking.org

How does one establish a guardianship?

In recent years, courts have streamlined the application to facilitate families or interested parties who might seek a guardianship for an alleged person needing a guardianship on a pro se basis or self-representation in the court without an attorney. Complaints can also be filed by an attorney. To establish guardianship for an incapacitated adult, a Verified Complaint must be filed with the Surrogate's Court in the county where the alleged incapacitated person resides. The Complaint must include particular information and must be supported by affidavits of physicians or other clinical professional such as a psychologist, advance practice nurse or in certain circumstances, the child study team, as permitted by the court, based upon recent examinations of the alleged incapacitated person. Once a Complaint is filed, the court will enter an order appointing an attorney for the alleged incapacitated person and schedule a hearing. If the court determines that the person is incapacitated, then a judgment will be entered appointing guardian(s). Before the guardian(s) can act on behalf of the incapacitated person, they must appear before the County Surrogate to qualify as guardian, including by posting a bond if required.

For information on how to file for guardianship of an individual eligible for services from the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) visit:

www.njcourts.gov/self-help/guardianship

For information on how to file for guardianship of person and estate visit: www.njcourts.gov/self-help/guardianship



Guardianship Related Resources

The New Jersey Judiciary Self-Help Resources

The New Jersey Judiciary provides guardianship related information and resources on its website. The site includes forms to file a guardianship, training materials and guardianship reporting forms that are required by the court and other resources. www.njcourts.gov/self-help

New Jersey Judiciary Guardianship Support/Guardianship Monitoring Program

The Guardianship Monitoring Program (GMP) provides an ongoing relationship between guardians and the court in support of the best interests of incapacitated individuals. The goal of the GMP is to safeguard and reduce the potential for abuse and exploitation of incapacitated individuals by their guardians. **Contact your county court system for more information.**

Surrogate's Courts

The Surrogate's Court can provide assistance on all matters affecting estates, guardianships, and other probate matters. The Surrogate is responsible for determining the validity of wills, appointing administrators for estates and guardians for minors and incapacitated persons, and appointing trustees where applicable.

Contacts for your local surrogate's office can be found here: www.njcourts.gov/public/directories/court-services

Office of the Public Guardian for Elderly Adults (OPG)

The OPG acts as surrogate decision-maker for residents 60 years of age and over who have been deemed incapacitated by the Superior Court of New Jersey. OPG does not petition to become guardian but rather accepts judicial appointments on a discretionary basis.

Office of the Public Guardian for Elderly Adults

Helen C. Dodick, Acting Public Guardian

P.O. Box 812

Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0812

609-588-6500

www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/l-p/public-guardian/



Guardianship Assistance Program (GAP)

The GAP provides affordable legal services to assist parents of young adults with developmental disabilities in obtaining legal guardianship.

609-444-6653

www.gapservices.org/

Kinship Care-Legal Guardianship Program

This service assists caregivers making a legal commitment to the child/children in their care. To obtain legal guardianship, caregivers must have been caring for a child for at least one year and accept responsibility for the child until the child's 18th birthday, or 21 if the child has a disability. Caregivers who have legal guardianship may also be eligible for a subsidy.

For more information, call 211 to be referred to your local Kinship agency.

Bureau of Guardianship Services

Chief, Jessica Anastasi PO Box 705 Trenton, NJ 08625-0705 **609-631-2213**

Under the auspices of the Department of Human Services, Central Office, the Bureau of Guardianship Services (BGS) is the state entity designated to provide guardianship services to adults who are receiving functional services from the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD). When a person reaches the age of 18, they have full legal responsibility for themselves regardless of any disability, except, when determined necessary by the court, a guardian may be appointed to make decisions on their behalf.

BGS has two statutory responsibilities:

First, BGS may file a petition through the Office of the Attorney General, for the appointment of a quardian for an eligible adult in need of a quardian.

Second, BGS may serve as guardian of the person for a DDD eligible consumer where there is no known family or other interested party able or willing to serve as guardian of the person.

BGS does not pursue guardianships of the property- only guardianships of the person. BGS is only able to assist individuals who receive services funded by the Division of Developmental Disabilities. Individuals must apply to DDD to receive an eligibility determination. See Chapter 18.



CHAPTER 23:

SERVICE ANIMALS

A service animal is defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as a dog that has been individually trained to do work or perform tasks for an individual with a disability. The task(s) performed by the dog must be directly related to the person's disability.

- Under the ADA and the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination (NJLAD), a
 place of public accommodation cannot refuse admittance of a service animal
 when it is accompanying a person with a disability.
- The ADA/NJLAD requires that places of public accommodation (which include privately-owned businesses that serve the public) allow people with disabilities to bring service animals into any area in which the public are generally allowed.
- The ADA/NJLAD does not require a service animal be certified or have special identification. When it is not obvious what service an animal provides, only limited inquiries are allowed. Staff may ask two questions: (1) is the dog a service animal required because of a disability, and (2) what work or task has the dog been trained to perform. Staff cannot ask about the person's disability, require medical documentation, require a special identification card or training documentation for the dog, or ask that the dog demonstrate its ability to perform the work or task.
- It is a violation of the ADA/NJLAD for a business to charge a cleaning or maintenance fee when a person with a disability has brought a service dog into the place of business. However, the owner of the animal has sole responsibility for its behavior and may be charged for any damages the animal causes as long as the business has a policy of charging non-disabled customers for damages that they cause. Likewise, it is not a violation of the ADA/NJLAD to exclude a service animal from a place of public accommodation if the animal behaves in a loud, threatening, or uncontrolled manner, creating a substantial disturbance or posing a direct threat to the safety of others.

For more information, visit: www.ada.gov/regs2010/service_animal_qa.html or www.ada.gov/regs2010/service_animal_qa.html



Service Dog Providers

The Seeing Eye, Inc.

PO Box 375 Morristown, NJ 07963-0375 **973-539-4425**

www.seeingeye.org

The Seeing Eye breeds, raises and trains dogs and provides instruction to people who are blind or low vision from all over North America in the proper care, handling and use of Seeing Eye® dogs. Apply online or call with questions.

Canine Companions for Independence

286 Middle Island Road Medford, NY 11763

Toll Free: 1-800-572-2275

www.cci.org

This organization provides service dogs, hearing dogs, facility dogs, and skilled companion dogs to people with physical or developmental disabilities, adults who are deaf or hard of hearing and certain professionals who can demonstrate that an assistance dog will enhance their independence or their quality of lives. **Apply online.**

Canine Partners for Life

PO Box 170 Cochranville, PA 19330 **610-869-4902** www.k94life.org

This organization trains service dogs to assist individuals who have mobility impairments and balance disorders, difficulty using their hands/arms, health related fatigue issues, and people with seizure/cardiac syncope and Type 1 Diabetes disorders. Visit the website to obtain an application.

Guiding Eyes for the Blind

611 Granite Springs Road Yorktown Heights, NY 10598 Toll Free: 1-800-942-0149 www.quidingeves.org

Guiding Eyes for the Blind provides guide dogs to people with vision loss. Individuals must be: legally blind, over the age of 16, capable of walking outdoors unaccompanied and independently with the use of a white cane, responsible for the care of a dog. **Apply online or by phone.**

Assistance Dogs International (ADI)

ADI is a coalition of not for profit assistance dog organizations.

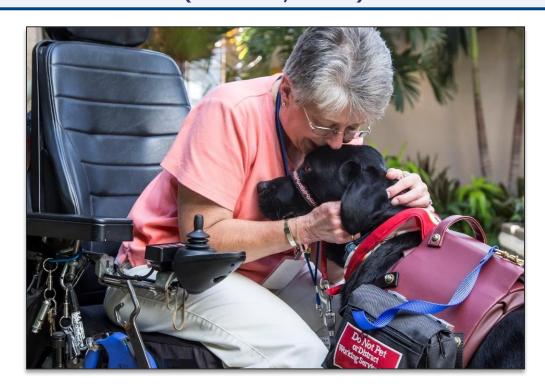
To find other service dog programs serving your area, use the "program search" available on their website at:

www.assistancedogsinternational.org



Fun Fact:

In 2020, the Seeing Eye Dog was declared the State Dog of New Jersey (P.L. 2019, c. 415).





CHAPTER 24:

ACCESSIBLE PARKING

Accessible parking rights may be granted to individuals with both permanent and temporary mobility impairments.

Temporary Accessible Parking Placards:

- May be granted for short-term mobility impairments
- Require written medical certification from a qualified practitioner
- Are valid for six months
- Are renewable one time at the discretion of the issuing authority
- Are issued by the Chief of Police of each municipality

Permanent Accessible Parking Placards or Plates:

To qualify for a permanent accessible placard or plates, you must:

- Have lost the use of one or more limb
- Have a permanent disability and be unable to move without the use of an assistive device
- Have your mobility limited as certified by a physician
- Have a permanent sight impairment of both eyes as certified by the N.J. Commission of the Blind (placard only)

NOTE: Non-disabled drivers who are transporting persons who meet the criteria above may also use the Accessible parking privileges, but only when the person with the qualifying disability is in the car. Also, plates or placard must be accompanied by the companion "Person with a Disability ID" card at all times.

New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission

www.nj.gov/mvc/ 609-292-6500 (Voice) 711 NJ Relay (TTY)



The Division of Disability Services publishes a comprehensive "Guide to Accessible Parking."

To request a copy, call DDS at:

1-888-285-3036

Email: dds.publications@dhs.nj.gov

or view it electronically at:

www.nj.gov/humanservices/dds/resources/





CHAPTER 25:

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



Be Prepared for Emergencies

MAKE A KIT	HAVE A PLAN	BE INFORMED
 3 Day Supply of Water (3 Gallons per person) Non-Perishable Food Battery-Operated Radio Flashlight & Batteries First Aid Kit Maps Prescriptions/Medications Personal Toiletries Can Opener/Utensils Infant Care Needs Pet Care Needs Special Need Items Cash Important Documents 	Meet with Your Family Members to Discuss Plans Identify Responsibilities for Each Member Select 2 Meeting Places: 1. Outside Your Home 2. Outside Your Neighborhood Have an-Out-of-Area Phone Contact Pets: Know a Pet-Friendly Hotel/Shelter PRACTICE YOUR PLAN! DIAL DIAL DIAL DIAL TOCAL POLICE FIRE DEPARTMENT	Know What Disasters Might Occur in your Area GET TRAINING CPR First Aid Sign up for Nextdoor VOLUNTEER Join Citizen Corps COMMUNITY MERGING COMPS VOLUNTEER Join Citizen Corps COMPS VOLUNTEER Join Citizen Corps COMPS VOLUNTEER JOIN CITIZEN CORPS VOLUNTEER JOIN CORPS VOLUNTEER JOIN CORPS VOLUNTEER JOIN CORPS JOIN CORPS JOIN CORPS JOIN CORPS JOIN CORPS JOIN CO

FOR MORE INFORMATION: READY.NJ.GOV



New Jersey Office of Emergency Management

Get Connected

NJOEM on Facebook: <u>facebook.com/READYNEWJERSEY</u>

NJOEM on Instagram: instagram.com/readynj

NJ State Police on Instagram: <u>instagram.com/NewJerseyStatePolice</u>

Nextdoor Website: www.Nextdoor.com
NJOEM on Twitter: twitter.com/ReadyNJ

NJ State Police on Twitter: twitter.com/NJSP

NJOEM YouTube Channel: youtube.com/user/ReadyNJ

NJOEM Website: <u>ready.nj.gov</u>

Disaster Preparedness Checklist for People with Disabilities

The following list is intended to provide suggestions for disaster preparedness planning that may be taken by individuals with disabilities.

Self-Networks

- Discuss your disability and needs with relatives and friends.
- Develop a network of people who know your needs and location, who will be able to assist you or alert emergency personnel on your behalf. Do not depend on only one person.

Medical Equipment and Supplies

- Evaluate equipment for repairs and obtain and keep spare parts.
- Order the full allotment of supplies that your insurance allows, such as protective briefs, leg bags, suction tubing, hearing aid batteries, etc. Stockpile unused items.
- Assemble a first aid kit. It should include: absorbent compress dressings, sterile adhesive bandages in assorted sizes, adhesive cloth tape, antibiotic ointment, antiseptic wipes, aspirin, emergency blanket, breathing barrier (with one-way valve), cold compress, latex gloves (2 pairs), hydrocortisone ointment packets, roller bandages, sterile gauze pads, oral thermometer, triangular bandages, tweezers, and an emergency first aid guide.

Medications and Medical Needs

- Create a list of current prescriptions, names and dosages. Remember to update this list, as needed.
- Keep a list of the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of doctors and pharmacists.

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- Prepare a detailed description of your medical regimen and personal care needs.
- Order a full 30-day supply of necessary medications. Check with your insurance carrier.

Communication

- Make sure your cell phone battery and any extra batteries are kept fully charged.
- Pre-arrange alternative methods to reach family, friends, or personal care attendants if ordinary communications are disrupted.
- Consider keeping a notepad, portable white board, or picture boards available to facilitate communication.

Personal Assistant Care

- Consider checking into a nursing home or hospital if a disaster is anticipated. Staff will be available to meet personal care needs. Also, backup generators will be operating to assist people who use power wheelchairs and/or ventilators.
- Contact your personal care attendant provider to discuss disaster preparedness and maintain a list of phone numbers of those who can assist in obtaining personal care for you.

Food and Water

- Three-day supply of water/three gallons of water per person.
- Keep a supply of canned, dehydrated, and no-cook foods.
- Keep cases of nutrients available for tube feeding.
- Keep foods for special dietary needs, such as diabetic and high caloric diets.
- Pack adaptive equipment needed for eating or drinking such as large grip utensils, straws, or cup holders.

Service Animals

- The animal always should wear an identification tag with all necessary contact information.
- Keep your pet's and service animal's medical records current, including vaccination records and rabies tag number.
- Your animal will need at least three days' worth of food and water, kept in sturdy storage containers. The amount of water your pet will need may vary. For example, dogs need at least 1oz of water for each pound of body weight. Be sure to figure out how much food and water you will need for 3 days.
- Create a Go Bag for your Service Animal with food, water, blanket, waste bags, animal's working gear, medications, medical records, veterinarian, and ownership agency contact information.
- Visit the NJDA Animal Emergency Website for more information on animal emergency preparedness www.nj.gov/agriculture/animalemergency/



Power

- Extended power outages may affect ventilators, heating and/or cooling units, which
 may be a matter of life or death for some people with disabilities. Contact your utility
 provider if you require power to support your special need or circumstance.
- Familiarize yourself with emergency plans where you live, work, and in your community.
- Consider staying at a hotel or with friends or family out of your area if you anticipate possible power outages, especially if you have medical equipment that is dependent upon power.
- If you use a ventilator or have other complex needs that you cannot manage on your own, you may consider contacting a care facility for temporary assistance.
- Contact your local Emergency Management Coordinator or call 211 for information on what people with disabilities should do during power outages.
- Keep clear pathways in your home to allow for safer mobility if lighting is affected.

Oxygen

- Buildings where oxygen is kept must display an "Oxygen in Use" emblem.
- Oxygen must be kept in containers specifically manufactured for that purpose.
- Alert emergency response staff to the use of oxygen.
- Consider having a backup power source for your oxygen concentrator.
- Oxygen is flammable, so avoid sparks and flame. Demand that people not smoke near an oxygen container.

Miscellaneous

- Keep battery-operated flashlights and/or lanterns with lots of extra batteries.
- Blankets and warm clothes should be packed in an emergency.
- Keep the gas tank in your car full.
- Have a battery-powered radio and extra batteries on hand.
- Keep ample cash on-hand. ATMs and banks may not function during power outages.
- Have a non-electric can opener.
- Keep a supply of assorted plastic bags.



Contact numbers for NJ utility providers:

PSEG:

1-800-436-7734

You can report an outage by phone or Text OUT to 47734.

JCP&L:

1-888-544-4877 or Text REG to 54486 (LIGHTS to report outage)

Atlantic City Electric:

1-800-833-7476

Text OUT to 20661 to report outage

Rockland Electric Company:

1-877-434-4100

Text OUT to 69678 to report outage



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Pathways to Preparedness (Training Sessions and Booklet)

The NJ Statewide Independent Living Council and the NJ Department of Human Services presents this ongoing training to help any New Jersey resident prepare for a disaster. Specifically designed to target people with access and functional needs, including those with disabilities and caregivers.

Participants of the training will receive all necessary training material as well as other items to assist them with their disaster preparedness efforts. To schedule a training session, email EOCESF6@njsp.gov or call (609) 631-4636.

A printable flyer with all the information can be found at this link:

https://www.nj.gov/humanservices/dds/documents/Listserv/2025/Pathways_To_P reparedness_Flyer.pdf

An 80-page booklet is also available titled, "New Jersey Pathways to Preparedness: A Guide to Personal Preparedness for individuals with Disabilities, Including Those with Access and Functional Needs," and can be found at this link:

https://www.njsilc.org/uploads/1/3/4/1/134166171/njsilc_pathways.pdf

Persons with Disabilities or Oxygen Use Emblem Program

Issues a person with a disability or who uses oxygen, one of two identification emblems. The disability emblem is affixed to a window of a residential dwelling and alerts firefighters, medical rescue or law enforcement personnel, when responding to an emergency situation, that a person with a disability may be present therein and may require special assistance. The oxygen emblem is also affixed to a window of a residential dwelling to warn firefighters that oxygen is in use within that dwelling. A person with a disability or who uses oxygen may apply for an emblem by contacting the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Fire Safety at **(609) 777-3552**.



For more information on developing individualized disaster preparedness plans, contact your local Office of Emergency Management Coordinator on your municipality's website. For other preparedness information contact:

State

NJ Special Needs Registry

www.registerready.nj.gov

(Call 211 for registration or help)

New Jersey Office of Emergency Management

www.ready.nj.gov

County Emergency Management Coordinators & Access and Functional Needs (AFN) Liaisons:

ready.nj.gov/about-us/county-coordinators.shtml

New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness www.njhomelandsecurity.gov

Federal

US Department of Homeland Security

www.ready.gov

www.Listo.gov (Spanish)

1-800-BE-Ready

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

1-800-621-FEMA (1-800-621-3362)

www.fema.gov

Local

American Red Cross

www.redcross.org



Register Ready: New Jersey's Special Needs Registry for Disasters

Allows NJ residents with disabilities or access and functional needs and their families, friends and caregivers an opportunity to provide information to emergency response agencies, so emergency responders can better plan to serve them in a disaster or other emergency.

Remember to register annually.

For more information: www.ready.nj.gov





CHAPTER 26:

TRAVELING WITH A DISABILITY

Air Carrier Access Rules lift many restrictions that formerly discriminated against passengers with disabilities, and all carriers are now required to have a Complaints Resolution Officer (CRO) immediately available to resolve disputes between carriers and passengers with disabilities. While airlines may not require passengers with disabilities to provide advance notice of their disability or intent to travel (except in some very specific circumstances), doing so may in some cases help to avoid inconvenience.

The following is a list of suggestions for air travelers with disabilities:

Physical Disability

- Ask the screener for assistance with your mobility aid and carry items.
- Let the screener know your level of ability and your need for physical assistance.
- Inform the screener about any special equipment or devices that you are using and where this equipment is located on your body.
- Ensure that all bags hanging from, or carried on, your wheelchair are put on the X-ray belt.
- Ask the screener to reunite you with your carry items and assistive devices after screening.
- Request assistance with removing your shoes when additional screening is necessary.

Hearing Disability

 Ask the screener to write the information down or to look directly at you and repeat the information.

Visual Disability

- Ask the screener to explain the security process to you step by step and to let you know where the metal detector is located.
- Ask the screener to let you know when you will be going through the metal detector and when there are obstacles that you will need to avoid.
- Ask the screener to find someone to escort you through the security process.
- Ask the screener to perform a hand inspection of equipment to prevent damage and to direct you toward your gate once the screening has been completed.



Hidden Disability

- Advise screeners that you have a disability and may need some assistance, or need to move slower.
- Offer suggestions to screeners on the best way to approach you during a patdown inspection.
- Notify the screener if you need to sit down before and/or during the screening process.

Traveling with Medical Supplies/Devices

- Notify the screener that you are carrying medical supplies with you.
- Medications must be properly marked with a professionally printed label identifying the medication or manufacturer's name or pharmaceutical label.
- Notify screeners if you are using any surgically implanted medical device (i.e., insulin pumps, prosthetics, or artificial joints).
- Advise screeners if you are experiencing low blood sugar and are in need of medical assistance.
- Pacemaker users may wish to carry a Pacemaker Identification Card (ID).
- Crutches, canes and walkers will need to go through the X-ray machine. The screener will perform a hand inspection of your equipment if it cannot fit through the X-ray machine. You can ask for a private screening for the inspection of your prosthetic device or body brace.
- Notify screeners if you need assistance, such as a chair or someone to assist you during the inspection of your prosthetic devices or body braces.
- Tools and appliances used to put on or take off prosthetic devices must be screened.

Traveling with Service Animals

- Carry appropriate identification. Identification may include: cards or documentation, presence of a harness or markings on the tags. Service dogs and their harnesses or vests are subject to inspection.
- Advise the screener how you and your dog can go through the metal detector as a team with the leash and/or harness. If necessary, remind the screener that you should not be separated from your dog.
- When flying with their service animal, an individual can be required to provide their air carrier with the Service Animal Behavior Health Training Form prior to the flight: www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/2020-12/ServiceAnimal Health Behavior Training Form.pdf
- If the flight is longer than eight hours, then the individual will also be required to complete and provide their air carrier with a Service Animal Relief Form:
 www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/2020-12/Service Animal Relief Form.pdf



For more information on traveling by air with a disability, contact:

Federal Aviation Administration

www.faa.gov

Transportation Security Administration

www.tsa.gov

Department of Homeland Security

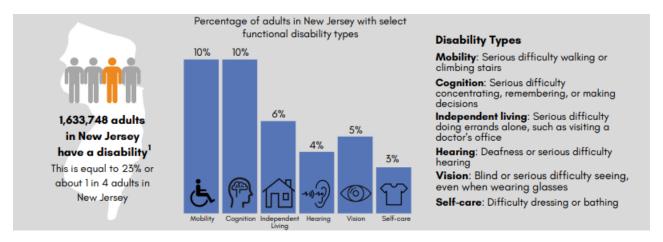
www.dhs.gov



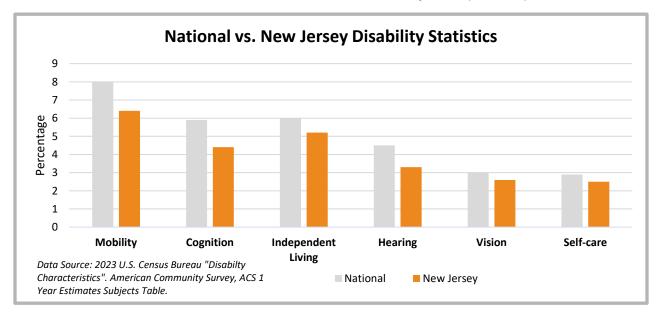


CHAPTER 27:

HEALTH AND WELLNESS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES



Data Source: 2021 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS).

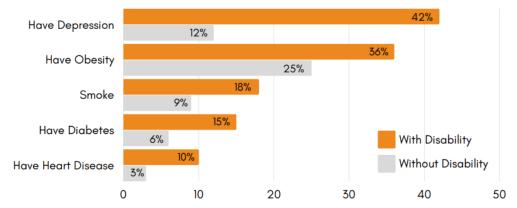


According to the United States Census – American Community Survey, 30% of individuals over the age of 18 have any disability compared to 24% of individuals in New Jersey. Nationally, 8.0% of individuals have a mobility disability compared to 6.4% of individuals in New Jersey; 5.9% have a cognitive disability compared to 4.4%; 4.5% have a hearing disability compared to 3.3%; and 3.0% have a vision disability compared to 3.6% of individuals in New Jersey.

Data Source: U.S. Census Bureau, U.S. Department of Commerce. "Disability Characteristics." *American Community Survey, ACS 1-Year Estimates Subject Tables, Table S1810*, 2023.



Adults with disabilities in New Jersey experience health disparities and are more likely to...



Visit dhds.cdc.gov for more disability and health data across the United States.

Disability Health and Wellness (DH&W):

Seeks to promote healthy living and prevention of secondary conditions for people with disabilities.

The Division of Disability Services (DDS) collaborates with policy makers, health educators, public and private agencies, and experts in the field of health and wellness on projects and initiatives. DDS aims to promote healthy living and prevention of secondary conditions for people with disabilities and create healthier, more inclusive communities through policy, systems and environmental change.

DH&W Projects:

Preventing Violence and Abuse Against Women with Disabilities

Since 2015, DDS has been awarded funding by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women through the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General Department of Law and Public Safety to strengthen prevention and intervention efforts for sexual assault and domestic violence survivors with disabilities throughout the State of New Jersey.

For a full listing of all County Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Service Providers see Appendix 8 (open to all women - not limited to women with disabilities).

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New Jersey Healthy Communities Network (NJHCN): Community Grants Program

The New Jersey Healthy Communities Network grant program, established by local, regional and statewide leaders, aims to enable communities across the state to promote healthy eating and active living, and reduce obesity and chronic disease, especially among residents at highest risk for poor health outcomes.

DDS is a funder through NJHCN and awards grants to implement healthy eating and active living strategies to advance inclusive environmental, policy and system changes to enhance the lives of people with disabilities.

For more information and to stay up-to-date on developing projects and initiatives visit: www.nj.gov/humanservices/dds/programs/disabilityhealth/

DDS Communications

To stay current with the latest information from DDS, subscribe to our listserv, DDS Communications, via our homepage at: www.nj.gov/humanservices/dds/



CHAPTER 28:

AUTOMOBILITY EQUIPMENT RESOURCES AND CERTIFIED DRIVER REHABILITATION SPECIALISTS (CDRS)

National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association (NMEDA)

NMEDA, a nonprofit trade association representing the Automotive Mobility Industry, is the certifying body for the nationally recognized Quality Assurance Program (QAP), the only accreditation for auto mobility businesses in North America. NMEDA offers resources to assist consumers in understanding and navigating automobility equipment solutions. **For more information**, visit: www.nmeda.org

NJ Quality Assurance Program (QAP) Accredited Dealers

QAP accredited dealers will provide in-depth knowledge of the different types of equipment available, recommend the best vehicles for the equipment needed, help consumers find a local Certified Driver Rehabilitation Specialist (CDRS) for an evaluation, and provide financing options. Unlike a standard dealer, QAP dealers specialize in automobility.

Drive-Master Systems & Controls

37 Daniel Road West Fairfield, NJ 07004 **973-808-9709**

www.drivemastermobility.com/

Categories: High Tech Driving Systems Installer, Mobility Equipment Installer, Structural Vehicle Modifier

FTMobility

255 US Highway 46 West Saddle Brook, NJ 07663 **973-546-1900**

www.ftmobility.com/

Categories: Mobility Equipment

Installer

MobilityWorks

www.mobilityworks.com/

Categories: High Tech Driving Systems Installer, Mobility Equipment Installer,

Structural Vehicle Modifier

MobilityWorks - Cinnaminson 2303 Wallace Blvd Cinnaminson, NJ 08077 1-888-473-5402

MobilityWorks – Farmingdale 5105 New Jersey Route 33 Wall Township, NJ 07727 1-888-473-5402

MobilityWorks – Highland Park 211 Woodbridge Ave Highland Park, NJ 08904 **732-640-5350**

MobilityWorks – Woodbury 1549 Gateway Blvd Woodbury, NJ 08096 **1-888-473-5402**



NJ Certified Driver Rehabilitation Specialists (CDRS)

A CDRS assists new or experienced drivers who have impairments due to illness, trauma, aging or disability get back on the road through state-certified programs that include predriver evaluation, prescriptions for necessary automobility equipment, on the road evaluation and on the road training.

Hackensack Meridian Health at Johnson Rehabilitation Institute at Ocean University Medical Center 425 Jack Martin Blvd

Brick. NJ 08724

732-836-4508

www.hackensackmeridianhealth.org/ en/Locations/Hackensack-Meridian-Johnson-Rehabilitation-Institute-at-Ocean-University-Medical-Center

Hackensack Meridian Health at JFK Johnson Rehabilitation Institute

65 James St.

Edison, NJ 08820

732-321-7056 732-321-7000 ext. 68426

www.hackensackmeridianhealth.org/ en/Services/Rehabilitation

Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation

1199 Pleasant Valley Way West Orange, NJ 07052

973-731-3600 or

973-731-3900 ext. 2322

www.kessler-rehab.com/conditionsand-services/outpatientrehabilitation/

St Joseph's Wayne Medical Center

234 Hamburg Turnpike, Suite 302

Wayne, NJ 07470 973-956-3360 ext. 4

www.stjosephshealth.org/

Moss Rehab Driving School

Einstein Plaza 201 Old York Road, Suite 203 Jenkintown, PA 19046

215-886-7706 ext. 2

<u>DrivingProgram@einstein.edu</u> www.mossrehab.com/driving

Moss Rehab-New Jersey 135 S. Broad St. Woodbury, NJ 08096

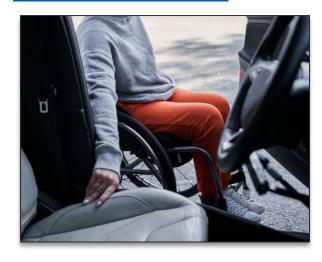
*Note: Moss Rehab of Jenkintown PA is the contact point for the satellite locations in New Jersey.

Lawrence Rehabilitation Hospital

2381 Lawrenceville Road Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

609-896-9500 ex.2494

outpatient@lawrencerehabhospital.com/





CHAPTER 29:

RESOURCES FOR NEW AMERICANS

The Office of New Americans (ONA) in the Department of Human Services supports new Americans through outreach and education, administration of the State's Refugee Resettlement Program, and work on priorities to build trust, improve access to social services, workforce development and employment services, and legal services for immigrants. The ONA seeks to increase accessibility to State programs available to new Americans, including those who speak languages other than English. The ONA also serves as a resource for other state agencies to amplify education and outreach on state initiatives and programs to ensure they reach all new American communities in our state.

For more information, visit www.newamericans.nj.gov

Legal Services

New Jersey's Detention and Deportation Defense Initiative (DDDI)

The Office of New Americans in partnership with community-based legal services providers including Legal Services of New Jersey, American Friends Service Committee, Rutgers Law School, and Seton Hall Law School provides free and expert legal counsel and representation to income eligible individuals who are at risk of deportations or are facing deportation/removal proceedings and do not have access to legal counsel.

American Friends Service Committee

Call to request a telephonic consult: 973-643-1924

Residents of Monmouth and Ocean Counties: 732-902-0460

Detention-related calls: 973-474-9861

Legal Services of New Jersey

Statewide, non-detained immigration matters: 732-572-9100 ext. 8782

Detained individuals or other detention-related calls: 1-888-894-0612

Online intake portal: Isnjlawhotline.org

Legal Representation for Children and Youth Program

The Office of New Americans in partnership with Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) provides free legal counsel and social services coordination to migrant children and youth (under age 21) arriving to New Jersey as unaccompanied minors or currently face immigration court hearings independently of their family may qualify for free help. To request assistance, call **201-305-9217** or submit a referral form at www.njcic.org/refer-a-child.



Refugee Resettlement Program

The New Jersey Department of Human Services, Office of New Americans (NJDHS-ONA) oversees and administers New Jersey's Refugee Resettlement Program (RPP) in partnership with the International Rescue Committee's New Jersey's Office of Refugees (IRC-NJOR). Refugees, asylees, and other eligible groups receive services and supports through this program including cash/rental assistance, case-management, healthcare and employment supports. These supports are provided to ensure the successful resettlement of our new neighbors. For information on the Refugee Resettlement Program, please visit newamericans.nj.gov/programs/refugees.

Refugee Resettlement agencies provide intensive immediate support to recently arrived refugees for the first 90 days after their arrival. This includes housing, case management, medical support, ESL classes, job training and placement, and other supportive services.

If you have been granted asylum and are in New Jersey, you may be eligible for Refugee Support Services (RSS) or other services for asylees. **Please reach out to the Refugee Resettlement Agency near you to find out more.**

Refugee Resettlement Agencies:

Church World Service 591 Summit Ave, Suite 300 Jersey City, NJ 07306 201-659-0467

International Rescue Committee 208 Commerce Place, 4th Floor Elizabeth, NJ 07201 (908) 351-0938 Interfaith-Rise 732-249-7349

Interfaith-RISE (IRISE) - Highland Park 19 S. 2nd Ave Highland Park, NJ 08904

Interfaith-RISE (IRISE) - Vineland 2384 E Landis Ave Vineland, NJ 08361

Other Refugee Support Agencies:

Other refugee support agencies provide services beyond the first 90 days for refugees and other Office of Refugee Resettlement eligible populations who have recently arrived, including employment and ESL services. **Please reach out to an agency near you to find out more.**

Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of Newark

47-71 Miller St. Newark, NJ 07114 201-407-7713 201-306-1338

refugee@ccannj.org

Jewish Vocational Service of Metro

West

7 Glenwood Ave., Lower Level East Orange, NJ 07017

862-704-2300 862-704-2290

WhatsApp/Text: 862-704-3607 WhatsApp/Text: 862-409-9633



Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden

1845 Haddon Ave. Camden, NJ 08103 856-342-4100 856-342-4180

Leonid Foundation 334 US-9 Englishtown, NJ 07726 732-200-2990

info@leonidfoundation.org

Global Emergency Response and Assistance (GERA) 999 Riverview Dr. 2nd Floor Totowa, NJ 07512 info@gera-ngo.org **Greater Bergen Community Action** 235 Main St., 3rd Floor, Hackensack, NJ 07601 **201-968-0200**

Wafa House Clifton, NJ 07015 1-800-930-WAFA (9232) info@wafahouse.org

One World One Love
561 Springfield Ave.
Summit, NJ 07901
hello@oneworldonelovenj.org

Community Support for Newcomers

The Office of New Americans has a variety of resources intended to support newcomers arriving and living in our state. To review and download resources, please visit the links below.

Welcome Booklet - Information and resources to support Newcomers, including legal services, food and income assistance, health services, school enrollment, transportation and more. Available in English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole.

Asylum Guide - This informational guide contains an overview of the process of seeking asylum as a recent arrival to the United States. Available in English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole.

www.newamericans.nj.gov/newcomers

Employment Authorization Document Information - This guidance is for certain migrants who may need to prove eligibility to work in the United States. Information includes: eligibility, how to apply for a work permit, and additional pertinent details.

www.nj.gov/humanservices/njnewamericans/newcomers/employment/

Know Your Rights Resources – Information is available to help community members and businesses understand their rights and responsibilities. Legal advice is not provided, and it is not a substitute for legal assistance. Materials are available in variety languages. Additional supportive resources are included.

www.nj.gov/humanservices/njnewamericans/newcomers/rights/



APPENDIX 1:

COUNTY OFFICES OF DISABILITY SERVICES

All 21 Counties have an office that serves individuals with disabilities. Some counties have a combined aging and disability office referred to as the County Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC). Contact your County office directly for more information regarding specific services and programs for individuals with disabilities.

Atlantic County Office of Disability Services* Shoreview Building, Office #217 101 South Shore Road Northfield, NJ 08225 1-888-426-9243

pio@atlantic-county.org
Bergen County Division of Disability
Services*

One Bergen County Plaza, 2nd Floor Hackensack, NJ 07601-7076 **201-336-6500**

seniors@co.bergen.nj.us

Burlington County Office on Aging** 795 Woodlane Road PO Box 6000 Westampton, NJ 08060

609-265-5069 www.rilnj.org

Camden County Department of Health and Human Services*
Division of Senior & Disabled Services

512 Lakeland Road 4th fl.
Blackwood, NJ 08012

856-858-3220

Cape May County Department of Aging and Disability Services* Human Services Building 3801 Rt. 9 South Rio Grande, NJ 08242 609-886-2784 Cumberland County Office on Aging and Disabled*

Library Complex 800 East Commerce Street Bridgeton, NJ 08302 856-453-2220

Essex County Division of Senior Services* 465 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Room #102
Newark, NJ 07102
973-395-8375

Gloucester County Division of Human and Special Services 115 Budd Blvd. West Deptford NJ, 08096 856-384-6900

Hudson County Office of Inclusion and Accessibility (OIA)* 830 Bergen Avenue, Suite 3B Jersey City, NJ 07306 201-369-5280 ext. 4256

Hunterdon County Division of Senior, Disabilities and Veterans Services* PO Box 2900 Flemington, NJ 08822-2900 908-788-1361 aging@co.hunterdon.nj.us

Mercer County Office on Aging* PO Box 8068 640 South Broad Street Trenton, NJ 08650 609-989-6661 & 6662 adrc@mercercounty.org



Middlesex County Office of Aging and Disabled Services* 75 Bayard Street, 5th Floor New Brunswick, NJ 08901 732-745-3295

Monmouth County Division on Aging, Disabilities & Veterans Services* Monmouth County Human Services Building 3000 Kozloski Rd. Freehold, NJ 07728 732-431-7450

contact@co.monmouth.nj.us

Morris County Division on Aging, Disabilities and Community Programming* 340 West Hanover Avenue, Ground Fl. PO Box 900 Morristown, NJ 07963-0900 973-285-6848

Ocean County Office for Individuals with Disabilities* 1027 Hooper Avenue, Building #2 PO Box 2191 Toms River, NJ 08754-2191 732-506-5374

Passaic County Department of Senior Services, Disabilities and Veterans Affairs* 930 Riverview Drive, Suite #200 Totowa, NJ 07512 973-569-4060

Salem County Office on Aging and Disabilities* 110 Fifth Street, Suite 900 Salem, NJ 08079 856-339-8622 scseniors@salemcountynj.gov Somerset County Aging and Disability Services* 27 Warren Street, First Floor P.O. Box 3000 Somerville, NJ 08876-1262 908-704-6346

OfficeAging@co.somerset.nj.us

Sussex County Division of Senior Services* Sussex County Administration Building 1 Spring Street, 2nd Floor Newton, NJ 07860 973-579-0555 seniorservices@sussex.nj.us

Union County Office for Persons with Disabilities & Special Needs* Union County Administration Building 10 Elizabeth Plaza, 4th floor Elizabeth, New Jersey 07207 908-527-4870 1-888-280-8226 www.ucnj.org/dhs/aging/

Warren County Division of Aging & Disability Services*
Wayne Dumont Jr. Administration Bldg. 165 County Road, Suite #245
Route 519 South
Belvidere, NJ 07823-1949
1-877-222-3737
908-475-6591
seniorservices@co.warren.nj.us

^{*} Office also serves as the County Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC).

^{**} Office also serves as the County's Center for Independent Living (CIL).



APPENDIX 2:

COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES

The County Social Service Agencies provide financial assistance and support to individuals and families who have limited resources and income. For more information regarding services, contact your County office below.

Atlantic County

Department of Family and Community Development

1333 Atlantic Avenue Atlantic City, NJ 08401 **Telephone: 609-348-3001**

Fax: 609-343-2374

Bergen County

Board of Social Services

218 Route 17 North Rochelle Park, NJ 07662 **Telephone: 201-368-4200**

Fax: 201-368-8710

Burlington County

Board of Social Services

Human Services Facility 795 Woodlane Road, Mount Holly, NJ

08060

Telephone: 609-261-1000

Fax: 609-261-0463

Camden County

Board of Social Services

101 Woodcrest Road, Suite 161

Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

Telephone: 856-225-8800

Fax: 856-225-7797

Cape May County

Department of Social Services

Social Services Bldg.

3801 Route 9 S Unit 4, Rio Grande, NJ

08242

Telephone: 609-886-6200

Fax: 609-889-9332

Cumberland County

Board of Social Services

275 North Delsea Dr., Vineland, NJ

08360

Telephone: 856-691-4600

Fax: 856-692-7635

Essex County

Department of Citizen Services Division of Family Assistance & Benefits

321 University Avenue, 2nd floor

Newark, NJ 07102

Telephone: 973-395-8000

Fax: 973-504-9316

Gloucester County

Division of Social Services

400 Hollydell Drive, Sewell, NJ 08080

Telephone: 856-582-9200

Fax: 856-582-6587

Hudson County

Department of Family Services

Welfare Division

257 Cornelison Ave., Jersey City, NJ

07302

Telephone: 201-420-3000

Fax: 201-395-4624

Hunterdon County

Department of Human Services

Division of Social Services 6 Gauntt Place, PO Box 2900

Flemington, NJ 08822 **Telephone: 908-788-1300**

Fax: 908-806-4588



Mercer County

Board of Social Services

200 Woolverton Street, P.O. BOX 1450

Trenton, NJ 08650

Telephone: 609-989-4320

Fax: 609-989-0405

Middlesex County

Board of Social Services

181 How Lane, P.O. BOX 509 New Brunswick, NJ 08903 **Telephone: 732-745-3500**

Fax: 732-745-4558

Monmouth County

Division of Social Services

3000 Kozloski Road, P.O. BOX 3000

Freehold, NJ 07728

Telephone: 732-431-6000

Fax: 732-577-6605

Morris County

Office of Temporary Assistance

340 W. Hanover Ave (Morris Township)

PO Box 900

Morristown, NJ 07963 **Telephone: 973-326-7800**

Fax: 973-829-8531

Ocean County

Board of Social Services

1027 Hooper Avenue, PO Box 547

Toms River, NJ 08754 **Telephone: 732-349-1500**

Fax: 732-244-8075

Passaic County

Board of Social Services

80 Hamilton Street, Paterson, NJ 07505

Telephone: 973-881-0100 pendinginfo@pcbss.org

Salem County

Board of Social Services

147 South Virginia Avenue Penns Grove, NJ 08069

Telephone: 856-299-7200

Fax: 856-299-3245

Somerset County

Board of Social Services

73 East High Street, PO Box 936

Somerville, NJ 08876

Telephone: 908-526-8800

Fax: 908-707-1941

Sussex County

Division of Social Services

83 Spring Street, Suite 203, PO Box 218

Newton, NJ 07860

Telephone: 973-383-3600

Fax: 973-383-3627

Union County

Division of Social Services

342 Westminster Avenue

Elizabeth, NJ 07208

Telephone: 908-965-2700

Fax: 908-965-2752

Warren County

Division of Temporary

Assistance and Social Services

1 Shotwell Drive Belvidere, NJ 07823

Telephone: 908-475-6301

Fax: 908-475-1533



APPENDIX 3:

AREA AGENCIES ON AGING (AAA)/AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CONNECTION (ADRCS)

New Jersey has 21 county-based Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) responsible for developing comprehensive, coordinated systems of community-based services for older adults. AAAs serve as the Aging & Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) lead agencies in their counties to ensure that seniors, adults with disabilities, and their caregivers have easy access to information and long-term services and supports. AAA/ADRCs are responsible for providing outreach, information, and assistance; a screening to assess an individual's needs; and options counseling.

For more information, contact your County ADRC or visit www.adrcnj.org/

Atlantic County Office on Aging Shoreview Building, Office #217 101 South Shore Road Northfield, NJ 08225 1-888-426-9243 pio@atlantic-county.org

Bergen County Division of Senior Services One Bergen County Plaza, 2nd Floor Hackensack, NJ 07601-7076

201-336-7400

seniors@co.bergen.nj.us

Burlington County Office on Aging 795 Woodlane Road Westampton, NJ 08060 PO Box 6000, Mount Holly, NJ 08060 609-265-5069

BCOfficeonAging@co.burlington.nj.us

Camden County Department of Health and Human Services* Division of Senior & Disabled Services 512 Lakeland Ave. 4th Floor. Blackwood, NJ 08012 856-858-3220

seniors@camdencounty.com

Cape May County Division of Aging and Disability Services*
Social Services Building
3801 Route 9 South, Unit 4
Rio Grande, NJ 08242
609-886-2784, 2785

Cumberland County Office on Aging and Disabled*
Administration Building
800 East Commerce Street
Bridgeton, NJ 08302
856-453-2220

Essex County Division of Senior Services 465 Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd., Suite 102 Newark, NJ 07102 973-395-8375

Gloucester County Division of Senior Services 115 Budd Blvd. West Deptford, NJ 08096 856-384-6900 seniors@co.gloucester.nj.us

Hudson County Office on Aging 830 Bergen Avenue, Suite 3B Jersey City, NJ 07306 201-369-4313

Hunterdon County Division of Senior, Disabilities and Veterans Services* 4 Gauntt Place, Bldg. 1 PO Box 2900 Flemington, NJ 08822-2900 908-788-1361, 1362, 1363 aging@co.hunterdon.nj.us



Mercer County Office on Aging* Physical: 2110 Hamilton Avenue

Hamilton, NJ 08619 Mailing: PO Box 8068 Trenton, NJ 08650 609-989-6661, 6662 adrc@mercercounty.org

Middlesex County Office of Aging and **Disabled Services***

75 Bayard Street, 5th Floor New Brunswick, NJ 08901

732-745-3295

Monmouth County Division on Aging, Disabilities & Veterans Services* Monmouth County Human Services Bldg. 3000 Kozloski Rd. Freehold, NJ 07728

732-431-7450

contact@co.monmouth.nj.us

Morris County Division on Aging, Disabilities and Community Programming* 340 West Hanover Avenue, Ground Floor PO Box 900 Morristown, NJ 07963-0900 973-285-6848

Ocean County Office of Senior Services 1027 Hooper Avenue PO Box 2191 Toms River, NJ 08754-2191 732-929-2091

Passaic County Department of Senior Services, Disabilities and Veterans Affairs* 930 Riverview Drive, Suite #200 Totowa, NJ 07512 973-569-4060

Salem County Office on Aging 110 Fifth Street, Suite 900 Salem, NJ 08079 856-339-8622 scseniors@salemcountynj.gov

Somerset County Aging and Disability Services* 27 Warren Street, 1st Floor P.O. Box 3000 Somerville, NJ 08876-1262 908-704-6346 Toll Free: 1-888-747-1122

OfficeAging@co.somerset.nj.us

Sussex County Division of Senior Services Sussex County Administration Building 1 Spring Street, 2nd Floor Newton, NJ 07860 973-579-0555

seniorservices@sussex.nj.us

Union County Division on Aging Union County Administration Building. 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, 4th Floor Elizabeth, NJ 07207

908-527-4870, 4858

Toll Free: 1-888-280-8226

Warren County Division of Aging & Disability Services* Wayne Dumont Jr. Administration Building. 165 County Road, Suite #245 Route 519 South Belvidere, NJ 07823-1949 908-475-6591

seniorservices@co.warren.nj.us

^{*} Also serves as the County office for Individuals with Disabilities



APPENDIX 4:

CENTERS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING (CILS)

CILs are community-based, consumer-driven organizations designed to support individuals with disabilities by providing a multitude of services based on individual needs, such as: life skills training, advocacy, information and referral, peer counseling, socialization and community-based activities. Membership is open to all people with disabilities, their able-bodied friends, and supporters. CILs promote personal growth and empowerment through choice, self-determination, and participation in programs providing information, education, skills development, and networking opportunities. See below for a list of CILs by county.

Atlantic County

Atlantic Center For Independent Living
160 South Pitney Road, Units 3 & 4 Galloway, NJ 08205
609-748-2253

www.atlanticcil.org/index.html

Bergen County

Heightened Independence & Progress (HIP)

131 Main Street, Suite 120 Hackensack, NJ 07601 **201-996-9100**

www.hipcil.org

Burlington County*

*Resources for Independent Living (RIL)

351 High Street, Suite 103 Burlington City, NJ 08016 **609-747-7745**

www.rilnj.org

Camden County

Center For Independent Living
Of South Jersey, Inc. (CIL-SJ)
1150 Delsea Drive, Suite 1 & 2
Westville, NJ 08093
856-853-6490
www.cil-sj.com
CIL-SJ@Outlook.com

Camden City

Camden City Independent Living Center Virtua Camden 1000 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 135 Camden, NJ 08104 856-966-0800

www.camdenilc.org/ Vedasmithccilc@gmail.com

Cape May County

Resources For Independent Living (RIL)

351 High Street, Suite 103 Burlington City, NJ 08016 **609-747-7745**

www.rilnj.org

Cumberland County

Resources for Independent Living (RIL)

614 É. Landis Ave 1st Floor Vineland, NJ 08360 **856-825-0255**

www.rilnj.org



Essex County

DIAL, Inc.

2 Prospect Village Plaza, First Floor Clifton, NJ 07013

973-470-8090

VRS: 973-556-0226 www.dial-cil.org

INFO@Dial-cil.org

Gloucester County

Center for Independent Living of South Jersey, Inc. (CIL-SJ)

1150 Delsea Drive, Suite 1 & 2

Westville, NJ 08093

856-853-6490

www.cil-sj.com

CIL-SJ@Outlook.com

Hudson County

Heightened Independence & Progress-Hudson

35 Journal Square, Suite 912 Jersey City, NJ 07306

201-533-4407

www.hipcil.org

Hunterdon County

Progressive Center for Independent Living (PCIL)

Hunterdon County Branch 1220 Route 31 North Suite 14 Lebanon, NJ 08833

908-782-1055

www.pcil.org

INFO@Pcil.org

Mercer County

Progressive Center for Independent Living (PCIL)

Mercer County Branch 3635 Quakerbridge Rd, Suite 40 Hamilton, NJ 08619

609-581-4500

www.pcil.org

Middlesex County

Alliance Center for Independence

629 Amboy Avenue, 1st Floor, Suite 104 Edison, NJ 08837 **732-738-4388**

www.adacil.org

Monmouth County

MOCEANS Center for Independent

Living

213 Broadway, Room 102 Long Branch, NJ 07740

732-571-4884

INFO@Moceanscil.org www.moceanscil.org

Morris County

DAWN, Inc.

66 Ford Road, Suite 121 Denville, NJ 07834 973-625-1940 1-888-383-DAWN

(1-888-383-3296) VRS: 973-453-4689 www.dawncil.org

INFO@Dawncil.org

Ocean County

MOCEANS Center for Independent Living

213 Broadway, Room 102 Long Branch, NJ 07740

732-571-4884

www.moceanscil.org

Passaic County

DIAL, Inc.

2 Prospect Village Plaza, First Floor

Clifton, NJ 07013

Toll Free: 1-866-277-1733

VRS: 973-556-0226 www.dial-cil.org INFO@Dial-cil.org



Salem County

Resources for Independent Living (RIL)

193 N. Broadway Pennsville, NJ 08070 **856-678-9400** www.rilnj.org

Somerset County

Alliance Center for Independence

629 Amboy Avenue, 1st Floor, Suite 104 Edison, NJ 08837 732-738-4388 www.adacil.org

Sussex County

DAWN, Inc.
66 Ford Road, Suite 121
Denville, NJ 07834
973-625-1940
1-888-383-DAWN
(1-888-383-3296)
VRS: 973-453-4689
www.dawncil.org
INFO@Dawncil.org

Union County

Alliance Center for Independence

629 Amboy Avenue 1st Floor, Suite 104 Edison, NJ 08837 732-738-4388 www.adacil.org

Warren County*

*DAWN, Inc. 66 Ford Road, Suite 121 Denville, NJ 07834 973-625-1940

1-888-383-DAWN (1-888-383-3296)

VRS: 973-453-4689 www.dawncil.org INFO@Dawncil.org

^{*}Office also serves as the County office for individuals with disabilities.



APPENDIX 5:

ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Adult Protective Services (APS) receives reports of suspected abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation of vulnerable adults aged 18 or older who reside in the community. Reports to APS that meet state criteria will generate a thorough assessment, including a private face-to-face interview with the potentially at-risk adult, to determine if further intervention is warranted. All information generated by the investigation is confidential. A report of suspected maltreatment should be made directly to the APS office in the county in which the vulnerable adult resides. The Division of Aging Services may be contacted to help facilitate the report to APS by calling **1-855-825-5277 (855-TELL-APS)**, or calls may be placed directly to the APS office in the individual's county of residence.

County Adult Protective Services

County	Phone Number
Atlantic County	888-426-9243
Bergen County	201-368-4300
Burlington County	609-518-4793
Camden County	856-225-8178
Cape May County	609-886-2784
Cumberland County	856-825-0255
Essex County	866-903-6287
Gloucester County	856-582-9200
Hudson County	201-537-5631
Hunterdon County	908-788-1300
Mercer County	609-989-4346
Middlesex County	732-745-3635
Monmouth County	732-531-9191
Morris County	973-326-7282
Ocean County	732-349-1500
Passaic County	973-881-2616
Salem County	856-339-8622
Somerset County	908-526-8800
Sussex County	973-383-3600
Union County	908-497-3902
Warren County	908-475-6591



APPENDIX 6:

DISABILITY SPECIFIC RESOURCES

This section lists agencies outside of state government that serve individuals with specific disabilities.

AIDS/HIV

Hyacinth AIDS Foundation

Services: Case management, assistance dealing with the emotional impact of HIV, pastoral care, legal advocacy, housing and discharge planning for incarcerated individuals with HIV/AIDS, mental health and substance abuse counseling for those with HIV/AIDS.

317 George Street, Suite 203 New Brunswick, NJ 08901 1-800-433-0254 732-246-0204 www.hyacinth.org

Alzheimer's Disease

Alzheimer's New Jersev

Services: Care consultations, respite and wellness programs, family support groups, clinical research trials, safety awareness programs, education and training.

425 Eaglerock Avenue, Suite 203 Roseland, NJ 07068 **1-888-280-6055 973-586-4300**

www.alznj.org

Alzheimer's Association, Greater New Jersey Chapter

Services: Support groups, help with care giving, education, planning.

23 Vreeland Road, Suite 105 Florham Park, NJ 07932 1-800-272-3900 www.alz.org/nj

Alzheimer's Association, Delaware Valley Chapter

399 Market St., Suite 250 Philadelphia, PA 19106 **856-797-1212**

www.alz.org/delval

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)

The Neuromuscular and ALS Center Services: Diagnosis, treatment, therapeutic drug trials, physical and occupational therapy, and social work

Rutgers-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

125 Paterson Street, Suite 6100 Clinical Academic Bldg. (CAB) New Brunswick, NJ 08901 732-235-7331

rwjms.rutgers.edu/

ALS Association-Greater Philadelphia Chapter

Services: home care, financial support for home modifications, assistive technology, transportation, research, and support groups.

321 Norristown Rd. Suite 260 Ambler, PA 19002 **215-643-5434**

www.alsmidatlantic.org/

Arthritis/Fibromyalgia

Arthritis Foundation-New Jersey Chapter

Services: Advocacy, education, support groups, and outreach.

1-800-283-7800 www.arthritis.org



Autism Spectrum Disorders

Autism New Jersev 1-800-4-AUTISM (1-800-428-8476) 500 Horizon Drive. Suite 530 Robbinsville, NJ 08691 609-588-8200 information@autismnj.org www.autismnj.org/

Autoimmune Disorders

American Autoimmune Related **Diseases Association Services:** Support groups, education, advocacy, and research.

19176 Hall Road, Suite 130 Clinton Township, MI 48038 586-776-3900 www.aarda.org

Cancer

Cancer Hope Network

2 North Rd, Suite A

Services: Provides one-on-one support to patients and caregivers by matching them with volunteers who have survived cancer, also provides information regarding clinical trials.

Chester, NJ 07930 1-877-467-3638 or 908-879-4039 www.cancerhopenetwork.org/

American Cancer Society-NJ

Services: Provides education, a patient navigator program to guide you along the journey, and support services like rides to treatment and lodging nearby treatment centers.

1-800-227-2345

www.cancer.org/about-us/local/newjersey.html

Cancer Thriving and Surviving (CTS) Workshops

This service provides peer-led workshops (2 1/2 hours, once per week for six weeks) in all 21 Counties for people who have completed cancer treatments and/or their caregivers.

Workshop topics include: Techniques to deal with problems such as frustration, fatigue, pain, isolation, poor sleep and living with uncertainty; Exercises for regaining and maintaining flexibility and endurance; Making decisions about treatment and complementary therapies: Communicating effectively with family, friends and health professionals; Nutrition; and Setting priorities.

To find CTS workshops available in your county, please visit:

www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/ser vices/q-z/take-control/

Cardiac/Heart Disease

American Heart and Stroke **Association-New Jersey Affiliate** Services: Provides advocacy and education on the diseases and promotes local events to raise awareness.

609-208-0020

newjersey@heart.org www.heart.org/en/affiliates/newjersey/new-jersey

Saddle Brook Office

Park 80 West, Plaza II 250 Pehle Avenue. Suite 202 Saddle Brook, NJ 07663



Chronic Disease Management

Chronic Disease Self Management Program (CDSMP)

This program provides peer-led workshops (2 1/2 hours, once per week for six weeks) in all 21 Counties to assist people dealing with chronic disease and/or their caregivers to overcome the daily challenges of living with chronic diseases.

www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/q-z/take-control/

Tomando Control de su Salud

Tomando was developed for individuals who speak Spanish. The subjects covered are similar to CDSMP (see above), but they are presented in ways that are culturally appropriate. Workshops are conducted in Spanish without translators.

To find CDSMP or Tomando workshops available in your county, please visit: www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/services/q-z/take-control/agencies.shtml

Chronic Fatigue Syndrome

New Jersey Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Association, Inc. (NJCFSA)

Services: Support groups, college scholarships, education, and advocacy. PO Box 477 Florham Park, NJ 07932

helpdesk@njcfsa.org www.njmecfsa.org

Crohn's Disease

Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America-NJ Chapter

Services: Education, support groups and doctor location services.

766 Shrewsbury Avenue Suite 404, East Building Tinton Falls, NJ 07724 732-786-9960

www.crohnscolitisfoundation.org/chapters/newjersey

Communication Disorders

Adler Aphasia Center

Services: Education, support groups, research, and speech therapy.
60 West Hunter Avenue
Maywood, NJ 07607
201-368-8585
www.AdlerAphasiaCenter.org

Cystic Fibrosis

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation-Greater New Jersey Chapter

Services: Provides information, education, and advocacy services as well as care center locater services, and case management to support individuals and families with CF.

111 Littleton Road - Suite 221 Parsippany, NJ 07054 973-656-9200 www.cff.org/NewJersey/

Diabetes

American Diabetes Association-Greater NYC/NJ Office

Services: Provides diabetes education and promotes healthy living.

1-800-342-2383

www.diabetes.org/local/greater-nynj



Juvenile Diabetes Foundation

Services: Funds research, advocates for policies that accelerate access to new therapies, and provides a support network for millions of people worldwide.

New Jersey Metro and Rockland County Chapter

1480 US Highway 9 North, Suite 306 Woodbridge, NJ 07095

732-219-6654

www.jdrf.org/

Diabetes Foundation

Services: Provides access to critical resources and medication necessary to remain healthy. Serves children, parents, adults, and caregivers regardless of income or healthcare coverage.

411 Hackensack Avenue Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 **201-444-0337**

www.diabetesfoundationinc.org/ info@diabetesfoundationinc.org

Diabetes Self-Management Program

Services: Through a series of workshops, people with diabetes and /or their caregivers meet for 2 1/2 hours once a week for six weeks. The diabetes workshops cover various subjects related to diabetes such as: techniques to deal with symptoms of diabetes, including fatigue, pain, hyper/hypoglycemia, stress, and emotions such as depression, ander. fear and frustration; Exercises for maintaining and improving strength and endurance; Healthy eating; Appropriate use of medication; Working more effectively with health care providers; and Preventing or delaying complications.

For more information, visit:

www.nj.gov/humanservices/doas/ser vices/q-z/take-control/agencies.shtml

Dwarfism

Little People of America (LPA)

Services: LPA offers information on employment, education, disability rights, adoption, medical issues, clothing, adaptive products, and the many stages of parenting a short-statured child. Information is provided through a national newsletter, the LPA Today, and numerous seminars and workshops.

1-888-572-2001

www.lpaonline.org

Dysautonomia

Dysautonomia International-New Jersey Support Group

Services: information, education, advocacy, doctor locator services, support groups, financial assistance resources directory.

newjersey@

dysautonomiainternational.org
www.dysautonomiainternational.org

Eating Disorders

Food Addicts Anonymous

Services: Support and meetings to help with food addiction.

NJ Helpline: 732-244-4324

www.foodaddictsanonymous.org

National Eating Disorders Association

Services: provides help and support to those affected by eating disorders and those who care about them.

1-800-931-2237

www.nationaleatingdisorders.org



Environmental Sensitivities/ Intolerances

National Center for Environmental Health Strategies, Inc.

Services: Works to reduce hazardous exposure, prevent environmental illnesses and injuries, and provides advocacy and education to effect research and policy change.

1100 Rural Avenue Voorhees, New Jersey 08043 856-429-5358; 856-816-8820 marylamielle@ncehs.org www.ncehs.org

Head Injury/Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)

Brain Injury Alliance of New Jersey Services: Information, education, advocacy, and assistance in connecting with TBI services. 825 Georges Road, Second Floor North Brunswick, NJ 08902 732-745-0200

1-800-669-4323 www.bianj.org

For The Traumatic Brain Injury Fund, see Traumatic Brain Injury Fund in Ch. 17.

Huntington's Disease

Huntington's Disease Society of America

Services: HDSA offers Support Groups, Social workers, advocacy, and education.

PO Box 268 Ridgewood, NJ 07451 973-250-6660 newjersey.hdsa.org

Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities

The Arc of New Jersey

Services: provides information, training, mentoring, support and advocacy for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

985 Livingston Avenue North Brunswick, NJ 08902 **732-246-2525**

www.arcnj.org

<u>See chapter 18</u> for more information regarding services for individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities.

Learning Disabilities

The International Dyslexia Association-NJ Branch

Services: education on dyslexia, conferences for educators and individuals with dyslexia, advocacy, and legislative work.

PO Box 32 Long Valley, New Jersey 07853 nj.dyslexiaida.org/

Learning Disabilities Association of New Jersey

Services: LDANJ provides information, support, and advocacy for children and adults with learning disabilities.
614 Cranbury Road Unit 6268
East Brunswick, NJ 08816
732-645-2738

732-645-2738 www.ldanj.org

Lupus

Lupus Foundation of America Services: research, education, peer to peer support groups, doctor referral services, and Advocacy.



Northeast Region (Northern Jersey)

We Work 500 Fashion Ave, Floor 8A New York, NY 10018 **917-675-2636**

www.lupus.org/northeast/home-ne

Philadelphia Tri-State Chapter (Southern Jersey)

101 Greenwood Ave, Suite 200 Jenkintown, PA 19046 **215-517-5070**

www.lupus.org/tristate

Multiple Sclerosis

National Multiple Sclerosis Society-NJ Metro Chapter

Services: Information on issues related to living with MS such as health and wellness, family and relationships, employment, insurance and financial planning, social and emotional support, mobility and accessibility, research and clinical trials.

Aspen Corporate Park 1 1480 U.S. Highway 9 North, Suite 301 Woodbridge, NJ 07095 **732-660-1005**

www.nationalmssociety.org/ Chapters/NJM

National Multiple Sclerosis Society-Greater Delaware Valley Chapter

30 South 17th Street, Suite 800 Philadelphia, PA 19103

1-800-344-4867

www.nationalmssociety.org/Chapters/PAE

Multiple Sclerosis Association of America-National Headquarters

Services: Equipment Distribution
Program Application, Cooling
Distribution Program, MRI Access Fund,
Educational Programs, lending library.
375 Kings Highway North
Cherry Hill, NJ 08034

1-800-344-4867

1-800-532-7667 (Toll Free)

MSquestions@mymsaa.org www.mymsaa.org/

Parkinson's Disease

American Parkinson Disease Association-NJ Chapter

Services: education, support, and patient services to individuals with Parkinson's and their families.

Robert Wood Johnson Fitness and Wellness Center

125 Paterson Street New Brunswick, NJ 08901

732-235-5012

<u>sr1238@rwjms.rutgers.edu</u> <u>www.apdaparkinson.org/community/</u> new-jersey/

Sickle Cell Disease

Sickle Cell Disease Association of America

Services: Case Management, Counseling, Advocacy, Career/Vocational Counseling, Transportation, Community Outreach and Education, LeRoi Simmons Sickle Cell Disease Scholarship, Newborn Screening Follow-Up Program, Support Groups, Be An African—American Hero, Sickle Cell Sabbath.



SCDAA - Philadelphia/Delaware Valley

5300 Wynnefield Avenue, 2nd Floor Philadelphia, PA 19131 **215-471-8686**

www.sicklecelldisorder.com

SCDAA of NJ

1016 Broad street P.O Box 9501 Newark, NJ 07104

973-482-9070

www.sicklecellnewjersey.org

Scleroderma

Scleroderma Foundation

Services: support groups, a toll-free helpline for information and referrals, publish a quarterly magazine and other informational brochures, research, and education.

Delaware Valley Chapter (Southern NJ)

300 Rosewood Drive. Suite 105 Danvers, MA 01923

1-800-722-4673

<u>DVChapter@scleroderma.org</u> <u>www.scleroderma.org/delaware-</u> <u>valley-chapter/</u>

Tri-State Chapter (Northern NJ)

300 Rosewood Drive, Suite 105 Danvers, MA 01923

607-723-2239

<u>sdtristate@sclerodermatristate.org</u> <u>www.scleroderma.org/tri-state-chapter/</u>

Spina Bifida

Spina Bifida Resource Network

Services: family support, advocacy, prevention, education, recreation, financial assistance through the Jane Horowitz Special Medical Needs Fund (SMNF).

84 Park Avenue, Suite G-106 Flemington, NJ 08822 **908-782-7475**

www.thesbrn.org

Spinal Cord Injury (SCI)

Christopher & Dana Reeve Paralysis Resource Center Services:

information, education, advocacy, peer mentor program, online social platform for individuals with paralysis and their loved ones, grants for non-profits, and a Military and Veterans Program (MVP) through which it provides support and programs to help servicemen and women connect with services, programs, and benefits.

Short Hills Plaza 636 Morris Turnpike, Suite 3A Short Hills, NJ 07078 1-800-539-7309 www.christopherreeve.org

United Spinal Association

Services: Information, education, advocacy, one-on-one assistance, and peer support.

1-800-962-9629 www.spinalcord.org



Stroke/CVA

American Stroke Association-NJ Chapters

Services: information, education, advocacy, help connecting with local resources.

609-208-0020

www.stroke.org newjersey@heart.org

Saddle Brook Office

Park 80 West, Plaza II 250 Pehle Avenue, Suite 202 Saddle Brook, NJ, 07663

Tourette Syndrome

New Jersey Center for Tourette Syndrome

Services: Information, education, advocacy, youth development and leadership academies, webinars.

50 Division Street, Suite 205 Somerville, NJ 08876 908-575-7350 www.njcts.org

Transplant

NJ Sharing Network

Services: Recovery and placement of donated organs and tissue for those in need of a life-saving transplant, awareness campaigns to educate people of the importance of organ and tissue donations.

691 Central Avenue New Providence, NJ 07974 1-800-742-7365 www.njsharingnetwork.org/



APPENDIX 7:

DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES (DVRS) COUNTY OFFICES

To schedule an appointment for DVRS, contact the DVRS office below serving your county of residence:

DVRS Atlantic Office

2 South Main Street, Suite 2, 1st Floor

Pleasantville, NJ 08232 **Telephone: 609-813-3933**

VP: 609-224-1218

DVRS Bergen Office

60 State Street, 2nd Floor, Room 203

Hackensack, NJ 07601-5471 **Telephone: 201-996-8970**

VP: 973-968-6556

DVRS Burlington Office

795 Woodlane Road, 2nd Floor

Westampton, NJ 08060 **Telephone: 609-518-3948**

VP: 609-534-3956

DVRS Camden Office

101 Woodcrest Road, Suite 127 Cherry Hill, NJ 08003-3620

Telephone: 856-549-0600 (option 3)

VP: 856-831-7599

DVRS Cape May Office

3801 Route 9 South, Unit 3

Cape May, NJ 08242

Telephone: 609-224-2010

VP: 609-224-1218

DVRS Cumberland/Salem Office

40 East Broad Street, Suite 204 Bridgeton, NJ 08302-2881 **Telephone: 856-453-3888**

VP: 856-497-0075

DVRS Essex Office

990 Broad Street, 2nd Floor

Newark, NJ 07102

Telephone: 973-648-3494

VP: 862-772-7166

DVRS Gloucester Office

1480 Tanyard Road, Suite A

Sewell, NJ 08080

Telephone: 856-384-3730

VP: 856-497-0075

DVRS Hudson Office

438 Summit Avenue, 6th Floor Jersey City, NJ 07306-3187 **Telephone: 201-217-7180**

VP: 201-616-0447

DVRS Mercer Office

Labor Station Plaza 4, PO Box 959

28 Yard Avenue

Trenton, NJ 08625-0959 **Telephone: 609-292-2940**

VP: 609-498-7011

DVRS Middlesex Office

550 Jersey Avenue, PO Box 2672

New Brunswick, NJ 08903 **Telephone: 732-937-6300**

VP: 732-393-8056

DVRS Monmouth Office

60 Taylor Avenue

Neptune, NJ 07753-4844 **Telephone: 732-775-1799**

VP: 732-606-4961

DVRS Morris Office

13 Emery Avenue 2nd Floor

Randolph, NJ 07869

Telephone: 862-397-5600 / Option 4

VP: 973-607-2034



DVRS Ocean Office

1027 Hooper Avenue, Bldg. 6, 3rd Fl., Suite 1 Toms River, NJ 08753-2225

Telephone: 732-505-2310

VP: 732-606-4961

DVRS Passaic Office

200 Memorial Drive, 1st Floor Paterson, NJ 07501

Telephone: 973-742-9226

VP: 973-968-6556

DVRS Somerset/Hunterdon Office

75 Veterans Memorial Drive East

Suite 101

Somerville, NJ 08876-2952 **Telephone: 908-704-3030**

VP: 732-393-8056

DVRS Union Office

921 Elizabeth Avenue, 3rd Floor Elizabeth, NJ 07201

Telephone: 908-965-3940

VP: 908-242-3563

DVRS Sussex/Warren Office

445 Marshall Street Phillipsburg, NJ 08865 **Telephone: 908-329-9190**

VP: 908-645-0616



APPENDIX 8:

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (DV) AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE (SV) SERVICE PROVIDERS

Check with the Division on Women for possible provider changes: **609-888-7164** www.nj.gov/dcf/women/

Glossary of Programs:

Domestic Violence Services (DV): Emergency shelter, counseling/therapy, childcare, survivor support groups, transitional housing, legal advocacy, economic empowerment, advocacy, etc.

Sexual Violence Services (SV): Assistance with obtaining a rape kit, counseling/therapy, survivor support groups, legal advocacy, etc.

Abuse Intervention Programs (AIP): Programs aimed at individuals exerting power and control within their relationship(s), with the goal of change and becoming a healthy relationship partner.

Culturally Specific DV and SV Programs (CS DV/SV): A provider that has a deeper focus on providing services for victim/survivors of a given culture (in addition to all victim/survivors), such as those from African, South Asia, LGBT+, Jewish, and Middle Eastern communities.

Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT): TF-CBT is an evidence-based, therapeutic program for at children and youth exposed to domestic violence. It aims to help children overcome Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), depression, feelings of shame, behavioral difficulties and works to increase children's coping and resiliency.

Peace: A Learned Solution (PALS): The PALS program utilizes a research-based, therapeutic program model to reduce the effects of trauma on children and their non-offending parent. Through creative therapies such as art, dance movement or drama, the PALS program is available for children ages 4-12 that are exposed to domestic violence.

Statewide

NJ Coalition to End Domestic Violence

Services: DV, SV

24/7 Hotline: 1-800-572-SAFE (7233) Videophone for Deaf & Heard of

Hearing: 1-855-812-1001 or Text LOVEIS to 22522

nicedv.org

Legal Services of NJ Domestic Violence Representation Project (DVRP)

Services: CS-DV, CS-SV Office: 732-572-9100

24/7 Hotline: 1-888-LSNJ-LAW

(1-888-576-5529)

www.lsnjlaw.org/legal-topics/familyrelationships/domestic-violence/getrestraining-order/pages/domesticviolence-representation-project-aspx



Rutgers University Office for Violence Prevention & Victim

Assistance Services: SV

Office: 848-932-1181

24/7 Hotline: 848-932-1181

Email: <u>vpva@echo.rutgers.edu</u>

vpva.rutgers.edu

New Jersey Address Confidentiality

Program (ACP) Hotline:

1-877-218-9133

New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault 24/7 Hotline: 1-800-601-7200

New Jersey Domestic Violence 24/7

Hotline: 1-800-572-SAFE (7233)

Women's Referral Central 24/7

Hotline: 1-800-322-8092

Atlantic County

AVANZAR

Services: DV, SV, PALS
Office: 609-601-9925

24/7 HOTLINE Phone: 1-800-286-4184 24/7 HOTLINE Text: 609-569-5437

www.avanzarnow.org

The Alcove Center for Grieving

Children & Families

Services: DV

Office: 609-848-1133

thealcove.org

Bergen County

Alternatives to Domestic Violence

Services: DV

Office: 201-336-6000

24 Hour Hotline: 201-336-7575 Email: <u>info@alternativestodv.org</u> <u>alternativestodomesticviolence.org</u> **Center for Hope and Safety**

Services: DV, PALS
Office: 201-498-9247

24 Hour Hotline: 201-944-9600 Email: info@hopeandsafetynj.org

www.hopeandsafetynj.org

Healing Space - YWCA of NNJ

Services: SV

Office: 201-881-1700

24 Hour Hotline: 201-487-2227 www.ywcannj.org/healingspace

Women's Rights Information Center

Services: DV

Office: 201-568-1166

Email: support.wric@womensrights.org

www.womensrights.org/

Burlington County

CONTACT of Burlington County

Services: SV

Office: 856-234-5484

Email: info@contactburlco.org

contactburlco.org

Catholic Charities of Trenton
Providence House, Burlington Cty

Services: DV, PALS
Office: 1-800-360-7711

24 Hour Hotline: 609-871-7551

Email: info@cctrenton.org

www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org/loc

ations/burlington-county/

Exhale

Services: CS-DV
Office: 609-332-2133

exhale2day.org



Camden County

Camden County Women's Center NJ Association of Corrections

Services: DV

Office: 856-963-5668

24 Hour Hotline: 856-227-1234
Email: ccwcinfo@njaconline.org
njaconline.org/what-we-do/domestic-

abuse/camden-county/

Harambe Social Services Services: CS-DV, CS-SV Office: 609-225-6936

Email: info@harambesocialservices.org

harambesocialservices.org

Hispanic Family Center of SNJ

Services: CS-DV, CS-SV Office: 856-541-6985

Email: info@hispanicfamilycenter.com

hispanicfamilycenter.com

Services Empowering the Rights of

Victims (SERV)

Center for Family Services

Services: SV

Office: 877-922-2377

24/7 Hotline: 1-866-295-SERV (7378)

Email: serv@centerffs.org www.centerffs.org/serv

Cape May County

CARA, Inc.

Services: DV, SV, AIP
Office: 609-522-6489
Toll-Free: 877-294-2272

Email: carasafe1@cara-inc.net

www.cara-cmc.org

Acenda

Services: TF-CBT **Office: 844-422-3632**

https://acendahealth.org/programs/child-teen-counseling-therapy-services/

Center for Family Services Services: DV, SV, TF-CBT

Office: 877-922-2377

24/7 Hotline: 1-866-295-SERV (7378)

Email: serv@centerffs.org https://www.centerffs.org/serv

Essex County

DREAMS Program of Essex

Family Connections

Services: PALS

Office: 973-675-3817

Email: <u>dreams@familyconnectionsnj.org</u> <u>www.familyconnectionsnj.org/what-</u> <u>we-do/domestic-violence-services/</u>

Essex County Family Justice Center

Services: DV

Office: 973-230-7229 www.essexcountyfjc.org/

Family Service League, Inc.

Services: SV

Office: 973-746-0800

Email: info@familyserviceleague.org

www.familyserviceleague.org

Ironbound Community Corporation

Services: CS-DV **Office:** 973-589-3353

Email: info@ironboundcc.org

ironboundcc.org/

My Sister's Lighthouse Resource

Center Services: DV

Office: 866-768-1978

Email: mysisterslighthouse@yahoo.com

www.mysisterslighthouse.com/



North Jersey Community Research

Initiative

Services: CS-DV
Office: 973-483-3444
Email: nicri@nicri.org

www.njcri.org/

The Safe House

Clara Maass Medical Center

Services: DV

Office: 973-759-2378

24 Hour Hotline: 973-759-2154

www.rwjbh.org/clara-maass-medical-center/treatment-care/domestic-

violence/

Partners

Services: CS-DV, CS-SV Office: 973-233-0111 Text: 732-535-6318

Email: gethelp@partnersnj.org

partnersnj.org

Gloucester County

Services Empowering the Rights of

Victims (SERV)

Center for Family Services Services: DV, SV, TF-CBT Office: 877-922-2377

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24/7 Hotline: 1-866-295-SERV (7378)

Email: <u>serv@centerffs.org</u> <u>www.centerffs.org/serv</u>

Hudson County

Care Point Health Foundation

Services: SV

Office: 201-795-8000

Email:

info@carepointhealthfoundation.org

carepointhealthfoundation.org/

services/

Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of

Newark

Services: TF-CBT Office: 201-798-9957

https://www.ccannj.org/children-and-

family/

Women Rising, Inc.

Services: DV

Office: 201-333-5700

24/7 Hotline: 201-333-5700 Email: info@womenrising.org

www.womenrising.org

Hunterdon County

SAFE in Hunterdon Services: DV, SV

Office: 908-806-0019

24/7 Hotline: 908-788-4044 www.safeinhunterdon.org

Mercer County

Services Empowering the Rights of

Victims (SERV)

Center for Family Services

Services: CS-DV Office: 877-922-2377

24/7 Hotline: 1-866-295-SERV (7378)

Email: <u>serv@centerffs.org</u> www.centerffs.org/serv

Central Jersey Legal Services

Services: CS-DV, CS-SV Office: 609-695-6249

centraljerseylegalservices.org/

Children's Home Society

Services: TF-CBT

Nicole Coburger; 609-802-5213 Email: ncoburger@chsofnj.org

Dolores Bryant; 609-695-6274 Ext. 171

Email: dbryant@chsofnj.org

chsofnj.org/services/counselingservices/trauma-support-services/



YOUnity, Inc. Services: DV, SV Office: 609-394-0136

24/7 Hotline: 609-394-9000 Deaf & Hard of Hearing Text:

609-619-1888

Email: info@womanspace.org

www.womanspace.org

Middlesex County

Center for Empowerment
Middlesex County Office of Health
Services

Services: SV

Office: 732-745-3000 Hotline: 1-877-665-7273

www.middlesexcountynj.gov/govern ment/departments/department-ofpublic-safety-and-health/office-of-

health-services/center-for-

empowerment

Central Jersey Legal Services

Services: CS-DV, CS-SV **Office: 732-249-7600**

centraljerseylegalservices.org/

Manavi Inc.

Services: CS-DV, CS-SV **24/7 Multilingual Hotline:**

732-435-1414

Email: manavi@manavi.org https://www.manavi.org/

Prevention Resources, Inc.

Services: AIP

Office: 908-782-3909

njprevent.com

Women Aware, Inc. Services: DV, PALS Office: 732-249-4900

24/7 Hotline: 732-249-4504 www.womenaware.net

Monmouth County

180 Turning Lives Around Services: DV, SV, PALS Office: 732-264-4360

Domestic Violence Hotline:

888-843-9262

Sexual Violence Hotline:

888-264-7273

Deaf & Hard of Hearing Text Hotline:

732-977-2832

Email:infor@180nj.org

<u>180nj.org</u>

Community Affairs and Resource

Center

Services: CS-DV, CS-SV
Office: 732-774-3282
https://carcnj.org

Mercy Center

Services: CS-DV, CS-SV Office: 732-774-9397

Email: info@mercycenternj.org

www.mercycenternj.org

Morris County

Jersey Battered Women Services

Services: DV, TF-CBT
Office: 973-267-7520
24/7 Hotline & Referrals:

1-877-782-2873

Deaf & Hard of Hearing Text Hotline:

973-314-4192

Email: info@jbws.org

www.jbws.org

Morris CARES/Atlantic Health System

Services: SV

Office: 973-971-4754

24/7 Hotline: 973-829-0587



Ocean County

Providence House – Ocean County Catholic Charities of Trenton

Services: DV, PALS
Office: 732-350-2120

24/7 Hotline: 732-244-8259 Toll Free: 1-800-246-8910 Email: info@cctrenton.org

www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org/loc

ations/ocean-county/

St. Francis Community Center

Services: SV

Office: 609-494-1554 24/7 Hotline: 609-494-1090

www.stfranciscenterlbi.org/counselin

g-service

Passaic County

Passaic County Domestic and Sexual Violence Center (Formerly Women's Center)

Services: DV, SV, PALS
Office: 973-881-0725

24/7 Hotline: 973-881-1450

www.passaiccountywomenscenter.org

Center for Family Services

Services: AIP

Office: 973-922-2377

24/7 Hotline: 1-866-295-SERV (7378)

Email: access@centerffs.org

www.centerffs.org/our-

services/counseling-behavioral-health/domestic-violence-abuse-

intervention-program

Project SARAH

Jewish Family Service & Children's Center of Clifton-Passaic, Inc. Services: CS-DV, CS-SV, PALS

Office: 973-777-7638 ext. 300

Email: <u>hereforyou@projectsarah.org</u> jfsclifton.org/project-sarah-new

Wafa House

Services: CS-DV, CS-SV

Office: 1-800-930-WAFA (9232)

www.wafahouse.org

Salem County

Salem County Women's Services

Services: DV, SV, TF-CBT

Office & Hotline: 856-935-6655

www.salemcountywomensservices.org

Somerset County

Safe + Sound Somerset

Services: DV, SV, TF-CBT Office: 908-359-0003

24/7 Hotline (call or text):

1-866-685-1122

www.safe-sound.org

Sussex County

Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault

Intervention Services (DASI)

Services: DV, SV, TF-CBT Office: 973-579-2386

24/7 Hotline: 973-875-1211

Deaf & Hard of Hearing Text Hotline:

973-222-2593

TTY Hotline: 973-875-6369

www.dasi.org

Project Self-Sufficiency of Sussex

County Services: DV

Office: 973-940-3500

Email: pss@projectselfsufficiency.org

www.projectselfsufficiency.org/

Union County

Access Family Services

Services: Abuse Intervention Program

Office: 862-520-3937 Toll-free: 855-481-5837 Email: bip@afsnj.org

www.afsnj.org/



Union County Rape Crisis Center

Services: SV

Office: 908-233-7273 24/7 Hotline: 908-233-7273

TTY: 908-232-1435

unioncountyrapecrisiscenter.blogspo

t.com/

YWCA Union County Services: DV, PALS Phone: 908-355-1995

24/7 Hotline: 908-355-HELP (4357) Email: info@ywcaunioncounty.org

www.ywcaunioncounty.org/

Warren County

Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault

Crisis Center (DASACC)
Services: DV, SV, TF-CBT

P.O. Box 42

Belvidere, NJ 07823 Office: 908-453-4121

Toll-free: 1-866-6BE-SAFE (623-7233)

24/7 Hotline: 908-453-4181 24/7 Webchat Hotline: www.dasacc.org/web-chat

www.dasacc.org

Rutgers University, School of Social Work Center for Research for Ending Violence (REV)

REV strives to eliminate physical, sexual, and other forms of violence against women and children and the power imbalances that permit them. They accomplish their mission through a collaborative approach that focuses on multidisciplinary research and evaluation, education, and community engagement.

123 Church Street

New Brunswick, NJ 08901 **Phone: 848-932-4397**



APPENDIX 9:

DISPLACED HOMEMAKER PROGRAMS

The New Jersey Department of Families' Division on Women administers 22 Displaced Homemaker Programs in all 21 counties.

Atlantic County

AVANZAR

927 North Main St. Heritage Sq. Bldg. D Pleasantville, NJ 08232 **609-601-9925**

Bergen County

Bergen County Technical Schools

540 Fairview Avenue Paramus, NJ 07652 **201-343-6000 ext. 5533**

Women's Rights Information Center

108 W. Palisade Avenue Englewood, NJ 07631 **201-568-1166**

Burlington County

Women's Opportunity Center

Greater Philadelphia YMCA 8008 Route 130 N, Suite 216 Delran, NJ 08075 856-231-9622, ext. 3918

Camden County

Center for Family Services, Inc.

574 Benson Street Camden, NJ 08103 **609-304-4084**

Cape May County

Center for Family Services, Inc.

601 South Main Street
Cape May Court House, NJ 08210
609-238-0704

Cumberland County

Rowan County College of S. Jersey Community & Technical Education 321 North High St.
Millville, NJ 08332
856-776-2385

Essex County

National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) Center for Women

70 South Orange Avenue, Suite 120 Livingston, NJ 07039 973-994-4994

Gloucester County

Rowan County College of S. Jersey Center for People in Transition

1400 Tanyard Road Sewell, NJ 08080 **856-415-2264**

Hudson County

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark

2201 Bergenline Avenue, 3rd Floor Union City, NJ 07087 **201-325-4800**

Hunterdon County

NORWESCAP

Career & Life Transitions Center 84 Park Avenue, Suite E 103 Flemington, NJ 08822 908-788-1453



Mercer County

AVANZAR

208 West State St., 1st Floor Trenton, NJ 08608 **609-601-9925 ext. 1001**

Middlesex County

Jewish Family Services of Middlesex County, Women's Center

219C Blackhorse Lane North Brunswick, NJ 08902 **732-777-1940 833-JFS-HELP (537-4357) Toll Free**

Monmouth County

Brookdale at Long Branch

765 Newman Springs Road Lincroft, NJ 07738 **732-739-6018**, **732-739-6020**

Morris County

The Women's Center at County College of Morris

214 Center Grove Road SCC115 Randolph, NJ 07869 **973-328-5025**

Ocean County

Ocean County Community College

College Drive, P.O. Box 2001 Toms River, NJ 08754 **732-255-0400 ext. 2297**

Passaic County

Women in Transition
Wayne Counseling Center, Inc.
1022 Hamburg Turnpike
Wayne, NJ 07470
973-694-9215

Salem County

Center for Family Services, Inc.

2 Chestnut Street, Suite A Pennsville, NJ 08070 **609-238-0704**

Somerset County

NORWESCAP Career & Life

Transitions Center

Presbyterian Church 170 Watchung Avenue North Plainfield, NJ 07060

908-454-7000

Sussex County

Project Self-Sufficiency Sussex Cnty

127 Mill Street Newton, NJ 07860 **973-940-3500**

Union County

Union County College

40 West Jersey Street, Lessner Bldg. Elizabeth, NJ 07202 **908-659-5190**

Warren County

NORWESCAP

Career & Life Transitions Center

16 Broad Street, Suite 7 Washington, NJ 07882 **908-835-2624**



APPENDIX 10:

CONNECTING NJ

Individuals and families who are interested in getting connected can contact a Connecting NJ office listed below.

Atlantic County

The Connection
The Cooperative
800-611-8326
thecooperative.org

Bergen County

Connecting NJ – Bergen County
Partnership for Maternal & Child Health
of Northern NJ
973-942-3630 x11
www.pmch.org

Burlington County

The Connection
The Cooperative
800-611-8326
thecooperative.org

Camden County

The Connection
The Cooperative
800-611-8326
thecooperative.org

Cape May County

The Connection
The Cooperative
800-611-8326
thecooperative.org

Cumberland County

CGS Connect Acenda Integrated Health 856-431-4180

Essex County

Prevent Child Abuse NJ
Essex Pregnancy and Parenting
Connection
973-621-9157

Gloucester County

CGS Connect
Acenda Integrated Health
856-431-4180

Hudson County

Connecting NJ – Hudson County
Partnership for Maternal & Child Health
of Northern NJ
201-876-8900
www.pmch.org

Hunterdon County

Connecting NJ – Hunterdon Central Jersey Family Health Consortium 888-551-6217 www.cjfhc.org/

Mercer County

Connecting NJ – Mercer County
Central Jersey Family Health
Consortium
888-551-6217
www.cjfhc.org/



Middlesex County

Connecting NJ - Middlesex County

Central Jersey Family Health

Consortium

888-551-6217

www.cjfhc.org/

Monmouth County

CHS of NJ Monmouth –

Connecting NJ

Children's Home Society

1-877-352-7843

Morris County

Connecting NJ - Morris

Partnership for Maternal Health & Child

Health of Norther NJ 973-343-2650

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Ocean County

CHS of NJ Monmouth – Connecting

NJ

Children's Home Society

1-877-352-7843

Passaic County

Connecting NJ - Passaic County

Partnership for Maternal Health & Child

Health of Norther NJ

973-942-3600 ext. 14

Salem County

CGS Connect

Acenda Integrated Health

856-431-4180

Somerset County

Connecting NJ – Somerset County

Central Jersey Family Health

Consortium

888-551-6217

www.cjfhc.org/

Sussex County

Project Family Connect

Project Self-Sufficiency

1-844-807-3500

www.projectselfsufficiency.org

Union County

Connecting NJ – Morris

Partnership for Maternal Health & Child

Health of Norther NJ

973-343-2650

Warren County

Project Family Connect

Project Self-Sufficiency

1-844-807-3500

www.projectselfsufficiency.org



APPENDIX 11:

FAMILY SUCCESS CENTERS

New Jersey's 57 Family Success Centers (FSC) are "one-stop shops" that provide information, resources, and supports that families need in order to thrive.

Atlantic County

success-center/

Oceanside I Family Success Center 201 Melrose Avenue, Unit 3 Atlantic City, NJ 08401 609-236-8800

www.oceanside1fsc.org/

Oceanside II Family Success Center 3201 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City, NJ 08401 609-594-4990 www.oceanside2fsc.org/

Hammonton Family Success Center 310 Bellevue Avenue Hammonton, NJ 08037 609-567-2900 www.atlanticare.org/for-our-community/hammonton-family-

The New Day Family Success Center 622-624 S. New York Road Galloway, NJ 08205 609-652-0230 www.newday-fsc.org/

Inland Family Success Center 3050 Spruce Avenue Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234 609-569-0376 www.inland-fsc.org/

Bergen County

Bridges Family Success Center
44 Armory Street
Englewood, NJ 07631
201-568-0817
www.bergenfamilycenter.org/SandP
Community-2.html

Meadowlands Family Success Center 100 Washington Avenue Little Ferry, NJ 07643 201-464-4714 www.meadowlandsymca.org/familysuccess-center/

Burlington County

Generations Family Success Center
45 High Street
Mount Holly, NJ 08060
609-267-4001
www.legacytreatment.org/locations/g
enerations-family-success-center/

Pinelands Family Success Center 55 Pemberton Browns Mills Road Pemberton Township, NJ 08015 609-261-5847 www.pembertonfsc.org/

Camden County

Evolution Family Success Center
2850 Federal Street
Camden City, NJ 08105
856-963-0270
www.hispanicfamilycenter.com/healt
h-education-2/



Promise Neighborhood

Family Success Center 580 Benson Street Camden City, NJ 08103 856-964-8096

www.centerffs.org/ourservices/communityconnections/promiseneighborhoodfsc

Building Bridges Family Success Center

180 White Horse Pike Clementon, NJ 08021 **856-309-1019**

www.centerffs.org/ourservices/communityconnections/buildingbridges-fsc

Orchards Family Success Center

416 Sicklerville Road, Unit A-2 Sicklerville, NJ 08081 856-513-8829 www.orchardsfsc.org/

Cape May County

Shore Family Success Center 1046B Route 47 Rio Grande, NJ 08242 609-778-6226 www.shorefsc.org/

Cumberland County

Greater Bridgeton Family Success Center

155 Spruce Street Bridgeton, NJ 08302 **856-451-1133**

www.gatewaycap.org/familysuccess

Holly City Family Success Center 21 East Main Street, Rear Suite Millville, NJ 08332

856-327-1510

www.gatewaycap.org/familysuccess

Monarch Family Success Center of Vineland

1038 E. Chestnut Avenue, Suite 235 Vineland, NJ 08360 **856-507-7840**

www.inspirahealthnetwork.org/locations/inspira-monarch-family-success-center

Forest Lakes 1 Family Success Center

2009 Spring Garden Road Millville, NJ 08332 **856-413-5494**

www.inspirahealthnetwork.org/locations/inspira-forest-lakes-family-success-center-port-norris

Forest Lakes 2 Family Success Center

8879 Highland Street Port Norris, NJ 08349 **856-413-5494**

www.inspirahealthnetwork.org/locations/inspira-forest-lakes-family-success-center-port-norris

Essex County

East Orange Family Success Center 132 South Harrison Street East Orange, NJ 07018 973-395-1442 www.eastorange-fsc.org/

FOCUS Family Success Center

441-443 Broad Street Newark, NJ 07102 973-624-2528 ext. 114 www.focus411.org

Ironbound Community Corporation Family Success Center - Cortland St 29-31 Cortland Street

Newark, NJ 07105 973-344-5949 ext. 205 www.ironboundcc.org



Ironbound Community Corporation
Family Success Center - Elm Street

317 Elm Street Newark, NJ 07105 **973-465-0555 ext. 202** www.ironboundcc.org

Unity Family Success Center

50 Union Avenue, Suite 403 Irvington, NJ 07111 973-372-4353 www.pmch.org

www.pilicii.org

LaCasa's 1 Family Success Center

28 Broadway Newark, NJ 07104 973-483-2703 ext. 2208 www.lacasanwk.org

LaCasa's 2 Family Success Center

282 First Avenue Newark, NJ 07107 973-482-9002 www.lacasanwk.org

The North Ward Center Family

Success Center

346 Mt. Prospect Avenue Newark, NJ 07104 **973-481-0415**

www.northwardcenter.org/programs/ north-ward-family-success-center/

Weequahic Family Success Center

434 Chancellor Avenue Newark, NJ 07112 862-237-7401 www.nesfnj.org/

Gloucester County

Evergreen Family Success Center

21 Delaware Street Woodbury, NJ 08096 **856-848-7150**

www.hispanicfamilycenter.com/

Mosaic Family Success Center

110 East High Street Glassboro, NJ 08028 856-347-4338 www.mosaicfsc.org/

Hudson County

Liberty Family Success Center

341 Kearny Avenue Kearny, NJ 07032 **201-622-2210**

www.preventionlinks.org/familysuccess/liberty-fsc/

Palisades Family Success Center

1408 New York Avenue
Union City, NJ 07087
201-758-8792 or 201-758-8793
www.preventionlinks.org/familysuccess/palisades-family-successcenter/

Skyway Family Success Center

35 Journal Square Plaza Jersey City, NJ 07306 **201-884-2224**

www.preventionlinks.org/familysuccess/skyway-fsc/

Hunterdon County

Harvest Family Success Center

5 East Main Street Flemington, NJ 08822 **908-237-0465**

www.njprevent.com/harvest/



Mercer County

Heritage North Family Success Center

1554 Princeton Avenue Trenton, NJ 08638 **609-393-2980**

<u>chsofnjstg.wpengine.com/services/m</u> <u>aternal-child-health-family-success-</u> <u>centers</u>

Heritage South Family Success Center

635 S. Clinton Avenue Trenton, NJ 08611 **609-695-6274**

<u>chsofnjstg.wpengine.com/services/m</u> <u>aternal-child-health-family-success-</u> centers

Middlesex County

Bayside Family Success Center

500 Dobranski Drive Perth Amboy, NJ 08861 **732-638-5063**

www.jrfnj.org/community_action/community-and-family-services/family-success-center.html

Greenway Family Success Center

1005 Rahway Avenue Avenel, NJ 07001 **732-527-3400**

www.preventionlinks.org/familysuccess/greenway-fsc/

Harmony Family Success Center 255 Livingston Avenue New Brunswick, NJ 08901 732-640-0801, 732-640-8517 www.prab.org/programs-services/family-services/

Mobile Family Success Center 26 Safran Ave Edison, NJ 08837

732-646-4057, 732-646-4055 www.ccdom.org/mfscmiddlesex

Monmouth County

Bayshore Family Success Center Henry Hudson Trail Activity Center 945 Route 36 Leonardo, NJ 07737 732-497-3811 www.YMCANJ.org/bfsc

Coastal Communities Family Success Center

300 Broadway, Rear Entrance Long Branch, NJ 07740 732-571-1670 www.coastalfsc.org/

Oceans Family Success Center 1004 Comstock Street, First Floor

Asbury Park, NJ 07712 732-455-5272

www.OceansFSC.com

Morris County

Excellence Family Success Center 73 Basset Highway Dover, NJ 07801 973-620-9711 www.pcmh.org

Ocean County

Anchor Family Success Center

101 Prosper Way Brick, NJ 08723 **848-241-9346**

www.chsofnj.org/services/maternalchild-health-family-success-centers

Lakewood Community Services Corporation Family Success Center

415 Carey Street Lakewood, NJ 08701 **732-901-6001**

www.thelcsc.org/family/



Oasis Family Success Center

399 N. Main St. Manahawkin, NJ 08050 **609-994-0200**

www.oasisfsc.org/

Passaic County

New Destiny Family Success Center of Paterson

79 Ellison Street Paterson, NJ 07505 **973-278-0220**

www.newdestinyfsc.org/

Straight & Narrow Family Success Center

101 Cedar Street Paterson, NJ 07501 **973-333-6240**

www.ccpaterson.org/fsc

Highlands Family Success Center 1801 Greenwood Lake Tpke.

Hewitt, NJ 07421 **973-506-6575**

www.highlandsfsc.org/

Salem County

Birdseye Family Success Center

364 South Broadway Street Pennsville, NJ 08070 **856-517-9100**

www.birdseyefsc.org/

Riverview Family Success Center

157 West Main Street Penns Grove, NJ 08069 **856-517-0029**

www.riverviewfsc.org/

Salem Family Success Center

14 New Market Street Salem, NJ 08079 **856-935-8768**

www.gatewaycap.org/familysuccess

Somerset County

Pioneer Family Success Center 50 Division Street, Suite 303 Somerville. NJ 08876

908-722-4400

www.pioneerfsc.com

Sussex County

Journey Family Success Center at Project Self Sufficiency

127 Mill Street Newton, NJ 07860 973-940-3500

www.journeyfsc.org

Union County

Bayway Family Success Center

10 1st Street Elizabeth, NJ 07206 **908-289-0136**

www.preventionlinks.org/familysuccess/bayway-fsc/

Cardinal Family Success Center

1200 Myrtle Avenue Plainfield, NJ 07060 **908-731-4200**

<u>plainfieldfamilysuccesscenter.godad</u> dysites.com/

The Village Family Success Center

70 W. Grand Street Elizabeth, NJ 07201 908-469-9508

www.villagefsc.org

Warren County

Traditions Family Success Center

712 South Main Street Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

908-454-3400

www.norwescap.org/education/traditions-family-success-center/



APPENDIX 12:

FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS (FQHC)

New Jersey's Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) deliver high quality health care to all people regardless of their ability to pay. You don't need health insurance to receive care at a health center. They serve the uninsured as well as patients with Medicaid, NJ FamilyCare, Medicare and private insurance. If you are uninsured, fees are charged based on your income level using a sliding fee scale. No one is ever turned away for lack of funds.

Health centers provide a wide range of services which include:

- Comprehensive Primary & **Preventive Health Care**
- Pediatric Services
- Dental Care
- Women's Health

- **Behavioral/Mental Health**
- **Lab Services**
- **HIV/AIDS Counseling & Testing**
- And much more

Health Centers are conveniently located statewide. To locate the health center nearest you, please visit https://healthapps.state.nj.us/fhs/cphc/cphcSearch.aspx

Atlantic County

AtlantiCare Health Services

54 West Jimmie Leeds Road Galloway, NJ 08205

1-888-569-1000

www.atlanticare.org/

AtlantiCare Health Services

1401 Atlantic Avenue **Suite 2600** Atlantic City, NJ 08401 609-572-6055

www.atlanticare.org/

Southern Jersey Family Medical Center

3003 English Creek Ave. Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234 609-481-3185

www.sjfmc.org/

Southern Jersey Family Medical Center - Women's & Children's **Pavillion**

1125 Atlantic Avenue Atlantic City, NJ 08041

609-348-0066

www.sjfmc.org/

Southern Jersey Family Medical Centers

860 S. White Horse Pike, Bldg. A Hammonton, NJ 08037

609-567-0200

www.sifmc.org/

Southern Jersey Family Medical **Centers - Atlantic City Center**

1301 Atlantic Avenue Atlantic City, NJ 08401

609-572-0000

www.sjfmc.org/



Southern Jersey Family Medical Centers - Pleasantville Center

932 South Main Street Pleasantville, NJ 08232

609-383-0880

www.sjfmc.org/

Southern Jersey Family Medical Centers - The Mobile Medic

860 S. White Horse Pike, Bldg. A Hammonton, NJ 08037

1-800-486-0131 ext. 4276

www.sjfmc.org/

Bergen County

North Hudson Community Action Corporation Health Center

197 South Van Brunt Street Englewood, NJ 07631

201-537-4442

http://www.nhcac.org/

North Hudson Community Action Corporation Health Center - Garfield

535 Midland Avenue Garfield, NJ 07026

973-340-1182

www.nhcac.org/

North Hudson Community Action Corporation Health Center -

Hackensack 25 E. Salem St

Hackensack, NJ 07601

201-996-2121

www.nhcac.org/

Burlington County

Southern Jersey Family Medical Center - New Lisbon Center

600 Pemberton/Browns Mills Road

Pemberton, NJ 08068

609-894-1100

www.sifmc.org/

Southern Jersey Family Medical

Centers

651 High Street
Burlington City, NJ 08016

609-386-0775

www.sjfmc.org/

Southern Jersey Family Medical Centers - The Mobile Medic for Mt.

Holly

600 Pemberton/Browns Mills Rd.

Pemberton, NJ 08068

1-800-486-0131, ext. 4276

www.sjfmc.org/

Camden County

CAMcare Health Corporation -

Clementon Office

121 Whitehorse Pike Clementon, NJ 08021

856-627-7701

www.camcare.net/

CAMcare Health Corporation - East

2610 Federal Street

Camden, NJ 08105

856-635-0203(Adult)

856-635-0212(OB/GYN)

856-635-0307(Dental)

856-635-0311(Pediatrics)

www.camcare.net/

CAMcare Health Corporation -

Gateway Health Center

817 Federal Street, Suite 300

Camden, NJ 08103-1539

856-541-3270

www.camcare.net/

CAMcare Health Corporation - North

6th and Erie Streets

Camden, NJ 08102-1820

856-757-9180

www.camcare.net/



CAMcare Health Corporation - Odessa Polk Jones Health Center

813 Ferry Ave Camden, NJ 08105 **856-602-4012**

www.camcare.net

CAMcare Health Corporation - South Office

8th and Carl Miller Blvd Camden, NJ 08103-1025

856-541-4926

www.camcare.net

Osborn Family Medical Health Center

1601 Haddon Ave Camden, NJ 08103 **856-757-3700**

www.osbornfamilyhealthcenter.com/

Project H.O.P.E. - West Street Health Center

519-525 West Street Camden, NJ 08103 **856-968-2320**

www.projecthopecamden.org/

Cape May County

CompleteCare Health Network - CompleteCare Medical & Dental Professionals

3 Broadway Cape May C

Cape May Court House, NJ 08210

609-465-0258, 856-451-4700

www.completecarenj.org/

CompleteCare Health Network - Wildwood Crest Community Health Center

3700 New Jersey Avenue Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260

856-451-4700

www.completecarenj.org/

Cumberland County

CompleteCare Health Network

105 Manheim Avenue Bridgeton, NJ 08302 **856-451-4700**

www.completecarenj.org/

CompleteCare Health Network

785 W Sherman Ave., Vineland, NJ 08360 **856-451-4700**

www.completecarenj.org/

CompleteCare Health Network - Bridgeton Family and Youth Health

and Fitness Center

265 Irving Avenue Bridgeton, NJ 08302

856-451-4700

www.completecarenj.org/

CompleteCare Health Network - Bridgeton High School

111 N. West Ave. Bridgeton, NJ 08302 **856-451-4440**

www.completecarenj.org/

CompleteCare Health Network -

Broad Street School

251W. Broad Street Bridgeton, NJ 08302

856-453-1233

www.completecarenj.org/

CompleteCare Health Network - Cohansey Medical Center

70 Cohansey Street Bridgeton, NJ 08302

856-451-4700

www.completecarenj.org/



CompleteCare Health Network - Community Health Care-Rite Care

1255 West Landis Ave. Vineland, NJ 08360 **856-451-4700**

www.completecarenj.org/

CompleteCare Health Network - Millville Community Health Center

1200 N. High Street Millville, NJ 08332 **865-451-4700**

www.completecarenj.org/

CompleteCare Health Network -

Upper Deerfield School 1369 Highway 77 Seabrook, NJ 08302 **856-451-4700**

www.completecarenj.org/

CompleteCare Health Network - Vineland OB/GYN Professional Assoc.

484 South Brewster Rd Vineland, NJ 08360 **856-451-4700**

www.completecarenj.org/

Essex County

Jewish Renaissance Medical Center - 13th Avenue/Dr. MLK Elementary School

359 13th Avenue Newark, NJ 07103 973-679-7709

www.cimc.us/locations/#newarklocal

Jewish Renaissance Medical Center - Barringer High School

90 Parker Street Newark, NJ 07104 **973-497-5773**

www.cjmc.us/locations/#newarklocal

Jewish Renaissance Medical Center - Central High School

246 18th Avenue Newark, NJ 07107 **973-679-7709, ext. 1091**

www.cjmc.us/locations/#newarklocal

Jewish Renaissance Medical Center - George Washington Carver School

333 Clinton Place Newark, NJ 07112 973-705-3880

www.cjmc.us/locations/#newarklocal

Jewish Renaissance Medical Center - Quiltman Street School

21 Quitman Street Newark, NJ 07103 **973-679-7709**, ext. **1031**

www.cimc.us/locations/#newarklocal

Jewish Renaissance Medical Center - Teen Health Center

80 Johnson Avenue Newark, NJ 07108 **973-623-8592**

www.cjmc.us/locations/#newarklocal

Jewish Renaissance Medical Center - The Mobil Unit

246 18th Street Newark, NJ 07107

www.cjmc.us/locations/#newarklocal

Jewish Renaissance Medical Center-North Ward Park Elementary School

120 Manchester Place Newark, NJ 07104

www.cjmc.us/locations/#newarklocal

Newark Community Health Centers

92-96 Ferry Street Newark, NJ 07105 **973-483-1300**

www.nchcfqhc.org/



Newark Community Health Centers

741 Broadway Newark, NJ 07104 **973-483-1300**

www.nchcfqhc.org/

Newark Community Health Centers

751 Broadway Newark, NJ 07104 **973-483-1300**

www.nchcfqhc.org/

Newark Community Health Centers

101 Ludlow Street Newark, NJ 07114 **973-565-0355**

www.nchcfqhc.org/

Newark Community Health Centers -

East Orange

444 William Street East Orange, NJ 07017 **973-675-1900**

www.nchcfqhc.org/

Newark Community Health Centers -

Irvington

1148-1150 Springfield Avenue Irvington, NJ 07111

973-399-6292

www.nchcfqhc.org/

Newark Community Health Centers -

Orange

37 North Day Street Orange, NJ 07050 973-395-2611

www.nchcfqhc.org/

Newark Department of Health and

Community Wellness 140 Bergen Street

Newark, NJ 07103

973-733-5310

www.newarknj.gov/departments/healt

hcommunitywellness

Newark Department of Health and

Community Wellness

394 University Ave Newark, NJ 07102 973-733-7592

Newark, NJ 07102

973-733-5300

www.newarknj.gov/departments/healt

<u>hcommunitywellness</u>

Rutgers - Nursing Faculty Practice

449 Broad St. Newark, NJ 07102 **973-732-6040**

Saint James Health, Inc

228 Lafayette Street, 2nd Floor

Newark, NJ 07105 973-789-8111

saintjameshealth.com

Zufall Health Center

95 Northfield Ave

West Orange, NJ 07052

973-325-2266

www.zufallhealth.org/

Gloucester County

CAMcare Health Corporation -

Paulsboro Office

1315 North Delaware Street

Paulsboro, NJ 08066

856-687-2200

www.camcare.net/

CompleteCare Health Network

715 Delsea Dr. N Glassboro, NJ 08028

856-451-4700

www.completecarenj.org/



CompleteCare Health Network - Family Medicine Center in Woodbury

75 West Red Bank Ave. Woodbury, NJ 08096

856-853-2055

www.completecarenj.org/

CompleteCare Health Network - Glassboro Community Health Center

335 N. Delsea Drive Glassboro, NJ 08028 **856-863-5720**

www.completecarenj.org/

Hudson County

Alliance Community Healthcare, Inc

115 Christopher Columbus Drive Jersey City, NJ 07302

201-710-2200

www.alliancech.org/

Metropolitan Family Health Network - Garfield

935 Garfield Avenue Jersey City, NJ 07304 **201-478-5800**

www.metropolitanfhn.com/

Metropolitan Family Health Network - Homeless Project

857 Bergen Ave., Jersey City, NJ 07305 **201-478-5859**

www.metropolitanfhn.com/

Metropolitan Family Health Network - West New York

5300 Bergenline Avenue West New York, NJ 07093

201-478-5852

www.metropolitanfhn.com/

North Hudson Community Action Corporation Health Center - Harrison

326 Harrison Ave Harrison, NJ 07029 **862-229-1160**

www.nhcac.org/

North Hudson Community Action Corporation Health Center - Jersey

City

324 Palisade Avenue Jersey City, NJ 07307

201-459-8888

www.nhcac.org/

North Hudson Community Action Corporation Health Center - Mobile

Unit

5301 Broadway West New York, NJ 07093

201-866-9320

www.nhcac.org/

North Hudson Community Action Corporation Health Center - North Bergen

1116-43rd Street North Bergen, NJ 07047

201-330-2632

www.nhcac.org/

North Hudson Community Action Corporation Health Center Union City

714-31st Street Union City, NJ 07087 **201-863-7077**

www.nhcac.org/

North Hudson Community Action Corporation Health Center - Union City High School

2500 Kennedy Boulevard Union City, NJ 07087

www.nhcac.org/



North Hudson Community Action Corporation Health Center - West New York

5301 Broadway West New York, NJ 07093 **201-866-9320**

www.nhcac.org/

Hunterdon County

Zufall Health Center - Zufall Dental Center (Flemington)

361 Route 31, Bldg C, Suite 701 Flemington, NJ 08822

908-968-4440

www.zufallhealth.org/

Mercer County

Henry J. Austin Health Center - Bellevue Ave.

433 Bellevue Ave. Trenton, NJ 08618 **609-278-5900**

www.henryjaustin.org/

Henry J. Austin Health Center - Chambers Street

317 Chambers Street Trenton, NJ 08609 **609-278-5900**

www.henryjaustin.org/

Henry J. Austin Health Center - Ewing Street

112 Ewing Street Trenton, NJ 08609 **609-278-5900**

www.henryjaustin.org/

Henry J. Austin Health Center -

Warren Street

321 North Warren Street Trenton, NJ 08618 **609-278-5900**

www.henryjaustin.org/

Middlesex County

Eric B. Chandler Health Center

123 Church Street

New Brunswick, NJ 08901

732-235-2052

rwjms.rutgers.edu/eric-b-chandlerhealth-center/english/overview

Eric B. Chandler Health Center - New Brunswick High School

1000 Somerset St., New Brunswick, NJ 08901

732-235-7435

<u>rwjms.rutgers.edu/eric-b-chandler-</u> health-center/english/overview

Eric B. Chandler Health Center -Main Facility

277 George Street New Brunswick, NJ 08901

732-235-6700

rwjms.rutgers.edu/eric-b-chandler-health-center/english/overview

Jewish Renaissance Foundation Community Health Center

1931 Oak Tree Rd. Edison, NJ 08820 **732-482-9600** www.jrfnj.org/

Jewish Renaissance Medical Center - Dental/School Mobile VANs

275 Hobart Street
Perth Amboy, NJ 08861
www.jrfnj.org/

Jewish Renaissance Medical Center - Main Facility

275 Hobart Street Perth Amboy, NJ 08861

732-376-9333 www.jrfnj.org/



Rutgers - Nursing Faculty Practice

449 Broad St. Newark, NJ 07102 **973-732-6040**

Rutgers - Nursing Faculty Practice (VAN)

65 Bergen St. Newark, NJ 07107

Monmouth County

Monmouth Family Health Center

80 Pavilion Avenue Long Branch, NJ 07740 **732-963-0114**

www.mfhcnj.org/

Monmouth Family Health Center

335 Broadway Long Branch, NJ 07740

732-923-6585 www.mfhcnj.org/

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270 Broadway Long Branch, NJ 07740

732-923-7100

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Ocean Health Initiatives - Freehold

20 Jackson St. Freehold, NJ 07728 **732-363-6655**

www.ohinj.org/

Visiting Nurse Association of Central

Jersey - Freehold Family Health

Center

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732-294-2540

www.vnachc.org/

Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey - Keyport Primary Care Center

35 Broad Street Keyport, NJ 07735 **732-888-4149**

www.vnachc.org/

Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey - Red Bank Community Health Center

188 East Bergen Place Red Bank, NJ 07701 **732-219-6620**

www.vnachc.org/

Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey Community Health Center -

Main Facility
1301 Main Street

Asbury Park, NJ 07712

732-774-6333

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Zufall Health Center

17 S. Warren Street Dover, NJ 07801 **973-328-3344**

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Zufall Health Center

2-4 Atno Avenue Morristown, NJ 07960 **973-267-0002**

www.zufallhealth.org/

Zufall Health Center

18 West Blackwell Street

Dover, NJ **973-328-3344**

www.zufallhealth.org/



Zufall Health Center - Highland Health Van

18 West Blackwell Street Dover, NJ 07801 **908-968-0898**

www.zufallhealth.org/

Ocean County

Lakewood Resource and Referral Center - CHEMED

108 Hillside Boulevard Lakewood, NJ 08701 www.chemedhealth.org/

Lakewood Resource and Referral

Center - CHEMED

1771 Madison Ave. (Route 9) Lakewood, NJ 08701

732-364-2144

www.chemedhealth.org/

Ocean Health Initiatives

101 Second Street Lakewood, NJ 08701

732-363-6655 www.ohinj.org/

Ocean Health Initiatives

301 Lakehurst Road Toms River, NJ 08755

732-552-0377 www.ohinj.org/

Ocean Health Initiatives

333 Haywood Rd Stafford, NJ 08050 **609-489-0110**

www.ohinj.org/

Ocean Health Initiatives

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732-363-6655 www.ohinj.org/

Ocean Health Initiatives - Brick

Health Center

1610 Route 88, Suite 203

Brick, NJ 08724 732-363-6655

www.ohinj.org/

Ocean Health Initiatives - Elementary School

625 Clifton Avenue Lakewood, NJ 08701 www.ohinj.org/

Ocean Health Initiatives - Little Egg Harbor Health Center

798 County Rd 539

Little Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08087

732-363-6655 www.ohinj.org/

Ocean Health Initiatives - Mobile Unit

101 Second Street Lakewood, NJ 08701 www.ohinj.org/

Passaic County

North Hudson Community Action Corporation Health Center - Passaic

220 Passaic St. Passaic, NJ 07055 **201-210-0200** www.nhcac.org

Paterson Community Health Center

227 Broadway Paterson, NJ 07501 **973-278-2600**

www.patersonchc.com

Paterson Community Health Center - Main Facility

32 Clinton Street
Paterson, NJ 07522
973-790-6594

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Southern Jersey Family Medical Centers - Salem Center 238 East Broadway Salem, NJ 08079 856-935-7711 www.sifmc.org/

Somerset County

Zufall Health Center 71 Fourth St. Somerville, NJ 08876 908-526-2335 www.zufallhealth.org/

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Neighborhood Health Services Corp.

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Neighborhood Health Services Corp.

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Neighborhood Health Services Corp.

427 Darrow Ave. Plainfield, NJ 07060 908-731-4288 www.nhscnj.org

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APPENDIX 13:

HISPANIC WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTERS (HWRC)

Hispanic Women's Resource Centers (HWRCs), administered through the New Jersey Department of Children and Families' Division on Women, provide programs that facilitate professional development to increase the employability of Hispanic women.

Atlantic County

Puerto Rican Action Committee Center 900 Route 54 Suite A10 Hammonton NJ 08037 609-878-3536

Camden County

Hispanic Family Center of SNJ 35-47 S. 29th St. Camden, NJ 08105 856-541-6985

Cape May County

Puerto Rican Action Committee Center 3801 Rt.9 South Unit 12B Rio Grande NJ 08242 609-861-5800

Cumberland County

Puerto Rican Action Committee Center 275 N. Delsea Dr. Suite G Vineland, NJ 08360 856-213-6693

818 E. Landis Ave. Suite C Vineland NJ 08361 **856-405-6753**

Essex County

La Casa De Don Pedro Hispanic Women's Resource Center 39 Broadway Newark, NJ 070104 973-481-4568

Monmouth County

Community Affairs & Resource Center 913 Sewall Avenue Asbury Park, NJ 07712 732-774-3282

8 E. Front Street Keyport, NJ 07735 **732-495-9500**

12 Throckmorton St Freehold, NJ 07728 **732-431-6977**

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Morris Co. Organization for Hispanic Affairs
95-97 Bassett Highway
Dover, NJ 07801
973-366-4770

23 Clyde Potts Drive, Suite 105 Morristown, NJ 07960 **973-664-4884**

10 High St. Butler, NJ 07405 **973-838-3885**

Ocean County

Community Affairs Resource Center 215 Madison Ave.
Lakewood, NJ 08701
732-961-3760

Passaic County

IACO Immigration and American Citizenship Organization 301 Main Street, Suite 401 Paterson, NJ 07505 973-472-4648 Ext:1024

Salem County

Puerto Rican Action Committee Center 390 N. Broadway Suite 600 Pennsville NJ 08070 856-299-5800



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