

Essential Links

Parent Links

National Resources

Providing updated information on national resources is a daunting encounter. While every effort is made to provide correct phone numbers, addresses, and e-mail information, we know that some of this information will change. Please consult your Parent Links Consultant if you encounter problems making these connections to information.

ABLEDATA

8401 Colesville Road, Suite 200
Silver Spring, MD 20910
Phone: 800-227-0216 or 301-608-8998
TTY/TDD: 301-608-8912
Fax: 301-608-8958
E-Mail: ABLEDATA@macroint.com or
kabelknap@aol.com

An information and referral project that maintains a database of 25,000-plus assistive technology products. The project also provides fact sheets on devices and other aspects of assistive technology.

Academy of Dispensing Audiologists

3008 Millwood Avenue
Columbia, SC 29205
Phone: 800-445-8629 or (803-252-5646
Fax: 803-765-0860
E-Mail: 5info@audiologist.org

Supports professional dispensing of hearing aids, research, and professional development in aural rehabilitation. Maintains a list of audiologists nationwide as well as a list of frequently asked questions and answers.

Academy of Rehabilitative Audiology

P.O. Box 26532
Minneapolis, MN 55426
Phone: 952-920-0196
Fax: 952-920-6098
E-Mail: ara@incnet.com

Promotes excellence in hearing care through the provision of comprehensive rehabilitative and habilitative services.

ADARA

P.O. Box 727
Lusby, MD 20657
Phone/TTY/TDD: 410-495-8440
Fax: 410-495-8442
E-Mail: ADARAorgn@aol.com

A nonprofit, incorporated association of professionals and interested persons involved in promoting and participating in quality human service delivery to deaf and hard of hearing individuals.

Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

3417 Volta Place NW
Washington, DC 20007-2778
Phone/TTY/TDD: 202-337-5220
Fax: 202-337-8314
Website: www.agbell.org
E-Mail: agbell2@aol.com

Gathers and disseminates information on hearing loss in children and adults. Promotes early detection of hearing loss in infants. Advocates for the rights of children and adults who are deaf or hard of hearing.

American Academy of Audiology

8300 Greensboro Drive, Suite 750
McLean, VA 22102-3611
Phone/TTY/TDD: 800-222-2336 or (703-790-8466
Fax: 703-790-8631
E-Mail: molek@audiology.org

Provides professional development, education, research, and promotes increased public awareness of hearing disorders and audiologic services.

American Academy of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery, Inc.

One Prince Street
Alexandria, VA 22314-3357
Phone: 703-836-4444
TTY/TDD: 703-519-1585
Fax: 703-683-5100
E-Mail: entnews@aol.com

Provides continuing medical education courses, publications, referrals to physicians, and distributes patient leaflets relating to ear, nose, and throat problems.

American Hearing Research Foundation

55 East Washington Street, Suite 2022
Chicago, IL 60602
Phone: 312-726-9670
Fax: 312-726-9695

Supports medical research and education in the causes, prevention, and cures of deafness, hearing losses, and balance disorders. Keeps physicians and the public informed on the latest developments in hearing research and education.

American Laryngological, Rhinological, and Otolological Society

555 North 30th Street
Omaha, NE 68131
Phone: 402-498-6666
Fax: 402-498-6662
E-Mail: trilog@boystown.org

Provides continuing educational opportunities for its members through conferences and regional meetings.

American Society for Deaf Children

P.O. Box 3355
Gettysburg, PA 17325
Phone/TTY/TDD: 717-334-7922
Fax: 717-334-8808
E-Mail: ASDCI@aol.com

A nonprofit parent-helping parent organization promoting a positive attitude toward sign language and deaf culture. Provides information, encouragement, and support to families with deaf and hard of hearing children.

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association

10801 Rockville Pike
Rockville, MD 20852
Phone: 888-321-ASHA or (800-498-2071
TTY/TDD: 301-571-0457
Fax: 877-541-5035
E-Mail: actioncenter@asha.org

A professional and scientific organization for speech-language pathologist and audiologists concerned with communication disorders. Provides materials and a toll-free help line for consumers to inquire about speech, language, or hearing problems. Provides referrals to audiologists and speech-language pathologists in the United States.

Association for Research in Otolaryngology (ARO)

19 Mantua Road
Mount Royal, NJ 08061
Phone: 856-423-0041
Fax: 856-423-3420

Encourages and promotes research, publishes the *Journal of the Association for Research in Otolaryngology*, and maintains ARO abstracts on their websites.

Auditory-Verbal International, Inc.

2121 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite 402
Alexandria, VA 22314
Phone: 703-739-1049
TTY/TDD: 703-739-0874
Fax: 703-739-0395
Website: www.auditory-verbal.org
E-Mail: avi@auditory-verbal.org

Dedicated to helping children who have hearing losses learn to listen and speak. Promotes the Auditory-Verbal therapy approach, which is based on the belief that the overwhelming majority of these children can hear and talk by using their residual hearing, hearing aides, and cochlear implants.

Better Hearing Institute Helpline

515 King Street, Suite 420
Alexandria, VA 22314
Phone: 800-327-9355, 888-HEAR-HELP or 703-684-3391
TTY/TDD: 703-684-3391
Fax: 703-684-6048
E-Mail: mail@betterhearing.org

Nonprofit educational organization that implements national public information programs on hearing loss and the available types of assistance.

Boys Town National Research Hospital

555 North 30th Street
Omaha, NE 68131
Phone: 402-498-6511
TTY/TDD: 402-498-6543
Fax: 402-498-6638
E-Mail: btnrh@boystown.org

It's mission is to help and heal children and operate a leading clinical and research center for childhood hearing loss and related disorders.

California State University, Northridge National Center on Deafness

18111 Nordhoff Street
Northridge, CA 91330-8267
Phone: 818-677-2145
TTY/TDD: (Library) 818-677-2665
(Main Number) 818-677-2611
Fax: 818-677-4899

Provides information and referrals on a wide variety of topics related to deafness.

Captioned Media Program: National Association of the Deaf

1447 East Main Street
Spartanburg, SC 29307
Phone: 800-237-6213
TTY/TDD: 800-237-6819
Fax: 800-538-5636
E-Mail: info@cfv.org

Provides free loan services of open-captioned media for deaf and hard of hearing persons, teachers, parents, and others. Materials include videos (pre-school through college level) on a variety of topics (classical movies and special interest topics).

Center for Accessible Media, WGBH Educational Foundation

125 Western Avenue
Boston, MA 02134
Voice/TTY: 617-492-9259
Fax: 617-782-2155
Website: <http://ncam.wgbh.org/>
E-Mail: NCAM@wgbh.org

Aims to increase access to public mass media. Researches and develops media access technologies, and acts as a resource to broadcasters, producers, educators, and consumers.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program

4770 Buford Highway NE, MS/F-15
Atlanta, GA 30341-3724
Phone: 770-488-7360
Fax: 770-488-7361
Website: www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/ehdi
E-Mail: ehdi@cdc.gov

Provides resources and information related to the detection and management of hearing impairment at an early age. Families and professionals are welcome to participate in bi-monthly teleconferences.

Cochlear Implant Association International

5335 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Suite 440
Washington, DC 20015-2003
Phone/TTY/TDD: 202-895-2781
Fax: 202-895-2782
Website: www.cici.org
E-Mail: info@cici.org

Provides information and support for cochlear implant users and their families. Publishes a quarterly magazine, *CONTACT*, on cochlear implants and related services.

Cued Speech Association, Nazareth College

4245 East Avenue
Rochester, NY 14618
Voice/TTY: 716-586-2525

Provides advocacy and support regarding use of cued speech for deaf and hard of hearing people of all ages, their families and friends, and professionals who work with them.

Hear Now

4248 Park Glen Road
Minneapolis, MN 55416
Phone: 800-648-HEAR
Fax: 952-828-6946

Committed to making technology accessible to deaf and hard of hearing individuals throughout the United States. Raises funds to provide hearing aids, cochlear implants, and related services to children and adults who need financial assistance.

International Hearing Society

16880 Middlebelt Road, Suite 4

Livonia, MI 48154

Phone: 734-522-7200 or Hearing Aid

Helpline: 800-521-5247

Fax: 734-522-0200

A professional association of Hearing Instrument Specialists who test hearing and select, fit, and dispense hearing instruments. The society conducts programs of competence qualifications, education and training, and promotes specialty-level accreditation. The Hearing Aid Helpline provides consumer information and referrals.

Joint Committee on Infant Hearing Screening, Indiana University School of Medicine, James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children

702 Barnhill Drive, Suite 0860

Indianapolis, IN 46202-5230

Phone: 317-274-8868

Fax: 317-274-6680

Addresses issues important to the early identification, evaluation, and follow-up care of infants and young children with hearing loss.

National Association of the Deaf (NAD)

814 Thayer Avenue

Silver Springs, MD 20910-4500

Phone: 301- 587-1788

TTY: 301- 587-1789

Fax: 301- 587-1791

Website: www.nad.org

E-Mail: NADinfo@nad.org

The oldest and one of the largest consumer organizations advocating for equal access by people who are deaf or hard of hearing in the areas of employment, education, telecommunications, and rehabilitation. Also, maintains the NAD Publications Department, deaf awareness programs, a legal defense fund, a public information center, youth programs, and certification programs for interpreters and for sign language instructors.

National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management

Utah State University, 2880 Old Main Hill

Logan, UT 84322

Phone: 435-797-1121

Fax: 435-797-1448

Develops training materials for hospital universal screening programs, information dissemination, refinement of screening techniques and technology, and data management.

National Cued Speech Association

23970 Hermitage Road

Cleveland, OH 44122-4000

Phone/TTY/TDD: 800-459-3529

Fax: 216-360-0359

E-Mail: cuedspdisc@aol.com

Provides instruction, counseling and support in the use of Cued Speech for deaf, hard of hearing, cochlear implanted or persons diagnosed with auditory processing disabilities, their families, friends, and professionals who work with them.

National Institute of Health, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)

31 Center Drive, MSC 2320

Bethesda, MD 20892-2320

Phone: 301-496-7243

TTY/TDD: 301-402-0252

Fax: 301-402-0018

Website: www.nidcd.nih.gov

Provides information and disseminates materials to educate the public and health professionals about research areas in human communication.

National Institute of Health, National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders Information Clearinghouse

1 Communication Avenue
Bethesda, MD 20892-3456
Phone: 800-241-1044
TTY/TDD: 800-241-1055
Fax: 301-907-8830
E-Mail: nidcdinfo@nidcd.nih.gov

National resource center for information about hearing, balance, smell, taste, voice, speech, and language. Collects and disseminates information through an information service and a computerized database (chid.nih.gov).

Self Help for Hard of Hearing People

7910 Woodmont Avenue, Suite 1200
Bethesda, MD 20814
Phone: 301-657-2248
TTY/TDD: 301-657-2249
Fax: 301-913-9413
Website: www.shhh.org

Educational organization promoting the awareness and information about hearing loss, communication, assistive devices, and communication skills through publications, exhibits, and presentations.

U.S. Department of Education, ERIC Clearinghouse on Disabilities and Gifted Education

1920 Association
Reston, VA 20191-1589
Phone/TTY/TDD: 800-328-0272
E-Mail: ericec@cec.sped.org


Serves as a resource and referral center, conducts general information searches, and publishes and disseminates information.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau

5600 Fishers Lane, Room 1820
Rockville, MD 20857
Phone: 301-443-0205
Fax: 301-443-1797

Provides leadership, partnership, and resources to advance the health of mothers, infants, children, and adolescents.

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