

# OHIO

## **UMDF Support Groups:**

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### **MARCH OF DIMES, Cleveland**

Sherry Rosenthal, Executive Director  
John Ladd, Programs

Phone: 216-518-1663

### **The Family Information Network**

330-633-2055

### **UNITED WAY**

United Way Services of Cleveland-covers counties such as Cuyahoga Falls

### **CANINE COMPANIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE**

Non-profit organization that raises the pups and trains the dogs to assist and be companions. They're located all over the country but closest to us is Delaware, Ohio just north of Columbus. The number for Delaware is 740-548-4447. The national Headquarters is in Santa Rosa, California. 707-577-1700. Bill Hodges

### **Protection and Advocacy Agency**

Carolyn S. Knight, Executive Director  
Ohio Legal Rights Services  
8 E. Long Street, 5th Floor  
Columbus, OH 43215-2999  
(614) 466-7264; (614) 728-2553 (TTY)  
(800) 282-9181 (in OH)  
E-mail: [olrs@olrs.state.oh.us](mailto:olrs@olrs.state.oh.us)  
Web: [www.state.oh.us/olrs/](http://www.state.oh.us/olrs/)

### **Programs for Children with Special Health Care Needs**

James Bryant, M.D., Chief  
Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps  
Ohio Department of Health  
P.O. Box 1603  
Columbus, OH 43216-1603  
(614) 466-1549; (800) 755-4769 (parents only)  
E-mail: [JBryant@gw.odh.state.us](mailto:JBryant@gw.odh.state.us)  
Web: <http://www.odh.ohio.gov/odhPrograms/cmh/cwmh/bcmh1.aspx>

### **State CHIP Program**

*(health care for low-income uninsured children)*  
Healthy Start Healthy Families  
(800) 324-8680; (800) 292-3572 (TTY) Consumer Hotline  
Web: <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ohp/bcps/hshf/index.stm>