A Parent for Every Child
Resource Directory
for Adoptive Parents and Permanency Connections

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parentforeverychild.org

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Central Referral
This private non-profit corporation has given individuals free and confidential referrals to Western New York health and human service providers. Central Referral links 30,000 - 40,000 clients a year to more than 3,000 organizations and over 15,000 services. If you need help, or want to give us feedback please call 2-1-1 or 716.851.5555.
http://www.centralreferral.org/

Adoption

A Parent for Every Child
A Diligent Recruitment project sponsored by the New York state Office of Children and Family Services and funded through a federal Adoption Opportunity grant. Our goal is to provide permanency through kinship care, adoption, or guardianship for children whose parental rights have been terminated and who have spent several years in residential care without a viable family resource.
Rochester Region / Central and Western New York
Hillside Children’s Center
(585) 256-7500
www.parentforeverychild.org/

Adoption Chronicles:
Where children and families present themselves and discover each other!
www.adoptionchronicles.com/

Hillside Adoption Resource Network (ARN)
A single resource for information on every phase of adoption.
(585) 350-2500.

OCFS Adoption Photo Listing
https://apps.ocfs.ny.gov/Adoption/Child/Search/Demographic.aspx

CAP/ Wendy’s Wonderful Kids
Children Awaiting Parents (CAP) is a national nonprofit organization that recruits adoptive families for children in foster care. CAP has brought together more than 6,000 children and families over the last 38 years.
www.capbook.org/WWK.asp
Children Awaiting Parents, Inc.
595 Blossom Road, Suite 306
Rochester, NY 14610
p. 888.835.8802 or 585.232.5110
f. 585.232.2634
info@capbook.org

Adoptuskids
The mission of AdoptUSKids is two-fold: to raise public awareness about the need for foster and adoptive families for children in the public child welfare system; and to assist U.S. States, Territories and Tribes to recruit and retain foster and adoptive families and connect them with children.
www.adoptuskids.org/

Adoption Support Groups

Genesee County FAPA
Joanne Pangrazio
585-768-7464

Foster Care /Adoption

Hillside Children’s Center
Multi-service agency based in Rochester, NY providing long-term and short term therapeutic foster care services in 20 NYS counties. Rochester office serves Monroe, Ontario, Wayne, and Yates counties. Pre-certification training and home study takes 3-6 months. Emphasis placed on working with birth families. Foster families receive weekly visits from FP support team, 24 hour on-call support and respite services. Also provides infant, international, and special needs adoptions services - contact # 585-256-7500.
1337 E Main St, Rochester, NY 14609
585-256-7500
www.hillside.com/Join/foster.htm

Catholic Charities of Buffalo
They provide 30 hours joint foster/adoption MAPP class 2x yr. in Spring & Fall. Use shorter training program of 5 or 6 wk individual meetings for private adoptions and may for others rather than have family wait for next MAPP training. $100 adoption application fee and
$2,000 for home study services. Will develop purchase of service contracts with agencies for special needs adoption, no fee to parents. No Spanish language services available.
525 Washington Street Buffalo, NY 14203
716-856-4494 x3048
Caterina.Plotnicki@dfa.state.ny.us

Genesee County Department of Social Services
Families begin Resource Parenting Program with enrollment in 30 Hour MAPP class held 3x a year. After completing MAPP participants who feel ready can begin the certification process. For couples interested in both foster care and adoption, or only adoption, both partners must attend each meeting. Individual make-up sessions are not possible. No scheduled orientation sessions, families who call will receive personal visit from county staff who will provide information about options.
5130 E. Main Street #3 Batavia, NY 14020
585-344-2580 x6414
www.co.genesee.ny.us/frameset.html/?/dpt/socialservices/index.html&1

In-State Authorized Voluntary Adoption Agencies
www.ocfs.state.ny.us/adopt/adagcy.asp

Adoption and Foster Care Publications
www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/publications/#Adoption_and_Foster_Care

Respite

Hillside Family of Agencies
Emergency Respite Bed (ERB) seeks to provide short-term out-of-home crisis stabilization for youth who are experiencing an emotional crisis. Eligibility Criteria: Both genders / Ages 5-22. 24 hours / day.
585-256-7500
info@hillside.com
Developmental Disabilities

Parent to Parent of New York State
Western Office (Buffalo Area)
Serving Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans and Wyoming Counties
1200 East & West Road
Building 16, Room 1-131
West Seneca, New York 14224
1-800-305-8813 / 716-517-3448
p2pwny@verizon.net

Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD)
Serving Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, & Orleans counties
Western New York

Main Office
1200 East & West Road
West Seneca, NY 14224
(716) 517-2000 / Fax: (716) 674-7488

Satellite Offices
2A Richmond Avenue
Batavia, NY 14020
Phone: (585) 344-0628

2626 West State Street
Suite 506
Olean, NY 14760
(716) 373-1577

Perrysburg Office
11754 Main Street
Perrysburg, NY 14129
(716) 532-5522 / Fax: (716) 532-5549

Easter Seals
Western Region
103 White Spruce Boulevard
Rochester, New York 14623
Phone:
(585) 292-5831 (Community-Based Services)
(585)292-5830 (Diagnostic Treatment Center)
Fax:
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(585) 292-9697 (Community-Based Services)
(585) 292-5847 (Diagnostic Treatment Center)
www.ny.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=NYDR_resources&s_esLocation=res

Rochester-Rochester Center for Disability Rights, Inc (CDR)
497 State Street, Rochester, NY 14608
County (s) Served: Broome, Genesse, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates.
585-546-7510 / TTY: 585-546-7510 / Fax: 585-546-5643
www.rochestercdr.org

Independent Living of Genesee Region (ILGR)
113 Main Street, Suite 5
Batavia, NY 14020
(585) 815-8501 / Fax (585) 815-8502
wnyilinfo@wnyil.org

Summit Educational Resources
150 Stahl Rd. Getzville, N.Y. 14068,
(716) 629-3400

Therapists

How-to-Select-an-Adoption-Therapist
http://library.adoption.com/articles/how-to-select-an-adoption-therapist.html

Mental Health

Genesee County Mental Health
5130 East Main Street Road, Suite 2
Batavia, New York 14020-3496
(585) 344-1421 / Fax (585) 344-3047

Clinic Plus Providers
Child and Family Clinic-Plus is an innovative program designed to improve the emotional well-being of children. The program is funded by the New York State Office of Mental Health and operated on the local level by Clinic Treatment Providers.
http://bi.omh.ny.gov/clinicplus/index/clinic_plus_directory
Families Together in NYS, Inc.-
A non-profit, parent-run organization that strives to establish a unified voice for children with emotional, behavioral, and social challenges. Our mission is to ensure that every family has access to needed information, support, and services. Families Together in NYS, Inc. is the state chapter of the Federation of Families for Children’s Mental Health and a 501c3 nonprofit corporation.
www.flpn.org/links.htm

SPOA – Single Point of ACCESS

Single Point of Access into children's service delivery system. The Department of Mental Health interfaces with both the Department of Social Services and Probation to assess identified children with severe emotional behavioral disturbance and coordinate services to these youth and their families based on the level of risk and identified needs. Admission Criteria- Mental Health primary SPOA/A Committee. A child must have a mental health diagnosis and have exhausted community-based services and be at risk of out of home placement if more intensive services are not implemented

Genesee- Western Region
Genesee County Mental Health
5130 East Main Street Road, Suite 2
Batavia, NY 14020-3433
(585) 344-1421 x 6667 / Fax (585) 344-8554

Genesee County

Genesee County DSS
The Genesee County Department of Social Services provides a wide range of financial assistance and social service programs to the needy and vulnerable citizens of our County. The Department is responsible for a significant part of the "social safety net" which insures that basic human needs will be met. Federal and state laws and regulations mandate virtually all our programs and services.
5130 E. Main Street
Batavia, NY 14020
(585) 344-2580
Genesee Valley BOCES
Central Administrative Offices
80 Munson Street
Le Roy, NY 14482
(585) 344-7900 / Fax: (585) 344-7910
www.gvboces.org

Early Childhood Direction Centers
The Special Education Office provides assistance to parents, advocacy groups, and schools related to services and programs for students with disabilities. Staff work together across various units to provide the most up to date policy and guidance, technical assistance, professional development, and monitoring to attain equal opportunities and positive results for students with disabilities across New York State. Mid West (Rochester): Cayuga, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming and Yates Counties; Rochester City
Regional Early Childhood Direction Center
15 Linden Park
Rochester, NY 14625
Phone: (585) 249-7817 Toll free: 1-800-462-4344 / Fax: (585) 249-7816
beth_grier-leva@boces.monroe.edu

Preschool
Head Start New York State Locations
www.nyheadstart.org/

Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities (VESID)
Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities (VESID) offers access to a full range of services that may be needed by persons with disabilities through their lives. Through its administration of vocational rehabilitation and independent living programs, VESID coordinates policy and services relating to: transition services for students with disabilities from school to adult services; vocational rehabilitation services for individuals with disabilities, ages 16 and older; independent living services for people with disabilities of all ages; and employer services for hiring a qualified diverse workforce.
Serving the eight counties of Western New York including: Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans, and Wyoming.
Buffalo District Office
508 Main Street
Buffalo, New York 14202
1-888-652-7062 / Fax: 716-848-8103
CSE / CPSE - Genesee County School Districts
Contact the CSE/ CPSE Chairperson at the local school district
Alexander Central School District
Batavia City School District
Byron-Bergen Central School District
Elba Central School District
Le Roy Central School District
Oakfield-Alabama Central School District
Pavilion Central School District
Pembroke Central School District

Special Education in New York State for Children
Ages 3–21 - A Parent’s Guide

GENESEE VALLEY EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIP
Services for students include: Career and Technical Education; Special Education; Psychological Services; Programs for the Gifted and Talented; Instructional Computer Services; Regional Library Services, and Alternative Education
SERVING: Genesee, Livingston, Wyoming, & Northern Steuben Counties
80 Munson Street,
LeRoy, NY 14482
(585) 658-7900 or (585) 344-7900 / FAX: (585) 658-7909 or (585) 344-7909
www.gvboces.org

Juvenile Justice ( DJJOY)

Probation Genesee County
15 Main Street, County Bldg. 1
Batavia, New York 14020
585-344-2550, Ext. 2263 / Fax: 585-343-5839
Legal / Court

Genesee County Family Court
1 West Main Street, Batavia NY 14020
585-344-2550 ext 2228 Fax: 585-344-8520

Genesee County CASA for Children
1 West Main Street
Batavia, NY 14020
344-2550 Ext. 2331

The Legal Aid Society
65 West Broad St., Suite 400
Rochester, NY 14614
(585) 232-4090
Geneseo Office
(585) 232-4090

NYS Assistive Technology Project
Technical Assistance- Provide technical assistance to callers statewide. Statewide AT Clearinghouse-Statewide clearinghouse for information and resources needed to advocate for AT. Individual Representation- Represent a small number of individual clients. Briefs and Pleadings -We have developed a pleadings and brief bank, gathering court papers from around the state. Pro Bono Attorneys-List of attorneys, from various parts of the state, who are willing to accept AT cases without charging a fee. New York's Medicaid Regulations-New York's Medicaid regulations available in an electronic, word searchable format which is available to advocates statewide
www.nls.org

Bridges to Health

B2H Waiver services are available to children (waiver participants from birth to the participant’s 21st birthday) who, at the time of enrollment, are placed in the custody of a Local Department of Social Services (LDSS) Commissioner or the custody of the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) Commissioner in the Division of Juvenile Justice and Opportunities for Youth (DJJOY).
B2H for children with Serious Emotional Disturbances (SED)
B2H for children with Developmental Disabilities (DD) and
B2H for children with Medical Fragility (Med F)
Region I: Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Genesee, Niagara, Orleans, Wyoming
Baker Victory Services, Inc.
780 Ridge Road
Lackawanna, NY 14218
(716) 828-7069

Hillside Children’s Center
70 Jewett Parkway
Buffalo NY
(716) 533-4300

Miscellaneous Services

YOUTH ADVOCACY PROGRAM
Representation of youth and advocacy with schools in: Committee on Special Education, (CSE) and §504 meetings, Superintendent/Suspension hearings, School Enrollment and residency, Advocacy for youth to secure access to school and community based services to meet their basic needs. Provide answers to questions and consult on youth and education-related matters. Information about rights and responsibilities of youth and parents, Technical Assistance and strategies for self advocacy, Phone assistance provided to youth, parents or caretakers, school and youth service personnel. Available at no cost to youth and families, regardless of income.

In Monroe County, some services available only for youth in the City of Rochester.

We serve youth aged birth to 21 including youth with disabilities and non-disabled youth.

GENESEE-ORLEANS YOUTH ADVOCACY PROGRAM
585-344-2580 ext. 5716 or 1-800-641-6132
www.lasroc.org

Justice for Children Advocacy Center
108 Bank Street
Batavia, NY 14020
585 344 8576
cmmarvel@rochester.rr.com

Child Care Council
Community Action of Orleans and Genesee, Inc.
Mr. Ed Fancher, Executive Director
Ms. Bonnie Malakie, Director of Children & Youth Services
Ms. Lisa M. Friesen, CCR&R Coordinator
409-11 East State Street
Albion, New York 14411
(585) 343-7727 / Fax:(585) 343-4063
www.caoginc.org
BIG BROTHERS/ BIG SISTERS COMMUNITY PARTNERS FOR YOUTH
SUNY Geneseo Chapter
Big Brothers Big Sisters mentors children, ages 6 through 16, in communities across the country.
College Union, Box 117
SUNY Geneseo
Geneseo, NY 14454
(585) 245-5892 / FAX: (585) 245-5400
www.geneseo.edu/~bbbs
E-Mail: BBS@geneseo.edu

Camp Get-A-Way
Camp Wyomoco in Varysburg/Camp DeWolfe in Wading River
Camp Get-A-Way is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to strengthening and supporting families. Located in Wyoming County and Peconic Dunes on Long Island, Camp Get-A-Way offers families of children diagnosed with a social, emotional or behavioral disorder the opportunity to participate in recreational and skill-building activities in a summer camp atmosphere. Children and families learn new skills, gain self-confident and have fun. It is a supportive learning environment in a traditional camp, using the “Learn, Use, Teach” model. Families can hike, swim, canoe, kayak, and participate in other traditional camp activities. At the same time, parents have the opportunity to receive support, strengthen parenting skills. www.cgaw.org

Cornell Cooperative Extension
158 Main Street
Mt. Morris, NY 14510
Ph: (585) 658-3250 / Fax: (585) 658-4707
www.ccelivingstoncounty.org/index.html

CONNECTING WITH COMMUNITY
Connecting with Community is an agency that matches survivors of traumatic brain injury with volunteers in a one-to-one relationship. Volunteers spend at least four hours a month with their proteges.
PO Box 54
Geneseo, NY 14454
(585) 243-5440
Websites

New York State Infertility Support Groups
Providing New York State residents with support group resources on infertility and related health issues.
www.nysinfertility.com/

Office of Children & Family Services - Day Care Facility Search
www.ocfs.state.ny.us/ccfs_facilitysearch/default.aspx

Foster Care Websites
www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/fostercare/links.asp

NACAC North American Council on Adoptable Children (NACAC) promotes and supports permanent families for children and youth in the U.S. and Canada who have been in care—especially those in foster care and those with special needs. To achieve this mission, NACAC focuses its program services in four areas: public policy advocacy, parent leadership capacity building, education and information sharing, and adoption support.
www.nacac.org/about/about.html

EMK Press
Tools and Resources for Adoptive Families and the Professionals Who Help Them
Realistic Expectations The first year home for adoptive families as they put away their travel suitcases, preconceived notions, and get down to the job of parenting...This 50 page guide offers information on a variety of subjects.
http://emkpress.com/realisticexpectations.html

iFoster
Here to help those in the foster care community who raise our most vulnerable children. Our programs provide financial relief and opportunities for growth & learning that too often are unattainable luxuries for those in foster care.
www.ifoster.org

Discounts for foster and adoptive families
www.ifoster.org/home_test0.aspx

New York State Citizen’s Coalition for Children
http://nysccc.org/

General Adoption Information
www.adoption.com

Job Corps
**Freedom Village**
North America’s Premier Home for Troubled Teens. The 150-acre campus is located just north of Watkins Glen in Western New York State. Freedom Village, founded in 1981 is an “intensive care ward” for America’s youth and is the largest home of its kind. Thousands of young people from across America, Canada, and around the world, once labeled “hopeless” and “unreachable,” have turned their lives around through this Christian based program. [www.freedomvillageusa.com/pages/index.cfm?Directory=105](http://www.freedomvillageusa.com/pages/index.cfm?Directory=105)

**The National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN)**
A unique collaboration of academic and community-based service centers whose mission is to raise the standard of care and increase access to services for traumatized children and their families across the United States. Combining knowledge of child development, expertise in the full range of child traumatic experiences, and attention to cultural perspectives, the NCTSN serves as a national resource for developing and disseminating evidence-based interventions, trauma-informed services, and public and professional education. [www.nctsn.org/nccts/nav.do?pid=hom_main](http://www.nctsn.org/nccts/nav.do?pid=hom_main)

**My Child Without Limits**
Looks to provide you, your loved one’s best advocate, with the knowledge, resources, and network to ensure their future is without limits. While this site can be used by many people in many different ways, we suggest starting here at the Understand Section [www.mychildwithoutlimits.org/](http://www.mychildwithoutlimits.org/)

**Dances of Attachment**  Holly Van Gulden
We are here to help children and adults who struggle to develop healthy attachments with others because of missed essential building blocks due to loss, neglect, abuse, trauma and developmental challenges. We foster in people the capacity to receive, hold and offer to others: safety, comfort, warmth, value and joy. [www.danceofattachment.org/Article%20List.html](http://www.danceofattachment.org/Article%20List.html)

**Jed Baker, Ph.D.**
Director of the Social Skills Training Project, a private organization serving individuals with autism and social communication problems. [www.jedbaker.com/](http://www.jedbaker.com/)

**Center for Family Development** ( Arthur Becker Weidman)
The Center for Family Development is Western New York’s only attachment center specializing in the treatment of adopted and foster families with trauma and attachment disorder. [www.center4familydevelop.com/](http://www.center4familydevelop.com/)

**Attachment and Bonding Center of Ohio** ( Greg Keck)
[www.abcofohio.net/hurtchild.htm](http://www.abcofohio.net/hurtchild.htm)
RAD kids
RadKid.Org seeks to serve as a resource and source of mutual support for parents or others who are parenting children with reactive attachment disorder.
www.radkid.org/

Evan B Donaldson Institute
Information for adoption professionals: research, policy, and practice.
www.adoptioninstitute.org/index.php

The Child Trauma Academy
A not-for-profit organization based in Houston, Texas, seeking to improve the lives of traumatized and maltreated children and their families.
www.Childtrauma.org

Coaching for LIFE
is simply working toward peace, trauma sensitive and emotionally safe organizations, institutions, communities, families and individual  Julie Alvarado
www.coaching-forlife.com/

Changing The World One Child At A Time (CT WOCAT)
Dedicated to developing innovative and creative solutions to resolve issues of permanency for foster youth and finding adoptive homes for older children.
www.ctwocat.org

Deborah Gray
Specializes in the attachment, grief, and trauma issues of children in her practice, Nurturing Attachments. Her methods of working with children and families reflect her strong developmental and infant mental health perspective
www.deborahdgray.com/

The Little Prince
Support for adoptive parents whose child has Reactive Attachment Disorder
www.thelittleprince.org/

National Adoption Congress
Provides education for members and professional communities about the lifelong process of adoption. We advocate legislation that will grant every individual access to information about his or her family and heritage.
www.americanadoptioncongress.org/adoption_links.php

Suite 101. Insights
Personality Disorders - Reactive Attachment Disorder ( RAD) / Articles
www.suite101.com/search.cfm?q=rad
Trainings

Fee-Per-Course

Foster Parent College
www.fosterparentcollege.com/

Foster Parents
www.fosterparents.com

Pierce College
www.pierce.ctc.edu/distance/ofpe

Free

Foster Club
www.fosterclub.com/training/index.cfm

Foster Parent Net
www.fosterparentnet.org

Child Trauma
www.childtrauma.org

Foster Club
www.fosterparentnet.org

Center for Human Development (CDHS) / Foster/Adoptive Resource Center
www.bsc-cdhs.org/fosterparenttraining/

Foster Club
http://booster.fosterclub.com/article/foster-parent-online-training