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UMDF Support Group & Ambassadors

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FOCUS

3825 Presidential Parkway, Suite 103

Atlanta, GA 30340

770-234-9111 phone

770-234-9131 fax

www.focus-ga.org

FOCUS offers emotional, informational, and physical support to families of children with disabilities or ongoing medical needs. FOCUS offers a variety of programs: support groups, hospital visits, workshops & conferences, summer camps, family activities, and family camp.

SCOTTISH RITE CHILDREN'S MEDICAL CENTER

404-250-2140

Web: <http://www.scottishritechildrens.org/>

Protection and Advocacy Agency

Ruby Moore, Executive Director

Georgia Advocacy Office, Inc.

100 Crescent Centre Parkway, Suite 520

Tucker, GA 30084

(404) 885-1234 (V/TTY); (800) 537-2329 (in GA only)

E-mail: info@thegao.org

Web: <http://thegao.org>

Programs for Children with Special Health Care Needs

DHR/DPH/FHB

Office of Children with Special Needs

2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Suite 11.206

Atlanta, GA 30303

(404) 657-2724

Web: www.dhr.state.ga.us

State CHIP Program

(health care for low-income uninsured children)

PeachCare for Kids

P.O. Box 2583

Atlanta, GA 30301-2583

(877) 427-3224

Web: www.peachcare.org

Web: www.communityhealth.state.ga.us

Epilepsy Foundation of Georgia. Provides emergency assistance for medications, public awareness/education, support groups for patients and their families, summer camps and more. 2625 Cumberland Pkwy. Ste. 400, Atlanta. 678-306-1210. www.epilepsyga.org.

Center for the Visually Impaired. Rehabilitation and recreational services for blind or visually impaired children from birth to 21. 739 W. Peachtree St. NW, Atlanta. 404-875-9011. www.cviatlanta.org.

Georgia Library for Accessible Services. Thirteen sub regional libraries statewide provide free library service including circulating fiction and non-fiction books and magazines (in braille or on tape), for individuals who are blind, have low vision or with a physical disability. 1150 Murphy Ave. SW, Atlanta. 404-756-4619. www.georgialibraries.org/public/glass.html

Georgia Lions Lighthouse Foundation, Inc. Provides vision and hearing services, including glasses, eye care, corrective surgery and hearing aids for financially needy legal Georgia residents. 1775 Clairmont Rd., Decatur. 404-325-3630. www.lionslighthouse.org

American Heart Association - Georgia Affiliate. Community events and educational materials available on prevention, diagnosis and treatment of heart disease and stroke. 1101 Northchase Pkwy. Ste. 1, Marietta. 678-385-2000. www.americanheart.org

American Lung Association - Southeast Region. Provides educational programs and services, limited temporary financial aid, summer camp for ages 7-13 and focuses on research, education and advocacy. 2452 Spring Road, Smyrna. 770-434-5864. www.lungusa.org

National Kidney Foundation of Georgia. Provides dialysis clinical referral, vocational rehabilitation, financial assistance, summer camp, public education/health fairs, peer counseling services, support research, annual conferences for medical employees and support groups. 2951 Flowers Rd. South, Suite 211, Atlanta. 770-452-1539. www.kidneyga.org

Fragile Kids Foundation. Provides medical equipment not covered by private or government sponsored insurance. 3350 Riverwood Pkwy. Suite 1400, Atlanta. 770-951-6111. www.fragilekids.org

The Arc of Georgia. The unified voice of advocacy for all people and influencing public policy for people with intellectual disabilities from infants to senior citizens ensuring a meaningful life in the community. Atlanta. 404-652-8904. www.thearcofgeorgia.org

Muscular Dystrophy Association. Provides informational materials, networking/matching, referrals to local resources and summer camps. 2193 Northlake Pkwy. Suite 104, Bldg. 12, Tucker. 770-939-3636. www.mdausa.org

Friends of Disabled Adults & Children, Too! Non-profit organization providing free wheelchairs and home healthcare equipment for the disabled. Other services include ramp building, vehicle lift installation and more. 4900 Lewis Rd., Stone Mountain. 770-491-9014. www.fodac.org

Abilitations/Integrations. A children's therapy catalog providing a complete inventory of movement, sensory integration, positioning, classroom solutions, adapted play, resources, aquatics, specialty environments and more. P.O. Box 922668, Norcross. 800-850-8602. www.abilitations.com

AMS Vans, Inc. Provide quality pre-owned minivans with a brand new 10-inch lowered floor conversion for wheelchair accessibility. 5555 Oakbrook Pkwy. Suite 555, Norcross. 770-729-9400. www.aavans.com

Apria Health Care Group, Inc. Provides durable medical equipment and IV infusion therapy. 594 Sigman Rd. NE, Ste. 100, Conyers. 678-775-7000. www.apria.com

Center for Assistive Technology & Environmental Access (CATEA). A research center that promotes participation of people with disabilities through research, development, technical assistance, training and dissemination activities. CATEA's projects are focused on workplace accommodations, disability-related policy, distance education, accessible IT, and wheeled mobility and seating. 490 Tenth St., Atlanta. 404-894-4960. <http://catea.gatech.edu>

D&D Medical Supplies & Services. Provider of power/manual wheelchairs, scooters, hospital beds, and other medical equipment and supplies. Medicare/Medicaid and Insurance accepted. 2176 Salem Road, Fieldstone Shopping Plaza Conyers. 770-760-7860.

Dunamis, Inc. A company committed to finding technology's power to help people with special needs and learning differences communicate, learn and play to their fullest potential. 800-828-2443. www.dunamisinc.com

The East Hall Branch & Special Needs Library. Leisure reading, books and magazines, large print books and audio described and closed captioned videos. 2435 Old Cornelia Hwy. Gainesville. 770-532-3311. www.hallcountylibrary.org

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GRN Equipment Lending Library. Offers therapy equipment and some adaptive toys to families. 1688 Lawrenceville Hwy. Lawrenceville. 770-995-2379. www.therapyworkspsc.com/lendinglib.asp

gTRADE - Tools for Life. Online database to post assistive technology items for sale, donation, or list things you need. 1700 Century Cir. Ste. 300, Atlanta. 800-497-8665. www.gtradeonline.org

Handicapped Driver Services, Inc. Modifies vans for wheelchair accessibility. Also has customized vans for sale. 1310 Kennestone Cir. Marietta. 770-422-9674. www.hdsvans.com

Lekotek of Georgia. An adapted toy lending library of educational material and computer equipment for children with disabilities from birth through 21. 1955 Cliff Valley Way, Suite 102, Atlanta. 404-633-3430. www.lekotekga.org

Project ReBoot and Tools for Life. Provides hands-on training in the information technology field, lending library for assistive technology and adaptive equipment for loan to parents; furnished model apartment demonstrates how tools can assist individuals to maintain independence and health. 4508 Bibb Blvd., Suite B-10, Tucker. 770-934-8432. www.gatfl.org/reboot

R&R Mobility Vans and Lifts, Inc. The south's largest and most experienced adaptive equipment dealer. 770-483-0767. www.rrvan.com

Tech-Able. Assistive technology resource center with lending library. 1114 Brett Drive, Suite 100, Conyers. 770-992-6768. www.techable.org

Wheelchair Getaways. Provides custom vans and mini vans with wheelchair lifts on a daily, weekly, or monthly rental basis. Serves all of Georgia. 800-554-6893 or 770-457-9851. www.wheelchairgetaways.com

Three Wishes, Inc.-Wishes on Wheels. Makes Electric Power Wheelchairs available to non-ambulatory Senior Citizens age 65 and up, and the permanently disabled of any age. Specializes in power wheelchairs as well as providing durable medical products to qualified disabled patients with medical necessities. 3443 State St., Santa Barbara, CA 93105. 800-823-5220. www.threewishes2.com

Parents Educating Parents and Professionals. Offers parent advocacy training on national legislative projects and resources on local and national events. 3680 Kings Hwy. Douglasville. 770-577-7771. www.peppinc.org

Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities. Creates systems of change for people with developmental disabilities and their families. 2 Peachtree St. NW, Suite 26-246, Atlanta. 404-657-2126. www.gcdd.org

Georgia's Unlock the Waiting List Campaign. Advocates working to eliminate waiting list for home and community based services for people with disabilities. 1440 Dutch Valley Place, Ste. 200, Atlanta. 877-WAITLIST. www.unlockthewaitinglists.com

Georgia Advocacy Office. Advocacy assistance, legal advocacy, training. 150 E. Ponce De Leon, Ste. 430, Decatur. 404-885-1234. www.thegao.org

Easter Seals of North Georgia. Special needs childcare center, pediatric therapy services. 1200 Lake Hearn Dr. Ste 250, Atlanta. 404-943-1070. www.northgeorgia.easterseals.com

Elaine Clark Center. Inclusive program with individualized curriculum for all disabilities. 5130 Peachtree Industrial Blvd., Chamblee. 770-458-3251. www.elaineclarkcenter.org

Frazer Center. Offers an inclusive child development center and adult day services, family and community based services, research and training. 1815 Ponce de Leon Ave., NE Atlanta. 404-377-3836. www.thefraziercenter.org

DDD Foundation. Dentistry for the developmentally disabled. 52 Executive Park South, Atlanta. 404-942-0086

Educational Resources. One-to-one or group tutoring in all curricula areas for special needs children. 4028 Holcomb Bridge Rd., Suite 301, Norcross. 770-840-8845.

Georgia Congress of Parents and Teachers, Inc. Services for parents and teachers of children with disabilities. 114 Baker St. NE, Atlanta. 404-659-0214. <http://www.georgiapta.org/>

Georgia Dept. of Education, Division for Exceptional Students. Helps local school systems provide special education and related services. 1870 Twin Towers East, Atlanta. 404-656-3963. http://public.doe.k12.ga.us/ci_exceptional.aspx

Georgia Learning Resource Systems. Offers training, information and resources to parents and educators of children with disabilities. Two Atlanta locations: 2415-C N. Druid Hills Rd. NE, Atlanta. 678-676-2412; 1870 Teasley Dr. SE, Smyrna. 770-432-2404. www.glr.org

South DeKalb Association for Super Special Youth. Assists in the development of academic learning, increases awareness of vocational educational opportunities and assists in employment placement. Decatur. 770-969-9571. www.geocities.com/sdassy98/

VSA Arts of Georgia. Provides arts education and cultural arts opportunities. 57 Forsyth St., N.W., Suite R-1, Atlanta. 404-221-1270. www.vsaartsga.org

Quality Care For Children. Childcare referral agency, advocacy, parent support. 50 Executive Park South, Ste. 5015, Atlanta. 404-479-4200. www.qualitycareforchildren.org

Dream House for Medically Fragile Children. Temporary, therapeutic foster homes for medically fragile children. P.O. Box 533, Lilburn. 770-717-7410. www.dreamhouseforkids.org

Georgia Community Support and Solutions. Community programs including: residential services, respite, family support, day programs, job training and summer camp. 1954 Cliff Valley Way, Ste 220. 404-634-4222. www.gacommunity.org

Hope House Children's Respite Center. Provides onsite respite care for medically fragile children and in-home respite care for other special needs children. 7225 Lester Rd., Union City. 770-969-1940. www.swchristiancare.org

Metro Atlanta Respite & Developmental Services. Offers respite services, as well as an early intervention program, inclusive childcare center and therapy services. 1335 Kimberly Road SW, Atlanta. 404-691-5570. www.mards.org

MetLife's Division of Estate Planning for Special Kids. Helps with financial and legal issues in providing lifetime care for special needs dependents. Also provides assistance on other resources available to help with advocacy and education. 877-638-3375 or visit www.metlife.com/desk

Angel Flight of Georgia. Provides free air transport to people who need to travel for specified medical treatment, therapy, or cancer treatment that is potentially life saving and not available in their local area. 2000 Airport Rd., Suite 227, Atlanta. 770-4452-7958. www.angelflight-ga.org

The Marcus Institute. Services include evaluations, pediatric feeding disorder program, the Marcus Behavior Center, speech language pathology and a mental health psychotherapy clinic for children ages 0-22 with developmental or learning disability. 1920 Briarcliff Rd., Atlanta. 404-419-4000. www.marcus.org

May South. Provides community-based behavioral healthcare, educational and rehabilitative services. Serves individuals with autism, pervasive developmental disorder, developmental disabilities, mental retardation, brain injury and behavioral health needs. 1770 The Exchange, Suite 140, Atlanta. 770-956-8511. www.maysouth.org

Emory Autism Resource Center. Provides information, referrals, diagnostic evaluations, medication consultations, family support/parent training, school/program consultations, research, and academic tutoring for students with ASD, preschool services and applied behavior analysis therapy. Emory University, 1551 Shoup Ct., Atlanta. 404-727-8350. www.psychiatry.emory.edu/PROGRAMS/autism

Babies Can't Wait. Provides early intervention for infants and toddlers with developmental delays or disabilities. Evaluations and recommendations are given. 770-451-5484. www.health.state.ga.us/programs/bcw

Children's Medical Services (CMS). A statewide program with medical and financial eligibility that provides or arranges specialty medical/health & family services for children birth to age 21 with chronic medical conditions. 800-229-2038 or 770-451-5484. <http://health.state.ga.us/programs/cms>

Jackson EMC Foundation. (Operation Round Up) a program that provides financial support to organizations and individuals within the 10 counties served by Jackson EMC. <http://www.jacksonemc.com/Operation-Round-Up.roundup.0.html>

Georgia Learning Resources System 2009 Special Needs Directory. Online directory that offers information on special needs activities, recreation, and respite resources. <http://www.glr.org/2009%20Special%20Needs%20Summer%20Recreation.pdf>