

Acknowledgements

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The Physicians Network

Working with doctors Rebecca Barbato, Rebecca Turk and Karen Walker, the Collaboration for Early Childhood launched the Physicians Network in July 2008 to promote a stronger connection between the early childhood community and health practitioners, and to increase health practitioners' awareness of early childhood developmental issues and services.

Dr. Barbato and Dr. Walker continue to guide and participate in the Physicians Network. Dr. Barbato is a pediatrician in practice at Loyola Center for Health at North Riverside and is assistant professor in Pediatrics at Loyola University in Chicago–Stritch School of Medicine. Dr. Walker practices pediatrics at Pedigroup Associates and IWS Children's Clinic, in Oak Park. She serves on the executive committee of Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Other steering committee members include: Ann Courter, Melissa Ehmann, Shannon Ellison, Dr. Abigail Hodges, Elizabeth Lippitt, Michele Suedbeck, Dr. Stephanie Weller, and Rachel Wood.

The Physicians Network sponsors two breakfast seminars each year focusing on key issues in children's healthy development. Topics have included screening for developmental delays during well-child visits and the referral process, identifying red flags for learning disabilities, roots of childhood obesity and what to do about it, perinatal/postpartum depression screening, promoting oral health, breastfeeding, and working with early childhood care and education professionals.

Collaboration for Early Childhood

Founded in 2002, the Collaboration for Early Childhood is a nonprofit public/private partnership that leverages the resources of more than 60 local agencies and governmental jurisdictions to develop a community-wide system of high-quality programs and services to foster physical, cognitive and social-emotional development during the critical first five years of life. The Collaboration works to overcome the fragmentation and scarcity of services endemic to the early childhood field by leveraging and integrating all of our community resources to better meet the needs of the youngest children and their families.

In April 2013, the Collaboration for Early Childhood entered into a contract with Oak Park School District 97, Oak Park-River Forest High School District 200 and the Village of Oak Park to implement a comprehensive, coordinated approach that includes intensive home visiting services for at-risk families, periodic screening of children from birth to age five, professional development to increase the skills of early childhood education and care providers, parent information and support, coordination of publicly funded preschool programs, and data collection to track service usage and assess program impact.

Other Oak Park jurisdictions which participate in the Collaboration for Early Childhood, include Oak Park Township, Oak Park Public Library and the Park District of Oak Park. In addition to the Jurisdictions, the Collaboration's partners also include a wide range of early childhood service providers and stakeholders. The work of the Collaboration is organized around four key areas:

Developmental Screening: The Collaboration works with area pediatricians, family practice physicians, and preschool and child care providers to promote universal developmental screening for children birth to five. The Collaboration has implemented a community-wide developmental screening project, utilizing the online Ages and Stages Questionnaires (ASQ) developmental screening tool. The Collaboration also provides hearing and vision screening to more than 1100 preschool children, and works to ensure that children who need further assessments and services receive them.

Parent Information and Support: In fall of 2013, the Collaboration identified Parenthesis Family Center as its partner to engage parents of at-risk children ages birth to three in a home visiting program, focusing on helping parents develop and grow in their role as their children's first and most important teacher and promoting family well-being. Weekly group meetings, child development screenings and resource networking are also provided. The Collaboration also works to ensure that every parent in Oak Park and River Forest has access to information about child development and services available in the community.

Professional Development: The Collaboration works to increase the professional qualifications and skills of early care and education teachers and family child care providers through participation in professional development activities, college-level classes, and statewide quality enhancement initiatives like Great START, ExceleRate Illinois, and Gateways to Opportunity. The Collaboration also fosters professional communities through its Directors Roundtable and Family Child Care Provider Roundtable, and its annual Symposium.

Public Preschool Coordination: The Collaboration works with three Preschool for All agencies and Head Start to find and enroll all at-risk children in Oak Park in high-quality preschool (part-day or enriched, full-day program). It also provides technical support, training and mentoring to ensure a strong curriculum and high-quality interactions between staff and children.

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Making Referrals: Early Intervention

Newborn to 36 Months

The Illinois Department of Human Services Bureau of Early Intervention coordinates services for children under 36 months of age through a network of Child and Family Connections (CFC) Offices. CFC 7 serves children living in Central and West Suburban Cook County.

The CFC arranges for evaluations and assessments of children to determine whether a child exhibits delays in one or more of the following areas of development: physical development, cognitive development, speech and language development, social or emotional development, and self-help skills. Families with children who are found eligible for Early Intervention receive an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). The IFSP defines the services and supports that must be made available to the family.

Early Intervention services are paid for with a combination of government and family resources. The cost of some services are paid by the program and provided to families at no cost. These services include evaluation, assessment, development of a service plan, and service coordination. Ongoing Early Intervention services are paid for by the families' health insurance, government insurance (All Kids/Medicaid) and program funds. Families contribute to the cost of services by paying a family fee which is based on a sliding scale.

Services recommended in an IFSP may include, but are not limited to: physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech/language therapy, developmental therapy, psychological services, audiological services and social work services.

CFC 7 Referral and Communication Process

Below is a description of an effective referral and communication process between a referring party (i.e. physician, early childhood care and education provider) and Child Family Connections 7 (CFC) serving West Suburban Cook County.

1. The referring party should complete the **Illinois Standardized Referral Form** with the parent or guardian of the child. This form may be located at:
http://www.collab4kids.org/images/uploads/StandardizedReferralForm%203_2012.pdf
Be sure to check (✓) the appropriate boxes in Section 4 and have the parent or guardian complete and sign Section 6. This will allow the referring party to receive information about the outcome of the referral.
2. Fax the completed Illinois Standardized Referral Form to the CFC 7 office. Fax #: (708) 449-7071 or (708)-449-7173.
3. CFC 7 will assign the family a service coordinator who must contact the family (usually by phone) within 2 business days.
Please share this information with the parent or guardian and let them know to expect a phone call.
4. CFC 7 will send the referring party a completed **Illinois Early Intervention Program Referral Fax Back Form Part I** within 2 weeks. This section will inform the referring party the status of the referral and whether:
 - a) The family has been scheduled for an evaluation;
 - b) CFC 7 has been unable to contact the family and would like the referring party to assist them in making a connection; and
 - c) The parent or guardian has asked that the referring party contact him or her directly for results.

5. When an Intake is scheduled, CFC 7 will coordinate an evaluation of the child to determine eligibility for services and what services are recommended.

6. After eligibility is determined, the service coordinator will complete Part II of the Referral Fax Back Form and send it to the referring party. Other information may include:

- a) **The Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) Summary.** This will be sent to the referring party if the parent or guardian has authorized the release of this information by completing Section 6 of the Illinois Standardized Referral Form.

Note: To request the full copy of the IFSP, the referring party should contact the service coordinator listed in Part I of the Referral Fax Back Form received from CFC 7.

- b) The service coordinator will also send the referring party a request for any prescriptions needed to implement the plan.

Early Intervention Child & Family Connections Offices

West Cook County (CFC 7)

Child and Family Connections — Suburban Access Inc.

One Westbrook Corporate Center, Suite 640, Westchester, IL 60154

708-449-0625 (phone); 708-449-7071 (fax)

Serving: **Oak Park, River Forest, Forest Park**, Bellwood, Berkeley, Berwyn, Broadview, Brookfield, Burr Ridge (Cook County), Cicero, Countryside, Elmwood Park, Franklin Park, Harwood Heights, Hillside, Hodgkins, Indian Head Park, La Grange, La Grange Park, Lyons, Maywood, Melrose Park, Norridge, North Riverside, Northlake, River Grove, Riverside, Stickney, Stone Park, Westchester & Western Springs

Cook County Chicago Central/West (CFC 9)

Child and Family Connections — Fantus Health Center

5422 W. Roosevelt Rd. Chicago, IL 60644

773-830-5200 (phone); 773-830-5201 (fax)

Serving: 60601, 60602, 60603, 60604, 60605, 60606, 60607, 60608, 60612, 60616, 60623, 60624, 60632, 60644 & 60661 (includes far west communities such as Austin)

Cook County Chicago North (CFC 11)

Child and Family Connections

945W. George St., Suite 300, Chicago, IL 60657

312-942-7800 (phone); 312-942-7811 (fax)

Serving: 60610, 60611, 60613, 60614, 60618, 60622, 60625, 60626, 60630, 60631, 60634, 60639, 60640, 60641, 60642, 60645, 60646, 60647, 60651, 60654, 60656, 60657, 60659 & 60660

DuPage County (CFC 5)

Child and Family Connections — PACT Inc.

750Warrenville Rd., Suite 300, Lisle, IL 60532

630-493-0400 (phone); 630-493-1995 (fax)

Serving: all of DuPage County, including Cook County Zip Codes: 60103, 60126

North/Northwest Suburban Cook County (CFC 6)
Child and Family Connections — Clearbrook Center
1835W. Central Rd., Arlington Heights, IL 60005
847-385-5070 (phone); 847-385-7260 (fax)

Cook County Chicago Southwest (CFC 8)
**Child and Family Connections — Easter Seals of
Metropolitan Chicago**
9455 S. Hoyne Ave., Chicago, IL 60643
773-233-1799 (phone); 773-233-2011 (fax)

Cook County Chicago Southeast (CFC 10)
**Child and Family Connections — LaRabida Children's
Hospital**
1525 E. 55th St., Suite 203, Chicago, IL 60615
773-324-7434 (phone); 773-324-7469 (fax)

Cook County South Suburban (CFC 12)
**Child and Family Connections — Easter Seals of
Metropolitan Chicago**
17300 S. Ozark Ave., North Building, Tinley Park, IL 60477
708-429-8231 (phone); 708-429-8246 (fax)

Child and Family Connections

800-323-4769

To locate a Child and Family Connections for areas other than those listed above.

Illinois Child Find Project

800-851-6197

www.childfind-idea-il.us

For more information regarding Illinois Early Intervention (EI), Transition from EI to Early Childhood Special Education, and Educational Rights and Responsibilities, or to order public awareness materials about these topics, please contact the Illinois Child Find Project.

Making Referrals: Early Childhood Special Education

3 to 5 Years

Early childhood special education services for children, **three through five** years of age and their families, are provided through local school districts and special education cooperatives.

Professionals with training and expertise in special education services implement the federal **Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Part B**, by supporting the educational needs of young children and families. Early childhood special education professionals and related services personnel provide **specialized educational services** to children with disabilities in a variety of settings and ways to meet the developmental learning needs of children. In addition, families and early childhood providers may request information about appropriate expectations for children's development.

Referral and Communication Process

The first step in determining if a child needs special education services to meet developmental learning needs is for the parent to request an evaluation or for a physician or early childhood care and education provider to refer the family to the local school district for evaluation. If the physician or the parent is concerned about a child but is not certain that an evaluation is indicated, it is always worth a phone call to the local school district's early childhood special education personnel to seek information and guidance (see school district listings). The following link will answer questions about the timeline of the referral process: <http://www.isbe.net/earlychi/html/spec-ed.htm>.

When a physician or provider has significant concerns about a child's development that he or she believes may benefit from specialized educational services, the physician / provider should work with the parent to complete a referral to the child's local school district requesting an evaluation. **If the local school district will not accept a referral from the physician/provider, that physician/provider should support the parent to contact the child's local school district of residence to make a request for evaluation. If the physician/provider is not certain that a parent will make a request for evaluation, the physician/provider should contact the child's local school district for information and guidance.** See Initial Eligibility Process for Early Childhood Special Education Services diagram (on the next page).

Initial Eligibility

Step 1: Request for Evaluation

A request for an evaluation is made by the parent to determine the child's eligibility for special education. It is best practice to make the request in writing. A phone call may not be sufficient to guarantee consideration of an evaluation.



14 School Days

Step 2: Decision to Proceed

At this stage the school district meets with the parent to determine whether evaluation should proceed. If yes, the district needs to determine what domains will be evaluated and will request the parent's consent to do the evaluation.



Timeline begins when parent signs consent

Step 3: Consent to Evaluate

The evaluation cannot proceed until the parent has provided informed written consent for the district to begin the evaluation. Timelines for completing the evaluation do not start until consent has been given by the parent.



Step 4: Evaluation

During a period of up to 60 school days, district personnel can take steps needed to complete evaluation. If any part of the evaluation is written in final form, it may be shared with the parent.

60 school days
Step 5 *must* occur
by the 60th day



Step 5: Eligibility Conference and IEP

By the end of the 60th day, the evaluation team must meet with the parent to decide if the child is eligible for special education. If yes, an Individual Education Plan (IEP) team must then meet with the parent to develop the IEP for the student.



Initial Placement does not occur until the parent signs consent

Step 6: Consent for Placement

Before special education services begin, the parent must provide written informed consent to allow the district to proceed with placement. Placement may begin no sooner than 10 days after the parent consents unless the parent gives permission for it to start sooner.

Educational Rights and Responsibilities, Page 17, Illinois State Board of Education, 2009

Comparing Early Intervention and Early Childhood Special Education Services

	Early Intervention	Special Education
Governing Federal laws	Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA, 2004)	Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA, 2004)
Ages for services	Birth to 3	3 through 21
Goal of the program	Helping the family meet the developmental needs of their child with a delay or disability	Educating the child with a delay or disability
Evaluation	Two or more professionals from different disciplines complete a developmental evaluation of all five areas of development.	A team of professionals completes an evaluation in the area(s) of suspected disability.
Eligibility	A child must have a 30 percent delay in one area of development or a documented medical condition, as determined by the Illinois Department of Human Services, Bureau of Early Intervention.	A child is found eligible using one of the eligibility categories for special education and related services.
Service delivery model	Parents and caregivers enroll their child in EI services. The type(s), frequency, location and duration of services, including individuals providing services, are determined through the IFSP process.	Local education agencies (LEAs) are required to provide special education and related services to eligible individuals, ages 3 through 21 years. Services are determined by the IEP team.
Family involvement	Families must be involved in the process to develop the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP).	Parents must be a member of any team (e.g., planning and placement) that makes decisions regarding the education of their child.

When I'm 3, where will I be?, Page 26, Illinois State Board of Education, 2007

What Parents Would Like From Physicians

Parents whose primary care physicians routinely inquire about their child's development and use a validated screening tool for all domains of development report a high level of respect, satisfaction and appreciation. Their experience of this attention to their child's development is likely to increase follow-through on referrals. On-going communication between physicians and parents when their children are receiving services contributes to children's health and well-being. When parents feel positively about their physician's investment in their child's development, especially when physicians inquire about on-going services, parents are more likely to proactively facilitate communication among the providers who work with their children.

Parents who are given developmentally oriented activities by physicians while waiting for developmental evaluations find them helpful and this may contribute to their competence and confidence as collaborators in promoting their children's development.

When there are positive relationships, cooperation and coordination of efforts, families, physicians and service providers express satisfaction and gratification regarding their efforts on behalf of infants' and young children's development.

Physician offices that have "bought into" and made the transition to routinely administering developmental screening tools communicate pride and satisfaction with their attention to this aspect of health promotion, prevention and intervention. Families and service providers share in their praise of medical offices which have adopted these practices and consider communication and care to be superior in the offices that support developmental screenings.

School Districts

Oak Park School District #97

Early Childhood Coordinator
970 Madison St., Oak Park, IL 60302
708-524-3030 (phone); 708-848-8986 (fax); www.op97.org

River Forest School District #90

Special Education Coordinator
7776 Lake St., River Forest, IL 60305
708-771-8282 (phone); 708-771-8291 (fax); www.district90.org

Forest Park School District #91

Director of Special Services
925 Beloit Ave., Forest Park, IL 60130
708-366-5742 (phone); 708-366-5761 (fax);
www.forestparkschools.org

Chicago Public Schools

Office of Diverse Learners Support and Services
School Entry Support Specialists
42 W. Madison, 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60602
773-553-1800 (phone)
773-553-1948 (fax) Provide parent name and phone number
Call to find out dates and locations of monthly screenings if family has concerns about delays.

Early Childhood
42 W. Madison, Garden Level, Chicago, IL 60602
773-553-2010 (phone); 773-553-1030 (fax);
www.cps.edu
Information about preschool programs within the school district.

West Cook County School Districts

Bellwood

School District #87
Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)
1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153
Early Childhood Services
708-449-3350 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org
School District #88

Early Childhood Center
3519 Wilcox Ave., Bellwood, IL 60104
708-544-2815(phone); 708-544-1757 (fax); www.sd88.org

Berkeley

School District #87
Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)
1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153
Early Childhood Services
708-449-3350 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

Berwyn

School District #98 (North)
Director of Pupil Social Services
6633 W. 16th St., Berwyn, IL 60402
708-484-6200 (phone); 708-795-2482 (fax); www.bn98.org

School District #100 (South)
Director of Staff and Student Services
3401 S. Gunderson St., Berwyn, IL 60402
708-795-2300(phone); 708-795-2317 (fax); www.bsd100.org

Broadview

School District #89
Special Education Coordinator
906 Walton, Melrose Park, IL 60160
708-450-2460 (phone); 708-450-2461(fax); www.maywood89.org

Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)
1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153
Early Childhood Services
708-450-2466 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

School District #92
1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153
Early Childhood Services
708-338-3250 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

Brookfield

School District #95

Brookfield La Grange Area Department of Special Education

3524 Maple Ave., Brookfield, IL 60513

708-485-0606 (phone); 708-485-8066 (fax)

Cicero

School District #99

Early Childhood Program Supervisor

5110 W. 24th St., Cicero, IL 60804

708-652-1144 (phone)

www.cicd99.edu

Elmwood Park

School District #401

Director of Special Education

8201 W. Fullerton Ave., Elmwood Park, IL 60707

708-452-7292 (phone); 708-452-9504 (fax); www.epcusd401.org

Forest Park

School District #91

Director of Special Services

925 Beloit Ave., Forest Park, IL 60130

708-366-5742 (phone); 708-366-2091 (Fax)

www.forestparkschools.org

Franklin Park

School District #83 and #84

Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)

1301 W. Cossitt Ave., La Grange, IL 60525

708-354-5730 (phone); 708-354-0733 (fax); www.lasecfp.org

Harwood Heights

School District #86

Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)

10401 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131

847-455-3143 (phone); 847-451-4892 (fax); www.lasecfp.org

Hillside

School District #87

Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)

1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153

Early Childhood Services

708-449-3350 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

School District #88

Early Childhood Center

3519 Wilcox Ave., Bellwood, IL 60104

708-544-2815 (phone); 708-544-1757 (fax); www.sd88.org

Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)

1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153

Early Childhood Services

708-544-2815 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

School District #93

Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)

1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153

Early Childhood Services

708-450-2111 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

Hodgkins

School District #105

La Grange Area Department of Special Education (LADSE)

1301 W. Cossitt Ave., La Grange, IL 60525

708-354-5730 (phone); 708-354-0733 (fax); www.ladse.org

La Grange, La Grange Highlands, and La Grange Park

School District #105, #106, #95 and #102

La Grange Area Department of Special Education (LADSE)

1301 W. Cossitt Ave., La Grange, IL 60525

708-354-5730 (phone); 708-354-0733 (fax); www.ladse.org

Lyons

School District #103

Lincoln School

Preschool Director

4100 S. Joliet Rd., Lyons, IL 60534

708-783-4605 (phone); 708-780-9725 (fax); www.sd103.com

Maywood

School District #88

Early Childhood Center

3519 Wilcox Ave., Bellwood, IL 60104

708-544-2815 (phone); 708-544-1757(fax); www.sd88.org

Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)

1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153

Early Childhood Services

708-544-2815 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

School District #89

Special Education Coordinator

906 Walton, Melrose Park, IL 60160

708-450-2460 (phone); 708-450-2461 (fax); www.maywood89.org

Melrose Park

School District #83

Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)

10401 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131

847-455-3143 (phone); 847-451-4892 (fax); www.laseccfp.org

School District #87

Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)

1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153

Early Childhood Services

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School District #88

Early Childhood Center

3519 Wilcox Ave., Bellwood, IL 60104

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Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)

1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153

Early Childhood Services

708-544-2815 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

School District #89

Special Education Coordinator

906 Walton, Melrose Park, IL 60160

708-450-2460 (phone); 708-450-2461 (fax); www.maywood89.org

Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)
1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153
Early Childhood Services
708-450-2466 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

Norridge

School Districts #79 and #80
Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)
10401 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131
847-455-3143 (phone); 847-451-4892 (fax); www.lasecfp.org

Northlake

School District #83
Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)
10401 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131
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School District #87
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1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153
Early Childhood Services
708-449-3350 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

North Riverside

School District #94
Director of Special Education
8940 W. 24th St., North Riverside, IL 60546
708-447-8030, ext. 1124 (phone); www.komarek94.k12.il.us

Oak Park

School District #97
Early Childhood Coordinator
970 Madison Street, Oak Park, IL 60302
708-524-3000 (phone); 708-848-8986 (fax); www.op97.org

River Forest

School District #90
Special Education Coordinator
7776 Lake St., River Forest, IL 60305
708-771-8282 (phone); 708-771-8291(fax); www.district90.org

River Grove

School Districts #84 ½ and #85 ½

Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)

10401 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131

847-455-3143 (phone); 847-451-4892 (fax); www.lasecfp.org

Riverside & North Riverside

School District #96

Director of Special Education

63 Woodside Rd., Riverside, IL 60546

708-447-0706 (phone); 708-733-3252 (fax); www.district96.org

Rosemont

School District #78

Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)

10401 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131

847-455-3143 (phone); 847-451-4892 (fax); www.lasecfp.org

Schiller Park

School District #81

Director of Special Education

9760 Soreng, Schiller Park, IL 60176

847-671-1816 (phone);

www.sd81.org

Stickney

School District #103

Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)

10401 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131

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School District #87

Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)

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Early Childhood Services

708-338-2100 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

School District #88

Early Childhood Center

3519 Wilcox Ave., Bellwood, IL 60104

708-544-2815 (phone); 708-544-1757 (fax); www.sd88.org

Westchester

School District #92 ½

Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)

10401 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131

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Western Springs

School District #101

Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)

10401 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131

847-455-3143 (phone); 847-451-4892 (fax); www.lasecfp.org

Special Education Co-ops

Child's Voice

180 Hansen Ct., Wood Dale, IL 60191

630-595-8200 (phone); 630-595-8282 (fax); www.childsvoice.org

1846 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago, IL 60657

773-516-5720(phone); 773-516-5721 (fax); www.childsvoice.org

Provides children with hearing loss, the skills and tools needed to learn to listen and to speak. Also provides specialized deaf education to children and their families.

DuPage County School Districts

Office of Education

421 N. County Farm Rd., Wheaton, IL 60187

630-407-5800 (phone)

La Grange Area Department of Special Education (LADSE)

1301 W. Cossitt Ave., La Grange, IL 60525

708-354-5730 (phone); 708-354-0733 (fax); www.ladse.org

Serving: Butler, Darien, Gower, Westchester, Komerek, Brookfield/La Grange, Riverside, Western Springs, La Grange North, Lyons, Stickney, Hodgkins, Countryside, La Grange South, La Grange Highlands, Pleasantdale, Lyons Township High School, Riverside/Brookfield High School

Leyden Area Special Education Cooperative (LASEC)

10401 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131

847-455-3143 (phone); 847-451-4892 (fax); www.lasecfp.org

Serving: Elmwood Park, River Grove, Franklin Park, Leyden, Norridge, Rosemont, Pennoyer, Rhodes, Mannheim, Union Ridge, Ridgewood

Philip J. Rock Center and School

818 DuPage Blvd., Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

630-790-2474 (phone); 800-771-1158 (TTY/Voice);

630-790-4893 (fax); <http://www.philiprockcenter.org/project-reach>

Provides technical assistance, information, and training to address the early intervention, special education, related services, and transitional services needs of children with deaf-blindness and enhance state capacity to improve services and outcomes for children and their families.

Proviso Area for Exceptional Children (PAEC)

1000 Van Buren St., Maywood, IL 60153

Early Childhood Services

708-338-2100 (phone); 708-338-3253 (fax); www.paec803.org

Serving: Berkeley, Northlake, Bellwood, Maywood, Melrose Park, Broadview, Westchester, Forest Park, Elmhurst, Hillside

School Association for Special Education (SASED)

DuPage / West Cook

Central Office

6S331 Cornwall Rd., Naperville, IL 60540

630-778-4500 (phone); 630-778-0196 (fax)

Highland Hills School

1590 S. Fairfield Ave., Lombard, IL 60148

630-620-9438 (phone); www.sased.org

Provides a complete continuum of services for all students with disabilities ages 3-21.

Serving: Keeneyville, Benjamin, West Chicago Elementary, Winfield, DuPage County #45, Salt Creek, Downers Grove Grade School, Maercker, Cass, Center Cass, Woodridge, Community Consolidated School District #180, Westmont Community Unit School District #201, Lisle Community Unit School District #202, Elmhurst Community Unit School District #205.

West Suburban Cook County Districts

Regional Office of Education

West 40 Intermediate Service Center, 2nd Floor

2701 W. Washington Blvd., Bellwood, IL 60104

708-544-4890 (phone); 708-544-4891 (fax); www.west40.org

Developmental Services

Children with developmental delays may benefit from therapeutic interventions even if Early Intervention or school district evaluations find they do not qualify for those programs. This section provides a list of resources for families. These providers help to meet children's and families' needs for Developmental Therapy, Medical Diagnostics, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Social-Emotional Therapy/Counseling, Speech and Language Therapy and Support Groups.

The Collaboration and the Physicians Network do not endorse or recommend these providers by listing them here. The list is not intended to be comprehensive and any omissions are inadvertent. Insurance, fee and payment information is not specified for the entries provided here. Due to recent changes to the climate of health care and insurance programs, we suggest that each family contact the specific service provider, their primary health care provider and their insurance provider, to verify insurance coverage fee and payment information.

AUDIOLOGY SERVICES

Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center

836 W. Wellington Ave., Chicago, IL 60657

773-296-7450 (phone); 773-296-7370 (fax)

www.advocatehealth.com/immc/outpatient-rehabilitation-services-andtreatments

Evaluations, diagnostics, hearing aid evaluations, fitting and repair.

Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital

Audiology Dept.

225 E. Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60611

800-543-7362 (800-KIDS DOC) (phone); 312-227-9654 (fax)

<http://Luriechildrens.org/en-us/care-services/conditionstreatments/rehabilitative-services/Pages/basics/audiology/audiology.aspx>

Evaluations and diagnostics; hearing aid evaluations, fitting and repair; Cochlear implant services.

Outpatient Center at Westchester

2301 Enterprise Dr., Westchester, IL 60154

708-836-4800 (phone); 708-836-4805 (fax)

Evaluations, diagnostics, hearing aid evaluations, fitting and repair.

Easter Seals DuPage and the Fox River Valley Region

Rosalie Dold Center

830 S. Addison Ave., Villa Park, IL 60181

630-620-4433 (phone); 630-620-1148 (fax)

<http://dfvr.easterseals.com/page.aspx?pid=419>

Evaluations, diagnostics, hearing aid evaluations, fitting and repair.

John H. Stroger Jr. Hospital– Audiology Services

1901 W. Harrison St., 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60612

312-864-3600 (phone); 312-864-9309 (fax)

Evaluations; referrals for hearing aids

Registration and appointments obtained through the emergency room and after-hours clinic at the main hospital. Referrals are submitted by the physician directly through IRIS. **Patients can't call directly.**

MacNeal Hospital - Audiology and Hearing Aid Services

3249 S. Oak Park Ave., Berwyn, IL 60402

708-783-3134 (phone); 708-783-3894 (fax)

www.macneal.com/Services/rehabilitation/audiology.aspx

Evaluations, diagnostics, hearing aid evaluations, fitting and repair for older children

Northwestern Memorial Hospital

675 N. St. Clair, ENT Department, 5th Floor, Chicago, IL 60601

312-695-8107 (phone); 312-695-4303 (fax)

www.audiology.nm.org

Evaluations; hearing aid fitting

Resurrection Health Care

Resurrection Medical Center

7435 W. Talcott Ave., Chicago, IL 60631

773-792-5258 (phone)

(This location offers infant hearing screening services)

St. Joseph's Hospital

2900 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60657

773-665-3060 (phone); 773-665-3691 (fax)

Saints Mary and Elizabeth Medical Center

2233 W. Division St., Chicago, IL 60622

312-770-3006 (phone)

www.reshealth.org

All locations offer Evaluations, diagnostics, hearing aid evaluations, fitting and repair

Rush University Medical Center

1611 W. Harrison St., Suite 530, Chicago, IL 60612

312-942-5332 (phone); 312-942-7068 (fax)

hearing_help@rush.edu (email)

www.rush.edu/services-treatments/communicative-disorders/audiology-services

Evaluations and diagnostics; hearing aid evaluation, fitting and repair.

Sertoma Speech & Hearing Center

10409 S. Roberts Rd., Palos Hills, IL 60465

708-599-9500 (phone); 708-599-2791 (fax)

www.sertomacenter.org

Evaluations; hearing aid fitting and repair

University of Illinois Hospital & Health Sciences System

1855 W. Taylor St., Suite B46, Chicago, IL 60612

312-996-6522 (phone); 312-996-7373 (fax)

<http://hospital.uillinois.edu>

Comprehensive audiology services

DEVELOPMENTAL THERAPY

Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center Pediatric Development Center

3040 N. Wilton Ave., 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60657

773-296-7340 (phone); 773-296-7370 (fax)

<http://advocatehealth.com/immc/PediatricDevelopmentalCenter>
Evaluation and treatment

Aspire Children's Services

Eamon Shannon Center

1815 S. Wolf Rd., Hillside, IL 60162

708-236-0979 (phone); 708-236-5151 (fax)

www.aspireofillinois.org/who-we-help/child-pediatric-therapies.html

Evaluation and treatment

The Center for Hope & Healing

16W241 S. Frontage Rd., Suite 35, Burr Ridge, IL 60527

630-468-2341 (phone); 630-468-2865 (fax)

www.thecenterforhopeandhealing.com/therapy/index.php

Evaluation and treatment

Chicago PLAY Project

2128 W. Belmont, Chicago, IL 60618

773-426-6290 (phone); 773-442-0327 (fax)

<http://chicagoplayproject.com/what-is-dev-therapy/>

Evaluation and treatment

Helping Hand Rehabilitation Center

9649 W. 55th St., Countryside, IL 60525

708-352-3580, ext. 383 (phone); 708-352-9728 (fax)

www.hhrehab.org/pgrms/child_services.html

Evaluation and treatment

Jewish Children and Family Services

Multiple locations

312-357-4800 or 855-275-5237 (phone); 312-855-3750 (fax)

www.jcfs.org

Oak-Leyden Developmental Services

411 Chicago Ave., Oak Park, IL 60302
708-524-1050, ext. 107 (phone); 708-524-2469 (fax)
<http://oak-leyden.org/childrens-services>
Evaluation and treatment; playgroup

Sertoma Speech & Hearing Center

10409 S. Roberts Rd., Palos Hills, IL 60465
708-599-9500 (phone); 708-599-2791 (fax)
www.sertomacenter.org
Evaluations; hearing aid fitting and repair

Transitions Developmental Therapy PC

225 Enterprise Dr., Suite 2505, Westchester, IL 60154
708-296-5990 (phone)
www.transitionstherapy.org/
Evaluation and treatment

Vital Rehabilitation

5820W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago, IL 60634
773-685-8482 (phone); 773-685-8479 (fax)
contact@vitalrehabilitation.com (email)
www.vitalrehabilitation.com/pediatricdevelopmentaltherapy.php
Evaluation and treatment

MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC TEAMS

Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center

Joann Carbonell-Rodriguez
836 W. Wellington, Chicago, IL 60657
773-296-7687 (phone) / 773-296-7281 (fax)
Alecia: 773-296-8441 (phone)
Authorized under Advocate Northside Health System

Ann and Robert H. Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago

Loretta Lattyak, Nurse Coordinator
225 E. Chicago Ave, Box 16, Chicago, IL 60611
312-227-6720 (phone) / 312-227-9418 (fax)
Lattyak@Luriechildrens.org (email)
Juanita answers the phone and can answer most questions that you might have. Dr.
Susan Bauer and Dr. Dana Brazdziumas (Central DuPage County)
The children and family are seen by the doctor and a multi-disciplinary team (RN, Speech, OT)

Erikson Center for Children and Families

Kimberly Metcalf
451 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL 60654
312-893-7119 (phone) / 312-893-7229 (fax)
kmetcalf@erikson.edu (email)
Referral goes to Kimberly. She calls the family and the service coordinator to coordinate the medical diagnostic visit.

Loyola Center for Children's Health

Pam Oswald, Developmental Pediatrician
1S224 Summit Ave., Ste. 101, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181
708-327-9147 (phone) / 708-327-9132 (fax)
poswald@lumc.edu (email)
Call to schedule a medical diagnostic appointment with the team (Lisa O'Haloran, DT, Lisa Boyko, PT, Kelly Gillespie, SP, Mariellen Maloney, OT and Dr. Lauren Boyd, Developmental Pediatrician)

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center Pediatric Development Center

3040 N. Wilton Ave., 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60657

773-296-7340 (phone); 773-296-7370 (fax)

<http://advocatehealth.com/immc/PediatricDevelopmentalCenter>
Evaluation and treatment

Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago Occupational Therapy Program

225 E. Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60611

800-543-7362 (800-KIDS DOC) (phone)

<http://Luriechildrens.org/en-us/care-services/conditionstreatments/rehabilitative-services/Pages/basics/basics.aspx>

Evaluation and treatment

Outpatient Center at Westchester

2301 Enterprise Dr., Westchester, IL 60154

708-836-4800 (phone); 708-836-4805 (fax)

Evaluation and treatment

Aspire Children's Services

Eamon Shannon Center

1815 S. Wolf Rd., Hillside, IL 60162

708-236-0979 (phone); 708-236-5151 (fax)

www.aspireofillinois.org/who-we-help/child-pediatric-therapies.html

Evaluation and treatment

Belle Center of Chicago

1745 W. Wilson Ave., Chicago, IL 60640

773-878-7868 (phone); 773-878-7869 (fax)

www.aspireofillinois.org/who-we-help/child-belle-center-programs.html

Evaluation and treatment

The Center for Hope & Healing

16W241 S. Frontage Rd., Suite 35, Burr Ridge, IL 60527
630-468-2341 (phone); 630-468-2865 (fax)
www.thecenterforhopeandhealing.com/therapy/occupationaltherapy.php
Evaluation and treatment

Communication Clubhouse

4858 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60630
773-205-8505 (phone); 773-205-8550 (fax)
comclubhouse@aol.com (email)
www.communicationclubhouse.com/services.html
Evaluation and treatment

2901 Finley Rd., Suite 102, Downers Grove, IL 60515
630-498-6800 (phone); 630-495-8200 (fax)
comclubhouse@aol.com (email)
www.communicationclubhouse.com/services.html
Evaluation and treatment

Easter Seals DuPage and the Fox River Valley Region Rosalie Dold Center

830 S. Addison Ave., Villa Park, IL 60181
630-282-2023 (phone); 630-620-1148 (fax)
<http://dfvr.easterseals.com/>
Evaluation and treatment

Helping Hand Rehabilitation Center

9649 W. 55th St., Countryside, IL 60525
708-352-3580, ext. 383 (phone); 708-352-9728 (fax)
www.hhrehab.org/pgrms/child_services.html
Evaluation and treatment

Imagine Pediatric Therapy

606 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago, IL 60607
312-588-5050 (phone); 312-588-5040 (fax)
www.imaginepeds.com/
Evaluation and treatment

Jewish Children and Family Services

Multiple locations

312-357-4800 or 855-275-5237 (phone); 312-855-3750 (fax)

www.jcfs.org

John H. Stroger Jr. Hospital

1901 W. Harrison St., 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60612

312-864-3600 (phone); 312-864-9309 (fax)

Evaluation and treatment

Registration with Cook County Health System and appointments obtained through the emergency room and after-hours clinic at the main hospital.

Kids in Sync Pediatric Occupational Therapy

1820 W. Webster Ave., Suite 202, Chicago, IL 60614

773-235-5070 (phone)

info@kids-in-sync.com (email)

<http://kids-in-sync.com/index.asp>

Evaluation and treatment

Kids Unlimited Therapeutic Services LLC

820 North Blvd. (side entrance), Oak Park, IL 60302

708-524-2445 (phone); 708-524-2443 (fax)

<http://kidsunlimitedtherapyservices.com/Index.html>

Evaluation and treatment

Milestones for Success

2901 Finley Rd., Suite 101, Downers Grove, IL 60515

630-792-1800 (phone); 630-792-1801 (fax)

www.milestones4kids.com

Evaluation and treatment

Oak-Leyden Developmental Services

411 Chicago Ave., Oak Park, IL 60302

708-524-1050, ext. 107 (phone); 708-524-2469 (fax)

<http://oak-leyden.org/childrens-services>

Evaluation and treatment; playgroup

Oak Tree Developmental Center

1640 N. Wells St., Suite 103, Chicago, IL 60614

312-642-4300 (phone); 312-642-4302 (fax)

oaktreekids@yahoo.com (email)

www.oaktreekids.com/OaktreeKids/services.html

Evaluation and treatment; groups

Vital Rehabilitation

5820 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago, IL 60634

773-685-8482 (phone); 773-685-8479 (fax)

contact@vitalrehabilitation.com (email)

www.vitalrehabilitation.com/occupationaltherapypediatrics.php

Evaluation and treatment

PHYSICAL THERAPY

Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center Pediatric Development Center

3040 N. Wilton Ave., 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60657

773-296-7340 (phone); 773-296-7370 (fax)

<http://advocatehealth.com/immc/PediatricDevelopmentalCenter>

Evaluation and treatment

Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago

225 E. Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60611

800-543-7362 (800-KIDS DOC) (phone)

<http://Luriechildrens.org>

Evaluation and treatment

Outpatient Center at Westchester

2301 Enterprise Dr., Westchester, IL 60154

708-836-4800 (phone); 708-836-4805 (fax)

Evaluation and treatment

Aspire Children's Services

Eamon Shannon Center

1815 S. Wolf Rd., Hillside, IL 60162

708-236-0979 (phone); 708-236-5151 (fax)

www.aspireofillinois.org/who-we-help/child-pediatric-therapies.html

Evaluation and treatment

Easter Seals DuPage and the Fox River Valley Region

Rosalie Dold Center

830 S. Addison Ave., Villa Park, IL 60181

630-282-2023 (phone); 630-620-1148 (fax)

<http://dfvr.easterseals.com/>

Evaluation and treatment

Helping Hand Rehabilitation Center

9649 W. 55th St., Countryside, IL 60525

708-352-3580, ext. 383 (phone); 708-352-9728 (fax)

www.hhrehab.org/pgrms/child_services.html

Evaluation and treatment

Imagine Pediatric Therapy

606 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago, IL 60607
312-588-5050 (phone); 312-588-5040 (fax)
www.imaginepeds.com/
Evaluation and treatment

John H. Stroger Jr. Hospital

1901 W. Harrison St., 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60612
312-864-3600 (phone); 312-864-9309 (fax)
Evaluation and treatment
Registration with Cook County Health System and appointments obtained through the emergency room and after-hours clinic at the main hospital.

Kids Unlimited Therapeutic Services LLC

820 North Blvd. (side entrance), Oak Park, IL 60302
708-524-2445 (phone); 708-524-2443 (fax)
<http://kidsunlimitedtherapyservices.com/Index.html>
Evaluation and treatment

Milestones for Success

2901 Finley Road, Suite 101, Downers Grove, IL 60515
630-792-1800 (phone); 630-792-1801 (fax)
www.milestones4kids.com
Evaluation and treatment

Oak-Leyden Developmental Services

411 Chicago Ave., Oak Park, IL 60302
708-524-1050, ext. 107 (phone); 708-524-2469 (fax)
<http://oak-leyden.org/childrens-services>
Evaluation and treatment; playgroup

Oak Tree Developmental Center

1640 N. Wells St., Suite 103, Chicago, IL 60614
312-642-4300 (phone); 312-642-4302 (fax)
oaktreekids@yahoo.com (email)
www.oaktreekids.com/OaktreeKids/services.html
Evaluation and treatment; groups

Vital Rehabilitation

5820 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago, IL 60634
773-685-8482 (phone); 773-685-8479 (fax)
contact@vitalrehabilitation.com (email)
www.vitalrehabilitation.com/pediatrics.php
Evaluation and treatment

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL/MENTAL HEALTH THERAPY

Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center Pediatric Development Center

3040 N. Wilton Ave., 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60657

773-296-7340 (phone); 773-296-5906 (fax)

<http://advocatehealth.com/immc/PediatricDevelopmentalCenter>

Evaluation and treatment for children birth to three years old

Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago Outpatient Center at Westchester

2301 Enterprise Dr., Westchester, IL 60154

708-836-4800 (phone); 708-836-4805 (fax)

Evaluation and treatment

The Center for Hope & Healing

16W241 S. Frontage Rd., Ste. 35, Burr Ridge, IL 60527

630-468-2341 (phone); 630-468-2865 (fax)

www.thecenterforhopeandhealing.com/therapy/playtherapy.php

Evaluation and treatment provided by social workers

Community Mental Health Board of Oak Park Township Network of Care for Mental / Behavioral Health

www.oakpark.il.networkofcare.org

Online information portal for information about community mental health services, substance abuse treatment programs and help for people with disabilities.

Community Support Services Inc.

9021 Ogden Avenue, Brookfield, IL 60513

708-354-4547 (phone)

<http://www.cssservices.org>

Parent support/training; limited respite care

Evanston Northwestern Healthcare Perinatal Depression Program

Perinatal Depression Program

24 hour Crisis Hotline: 1-866-364-6667

Identifies and supports families at risk for perinatal depression.

Fussy Baby Network:

1-888-431-2229 (888-431-BABY) (phone)

fussybaby@erikson.edu (email)

www.erikson.edu/fussybaby/services/

Provides support and solutions for families on effective ways to care for babies with infant crying, sleeping and feeding issues. Services are provided through private, in-home consultations or phone conversations.

Family Service – Mental Health Center of Cicero

5341 W. Cermak Rd., Cicero, IL 60804

708-656-6430 (phone); 708-656-6591 (fax)

www.cicerofs.org

Specializes in counseling and treatment of mental illness for individuals and families. Primarily serves residents of Cicero but does accept clients who live in surrounding communities, with private insurance. No charge for initial intake.

Healthcare Alternative Systems, Inc.

Postpartum Depression Program

1915-17 W. Roosevelt Road, Broadview, IL 60155

708-498-0200 (phone); 708-344-7141 (fax)

<http://www.hascares.org/programs-that-help/postpartum-depression/>

Behavioral health services, including postpartum depression treatment in English and Spanish. Evaluation, treatment and support groups.

IWS Children's Clinic

320 Lake Street, Oak Park, IL 60302

708-848-0528 (phone) 708-848-5855 (fax)

www.childrenscliniciws.org

Provides medical, dental and behavioral health services. Individual and family counseling services provided for children up to age 18 with a Pillars therapist on site at clinic

Jewish Children and Family Services

Multiple locations

312-357-4800 or 855-275-5237 (phone); 312-855-3750 (fax)

www.jcfs.org

Counseling services; respite

Leyden Family Service

10001 W. Grand Ave., Franklin Park, IL 60131
847-451-0330 (phone); 847-451-1652 (fax)
www.leydenfamilyservice.org
Counseling service across the age span

Pillars

6918 Windsor Ave., Berwyn, IL 60402
708-745-5277 (phone); 708-795-4834 (fax)
www.pillarscommunity.org
Counseling and psychiatric services for all ages
24 Hour Domestic Violence Hotline
708-485-5254 (phone)
24 Hour Sexual Assault Hotline
708-482-9600

Presence Health

Adult Family and Children Mental Health Center

1414 Main St., Melrose Park, IL 60163
708-681-0073
www.presencehealth.org

Westchester Office

9845 Roosevelt Rd., Westchester, IL
708-681-2325

PBH Wellness Center

9855 Roosevelt Rd., Westchester, IL
708-681-2325

Thrive Counseling Center

120 S. Marion St., Oak Park, IL 60302
708-383-7500 (phone); 708-383-2842 (TTY); 708-383-7780 (fax)
questions@thrivecc.org (email)
www.thrivecc.org
Counseling services for children over age 9 who reside in Oak
Park and River Forest
24/7 Crisis Team
708-383-7500

Vital Rehabilitation

5820 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago, IL 60634

773-685-8482 (phone); 800-652-0005(toll free);

773-685-8479 (fax)

contact@vitalrehabilitation.com (email)

<http://www.vitalrehabilitation.com/counseling.php>

Counseling and psychotherapy

SPEECH/ LANGUAGE THERAPY

Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center Pediatric Developmental Center

3040 N. Wilton Avenue, 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60657

773-296-7340 (phone); 773-296-5906 (fax)

<http://advocatehealth.com/immc/PediatricDevelopmentalCenter>

Evaluation and treatment

Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago Speech and Language Therapy Team

225 E. Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60611

800-543-7362 (800-KIDS DOC) (phone)

<http://Luriechildrens.org>

Evaluation and treatment of communication and swallowing disorders

Outpatient Center at Westchester

2301 Enterprise Dr., Westchester, IL 60154

708-836-4800 (phone); 708-836-4805 (fax)

Evaluation and treatment

Aspire Children's Services

Eamon Shannon Center

1815 S. Wolf Rd., Hillside, IL 60162

708-236-0979 (phone); 708-236-5151 (fax)

<http://www.aspirechicago.com/kids/kids-pediatric-therapy/>Evaluation and treatment

Belle Center of Chicago

3234 W. Montrose Chicago, IL 60618

773-878-7868 (phone); 773-878-7869 (fax)

<http://www.aspirechicago.com/kids/kids-pediatric-therapy/>

Evaluation and treatment

Chicago Speech Therapy

1422 W. Willow, Suite 101, Chicago, IL 60642

312-399-0370 (phone); 312-278-0072 (fax)

www.chicagospeechtherapy.com/

Evaluation and treatment; free screenings

Communication Clubhouse

4958 N. Milwaukee Ave., Chicago, IL 60630
773-205-8500 (phone); 773-205-8550 (fax)
www.communicationclubhouse.com/services.html
Evaluation and treatment

2901 Finley Rd., Suite 102, Downers Grove, IL 60515
630-498-6800 (phone); 630-495-8200 (fax)
www.communicationclubhouse.com/services.html
Evaluation and treatment

Easter Seals DuPage and the Fox River Valley Region Rosalie Dold Center

830 S. Addison Ave., Villa Park, IL 60181
630-282-2023 (phone); 630-620-1148 (fax)
www.dfvr.easterseals.com
Evaluation and treatment

Helping Hand Rehabilitation Center

9649 W. 55th St., Countryside, IL 60525
708-352-3580, ext. 383 (phone); 708-352-9728 (fax)
www.hhrehab.org/pgrms/child_services.html
Evaluation and treatment

Imagine Pediatric Therapy

606 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago, IL 60607
312-588-5050 (phone); 312-588-5040 (fax)
www.imaginepeds.com/
Evaluation and treatment

Jewish Children and Family Services

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www.jcfs.org

John H. Stroger Jr. Hospital – Speech and Language Services

1900 W. Polk Street, Chicago, IL 60612

312-864-3600 (phone); 312-864-9309 (fax)

Evaluation and treatment

Registration with Cook County Health System and appointments obtained through the emergency room and after-hours clinics at the main hospital.

Kids Unlimited Therapeutic Services LLC

820 North Blvd. (side entrance), Oak Park, IL 60302

708-524-2445 (phone); 708-524-2443 (fax)

<http://kidsunlimitedtherapyservices.com/Index.html>

Evaluation and treatment

MacNeal Hospital – Speech-Language Pathology

3249 S. Oak Park Ave., Berwyn, IL 60402

708-783-3134 (phone); 708-783-3894 (fax)

www.macneal.com/Services/rehabilitation/speech.aspx

Evaluation and treatment of communication and swallowing disorders

Milestones for Success

2901 Finley Rd., Suite 1010, Downers Grove, IL 60515

630-792-1880 (phone); 630-792-1801 (fax)

www.milestones4kids.com/

Evaluation and treatment

Oak-Leyden Developmental Services

411 Chicago Ave., Oak Park, IL 60302

708-524-1050 (phone); 708-524-2469 (fax)

<http://oak-leyden.org/childrens-services>

Evaluation and treatment; playgroup

Oak Tree Developmental Center

1640 N. Wells St., Suite 103, Chicago, IL 60614

312-642-4300 (phone); 312-642-4302 (fax)

oaktreekids@yahoo.com (email)

www.oaktreekids.com/OaktreeKids/services.html

Evaluation and treatment; groups

Rush University Medical Center – Communicative Disorders

1611 W. Harrison St., Suite 530, Chicago, IL 60612
312-942-5332 (phone); 312-942-7068 (fax)
contact_rush@rush.edu (email)
www.rush.edu/rumc/page-1099918803447.html
Evaluation and treatment

Sertoma Speech & Hearing Center

10409 S. Roberts Road, Palos Hills, IL 60465
708-599-9500 (phone); 708-599-2791 (fax)
www.sertomacenter.org

University of Illinois

1855 W. Taylor Street, Chicago, IL 60612
312-996-6520 (phone); 312-996-1527 (fax)
<http://uillinoismedcenter.org>
Comprehensive speech therapy and services

Vital Rehabilitation

5820 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago, IL 60634
773-685-8482 (phone); 773-685-8479 (fax)
contact@vitalrehabilitation.com (email)
www.vitalrehabilitation.com/pediatricsspeechtherapy.php
Evaluation and treatment; groups

SUPPORT GROUPS, RESOURCES & MISCELLANEOUS

The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)

www.asha.org

Professional, scientific and credentialing association for audiologists, speech-language pathologists and speech, language and hearing scientists. ASHA is committed to ensuring that all people with speech, language and hearing disorders receive services to help them communicate effectively.

Autism Society of Illinois

2200 S. Main St., #205, Lombard, IL 60148

630-691-1270 (phone)

www.autismillinois.org

Information and referral to support groups and providers/services. Offers IEP consults and advocacy at no charge.

Breastfeed Chicago

www.breadfeedchicago.wordpress.com

A Mom-powered organization, supports mothers in breastfeeding and works to build a network for breastfeeding mothers.

The Chicago Lighthouse

1850 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago, IL 60068

312-666-1331 (phone)

www.thechicagolighthouse.org

Educational, clinical, vocational and rehabilitation services for children, youth and adults who are blind or visually impaired.

Early Intervention Clearinghouse

University of Illinois, Children's Research Center, Rm 20

51 Gerty Dr., Champaign, IL 60182

877-275-3227 (phone)

www.eiclearinghouse.org

Information and resources for families and professionals involved in the Illinois Early Intervention system.

Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Chicago

17 N. State St., Ste. 1300, Chicago, IL 60622

312-939-8622 (phone); info@nads.org (email)

www.epilepsy-chicago.org

Programs and services for children, youth and adults with epilepsy.

Gigi's Play House

Down Syndrome Awareness Centers

1069 W. Golf Rd., Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

847-885-7529 (phone)

www.gigisplayhouse.org

Support and social center for children with Down syndrome and their families. Multiple locations in the Chicago Area including Chicago, Hoffman Estates, Fox Valley and McHenry County.

Illinois Association for Infant Mental Health (ILAIMH)

c/o Erikson Institute, 451 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60654

312-893-7175 (phone); infant@ilaimh.org (email)

www.ilaimh.org

Membership organization of diverse professionals working with infants, toddlers and their families. Though developed as a clinical specialty, infant mental health practice is infused into every setting where practitioners work with or on behalf of very young children and their families.

Illinois Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ISHA)

35 E. Wacker Drive, Suite 850, Chicago IL 60601

312-644-0828 (phone); membership@ishail.org (email)

www.ishail.org

A non-profit organization representing professionals with advanced degrees in speech-language pathology and audiology, and serving as a source for the public in all matters related to delays, disorders and differences of speech, language, hearing, feeding and swallowing.

Kaitlin's Hideout

526 Crescent Blvd., Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

630-460-0878 (phone)

www.kaitlinshideout.com

Kaitlin's Hideout is a play center for children with autism and other special needs, as well as an informational, social and emotional support source for families of special needs children.

La Leche League

905 S. Lombard, Oak Park, IL 60301

Mary Anne: mary.anne.zeh@gmail.com or

Susan: susanpenost@gmail.com (email)

Jennie 773-532-9065 (text)

[www.facebook.com/LaLecheLeagueof](http://www.facebook.com/LaLecheLeagueofOakParkRiverForest/info?tab=page_info)

[OakParkRiverForest/info?tab=page_info](http://www.facebook.com/LaLecheLeagueofOakParkRiverForest/info?tab=page_info) (Facebook)

Provides information and support around breastfeeding. Meetings (drop-in Breastfeeding café) are held the first Friday of every month from 10:00 a.m. to noon, in the upstairs room of the Buzz café.

The Mother's Milk Company

Drop-In Clinic at Peekaboo Playroom

206 S. Marion St., Oak Park, IL 60302

773-595-5593 (phone)

barbara@mothersmilkco.com (email)

www.mothersmilkco.com

Drop-in support with breastfeeding. In-home consultations also available.

National Lekotek Center

2001 Clybourn Ave., Chicago, IL 60614

773-528-5756 (phone)

www.lekotek.org

Toy guidance and play sessions for children with special needs.

National Association for Down Syndrome (NADS)

P.O. Box 206, Wilmette, IL 60091

630-325-9112 (phone); info@nads.org (email)

www.nads.org

Supports and resources for families of people with Down syndrome.

Parenthesis Family Center

405 S. Euclid Ave., Oak Park, IL 60302
708-848-2227 (phone); 708-848-2269 (fax)
<http://www.parenthesis-info.org/>

Parenthesis offers home visiting to families with children, from the prenatal period to three years of age, focused on helping parents develop and grow in their role as their children's first and most important teacher. Parenthesis' Parent Information and Support program provides families developmentally appropriate programs and services that help their child reach his or her full potential.

Prader-Willi Syndrome, Illinois Chapter

contact@pwsaillinois.org (email); pwsaillinois.org
Parents supporting other parents of children with Prader-Willi syndrome.

Rett Syndrome of Illinois

1415 W. 22nd St., Tower Floor, Oak Brook, IL 60126
630-645-2280 (phone)
www.rettillinois.org

Volunteer organization offering resources and events to families with children with Rett Syndrome.

Spina Bifida Association of Illinois

8765 W. Higgins Rd., Ste. 403, Chicago, IL 60631
773-444-0305 (phone)
www.sbail.org

Services, referral, research and awareness.

Starnet

2626 S. Clearbrook Dr., Arlington Heights, IL 60005
224-36-8579 (phone); 847-278-6534 (fax)
www.thecenterweb.org

Star Net is a Support and Technical Assistance Regional Network providing training assistance on request and resources to parents of young children with special needs and professionals in the early childhood community.

OTHER RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Amity School Children's Aid Foundation:

1223 Park Ave., River Forest, IL 60305

708-383-9165 (phone)

Amity provides eyeglasses, hearing aids, shoes, winter coats and other essentials to public school children in Oak Park and River Forest.

University of Illinois at Chicago Specialized Care for Children (DSCC)

800-322-3722 (phone); 217-785-4782 (TTY); 217-558-0773 (fax)

www.dsccl.uic.edu

- Apply online for support from care coordinators who can support you in the following areas:
- Accessing free diagnostic tests
- Finding resources and information
- Preparing for transition
- Finding specialized medical care
- Developing a care coordination plan
- Paying for certain medical expenses
- Using insurance and All Kids / Medicaid
- Communicating with doctors, specialists and schools

Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) Prioritization for Urgency of Need for Services (PUNS)

Suburban Access, Inc.

1 Westbrook Corp. Ctr., Suite A-820, Westchester, IL 60154

Nancy Perez, Independent Service Coordination Agent

708-799-9190 (phone)

Lynn Rivero, Independent Service Coordination Agent

708-449-7257 (phone)

IDHS 24 Hour Automated Helpline: 800-843-6154 (phone); 800-447-6404 (TTY)

PUNS is a statewide database that records information about individuals with developmental disabilities who are potentially in need of services. The State uses the data to select individuals from the waiting list, for services, as funding becomes available, based on criteria such as length of time on database, urgency of need and geographic areas of the state. Children, teens and adults with developmental disabilities who need services or

supports can enroll in the PUNS database and on the waiting list. If a crisis emerges while enrolled in PUNS, families should contact their care Independent Service Coordination Agent immediately for available options. Individuals who meet crisis criteria do not have to wait on PUNS.

VSP Sight for Students:

www.sightforstudents.org

Sight for Students is a VSP charity that provides free vision exams and glasses to low-income, uninsured children. The program operates nationally through a network of community partners who identify children in need and VSP network doctors who provide the eye care services.

Access this website above to find a partner in your area to request a gift certificate: www.vsp.com/sfs-find-affiliate.html

Zenni Optical:

www.zennioptical.com

Online site to purchase low-cost eyewear for children and adults.

**SAMPLE PARENT LETTER TO REQUEST SPECIAL
EDUCATION EVALUATION**

Today's Date

Your Name

Your Address

City, State, Zip Code

Daytime Telephone

Name of Principal or Special Education Administrator

Name of School

Street Address

City, State, Zip Code

Dear (Principal's or Administrator's name),

I am writing to request that my son/daughter, (child's name), be evaluated for special education services. I am worried that (child's name) is not doing well in school and believe he/she may need special services in order to learn. (Child's name) is (age).

Specifically, I am worried because (child's name) does/does not (give a few direct examples of your child's problems or reasons for your concerns).

We have tried the following to help (child's name): (If you or the preschool/child-care center has done anything extra to help your child, briefly state it here).

I understand that I have to give written permission in order for (child's name) to be evaluated. Please consider this request for evaluation as my written consent to evaluation. Before the evaluation begins, I have some questions about the process that I need to have answered (list any questions you may have). I would be happy to talk with you about (child's name). You can send me information or call me during the day at (daytime telephone number).

Thank you for your prompt attention to my request.

Sincerely,

(Your Name)

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