

***Comprehensive
New York City
Access Resource Guide
for
Deaf, Hard-of-Hearing, and Deaf-Blind***

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Overview

The *New York City Access Resource Guide for the Deaf, Deaf-Blind and Hard of Hearing* provides a comprehensive listing of resources throughout the five boroughs available for Deaf, Deaf-Blind, and Hard of Hearing people, their families, and service providers.

Systemic service and language barriers, disequilibrium and social injustice experienced by these population members, their service providers, friends, and families may be reduced to some degree with access to resources with the help of a useful tool such as the *New York City Access Resource Guide for the Deaf, Deaf-Blind and Hard of Hearing*.

The access guide will be useful for deaf, deaf-blind, and hard of hearing people and their families who use agencies daily, need to know and understand their rights as consumers and citizens, and how to access such agencies. The guide will also be useful for service providers who meet and work with deaf and hard of hearing people.

Through collaborations and partnerships, we can work together toward addressing social injustices experienced by deaf, hard-of-hearing, and deaf-blind people and people in their lives. Resources used in addressing the social injustices experienced by these affected populations need to be made available and accessible to population members, medical and mental health providers, social workers, legal workers, parents and caretakers of deaf, hard-of-hearing, and deaf-blind children. It is my hope that access to and use of such resources to as a tool to address social injustices will contribute to empowerment and increased opportunities for deaf people to be integrative and higher-functioning members of society.

Purpose:

- Provide access to information about existing services & resources
- Increase awareness about availability of resources
- Provide comprehensive quick reference to resources for service providers who need to make appropriate time-efficient and humane referrals
- Reduce communication, access, & language barriers experienced by many deaf, deaf-blind, and hard-of-hearing people and their families & service providers
- Increase partnerships and collaborations with community resources, agencies, & community members
- Reduce risks, social injustice, and oppression
- Increase sense of empowerment & knowledge

This Guide is for YOU:

- Deaf, Hard-of-Hearing, & Deaf-Blind
- Service Providers
- Educators & Paralegals
- Families with Deaf, Deaf-Blind, & Hard-of-Hearing Members
- ASL Students
- Interpreters

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Services That Last a Lifetime – Programs & Services

- a.b.c. *advocates for better communication*
- Marjorie C. Adams Center for Public Information on Hearing and Deafness
- Ask the Expert – FAQ
- Assistive Technology
- Audiology
- Career Development & Placement
- Communication Therapy
- Community Outreach
- Early Identification of Hearing Loss
- Health Care Access
- Hearing Aid & Assistive Devices Dispensary
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HOTLINES – GENERAL

All calls are free and private.

Hotline	TTY	Voice	Notes/Provider
ADA Specialists	(800) 514-0383	(800) 514-0301	Federal
Crime Victims Hotline	(800) 810-7444	(212) 577-7777	Safe Horizon
Disability Rights Section, Civil Rights Division	(800) 514-0383	(800) 514-0301	U.S. Department of Justice
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission	(800) 669-6820	(800) 669-4000	Federal
Fair Housing Act Violations, HUD	(800) 927-9275	(800) 669-9777	Federal
Federal Program Phone Listing	(800) 326-2996	(800) 688-9889	Federal
Federal Transit Administration	(202) 366-0153 (202) 366-2285	(888) 446-4511	Federal
Housing and Urban Development Customer Service Center	(800) 877-8339	(800) 767-7468	Federal
Human Resources Administration (HRA) Infoline	(877) 472-8411	(877) 472-8411	Oversees Food Stamps, Medicaid, Protective Services for Adults programs
Job Accommodation Network	(800) 526-7234	(800) 526-7234	Federal
Medicaid	(888)329-1541	(877) 472-8411	In NYC, Medicaid is administered through The Human Resources Administration (HRA).
Medicare Rights Center		(800) 333-4114	
National AIDS Hotline	(800) 243-7889	(800) 342-2437 English (800) 344-7432 Spanish	Center for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)
National Domestic Violence Hotline	(800) 787-3224	(800) 799-SAFE (7233)	Safe Horizon
National STD	(800) 243-7889	800-227-8922	CDC

Hotline			
NYC Domestic Violence Hotline	(800) 810-7444	(800) 621-HOPE	Safe Horizon
New York City Info Line	(212) 504-4115	311	The customer service system can refer callers to more than 100 pre-existing TTY hotlines around New York City. 3-1-1 provides quick and easy access to services and information helpful to those with disabilities 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
Rape & Sexual Assault Hotline	(800) 810-7444	(212) 227-3000	Safe Horizon
September 11th Support Hotline	(800) 810-7444	(866) 689-HELP (4357)	Safe Horizon
Social Security Administration	(800) 288-7185	(800) 772-1213	All boroughs
Social Security Income (SSI)		(800) 772-1213	
Suicide Crisis Intervention		(212) 684-4480	
Social Security Disability Insurance		(800) 772-1213	
Telecommunications Relay Services	(888) 835-5322	(888) 225-5322	Federal

American Self-Help Group Clearinghouse

www.mentalhelp.net/selfhelp

Offers link to Self-Help Telephone Numbers Listing with national hotlines for numerous resources.

NYC Hotlines & City Departments/Programs

that Assist People with Disabilities

	TTY	Voice	Notes
55a Program	(212) 669-8660	(212) 669-8643	A non-competitive employment program for People with Disabilities administered by the New York City Department of Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS)
Access-A-Ride (NYC Transit)	(212) 722-4403 TTY (646) 252-5150 Fax	(877) 337-2017 (646) 252-5252	Provides transportation services for people with disabilities who are unable to use buses or subways. Access-A-Ride service to bus stops or subway stations is available. Contact for reservations, applications, and eligibility.
Asthma Hotline Health Department	(212) 442-1802	(877) 278-4620	Toll-free telephone line for parents and other New Yorkers who want instant information about asthma.
Board of Education		(718) 935-2000	Educational, vocational, and behavioral support programs for students with a broad range of abilities and disabilities. District 75 provides programs for students with severe disabilities who are in need of special education.
Bureau of Electrical Control	(212) 669-8352	(212) 669-8353	
Citizen Services Center	(212) 504-4115	311	
Civilian Complaint Review Board	(212) 504-4115	311	
Commission on Human Rights – Equal Access Program	(212) 306-7686	(212) 306-7500	Provides disability access, assistance and education to people with disabilities and senior citizens. Assists individuals by identifying available resources, advocating for the disabled in their dealings with landlords and/or service providers, and, if early intervention fails, assisting with legal actions.
Crimes Victims Board		(718) 923-4325	Makes funds available for home modifications to crime victims, who, as a result of the crime, have acquired a disability.

Department for the Aging	(212) 442-3078	(212) 442-1000	Plans, coordinates, and implements programs for senior citizens and their families.
Department of Buildings	(212) 566-4769 Executive (718) 579-6903 Bronx (718) 803-4330 Brooklyn <i>n/a</i> Queens (718) 816-2164 Staten Island (212) 566-4769 Manhattan s	(212) 566-5000 Executive (718) 579-6920 Bronx (718) 802-3675, 3681 Brooklyn (718) 286-0600 Queens (718) 816-2315 Staten Island (212) 566-5000 Manhattan	Information on construction applications, building permits, violations and complaints can be obtained. In addition, each community board has direct access to Building Information System.
Department of Finance's Parking Violations Bureau	(212) 460-7333	(718) 802-4685	
Division of Human Rights	(212) 961-8999	(212) 961-8650	
Domestic Violence	(800) 810-7444	(800) 621-4673	
Early Intervention Program	(212) 219-5648	(800) 577-2229	Evaluation and services for babies with developmental disabilities (Age 0-2.9)
Environmental Protection	(212) 504-4115	(212) 639-9675	
HealthStat	(866) 692-9900	(888) 692-6116	Free or low-cost health insurance
Housing Authority	(718) 329-7735 Bronx (718) 222-4113 Brooklyn (212) 828-7118 Manhattan (718) 793-7661	(718) 329-7859 Bronx (718) 250-5900 Brooklyn (212) 828-7100 Manhattan (718) 286-7500	If you have any questions regarding the applications process or a current application on file, you may call or visit the office for your home borough listed below. All information offices are closed to the public on Wednesdays. Phone calls are accepted Monday through Friday.

	Queens (718) 448-5529 Staten Island	Queens (718)448-7326 Staten Island	
Housing Development & Preservation	(212) 863-7934	(212) 863-7911	Prevents discrimination by supporting Fair Housing offices in each borough and one central office in Manhattan. Actively engaged in the development of accessible and affordable housing. HPD sets aside 2% for applicants with hearing or visual impairments. HPD works closely with the Mayor's Office for People With Disabilities (MOPD) to market broadly the availability of accessible housing units to people with disabilities.
Housing & Urban Development Customer Service Center	(800) 877-8339	(800) 767-7468	
Human Resource Administration (HRA) Infoline	(718) 262-3566	(718) 472-8411	
LifeNet	(212) 982-5284		Free confidential counseling referrals
Non-Emergency NYC Services	(212) 504-4115	311	City services and information are available to the hearing impaired for referrals to more than 100 pre-existing TTY hotlines around the City 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
Office of Labor Relations	(212) 306-7629	(888) 400-0623	
Parent (Prevention Information Resource Center)		(800) 342-7472	
Parking Permits for People with Disabilities – Department of Transportation	(718) 433-3111	(718) 433-3110	Issues New York City and New York State Parking Permits for People with Disabilities to residents with a qualifying severe mobility impairment.
Parking Violation Help-Line	(718) 802-8555	(718) 422-7800	

Pre-K Student Transportation Program (Transportation Department)		(718) 935-3395 (Board of Education – for eligibility)	Administers the Pre-K Student Transportation Program in coordination with the New York City Board of Education and the New York City Department of Health. NYCDOT contracts with private vendors to provide transportation services for children from birth to five years of age who are receiving Early Intervention and Pre-Kindergarten Special Education Services. They provide transportation from home to various pre-schools and service providers in the five boroughs, Westchester, and Nassau counties.
Project Metropair		(212) 453-9542 (212) 453-9524	A home safety and security repair program for individuals over 60 years of age and for people with disabilities. This mobile service, among other things, will provide smoke alarms, security viewers, and grab bars.
Protective Services for Adults	(718) 262-3566	(718) 472-8411	
NYC Public Library - Office of Community Outreach Services	(212) 576-0044	(212) 340-0918	The web site of The New York Public Library's Office of Community Outreach Services describes Links, Resource Centers, Materials and Services, Programs, and Assistive Technology for persons with disabilities that are available through the library. Offers Assistive Technology information and access in NYC libraries including listing of libraries' TTY numbers, Personal Reading Machines, Screen Magnification Software, Closed-Circuit Television Enlargers, Assistive Amplification Systems, Braille Writers, and a Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf (TTY's): Borrow a TTY at the Library Program. 455 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10016
Reduced Fare MetroCard (NYC Transit)	(718) 596-8273	(718) 243-4999	Seniors and persons with disabilities may request an application by writing to New York City Transit (NYCT)

			Customer Assistance at 370 Jay Street, 7th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201, or by calling NYCT. Applicants may also sign up in person in the lobby, and a photograph will be taken there free of charge. www.mta.info/nyct/fare/rfmain.htm
Towed Vehicles	(212) 504-4115	311	
Youth and Community Development			Numerous resources for both youth and adults with disabilities

ACCESS & RESOURCES – New York City

Name: NYC Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities (MOPD)

Address: 100 Gold Street, 2nd Floor

New York, NY 10038

Phone: (212) 788-2838 TTY
(212) 788-2830 Voice

Fax: (212) 341-9843

Website: www.nyc.gov/html/mopd/home.html

Description: With the City's large population of people with disabilities being as diverse as it has ever been, MOPD is working to improve access to City services and the opportunities available to people with disabilities. MOPD works hand-in-hand with other City agencies to assure that the voice of the disabled community is represented and that City programs and policies address the needs of people with disabilities. MOPD has developed a number of informative brochures and directories that detail programs, services, activities, and other resources that are accessible to people with disabilities. Additionally, MOPD work with organizations on specific issues affecting people with disabilities, and arrange activities and events that aim to bring about dialog that leads to meaningful outcomes. New York could not be the capital of the world without the diversity found here, which is a tremendous part of our City's appeal and framework. By bringing communities together, we can share common goals and strive toward positive results for all New Yorkers. People with disabilities are contributors to our City's civic, economic, and cultural life. MOPD recognizes these contributions and seeks to ensure that people with disabilities continue to thrive and feel welcome at all times in all settings.

Check the website for information about city programs available to assist people with disabilities. City programs & departments include:

- Finance
- The City Commission on Human Rights' Equal Access
- Consumers Affairs
- Employment
- Housing Preservation and Development
- Information Technology and Telecommunications
- Transportation
- Youth and Community Development (resources for both youth and adults with disabilities)

City services and information are available to the hearing impaired through the 3-1-1 TTY number at (212) 504-4115. Call takers can use the 3-1-1-customer service management system to refer callers to more than 100 pre-existing TTY hotlines around the City or, use call-conference to provide assistance. 3-1-1 provides quick and easy access to services and information helpful to those with disabilities 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Software allowing people with visual impairments to access the nyc.gov portal will be provided in text only formats.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE CLASSES

Name: American Sign Language Teachers Association - ASLTA
Address: President Mike Russo
780 Scarsdale Avenue
Scarsdale, NY 10583-5234
Phone: (914) 723-7130 TTY President Mike Russo
Fax: (914) 723-7130 President Mike Russo
Email: mjsrusso@aol.com President Mike Russo
m2nyc@aol.com Professional Development Michael Kaufer
Website: www.aslta.org
Description: ASLTA is the only national organization dedicated to the improvement and expansion of the teaching of ASL and Deaf Studies at all levels of instruction. ASLTA is an individual membership organization of more than 1,000 ASL and Deaf Studies educators from elementary through graduate education as well as agencies. The mission of the American Sign Language Teachers Association (ASLTA) is to preserve the integrity of American Sign Language (ASL) and Deaf Culture. The Association is committed to: (1) Insuring that teachers of ASL meet the highest level of professional competence in knowledge and skill; (2) Improving the professional status of ASL and Deaf Studies teachers, and (3) Promoting the teaching of ASL in all levels of education. ASLTA supports the growth of the profession of American Sign Language and Deaf Studies teaching through exchange of ideas among teachers on best teaching practices at local, state, and national levels.

Name: InterSign Academy
Address: St. Elizabeth's Church
83rd Street (between 2nd and 3rd Avenues)
New York, NY 10021
Phone: (212) 249-4117 Information and Registration
Email: InterSignAcademy@aol.com
Description: We offer Sign Language and Interpreting Classes and Workshops from ASL 1 all the way thru to pre-interpreting classes and workshops. We also offer classes and workshops for working interpreters, certified and non-certified, to work on their techniques and improve their skills. Classes run on a semester basis - fall, winter, spring, summer.

Name: Laguardia Community College – Intensive Studies in ASL classes
Address: Division of Adult and Continuing Education
31-10 Thomson Avenue, Room C-204
Long Island City, NY 11101
Phone: (718) 482-2051 Division of Human Services
(718) 482-5324 Voice Amanda Polania (ASL Screening)
Email: AmandaP@lagcc.cuny.edu for ASL screening appointments

Website: www.LaGuardia.edu/PDA

Description: Consisting of an in-class and lab components, these courses are offered jointly with the College's Division of Human Services. Designed for those who wish to make rapid progress in developing ASL skills and expanding the multicultural sign vocabulary utilizing the access to the classroom and the state-of-the-art ASL Language Lab! The courses are available to any student who doesn't wish to earn academic credits. Acceptance into the course is based on student's level of proficiency in ASL as well a written assessment of the student's ASL proficiency will be provided. Thus, all continuing education students will need to be assessed through an intensive screening. Students, wishing to earn academic credit for the course, must be admitted to the college for the Fall or Spring semester, and are not required to take this intensive screening.

Name: Sign Language Center
Address: 44 East 32nd Street 11th floor
New York, NY 10016
Phone: 212-570-0075 Voice
Fax: 212-689-4497
Email: Alan@mail.signlanguagecenter.com
Signlangcenter@aol.com
Website: www.signlanguagecenter.com

Description: Sign Language Center is proud to be one of the few Deaf-owned Sign Language schools in NYC. We hope this will encourage other people with disabilities to acknowledge their strengths and overcome the world's obstacles. All of our struggles can make us stronger. My goal with SLC is not only to teach ASL but to share the beauty of the language and create awareness about Deaf Culture. We are proud to introduce to you a new company with a number of certified instructors teaching American Sign Language. Our goal is to provide YOU the student, an enriching experience learning the beauty of ASL and Deaf Culture; we welcome all levels from beginners to advanced students. We also offer one on one tutoring sessions and a variety of workshops. SLC was established to bridge the communication gap between the hearing and the deaf communities. We do this creating a comfortable and interactive environment. All of our instructors are "Native" Deaf individuals coming from a variety of cultural backgrounds. Our instructors strive to teach our students to have a better Understanding about ASL and Deaf culture in a non-competitive, conversational setting. We hope you will join us in for a fun-filled learning experience! Sign Language Center is located in the heart of New York City. We offer day, evening, and weekend classes to fit your busy schedule. We offer secure online registration for your convenience. Whether you are a new student or a more experienced signer- we can help you take the next step in developing your American Sign Language skills.

Name: Seymour Joseph Institute of American Sign Language
Address: 43 Ramona Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10312
Phone: (718) 984-8200 Voice

(718) 608-9156 TTY

Fax: (718) 608-9155

Email: mbacheller@sjiasl.org Mary Bacheller, Director

Description: SJI offers a sign language program for both the deaf and hearing populations. Students, professionals, and other interested parties have the opportunity to gain conversational skills in ASL. The program also prepares the student for entry into the Interpreter Training Program at SJI or elsewhere. Discussions of deaf culture are a part of each course, and there are frequent opportunities to meet members of the deaf community. Convenient locations and class schedules are offered for all ASL classes. Each session lasts 14 weeks and consists of 84 instructional hours. 5 credits each course.

SJI offers you: expert instruction in ASL; earn a Bachelor's degree in Sign Language Interpretation through SJI with Empire State College (SUNY); qualified, competent, diverse and caring instructors with a combined total of more than 65 years of ASL teaching experience; recommended National P.O.N.S.I. course credit upon institutional approval; Board of Education acceptance for the Career Training Program for Para-professionals; Board of Education acceptance for Teacher's "30 and above" program; V.E.S.I.D. acceptance; scheduled payment plan upon request; convenient evening and summer classes; counseling and evaluation services; and classes taught in Staten Island, Brooklyn, and Manhattan. Administrative offices are in Staten Island only.

ARTS, THEATRE, ENTERTAINMENT, & RECREATION

Name: American Museum of Natural History
Address: 79th Street at Central Park West
New York, NY 10024-5192
Phone: (212) 769-5200 Voice – Reservations
(212) 769-5100 Voice – General Information
Email: visitorinfo@amnh.org
Website: www.amnh.org
Description: Sign language-interpreted tours. Call for reservations. The American Museum of Natural History welcomes all visitors and strives to make its exhibitions, programs, and services accessible to everyone. Infrared listening devices are available upon request. TTY is available. Street entrances and in the Rose Center are equipped with Braille signage and give auditory signals. Several of the Museum's permanent halls feature touchable exhibits. The Discovery Room on the first floor and the Natural Science Center on the second floor have touch exhibits specially geared toward children. The Gottesman Hall of Planet Earth features many touchable rock specimens.

Name: Brooklyn Museum of Arts: Arty Facts & Stories & Art Programs
Address: 200 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn, NY 11238
Phone: (718) 501-6487 Voice Alice Stevenson
(718) 399-8440 TTY Alice Stevenson
Email: alice.stevenson@brooklynmuseum.org
Website: www.brooklynmuseum.org
Description: Arty Facts is an art program for younger children and their adult friends. Each day is different as children explore the galleries, enjoy a family activity, and make their own art. A new theme is explored every month. This program is Sign Language interpreted from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the second Saturday and last Sunday of every month, with few exceptions due to holidays. Stories & Art is a story-telling program for all ages. Presented in the museum's galleries, stories are told by professional storytellers, dancers, musicians, and children's book authors and illustrators. This program is Sign Language interpreted one Saturday per month at 4:00 p.m. A mailing list is available.

Name: Hands On Sign Interpreted Performances Inc. (HandsOn)
Address: 159-00 Riverside Drive West, Suite 7F
New York, NY 10032
Phone: (212) 740-3087 Voice
Fax: (212) 740-4157
Email: www.handson.org
Website: Info@HandsOn.org

Description: A New York City-based service organization dedicated to providing greater accessibility to arts and cultural events for the Deaf and hard of hearing community by bringing the performing and fine arts to Deaf people of all ages. HandsOn compiles a free monthly (online & mailed) Cultural Calendar of accessible arts & events and provides interpreters for theatrical productions. Accessible arts events include: Assistive Listening, Visual Events, Open Captioned Events, Interpreted Events, Events Conducted in ASL, and Hands On Interpreted Events.

Name: J A D E Films, Pending L.L.C.

Address: Cathedral Station
P.O. Box 1276
New York, NY 10025-9998

Phone: (212) 665-9668

Email: jade@jadefilm.com

Website: www.jadefilm.com

Description: Where the passion of words are turned into action. JADE FILMS is an independent film production company engaged in the development and production of multi-media technology, video, broadcasting, television and film. JADE FILMS aims to provide equal employment in the production and management workplace. The company has a commitment to be a platform for all artists to producers who represent the Deaf/Hard of Hearing multi-cultural artistic vision while encouraging role models to other men and women. JADE FILMS, through its films, will be a vessel to inform the American consciousness about principles in everyday life in our business and will encourage interaction among artists as business professionals. Also available are video equipment rental and products for sale.

Name: The Jewish Museum – Sign Interpreted Tours

Address: 1109 5th Ave at 92nd Street
New York, NY

Phone: (212) 423-3289 Daniel Berson
(212) 423-3225

Email: specialneeds@thejm.org

Website: www.thejewishmuseum.org

Description: The Jewish Museum offers open sign-interpreted tours of its special exhibits for the deaf and hard of hearing community. The 45 minute tours, conducted on the second Monday of the month at 12:15 pm and the third Wednesday at 4:15 pm, are led by a Jewish Museum docent who is accompanied by a certified sign language interpreter for the deaf. All interpreted tours are free with museum admission. Private tours can be arranged in advance. Assistive Listening Headphones are available at the front desk for use during docent led tours and public programs.

Name: Lincoln Center Tours

Address: Tour Desk, Concourse Level at 65th Street & Broadway

New York, NY
Phone: (212) 875-5409 TTY
(212) 875-5374 Voice
Website: www.lincolncenter.org
Description: Sign language-interpreted tours of Lincoln Center. Call for reservations. Lincoln Center's Programs and Services for People with Disabilities (PSPD) Department sets the cultural institution standard on arts accessibility for patrons, visitors and artists with disabilities. Among the many services offered are large-type and Braille house programs distributed free of charge, and infrared listening devices.

Name: Lower East Side Tenement Museum
Neighborhood Walking Tour
Address: 90 Orchard Street
NY, New York 10002
Phone: (212) 431-0714 TTY
(212) 431-0233, ext. 240 Voice
Email: signlanguage@tenement.org
Website: www.tenement.org
Description: This tour has ASL-interpreted tours on the first Sunday of the month. Stroll the Lower East Side and learn how different immigrant groups shaped, and continue to shape, the community. See public spaces and historic buildings that have been used by successive groups of immigrants who have settled on the Lower East Side. Reservations are strongly suggested. Watch the captioned video at the Visitor Center before or after your tour, complimentary with ticket purchase.

Name: Madison Square Garden - Disabled Services Department
Address: Madison Square Garden
Disabled Services Department
Two Pennsylvania Plaza
New York, NY 10121
Phone: (212) 465-6034
Fax: (212) 465-6649
Email: disabledservices@thegarden.com
Website: www.thegarden.com/boxoffice_disabledservices.html
Description: Interpreted Performances. Madison Square Garden is pleased to provide signed performances for the hearing-impaired for select events. Please contact the Disabled Services Department for further information.

Name: The Metropolitan Museum of Art
Address: 1000 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10028-0198
Phone: (212) 570-3828 TTY Programs for visitors who are Deaf/have disabilities
(212) 650-2551 TTY General Museum information

(212) 570-3828 TTY Access Coordination
(212) 879-5500, ext. 3561 Voice Access Coordination

Email: education@metmuseum.org

Website: www.metmuseum.org

Description: Sign Language Programs & Programs with Assistive Listening Devices and Captioning are offered. The following programs are open to the public and are free with Museum admission: Gallery Talks with Sign Language Interpretation; Family Programs with Sign Language Interpretation; Gallery Talks with FM Assistive Listening Devices; and Films with English Subtitles. In the Family Programs with Sign Language Interpretation, visitors ages five through twelve and their adult friends explore topics unlocking the history, meaning, and cross-cultural connections of works of art through conversation and sketching. Films with English Subtitles are screened in the Grace Rainey Rogers Auditorium. Infrared assistive listening devices are available from the ushers. The Signs of Art Programs brochure is available in large print or via email by request.

Name: The Museum of Modern Art, Queens

Address: 33rd Street and Queens Boulevard
Long Island City, NY

Phone: (212) 708-9400

Email: leah_fox@moma.org Leah Fox

Website: www.moma.org

Description: Sign language interpretation, CART captioning, and FM headsets for sound amplification are available. Museum mailing list for future accessible programs is available. Programs include the Brown Bag Lunch Lecture Series and programs for children and their adult companions/families.

Name: New York Botanical Garden

Address: Bronx River Parkway at Fordham Road
Bronx, New York 10458

Phone: (718) 817-8700 Voice

(718) 817-8649 for information on Garden accessibility

Website: www.nybg.org

Description: Interpreted tours. Garden facilities are accessible to people with disabilities. Inquire at Garden entrances for assistive listening devices.

Name: Ralph & Ricky Lauren Center for the Performing Arts

Address: 30th Avenue & 75th Street
Jackson Heights, NY

Phone: (718) 350-3316 TTY

(718) 350-3315 Voice

Fax: (718) 899-1621

Email: theatre@lexnyc.org

Website: www.lexnyc.com/laurencenter/index.html

Description: The Ralph and Ricky Lauren Center for the Performing Arts is a unique 427-seat performing arts venue — the bold transformation of a 33-year-old school auditorium into a model space for dramatic, dance, musical, and multimedia productions. Made possible by a generous gift from Ralph and Ricky Lauren, the new Center recognizes the power of the performing arts in the lives of deaf and hard-of-hearing children and adults and keeps pace with the technological revolution of our times. It combines an elegant aesthetic with innovative features. It is well-suited for theatre, musical performances, conferences, films, large business meetings, community events, graduation ceremonies, training and seminars.

Name: Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum – Signed Tours

Address: 1071 5th Avenue (at 89th Street)
New York, NY 10128-0173

Phone: (212) 423-3500 General
(212) 423-3618 Visitor Services

Email: visitorinfo@guggenheim.org

Website: www.guggenheim.org

Description: Signed tours are free with paid admission. Museum offers exhibitions, collection online, education, programs, online shopping, membership, and resources (library, archives, & records). Assistive listening devices are available for most theater programs and may be requested from an usher. Vision-Impaired visitors who require assistance in reading wall text and/or object labels may bring a companion at no extra charge.

Name: Sony Wonder Technology Lab

Address: 56th Street at Madison Avenue (Sony Plaza Public Arcade)
New York, NY

Phone: (212) 833-6532 TTY
(212) 833-5414 Voice
(212) 833-7858 Voice

Website: www.sonywondertechlab.com

Description: A free technology and entertainment museum for all ages. Free open-captioned movies & signed tours for young people and adults. Two-hour tours led by Deaf tour guides are available for visitors fluent in American Sign Language (ASL). Check calendar for available dates and times. Meet at the entrance to the museum at the scheduled time. No reservations are necessary. Call before you visit for confirmation. For a private ASL tour, please call at least one week in advance of your desired visitation day.

Name: Theatre Development Fund (TDF)

Address: 1501 Broadway
New York, NY 10036

Phone: (212) 719-4537 TTY
(212) 221-1103 Voice

Email: tap@tdf.org

Website: www.tdf.org

Description: TDF'S Theatre Access Project (TAP) is designed to provide access in New York City to the performing arts for individuals with physical disabilities. Access is available through sign-language interpreted and open-captioned Broadway and Off Broadway performances. Audiences for this new service continue to grow as more and more individuals who enjoy captioned television, videos and movies learn that captioning is also an option now for theatre. TAP also offers "Talking Hands," a program for students. Talking Hands serves over 7,000 students with hearing loss from approximately 30 elementary and secondary schools in the New York area. TDF/TAP provides: (1) Orchestra tickets for sign language interpreted and open captioned performances of Broadway and (2) Off Broadway shows. A teaching artist meets with students in their classrooms for a pre-performance workshop or a post-performance discussion. Contact for a Theatre Access Project (TAP) application to be added to the mailing list.

Name: Very Special *Arts* of New York City (VSA)

Address: Dr. Bebe Bernstein, Executive Director
18-05 215 Street, Suite 15N
Bayside, New York 11360

Phone: (718) 225-6305 Voice

Fax: (718) 225-6305

Email: Bbvsanyc@msn.com

Website: www.artscenteronline.org NYC
www.vsarts.org Main

Description: *VSA arts* is creating a society where people with disabilities can learn through, participate in, and enjoy the arts. Nearly five million people with disabilities participate in *VSA arts* programs every year through a network of affiliates nationwide and in over 60 countries worldwide. *The VSA arts* of New York City offers: Early Childhood Initiatives, New York City Reaches Out! Murals Project & calendar, festivals, theater and music residency program, transition to work projects, reach out initiatives, and *Express Diversity!* workshops.

ASSISTIVE DEVICES/CATALOGS

Name: Harris Communications
Address: 15155 Technology Drive
Eden Prairie, MN
Phone: (800) 825-6758 Voice
(800) 825-9187 TTY
(800) 211-4360 VCO
Fax: (952) 906-1099
Email: mail@harriscomm.com
Website: www.harriscomm.com
Description: Since 1982, Harris Communications has been the one-stop source for sign language books, TTY's, amplified telephones, signalers and vibrating clocks and more! From wireless pagers and assistive listening devices to sign language CDs, DVDs, books, videos and novelties, shop Harris Communications for a great selection of over 1,000 products for Deaf and Hard of Hearing people, as well as for children, parents, teachers, students, interpreters and others interested in American Sign Language and the Deaf Culture.

Name: MVM
Address: One Union Square West, Suite 709 (at 14th St)
New York, NY 10003
Phone: (212) 689-6183 TTY
(212) 689-0145 Voice
Fax: (212) 741-1967
Email: MVM4URTTYs@aol.com
Description: MVM Technical Corporation has dealt in assistive devices for the hard of hearing, deaf, and low-vision deaf since 1983. Our prime products are amplified phones and devices, TTY's, signalers, and pagers. The showroom is open to walk-ins every Tuesday and Thursday (except national holidays), 1 to 7 PM. Other days/times by appointment only. MC, VISA, AMEX. Senior discounts. Wheelchair accessible.

Name: SoundBytes (Affiliated with League for the Hard of Hearing)
Address: 50 Broadway, 6th Floor (retail store)
New York, NY 10004
Phone: (917) 305-7700
Fax: (917) 305-7888
Website: www.soundbytes.com
Description: We are open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.; Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Saturdays when audiologists are seeing clients, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; and by appointment. SoundBytes is pleased to sponsor and support the League for the Hard of Hearing.

AUDIOLOGICAL SERVICES

Note: This listing is limited. Audiological services are available through hospitals and medical center. Ask your doctor or primary care center for a referral.

Name: Beth Israel Medical Center
The Hearing, Speech-Language & Learning Center

Address: Phillips Ambulatory Care Center
10 Union Square East, Suite 2K
New York, NY

Phone: (212) 844-8430 Hearing Center
(212) 844-6264 Hearing Aids
(212) 844-8430 Speech-Language Center
(212) 844-8430 Learning Center
(212) 844-8448 Cochlear Implant Center

Email: HearingandSpeech@BethIsraelny.org

Website: www.wehealnewyork.org/services/hearing/index.html

Description: The Center consists of a multidisciplinary team of specialists who provide infants, children, adults and their families, with a wide range of services at one convenient location. We have expertise in the following areas: hearing loss, cochlear implants, speech and language learning delays and disorders, auditory processing, and assessment and treatment of phonological awareness and reading disorders. Medical evaluation and management is available as needed through the Center and through other departments at Beth Israel Medical Center. In addition, we offer Bilingual (Spanish) services and sign language interpreters for our patients. Families may elect to receive all services at our center, or may choose to combine them with services closer to home. We work cooperatively with clinicians throughout the tri-state area and around the country. In addition, each center is supported by Beth Israel's medical staff. Sign language interpreters are available at each Center.

Name: League for the Hard of Hearing

Address: 50 Broadway, 6th Floor
New York, New York 10004

Phone: (917) 305-7700 General

Fax: (917) 305-7888

Email: info@lhh.org
aboyle@lhh.org

Website: www.lhh.org

Description: Audiological services available at LHH include: Audiological management counseling, Community Outreach/Mobile Test Unit, Diagnostic hearing evaluation for children and adults, FM evaluation, Habilitative Considerations for the Infant with hearing Loss, Hearing aid dispensing, Hearing aid evaluation, Infant hearing assessment, Programmable Hearing Aid Center, & Tinnitus Center. Early Identification services

include: Auditory brainstem response testing, Auditory Steady-State Response (ASSR) System Testing, and Otoacoustic emissions testing. A Cochlear Implant Support Group is also available. LHH also has professionals who know American Sign Language and are familiar with deaf culture.

Name: Lexington Hearing & Speech Center

Address: Lexington School for the Deaf & Center for the Deaf
30th Avenue and 75th Street
Jackson Heights, NY 11370

Phone: (718) 350-3170 TTY/Voice

(718) 350-3171 TTY/Voice

Fax: (718) 899-9846

Email: hearingandspeech@lexnyc.org

Website: www.lexnyc.com/hearspeech.html

Description: The Lexington Hearing and Speech Center is an affiliate of the Lexington School for the Deaf/Center for the Deaf. It is licensed by the State of New York Department of Health, as an Article 28, out-of-hospital health facility and by the State of New York Office of Mental Health, as an out-patient clinic treatment program. The Center is certified by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Council of Professional Services Accreditation to provide services in Audiology and Speech Language Pathology as well as to serve as a Continuing Education site for those wishing to continue their professional education. We provide comprehensive audiological services, speech-language pathology, and medical rehabilitation services to infants, children and adults. Audiology staff use the Mobile Outreach Van to conduct hearing tests at community organizations and at industrial work sites for compliance with OSHA. Referrals for follow-up consultations are made back to the Lexington Hearing and Speech Center or to other local organizations. Referred individuals are given a diagnostic medical work-up including audiology and aural rehabilitation.

CAPTIONING (Education/Entertainment)

NOTE: In NYC, theatres that have offered open and rear-window captioned movies include: AMC Bay Plaza Cinemas (Bay Plaza, Bronx), AMC Empire 25 (42nd Street, Manhattan), Walter Reade Theater (Lincoln Center, Manhattan), and Clearview Cinema 100 (White Plains, NY). Check for current and upcoming captioned movies. In addition to captioned American films, foreign films are often subtitled and accessible for deaf and hard-of-hearing patrons.

Name: Captioned Media Program
Address: Captioned Media Program
National Association of the Deaf
1447 E. Main Street
Spartanburg, SC 29307
Phone: (800) 237-6819 TTY
(800) 237-6213 Voice
Fax: (800) 538-5636
Email: info@cfv.org Information
order@cfv.org Orders
Website: www.cfv.org

Description: Provides free-loan captioned films/videos service to deaf or hard of hearing, parents, teachers, and others working with Deaf/HOH; provides free captioning information to media producers/distributors and others; provides listings of captioning agencies; and evaluates captioning agencies who perform open-captioned work for the U.S. Department of Education. The mission of the Captioned Media Program (CMP) is to provide all persons who are deaf or hard of hearing awareness of and equal access to communication and learning through the use of captioned educational media and supportive collateral materials. The CMP also acts as a captioning information and training center. The ultimate goal of the CMP is to permit media to be an integral part in the lifelong learning process for all stakeholders in the deaf and hard of hearing community: adults, students, parents, and educators. Some materials are available in Spanish.

Name: The Film Society of Lincoln Center: Open-Captioned Films for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing
Address: The Film Society of Lincoln Center
70 Lincoln Center Plaza
New York, NY 10023-6595
Phone: (212) 875-5610 Mailing list and membership
(212) 875-5600 Box office
Fax: (212) 875-5636
Email: nylincoln66@aol.com Michael Kaufer
Website: www.filmlinc.com

Description: Open-captioned films for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing are shown at the Walter Reade Theater presented by the Film Society of Lincoln Center. A monthly

program of first-run American films for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing (with open-captioned English subtitles). Admission limited to the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing and those accompanying them. Support has been provided by TDF through its TAP Plus program, created by cooperation with the New York State Council on the Arts to help the Deaf and Hard of Hearing obtain access to cultural events.

Name: Hands On Sign Interpreted Performances Inc. (HandsOn)
Address: 159-00 Riverside Drive West, Suite 7F
New York, NY 10032
Phone: (212) 740-3087 Voice
TTY callers - please use relay (711)
Fax: (212) 740-4157
Email: www.handson.org
Website: Info@HandsOn.org
Description: A New York City-based service organization dedicated to providing greater accessibility to arts and cultural events for the Deaf and hard of hearing community by bringing the performing and fine arts to Deaf people of all ages. HandsOn compiles a free monthly Cultural Calendar of accessible arts events and provides interpreters for theatrical productions. Accessible arts events include: Assistive Listening, Visual Events, Open Captioned Events, Interpreted Events, Events Conducted in ASL, and Hands On Interpreted Events.

Name: Insight Cinema (formerly Tripod Captioned Films)
Address: 2800 28th Street, Suite 380
Santa Monica, CA 90405
Email: info@insightcinema.org
Website: www.insightcinema.org/links.html
Description: The purpose is to provide deaf and hard of hearing, English as Second Language and Literacy program patrons with access to a broader range of cultural, educational and social experiences by making it accessible through the promotion of captioning, to promote public awareness of their needs, and to educate the public on effectively communicating with the members of these respective communities, and all others that might benefit from the use of captioning. InSight Cinema is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing the big screen movie-going experience to the 30 million deaf and hard-of-hearing (DHH) and English-as-a-second-language (ESL) audiences in the United States. A mailing list is available. InSight Cinema has created a 3-way partnership with the major studios and all major exhibitors. This 10 year-long outreach program serves a liaison between the DHH community and the major studios by increasing efforts to distribute Open Captioned prints to mainstream theatres. Currently there are 150 dedicated theatre programs in place.

Name: Media Access Group at WGBH's Motion Picture Access
(Closed Captioning/ Rear Window Caption Movies)
Phone: (617) 300-2489 TTY
(617) 300-3400 Voice

Email: access@wgbh.org
Website: www.mopix.org
Description: Closed captioning and description of all films provided by the Media Access Group at WGBH, a nonprofit division of Boston public broadcaster WGBH. The Rear Window Captioning and DVS Theatrical systems were developed by WGBH to make feature films accessible the date films open in theaters nationwide- and during regular show times - to movie fans who are deaf, hard-of-hearing, blind or visually impaired. Contact for information on how to encourage a theater in your area to install the access systems.

Name: National Captioning Institute
Address: 333 Seventh Avenue, 10th Floor
 New York, NY 10001

National Help Desk (Help Desk/General Inquiries)
 c/o National Captioning Institute
 1900 Gallows Road, Suite 3000
 Vienna, VA 22182

Phone: (212) 557-7011 TTY/Voice – NYC Office
 (800) 950-0958 TTY – NCI’s National Help Desk
 (703) 917-7600 TTY – NCI
 (703) 917-7600 Voice – NCI

Fax: (212) 557-6975
 (703) 917-9878 NCI’s National Help Desk

Email: koconoor@ncicap.org NYC Office
 mail@ncicap.org General
 mail@ncihelpdesk.org Help Desk

Website: www.ncicap.org General
 www.ncihelpdesk.org NCI’s National Help Desk

Description: NCI, a nonprofit corporation, provides effective domestic and international captioning services, subtitling and described video for broadcast and cablecast television programs, home video programs, TV commercials, corporations and government agencies. The mission is to ensure that deaf and hard of hearing people, as well as others who can benefit from the service, have access to television's entertainment and news through the technology of closed captioning. NCI will support services to deaf, hard of hearing and people with low vision who, for whatever reason, wherever situated and irrespective of their economic conditions, are limited in their ability to participate fully in the world of communications, heard, seen or written.

CHILDREN/FAMILIES

Name: ASL Access Video Collection
Address: 4217 Adrienne Drive
Alexandria, VA 22309
Email: ASLAccess@aol.com
Website: www.aslaccess.org
Description: ASL Access is a 100% volunteer, non-profit organization providing American Sign Language video resources to your local public libraries. The ASL Access Video Collection consists of over 200 American Sign Language (ASL) videos available for free loan in your local public library. Tell any library staff member that you want to borrow these videos from your library and give them the contact information. Library collection development decisions are often made in response to local library customers like you who ask for the video resources loan.

Name: American Society for Deaf Children
Address: American Society for Deaf Children
P.O. Box 3355
Gettysburg, PA 17325
Phone: (800) 942-ASDC (2732) Parents Helpline
(717) 334-7922 Business V/TTY
Fax: (717) 334-8808
Email: ASDC1@aol.com General
asdc@deafchildren.org General
braimondo@deafchildren.org Barbara Raimondo, J.D.
Parents Connected Coordinator
military@deafchildren.org Military Families Special Interest Group
grandparents@deafchildren.org Grandparents Special Interest Group
Website: www.deafchildren.org
Description: American Society for Deaf Children (ASDC) is a national, independent non-profit organization whose purpose is providing support, encouragement, and information to families raising children who are deaf or hard of hearing. ASDC services include: National Office, Hotline, Speakers Bureau Representation, Parents Connected Network, First-Year Free Program, and helpful resources (deaf issues, education, law, and social issues). Special Interest Groups for Military Families & Grandparents are available.

Name: Baby Fingers
Phone: (212) 874-5978 Voice
Email: info@mybabyfingers.com
Website: www.mybabyfingers.com
Description: Baby Fingers, which offers sign language instruction through the arts to children and families. Baby Fingers, A Musical Journey Through Language and

Learning... "MOMMY & ME" program (*American Sign Language (ASL) Classes, Early Childhood Music Classes, or a combination of both*). Daddies, babysitters, grandparents are welcome in this program. Research shows the benefits of music and sign language in language development, social skills, increased vocabulary and IQ, and overall improved communication between parent and child! Optional "DROP OFF" classes during the school year for pre-school and school age children include DRAMA, Create-a-Book, and school or ASL tutoring. Classes meet once per week for a series of 6-12 weeks. Workshops: *A 60 - 90 minute introduction or refresher course*. We offer sign language workshops for parents, teachers, school directors, playgroups, etc. Schedule and location vary. *Sign Language for Kids* and *Teaching your Baby to Sign* books are available for purchase.

Name: Big Brother/Big Sister Program
Phone: (212) 686-2042

Name: Brooklyn Museum of Art: Arty Facts & Stories & Art Programs
Address: 200 Eastern Parkway
 Brooklyn, New York 11238-6052
Phone: (718) 501-6487 Voice Alice Stevenson
 (718) 399-8440 TTY Alice Stevenson
Email: alice.stevenson@brooklynmuseum.org
info@brooklynmuseum.org
Website: www.brooklynmuseum.org/
Description: Arty Facts is an art program for younger children and their adult friends. Each day is different as children explore the galleries, enjoy a family activity, and make their own art. A new theme is explored every month. This program is Sign Language interpreted from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the second Saturday and last Sunday of every month, with few exceptions due to holidays. Stories & Art is a story-telling program for all ages. Presented in the museum's galleries, stories are told by professional storytellers, dancers, musicians, and children's book authors and illustrators. This program is Sign Language interpreted one Saturday per month at 4:00 p.m. For questions, comments, or to be added to mailing list, contact Alice Stevenson.

Name: Camp Isola Bella
Address: 139 North Main Street (School Address)
 West Hartford, CT 06107
 410 Twin Lakes Rd. (Camp Isola Bella)
 Taconic, CT 06079
Phone: (860) 570-2222 TTY (School)
 (860) 824-5558 TTY/Voice (Camp)
 (860) 570-2300 Voice (School)
Fax: (860) 824-4276 (Camp)

Email: Steve.Borsotti@asd-1817.org

Website: www.asd-1817.org/ib/

Description: High in the Berkshire Mountains lies a shining lake with a beautiful island in the middle. Each summer, the island beckons deaf and hard of hearing kids from all over the United States to come and enjoy its beauty. Owned and operated since its beginning by the American School for the Deaf, the camp follows the school's open approach to communication. This means that whatever a camper's communication mode sign language, oral, aural, lipreading or a mix staff are willing and able to meet it. "Total Communication" puts the main emphasis on getting the message across, in whatever way works best for the particular camper.

All the activities at Camp Isola Bella are designed first and foremost to be FUN. Of course, it's fun with a purpose. The camp's philosophy, "learning through experience," is put into effect in three ways: Self-esteem and a positive attitude come from having successful social experiences with peers and lots of friendly encouragement from the staff. Specific knowledge and skills are taught with a "learn by doing" approach. Physical fitness is developed through sports and recreation programs, fostering campers' emotional, physical and intellectual growth. A wide range of activities are offered to provide appropriate challenges for the wide range of skills and interests campers bring to the island.

Highly qualified, professional staff, both deaf and hearing, come to Isola Bella with experience in education, childcare and counseling. A small staff-to-camper ratio ensures plenty of individual attention and high-quality programs. Excellent medical care and facilities are available 24 hours a day. Please note that campers with special needs, including medical conditions, will require prior medical approval for registration and enrollment purposes. Transportation of campers from the airport, bus or train station is available free of charge.

Name: Camp Mark Seven (Dave Staehle, Executive Director)

Address: 144 Mohawk Hotel Road June – August
Old Forge, NY 13420

Camp Mark Seven September – May
69 Stuyvesant Road
Pittsford, NY 14534

Phone: (585) 381-5930 TTY September – May

(315) 357-6089 TTY/V June – August

Fax: (585) 381-5930 September – May

(315) 357-6403 June – August

Email: ExecDir@CampMark7.org Executive Director

DeafYouthDir@CampMark7.org Deaf Youth Programs Director

KODADir@CampMark7.org KODA Program Director

ExecDir@CampMark7.org Retreat Reservations

Website: www.campmark7.org/

Description: Camp Mark Seven is a lakefront recreational, educational & leadership camp in the Adirondack Mountains in Old Forge, New York. Diverse programs are offered for Deaf, Hard-of-Hearing & hearing individuals of all ages. CM7 was founded by Fr. Thomas Coughlin and members of the Deaf Catholic Community to assist Deaf youth in developing important life skills through activities with the support of Deaf staff members. Our goal is to have the campers: 1) increase self confidence and personal worth in a challenging atmosphere where growth is encouraged and the positive emphasized; 2) foster appreciation and respect for individual differences existing in a group; and 3) grow in their relationship with God and appreciate the wonders of His Creation. We are open to members of all faiths.

All classes and sleeping quarters are held in the lodge. The main lobby has a spacious lounge with a fireplace and roomy chairs. The large shaded veranda with wood branch style chairs has a lakefront view. Join us for swimming, canoeing, water-skiing, tubing, kneeboarding and sailing. Lawn games, arts & crafts, basketball and tennis are also popular activities. There are many nearby trails for enthusiastic hikers.

Name: Catholic Charities Operation F.U.N

Address: Our Lady of Snows
79-33 258th Street
Queens, NY 11004

St. Francis de Sales
219 Beach 129th Street
Queens, NY 11694

Phone: (718) 565-5445 Our Lady of Snows
(718) 259-2000 St. Francis de Sales

Description: Program serves age 6-Adults with developmental disabilities, mental retardation, and deafness. Free pick-up transportation services provided.

Name: The Child's Place for Children with Special Needs at
Brooklyn Public Library

Address: Carrie Banks, Supervisor
Brooklyn Public Library
The Child's Place
Flatlands Branch
2085 Flatbush Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11234

Phone: (718) 253-5034 TTY
(718) 253-4948 Voice

Email: c.banks@brooklynpubliclibrary.org

Website: www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org

Description: The Children's Place Program makes library programs and services accessible to those who might otherwise have a difficult time accessing them, including

children who are Deaf. We have two staff members who sign, one of whom is bilingual in ASL and British Sign Language. With advance notice, we can provide ASL interpretation for the Child's Place for Children with Special Needs programs. Periodically, our Saturday programs are bi-lingual in ASL and English. We also have information on child development and Deaf children for adults and information about deafness and the Deaf community for children. ASL instructional material including video tapes, books and dictionaries are also available.

Name: Def Dance Jam Workshop
Address: P. O. Box 3092
Manhattanville Station
New York, NY 10027
Phone: (212) 694-0477 TTY
(212) 694-0477 Voice
Email: info@defdancejam.org Aziza, Director
Website: www.defdancejam.org/

Description: Def Dance Jam Workshop is an inter-generational company of deaf, hearing and physically or developmentally challenged artists committed to strengthening the relationship between the “differently able” and “traditionally able” communities. Combining dance poetry, song, storytelling and American Sign Language in its original work, DDJW seeks to inspire, edify and empower audiences, fostering inclusiveness in the arts where exclusiveness is often perceived.

Name: Explore Your Future Program for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing High School Juniors at National Technical Institute for the Deaf at Rochester Institute of Technology
Address: Rochester, New York
Phone: (585) 475-2087 TTY/Voice
Email: ambnes@rit.edu
Website: www.rit.edu/NTID

Description: A six-day, summer career awareness program to help deaf and hard-of-hearing high school juniors plan for life after high school. NTID's Explore Your Future (EYF) program gives students the opportunity to experience college life, perform hands-on activities as they learn about different career choices such as engineering, business and computers, and have fun exploring their options. EYF offers two summer sessions. On the final day of each session, parents are invited to attend a workshop to get tips that will help them prepare their students for college. NTID is the first and largest technological college in the world for deaf and hard-of-hearing students. NTID, one of eight colleges of RIT, offers educational programs and access and support services to 1,100 deaf and hard-of-hearing students from around the world who study, live and socialize with 14,000 hearing students on RIT's Rochester, N.Y., campus.

Name: I.D.E.A.S.
Interactive Drama for Education & Awareness in the Schools
Address: 108 Roebling Street
Brooklyn, NY 11211
Phone: (718) 387-5055 Lisa Dennett
Fax: (718) 387-8979
Email: Info@IDEASDrama.org
Website: www.IDEASDrama.org
Description: Drama Workshops: Sociodrama and Creative Drama for ages 8 – adult. We provide drama workshops and residencies to schools, after-school programs, community centers, and service agencies. Our workshops include Sociodrama and Creative Drama for all ages as well as Professional Development workshops for adults only.

Name: The Metropolitan Museum of Art
Address: 1000 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10028-0198
Phone: (212) 570-3828 TTY Programs for visitors who are Deaf/have disabilities
(212) 650-2551 TTY General Museum information
(212) 570-3828 TTY Access Coordination
(212) 879-5500, ext. 3561 Voice Access Coordination
Email: education@metmuseum.org
Website: www.metmuseum.org
Description: Sign Language Programs & Programs with Assistive Listening Devices and Captioning are offered at the museum, including Family Programs with Sign Language Interpretation. In the Family Programs, visitors ages five through twelve and their adult friends explore topics unlocking the history, meaning, and cross-cultural connections of works of art through conversation and sketching. The Signs of Art Programs brochure containing schedule for upcoming interpreted family programs is available in large print or via email by request.

Name: NAD Youth Leadership Camp (YLC)
Address: Camp Endeavor
Re. NAD YLC
(Camper/Staff Name)
Post Office Box 910
Dundee, Florida 33838
Phone: (863) 439-1300 TTY (Camp)
(301) 587-1789 TTY (NAD)
(301) 587-1788 Voice (NAD)
Fax: (863) 439-1300 (Camp)
(301) 587-1791 (NAD)
Email: ylcdirector@nad.org Youth Leadership Camp Director
NADinfo@nad.org General

Website: www.nad.org/YLC/index.html

Description: *Scholarship - Leadership – Citizenship. Dedicated to the Deaf Youth of America.* The NAD Youth Leadership Camp offers rich opportunities for leadership skills development and focuses on literacy; health; drama; deaf culture; language and heritage; current issues; group dynamics; team building; outdoor activities, and much more. The purpose of YLC is to encourage outstanding young student leaders from diverse educational programs to develop a greater purpose in life through programs of learning, social interaction, and leadership development. The camp program provides students with opportunities for "learning through active involvement." The program is carefully designed to aid promising young students in the developing their citizenship, scholarship, and leadership abilities and to become self-starters in their respective schools and communities. Camp participants will discover who they are, what they can do, and the role they play in helping their schools build stronger relationship with their respective communities, and to become more productive citizens.

Name: Programs for Children and Youth who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

Address: Dorothy Steele, Coordinator, Deaf Services
Office of Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities (VESID)
One Commerce Plaza, Room 1601
Albany, NY 12234

Phone: (518) 474-5652 TTY/Voice
(800) 222-5627 TTY/Voice

Email: dsteele@mail.nysed.gov

Website: www.vesid.nysed.gov/

Name: Programs for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities: Ages Birth through 2

Address: Early Intervention Program
New York State Department of Health
Empire State Plaza, Corning Tower Building, Room 287
Albany, NY 12237-0618

Phone: (800) 577-2229 Voice – in NYC
(800) 522-5006 Voice - "Growing Up Healthy" 24-Hour Hotline
(518) 473-7016 Voice

Website: www.health.state.ny.us

Name: The Rhinelander Saturday Program for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Children & Teens

Address: The Rhinelander Center
350 East 88th Street
NY, NY 10128

Phone: (212)876-0500 V

Email: darar@rhinelandercenter.org Dara Robinson

Website: <http://rhinelandercenter.org/>

Description: The award winning Saturday Program for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Children and Teens was founded in 1989 to encourage young people to have fun and to develop their potential in a nurturing environment. *It is the only program of its kind in New York City!* Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing children and teens ages 5 to 19 are invited to participate in this free program.

The Saturday Program meets from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., two Saturdays a month from September through June. Activities include dance, group games, visual and performing arts. In addition, Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing teens ages 15-19 enjoy volunteer work in the community, as well as special interest classes and discussion groups. All children and teens attend field trips in and around the city. Parents are also invited to participate in the program through the Parent Committee, which features speakers and discussions. These groups, in addition to the monthly parent-authored Saturday Program News, give parents great opportunities to learn and share experiences with one another. A calendar of program dates and events is available in September.

Many of those we serve in our program come from schools in which they are "mainstreamed." They are often the only Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing young people in their school. This may lead to a sense of isolation and a feeling of being different. Others attend schools for the Deaf where sign language is used. Outside of school they may be the only Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing person in their family or neighborhood. In each situation, these young people do not have sufficient opportunities to interact with other Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing peers during leisure time. The Saturday Program reduces their sense of isolation by providing an environment for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing youth to play and learn with others like themselves as well as contribute to society at large through community service projects.

Name: State CHIP Program
Address: Child Health Plus
New York State Health Department
Box 2000
Albany, NY 12220
Phone: (877) 898-5849 TTY
(800) 698-4543 Voice
Website: www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/chplus/index.htm
Description: Health care for low-income uninsured children.

CODA RESOURCES

Children of Deaf Adults (CODA) ~ Hearing Kids of Deaf Adults (KODA)

Name: CODA International, Inc
Address: PO Box 30715
Santa Barbara, CA 93130-0715
Website: www.coda-international.org
Description: CODA is an organization established for the purpose of promoting family awareness and individual growth in hearing children of deaf parents. This purpose is accomplished through providing educational opportunities, promoting self-help, organizing advocacy efforts, and acting as a resource for the membership and various communities. CODA addresses the bicultural experiences through conferences, support groups, and resource development.

Name: KODA Camp at Camp Mark Seven
Address: Camp Mark 7
144 Mohawk Hotel Road
Old Forge, NY 13420
Phone: (315) 357-6089 TTY/V (June - August)
(585) 381-5930 TTY (September – May)
Fax: (315) 357-6403 (June – August)
(585) 381-5930 (September – May)
Email: KODADir@CampMark7.org Bert Pickell, KODA Camp Director
Website: www.campmark7.org

Description: It remains the only program of its kind in the country. It has grown to be a wildly successful program. This program has been honored by the American Camping Association and recently the Camp Director, Bert Pickell was honored by the Gallaudet University Alumni Association's Laurent Clerc Cultural Fund Committee with the Alice Cogswell Award for Valuable Service to the Deaf Community. This camp program has been recognized for its unique approach to helping KODA's to find their sense of identity. The camp has focused on three aspects: Understanding ASL as a different language than English, Understanding the differences between Deaf Culture and Hearing Culture and giving kids a chance to share their KODA Stories with others who understand. The response is amazing, nearly 85% of the kids return for the next year, demonstrating how meaningful it is to them.

Name: KODA – NYC & Long Island Chapter
Phone: (718) 350-3143 (Daytime)
Email: cecelianorman@aol.com
Website: www.4koda.org
Description: Monthly meetings. Socials. Plan local family events for each season & ongoing workshops for parents in all 5 NYC Boroughs. Babysitting Service & Children Activities available. “Everything for Our Children & Parents.”

DEAF-BLIND

Name: American Association of the Deaf-Blind (AADB)

Address: AADB
814 Thayer Avenue, Suite 302
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-4500

Phone: (301) 495-4402 TTY
(301) 495-4403 Voice

Fax: (301) 495-4404

Email: editor@aadb.org DBA Publication Editor
info@aadb.org Information

AIM: AADBOficce

Website: www.aadb.org

Description: American Association of the Deaf-Blind endeavors to enable deaf-blind persons to achieve their maximum potential through increased independence, productivity and integration into the community. AADB is a national consumer organization of, by, and for deaf-blind Americans. AADB has deaf-blind members from all walks of life with diverse educational, vocational, social, ethnic/racial backgrounds, communication methods, and varying degrees and types of both vision and hearing loss. AADB offers members a quarterly publication The Deaf-Blind American (DBA) and a contact directory of our members and resources across the country for deaf-blind people. AADB is actively involved in projects: (1) Outreach activities; (2) Advocacy; (3) Representation to manufacturers, legislators, and other entities on behalf of deaf-blind people; (4) Information/referral on deaf-blindness; (5) Maintaining close relationships with other organizations to ensure the needs of the deaf-blind are properly addressed; (6) The Mentoring Pilot Project; and (7) Biennial national conferences.

Name: Andrew Heiskell Library for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Address: 40 W. 20th Street
New York, NY 10012-4211

Phone: (212) 206-5458 TTY
(212) 206-5400 Voice
(212) 206-5425 24-hour answering machine

Fax: (212) 206-5418

Website: www.nypl.org

Description: This barrier-free branch of the New York City Public Library provides comfortable reading rooms, large collections of specially-formatted materials, audio playback equipment for listening to recorded books and magazines, and a variety of other electronic reading aids. The Library has a children's room and a meeting room for concerts, lectures, and other special events. Also operates an extensive mailing program that delivers thousands of recorded and Braille books a day. The books are shipped free of charge, as part of a federal program established by the Library of Congress.

Name: DB-Link
Address: 345 Monmouth Ave N
Monmouth, OR 97361-1314
Phone: (800) 854-7013 TTY
(800) 438-9376 Voice
Fax: (503) 838-8150
Email: dblink@tr.wou.edu
Description: Information and Referral on the National Clearinghouse for Deaf-Blind

Name: Deaf-Blind Explorers
Address: Deaf-Blind Explorers, Inc.
PO Box 32015
Cincinnati, OH 45232-0015
Phone: (513) 242-4171 Lynn Jansen
Fax: (513) 242-4287
Email: DeafBlindTravel@aol.com
Website: www.deafblindexplorers.org
Description: Deaf-Blind Explorers is an international organization dedicated to providing traveling and touring experiences for the people who are deaf-blind all across the world. Deaf-Blind Explorers provides the unique experience of exploring other destinations that otherwise may not be available to deaf-blind individuals due to their dual-sensory impairments. Deaf-Blind Explorers as an organization strives to expand their members' horizons by educating the non-disabled people of the world that people who are deaf-blind can enjoy the same benefits as non-disabled people by exploration of the world around them without any barriers or limitations. The programs are limited to approximately 150 Deaf-Blind and Hearing-Visually impaired participants. SSPs and Interpreters accompany all trips. Sighted, hearing, or Deaf friends, colleagues or family members may accompany participants or consumers.

Name: Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths & Adults
Address: 141 Middle Neck Road
Sands Point, NY 11050
Phone: (516) 944-8637 TTY
(516) 944-8900 Voice
(516) 944-8900, x259 Michael Brennan, Mid-Atlantic Regional Representative
(516) 944-8900, x310 Kathy Brennan, Administrative Assistant
Mid-Atlantic Regional Office
Fax: (516) 944-7302 HKNC
(516) 883-9060 HKNC Mid-Atlantic Regional Office
Email: HKNC2MB@msn.com Michael Brennan, Mid-Atlantic Regional Representative
Website: www.hknc.org

Description: The Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths & Adults (HKNC) offers intensive and comprehensive rehabilitation training to individuals who are deaf-blind. The rehabilitation and personal adjustment training program at HKNC's headquarters in Sands Point provides evaluation and training in communication skills, adaptive technology, orientation and mobility, independent living, work experience, and other support services. Field Services include ten regional offices, and more than forty affiliated programs, a national training team, technical assistance center, older adults program, the National Technical Assistance Consortium for Children and Young Adults, and D-B LINK. The HKNC serves all Americans who are deafblind or have severe vision and hearing impairments.

The regional representatives of the Helen Keller National Center are located in ten offices across the country. The Mid-Atlantic region office's consumers include individuals who are DeafBlind, their families, and public and private agencies that provide services. The regional representative is responsible for accessing the needs of individuals, communities, and states within his region and developing strategies of collaboration, coordination, and cooperation to help meet those needs. The Regional representative strives to make sure that DeafBlind consumers receive the services and training they need to become as independent and self-sufficient as possible.

Name: Jewish Guild for the Blind

Address: 15 West 65th St.
New York, NY 10023

Phone: (212) 769-6200 Voice
(800)284-4422 Voice

Fax: (212) 769-6266

Email: info@jbg.org

Website: www.jgb.org

Description: The Jewish Guild for the Blind (The Guild) is a not-for-profit, non-sectarian agency that serves persons of all ages who are visually impaired, blind and multi-disabled. The Guild offers a broad range of programs that include: medical, vision, low vision, psychiatric and rehabilitative services, managed long-term care, residential services, day health programs, schools and educational training programs for independent living. Children, youth and adults who are deaf-blind are served in early intervention, preschool, school-age programs, as well as a day treatment program. Our mission is to assist people who are blind or visually impaired, and who may have additional disabilities, achieve lives of dignity and independence.

Name: National Family Association for Deaf-Blind (NFADB)

Address: 141 Middle Neck Road
Sands Point, NY 11050

Phone: (800) 255-0411
(518) 357-2783 Peg Burch, Regional Director

Fax: (516) 883-9060

Email: NFADB@aol.com
PQBurch@aol.com Peg Burch, Regional Director

Website: www.nfadb.org

Description: The National Family Association for Deaf-Blind (NFADB) is founded on the belief that people who are deaf-blind are valued members of society and are entitled to the same opportunities and choices as other people. NFADB advocates for all people who are deaf-blind of any age and cognitive ability, supports national policy to benefit people who are deaf-blind, encourages the founding and strengthening of family organizations in each state, shares information related to deaf-blindness, provides resources and referrals, collaborates with professionals, and assists in the development of materials and training seminars that benefit family members. NFADB, a national nonprofit membership organization, takes part in national projects for the deaf-blind community to ensure consumer and family representation, and keeps abreast of current trends in service delivery.

Name: New York State Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped (CBVH)

Address: 20 Exchange Place, 2nd Floor
New York, New York, 10005

Phone: (212) 825-5721 William Youberg, Senior Counselor
(212) 825-5710 Voice (20 Exchange Place)
(212) 825-7367 TTY

Fax: (212) 825-7143 (20 Exchange Place)

Email: cbvh@dfa.state.ny.us
William.Youberg@dfa.state.ny.us William Youberg, Senior Counselor
Debra.Stelzer@dfa.state.ny.us Debra Stelzer, Counselor

Website: www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/cbvh/

Description: The New York State Office of Children and Family Services' Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped (CBVH) provides rehabilitation counseling, job training, and placement services to individuals who are legally blind and reside in New York State. CBVH programs include: (1) Training for Employment; (2) Business Enterprise Program; (3) Programs for Older Adults; & (4) Programs for Children. Services are coordinated by counselors and children's consultants located in eight regional offices. In addition, programs for multiply disabled children under the age of 21 are available, and may include services provided in the home, the community and/or rehabilitation agencies. Any New York State resident who is legally blind may be eligible for some of the services provided by CBVH. If you are unsure if you are legally blind, CBVH can assist you in determining eligibility. If you are interested in any of the programs or services offered by CBVH and would like to receive an application, or if you require assistance in completing an application, please call the regional office located closest to you. CBVH also has private agencies for the blind. Contact CBVH directly to determine appropriate services for the deaf-blind. The VR counselor may provide counseling and guidance to the client and family, advocacy services, case management, educational consultation and vocational coordination. The vocational counselor will provide transition related services.

Name: State Deaf-Blind Project
Address: New York State Technical Assistance Project Serving Children & Youth
Who are Deaf-Blind
Teachers College – Columbia University
Box 223
New York, NY 10027-6696
Phone: (212) 678-4020 Madeline W. Appell, Project Director
(212) 678-3879 Paul Molloy, Project Coordinator
(212) 678-3879 TTY, Family Specialists
Fax: (212) 678-3462 Family Specialists
Email: appell@exchange.tc.columbia.edu Madeline Appell, Project Director
molloy@exchange.tc.columbia.edu Paul Molloy, Project Coordinator
Description: The goal of the New York State Technical Assistance Project Serving Children And Youth Who Are Deaf-blind is to enhance current activity to improve services and the service delivery system for children and youth who are deaf-blind and their families through the provision of technical assistance that will result in improved outcomes for these students. Major activities include: (1) Insure earlier identification, ongoing tracking and characterization of the population, ages 0-21, programs and other resources located state-wide; (2) Outreach to individual families in order to provide information and support and to network parents across the State; (3) Provide ongoing needs driven child-specific technical assistance and regional and state-wide information and training to education, rehabilitation and related service personnel research-based effective practices; (4) Continue the efforts of a state-wide Academic Task Force to support training graduate students to work effectively with children who are deaf-blind; (5) Facilitate collaborative partnerships to create linkages across providers to create a data base related to cochlear implants, mentor consumers, support inclusion and transition services that reach down to begin the planning process at the elementary school level; (6) Develop products and disseminate information to families and service providers; (7) Evaluate the effectiveness and impact of technical assistance on individual children and the service delivery system.

Name: New York State Resource Center for the Blind Resource Center
Address: 2A Richmond Avenue
Batavia, NY 14020
Phone: (585) 343-5384, x207 Jennifer Ervin-Spas/Lisa DeSantis
Fax: (585) 344-7026
Email: lidesanti@mail.nysed.gov Lisa DeSantis
Website: www.vesid.nysd.gov/lsn
Description: This agency supports individuals who work with deaf-blind children with a professional library containing collections of assessments, curriculum guides, video tapes, and books and journals on relevant topics. They also lend braille writers and textbooks in braille and large print to deaf-blind children who need them.

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Name: Advocates for Children of New York, Inc.
Address: 151 West 30th St. 5th Fl.
New York, NY 10001
Phone: (212) 947-9779
Website: www.advocatesforchildren.org
Description: Advocates for Children of New York, Inc (AFC) has worked with New York City's impoverished and vulnerable families to obtain quality and equal public education services for over 25 years. AFC works on behalf of children from infancy to age 21 who are at greatest risk for school-based discrimination and/or academic failure. These include children with disabilities, ethnic minorities, immigrants, homeless children, foster care children, limited English proficient children and those living in poverty. AFC provides a full range of services: free individual case advocacy, technical assistance, and training for parents, students, and professionals about children's educational entitlements and due process rights in New York City. AFC provides information on the New York State and New York City School systems, children's rights, section 504, and more. Each year AFC conducts numerous training workshops that educate and empower thousands of parents. The workshop presenters describe parents' and students' rights and entitlements, both in regular and special education. They also maintain an extensive listing of books that are related to this issue.

Name: Big Apple Greeter's Access Project
Address: 1 Centre Street Suite 2035
New York NY 10007
Phone: (212) 669-8273 TTY
(212) 669-3602 Voice – Access Project
(212) 380-8159 Voice – Visitor Info
(212) 669-2896 Voice – General Info
Fax: (212) 380-3685
Email: information@bigapplegreeter.org
Website: www.bigapplegreeter.org
Description: Visiting New York City Anytime Soon? Big Apple Greeter's Access Project provides information, experience, and volunteer Greeters for travelers with disabilities, enabling them to get the most from New York City.

Name: Center for Family Support
Address: 386 Park Avenue South, Room 1201
New York, NY 10016
Phone: (212) 629-7939 Voice – New York City
(718) 667-4263 Voice – Staten Island
(718) 518-1500 Voice – Bronx
Website: www.cfsny.org

Description: The Center for Family Support (CFS) is a not-for-profit human service agency providing support and assistance to individuals with developmental disabilities, traumatic brain injuries and the elderly throughout New York City, Long Island, the lower Hudson Valley region and New Jersey. CFS provides a variety of in-home, residential, habilitative and family support services. Our goal is to help individuals live as independently as possible in the community of their choice, and to support families with their care needs. Staff work with each person's support network to develop an individualized service plan. Service Coordinators provide expertise in locating employment opportunities, medical professionals, day programs, housing and other support.

Name: National Jewish Council for the Disabled/Yachad

Address: National Jewish Council for the Disabled
333 7th Avenue
New York, NY 10001

NJCD/Yachad
11 Broadway, 13th Floor
New York NY, 10004

Phone: (212) 613-8235 Voice
(212) 613-8229 Voice

Fax: (212) 613-0796

Website: www.njcd.org

Description: NJCD/Yachad is dedicated to addressing the needs of all individuals with disabilities and including them in the Jewish community. Our membership is divided into three groups: Junior Yachad (8 to 16 years of age); Senior Yachad (17 to 28 years of age), and Rayim Yachad (29 years of age and up). Yachad members participate in several mainstreamed activities per month. There are Yachad chapters located throughout the United States and Canada. Yachad activities provide our members with opportunities for personal growth and enriched lives. The 'inclusive design' gives our special population their rightful place within the Jewish community, while helping to educate the community about our members' abilities and strengths. Programs include: Our Way, Social Skills Training, School Programs, birthright israel, Summer Programs, Vocational Program, and National Resource Center.

Name: New York Catholic Guardian Society

Address: 1011 1st Avenue
New York, NY 10022

Phone: (212) 567-2847 Voice

Fax: (212) 567-5591

Description: Guardianship Information/Financial Planning - When a child with MR/DD becomes 18 years old, parents are no longer considered the legal guardians. If the child continues to need supervision and guidance as an adult, parents may wish to establish legal guardianship before the child reaches age 18. The following organizations provide

this service, as well as information and advice on providing for their child's future financial needs.

Name: New York State Commission on the Quality of Care (CQC)

Address: 270 Broadway, Room 2808
New York, NY 10007

Phone: (800) 624-4143 TTY Hotline
(718) 923-4307 Voice

Website: www.cqc.state.ny.us

Description: The Commission on Quality of Care for the Mentally Disabled serves people with mental disabilities and their families by providing *independent* oversight of the quality and cost-effectiveness of services provided by all mental hygiene programs in New York State. It administers five federal formula grant programs through which it provides legal and non-legal advocacy services to persons with disabilities to assist them in obtaining the services and protections of federal and state laws.

CQC offers a hotline to register a complaint or allegation of abuse, a Frequently Asked Questions webpage, and information about finding help for persons with developmental disabilities.

CQC offers links to helpful resources, including a "How to Find Help for Persons with Developmental Disabilities in New York State" directory and the New York State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities's Map and Resource Directory service: www.omr.state.ny.us/ws/index.jsp.

Name: NYS Office of Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities (OMRDD)

Address: Bronx DDSO
1200 Water Place, 4th Floor
Bronx, NY 10455

Brooklyn DDSO
888 Fountain Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11208

Metro NY DDSO
75 Morton Street, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10014

Queens DDSO
80-45 Winchester Boulevard
Hillside Complex, Bldg. 12
Queens Village, NY 11427

Staten Island DDSO
1150 Forest Hill Road
Staten Island, NY 10314

Phone: (718) 430-0478 Bronx
(Voice) (718) 642-6151 Brooklyn
(212) 229-3000 Metro NYC
(718) 982-1903 Staten Island
Fax: (718) 430-0866 Bronx
(718) 217-4242 Queens
(212) 924-0580 Metro NYC
(718) 217-5835 Queens

Description: OMRDD provides services through the following Developmentally Disabled Service Offices (DDSO) of each borough. Services include group home placement, advocacy, respite care, financial planning, estate planning, education, day treatment, children's services, and discharge planning. Contact the DDSO in your borough for services and referrals.

Name: Self-Advocacy Association of New York
Address: 75 Morton Street, 4th Floor
New York, NY 10014

Phone: (212) 627-2104 Voice

Description: Offers respite services. Respite is temporary care of an individual with developmental disabilities. Respite may be provided in the home, at a family care home, or at a respite center. The length of care depends on the family's needs.

Name: The Sibling Center

Phone: (212) 831-5586

Description: The Sibling Center for Sisters and Brothers of People With Disabilities, Inc. offers support groups for children and young adults, individual therapy for siblings of all ages, seminars and workshops for families and concerned individuals and resources for related issues.

Name: United Cerebral Palsy of NYC, Inc. (UCP)

Address: 80 Maiden Lane 8th Floor, New York, NY 10038
122 E. 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010
160 Lawrence Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11230
175 Lawrence Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11230
1770 Stillwell Ave., Bronx, NY 10469
281 Port Richmond Ave., Staten Island, NY 10302
120 E. 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010
333 Ave. S, Brooklyn, NY 11223
309 West 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010
622 Foster Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11230

Phone: 408 E. 137th Street, Bronx, NY 10454
(212) 475-0842 TTY
(212) 979-9700 Voice

Email: info@ucp.org

Website: www.ucpnyc.org

Description: United Cerebral Palsy of New York City, Inc. (UCP/NYC) is the leading Non-profit agency in New York City providing direct services, technology and advocacy to children and adults of all ages with cerebral palsy and related disabilities. Currently, UCP/NYC provides a continuum of services to over 10,000 New York City residents with disabilities and their families annually. These services are offered by a dedicated and trained staff of 1,600 individuals, including many employees who themselves have cerebral palsy or other disabilities.

Agency services include: Project CONNECT, Children's/Youth Services, Adult Services, Housing and Residential Services, Family Support Services, Health Care Services, Early Intervention & Preschool Education, Evaluation Services, Early Childhood Development Center, Day Care & Universal Pre-K, School Age Education, Adult Day Programs (Day Habilitation & Day Treatment), Vocational & Supported Employment Programs, After School & Weekend Recreation Programs, Summer Day Camp, and Assistive Technology Resources.

Name: YAI/National Institute for People with Disabilities

Address: 460 W. 34th Street, 11th Floor
New York, NY 10001

Phone: (212) 220-2787 TTY
(212) 273-6100 Voice – Central Office
(212) 273-6182 Voice – YAI Link (for Services)
(212) 273-6182 Voice – Employment for People with MR/DD

Website: www.yai.org

Description: YAI/National Institute for People with Disabilities Network is an international leader in assisting people with developmental and learning disabilities to achieve their fullest potential. The YAI/NIPD Network offers one of the nation's most comprehensive networks of direct services. These encompass day and evening services, children's services; family support services; job training and job placement; residential services; recreation and camping; primary health care, specialty services, and certified home health care. Programs and services are provided in a variety of community settings and at home. We are firmly committed to helping the people we serve to achieve their potential for independence, individuality, productivity, and inclusion in their communities.

EDUCATION - ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY

Name: '47' American Sign Language and English School
Address: 225 East 23rd Street
New York, NY 10010
Phone: 917-326-6600
917-326-6668 Office of the Principal, Dr. Martin Florsheim
Fax: 212-481-6237
Email: mflorsheim@j47.org
Website: www.j47.org
Description: A public school for deaf, hard-of-hearing, and hearing students using American Sign Language and English. The school offers a 1:1 program for parents and children under age 3 and an Integrated Preschool program. Educational programs for children age 5-21.

Name: Auditory/Oral School of New York
Address: 2164 Ralph Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11234
Phone: (718) 531-1800 Pnina Bravmann
Fax: (718) 421-5395
Email: audoral@aol.com
Website: www.oraldeafed.org/schools/aosny/index.html
Description: The Auditory/Oral School of NY was founded to offer the option of an auditory-oral education to hearing -impaired and deaf children in New York. Our warm and professional staff is dedicated to meeting the individual educational and developmental needs of each of our children. The services at AOSNY include parent-infant, early intervention and preschool programs, family training and support groups, counseling, individual speech and listening therapy, audiological services, physical, occupational and sensory integration therapy as well as comprehensive multidisciplinary evaluations. Our specialized quality education using the auditory/oral approach, through an exciting, interactive, cognitive, social curriculum, helps hearing impaired children develop their potential as oral communicators. Our children are encouraged to rely on their ability, NOT their disability.

Name: Clarke NYC Auditory/Oral Center
Address: 80 East End Avenue (at 83rd Street)
New York, NY 10028
Phone: (212) 585-3500 Voice/TTY
Fax: (212) 585-3300
Email: tboemio@clarke-nyc.org Director Teresa Boemio
info@clarke-nyc.org
Website: www.clarkeschool.org/clarkenyc.html

Description: The Clarke NYC program, in Manhattan, helps children ages 0-6 as early as possible with quality audition, speech and language training. The younger hearing-impaired children are when they begin to learn language, the greater their self-confidence and ability to learn throughout life. Our mission is to provide a nurturing environment that stimulates cognitive, social and emotional development and to equip children with the listening and English language skills and self-confidence they need to succeed in schools with their hearing peers. We believe that children with hearing loss who develop listening and spoken language skills at an early age have infinite possibilities. At Clarke NYC, parents are partners in the learning process. About 85 percent of children enrolled at Clarke NYC have cochlear implants and we work closely with local implant centers. The Clarke NYC program is staffed by professionals who are experienced in early childhood education, auditory/oral education and speech and language pathology. They are deeply committed to helping children build a strong foundation in English, using audition.

Name: Cleary School for the Deaf
Address: 301 Smithtown Blvd
Nesconset, NY 11767-2077
Phone: (631) 588-0530 V/TTY
Fax: (631) 588-0016
Website: www.clearyschool.org/

Description: Cleary aims to serve children who are profoundly deaf, deaf/blind, multiply-disabled deaf, or functionally deaf. Educational services are available from infancy through twenty-one years of age. Cleary School for the Deaf, located in Suffolk County on Long Island, has two separate campuses. The beautiful five acre elementary campus in Nesconset is one-half mile from Lake Ronkonkoma. The Secondary Program is housed at the thirteen hundred students, district high school in East Islip. Programs include: Parent-Infant, Preschool/Elementary, Secondary, Auditory-Oral Based Inclusion Preschool, & Guidance Department. Student activities include: Deaf Awareness Week, Holidays, Holiday Show, Earth Day, Deaf Awareness Day, The Garden, Spring Arts Festival, School-wide field trips, & extra-curricular activities.

Cleary School for the Deaf offers a uniquely designed educational setting which facilitates the holistic development of children who are deaf. Cleary provides a variety of services and curricula conducive to learning and growth within a safe and secure environment. Our staff strives to maintain high standards of excellence as we serve children who are deaf, their families, the deaf community and the community at large. Cleary School is a non-profit, non-sectarian, privately owned by Catholic Charities, state supported, full time day school for the deaf. Cleary currently uses the Bi-Lingual/Bi-Cultural philosophy (Bi-Bi).

Name: Friends of Libraries for Deaf Action (FOLDA)
Address: 2930 Craigsawn Road
Silver Springs, MD 20904-1816

Phone: (301) 572-5168 TTY
Fax: (301) 572-4134
Email: folda86@aol.com
Website: <http://folda.net>

Description: FOLDA is a public service of Library for Deaf Action, the deaf-owned business of Alice L. Hagemeyer. FOLDA has no membership dues. FOLDA encourages the deaf community to become involved in activities of their local public library and its friends. Some public libraries have FOLDA's copy of THE RED NOTEBOOK, an information service in the form of a regularly updated loose-leaf binder containing deaf fact sheets, library reprints, and announcements. Check Web site to keep up with library access and quality resources for the deaf community.

Name: Hebrew Academy for Special Children
Address: Michelle August, Social Worker
HASC
1311 55th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11219

Phone: (718) 851-6100, ext 135 Voice/TTY
Fax: (718) 437-6654
Email: Michelle.August@hasc.net

Description: HASC is a special education preschool in Brooklyn. HASC do not only work with Jewish children. As a special education setting, we offer many different types of services at our center or in the parent's home, including speech therapy, occupational therapy, and physical therapy. However, we are NOT equipped to service deaf children, but we do service several hearing children whose parents are deaf. This is important because many deaf parents are concerned about their hearing children having speech delays (or other delays) and have a very difficult time accessing services for their kids because of the language barrier. As a social worker proficient in ASL, I have been able to help many of these parents secure evaluations for their children and I have acted as translator (I am not a certified interpreter) during the evaluations and subsequent meetings with the Dept. of Education. We can provide evaluations and services for children from birth until 5 years of age. Contact for further information.

Name: I.D.E.A.S.
Interactive Drama for Education & Awareness in the Schools
Address: 108 Roebling Street
Brooklyn, NY 11211

Phone: (718) 387-5055 Lisa Dennett
Fax: (718) 387-8979
Email: Info@IDEASDrama.org
Website: www.IDEASDrama.org

Description: Drama Workshops: Sociodrama and Creative Drama for ages 8 – adult. We provide drama workshops and residencies to schools, after-school programs, community centers, and service agencies. Our workshops include Sociodrama and

Creative Drama for all ages as well as Professional Development workshops for adults only.

Name: Lexington School for the Deaf
Address: 30th Avenue and 75th Street
Jackson Heights, NY 11370
Phone: (718) 350-3300 Voice – General
(718) 350-3056 TTY – General
(718) 350-3170 TTY/Voice
(718) 350-3171 TTY/Voice
Fax: (718) 899-1621 General
(718) 899-9846 School
Email: generalinfo@lexnyc.org General
school@lexnyc.org School
vocationalservices@lexnyc.org Vocational Services
mentalhealth@lexnyc.org Mental Health
hearingandspeech@lexnyc.org Hearing & Speech
earlyintervention@lexnyc.org Early Intervention
Website: www.lexnyc.com

Description: A Tradition of Service to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Communities. The Lexington School for the Deaf/Center for the Deaf has served the broader Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Community of the New York metropolitan area since 1864. Since its founding as a school, Lexington has evolved to offer vital services in a range of important areas. Lexington strives to be a leading educational, advocacy, and social service agency on behalf of deaf and hard of hearing individuals. Lexington operates the following comprehensive programs in order to carry out this mission: (1) Lexington School (for deaf children age 0-21); (2) Lexington Center for Mental Health Services (outpatient clinic and specialized infant, child, adult, and family services); (3) Lexington Vocational Services Center (supported employment and independent living skills training for adults); (4) Lexington Hearing and Speech Center, community-based speech and audiology services; (5) The Ralph and Ricky Lauren Center for the Performing Arts.

The needs of Lexington's students and clients increasingly reflect the challenges posed by society, with many living in poverty and facing profound obstacles to accessing healthcare and to obtaining decent employment. Many are recent immigrants for whom the complex adjustment to life in the United States is made more difficult because of deafness.

Lexington operates three Early Intervention programs which provide referrals to services for families with young children who are deaf or hard of hearing. Lexington also operates a licensed child care and universal pre-k center which provides full-day care for children in the community aged 12 months through pre-kindergarten.

Name: Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf & Early Childhood Center

Address: Frost Mill Road, PO Box 12
Mill Neck, NY 11765

Phone: (516) 922-4750 TDD
(516) 922-4100 Voice

Fax: (516) 922-4172 School for the Deaf
(516) 922-4110 Early Childhood Center

Email: info@millneck.org General Info
edu@millneck.org School for the Deaf

Website: www.millneck.org

Description: Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf was established in 1951 to help Deaf children unlock their potential through quality education. Our specially-trained staff, carefully structured programs and access to the newest technologies give our students the academic knowledge and confidence they need to be successful both in and out of the classroom. Our care for each child does not end when the school day does. We are also committed to the people who are a regular part of the child's life: the family.

Programs include, but are not limited to: Infant/Toddler Program, Preschool Program/Total Communication, Preschool Program/GOALS (strict oral/aural communication approach with no sign language), Elementary Program, Junior High School Program, High School Program, Functionally Deaf Program, Co-Curricular Activities, Summer Program, Special Services, Transition and Vocational Services, & Partners in Education.

Mill Neck Manor is a publicly-supported private school located in northern Nassau County on Long Island, New York. There is no cost to the families or school district for the children enrolled. The school is open to youngsters, from infancy to age 21, who are legal residents of New York State.

Name: Model Secondary School for the Deaf - Laurent Clerc National Deaf Education Center

Address: 800 Florida Ave. NE
Washington, DC 20002

Phone: (202) 651-5031 TTY/Voice

Fax: (202) 651-5109

Website: <http://clerccenter.gallaudet.edu>

Description: MSSD is a fully accredited tuition-free residential high school for deaf and hard of hearing students located on the campus of Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C. Model Secondary School for the Deaf (MSSD) provides a comprehensive day and residential four-year high school program for students from various states and United States territories. Enrollment ranges from 250 to 300 students. MSSD students are typically between ages 14 and 21. The majority of new students begin in the fall semester, but students are also admitted throughout the year. An array of support services are available to all MSSD students, including, but not limited to communication support services, audiological services, counseling services, social work services, psychological services, and health services. Delivery of many of these services takes place within the

instructional teams. Staff who provide support services are assigned to one or more instructional teams and work with those teams to meet the needs of individual students within the context of the theme-based, integrated curriculum. MSSD students are expected to graduate ready for the challenges of adult life.

Name: New York City Board of Education - Citywide Programs/District 75
Address: 22 E. 28th Street, 2nd Floor
New York NY 10016
Phone: (212) 679-6104 TTY
(212) 481-5642 Voice
Fax: (212) 679-6113
Website: www.nycenet.edu
Description: Provides special education programs for deaf and hard-of-hearing students aged 3-21. Programs include resource rooms (SIS II), and self-contained classes (MIS VIII). Admission is through the Committee on Special Education HHVI (Hearing Handicapped/Visually Impaired) and the Citywide Committee for the Hearing and Visually Impaired.

Name: New York City Department of Education Hearing Education Services
Address: Office for Special Education
55 Hanson Pl
Brooklyn, NY 11217-1523
Phone: (718) 722-4544
Fax: (718) 722-2032

Name: New York School for the Deaf – Fanwood
Address: 555 Knollwood Road
White Plains, New York 10603
Phone: (914) 949-7310 TTY/Voice
Email: Fanwood@nysd.k12.ny.us
Website: www.nysd.k12.ny.us/
Description: The New York School for the Deaf (NYSd) is proud of its programs and its campus. We feel the best way to fully understand what we have to offer students is to come for a tour. At that time, we can show you the programs that relate best to the student in question - that is, if the child being considered is 4 years old, we will arrange a tour of the pre-school program. If the student is 15 years old, then a tour of the high school is in order. NYSD has students from over 70 school districts, as well as New York City. If you'd like more information about the New York School for the Deaf, we'd be happy to hear from you. NYSD offers: Infant Program, Lower & Upper Elementary Schools, High School, Alumni News, Vocational Programs, American Sign Language Classes, & an Instructional Media Center.

Name: St Francis de Sales School for the Deaf
Address: 260 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn, NY 11225
Phone: (718) 636-4573 Voice
(718) 636-1998 TTY
Email: emccormack@sfdesales.org General Info - Edward McCormack
mbartolillo@sfdesales.org General Info - Maria Bartolillo
Website: www.sfdesales.org/

Description: St. Francis de Sales School for the Deaf is dedicated to encouraging the maximum potential for learning in each child regardless of race, creed, color or sex. This education embraces the whole child - psychological, physical, social and emotional with the goal of producing a well-adjusted deaf individual who makes maximum use of acquired skills. Underlying our interaction with each student is our firm belief that this is a unique individual who is first and foremost a child. This child is to be treated with warmth, acceptance and respect, regardless of the nature and degree of the disability. Language acquisition, literacy development and the development of effective communication skills are the goals of our educational program. Communication methodologies used are based on the student's needs and range from oral/ aural to oral/sign support to simultaneous communication (sign and speech). Departments include: Parent Infant Program, Lower School, Upper School Speech & Hearing Services, & Special Needs Program. Cocurricular programs include: art, computer, dance, library, futures, media, & physical education. Also offered are: medical services, pupil personnel coordinator, education evaluators, occupational therapy program, physical therapy program, mental health services, social services, & after-school programs.

Name: St. Joseph's School for the Deaf
Address: 1000 Hutchinson River Parkway
Bronx, NY 10465
Phone: 718-828-9000 (voice)
718-828-1671 (TDD)
Fax: 718-792-6631
Email: stjosephs@sjsdny.org
Website: www.sjsdny.org/

Description: St. Joseph's is a day school with an unique educational program that encourages the growth and development of the whole child. Particular emphasis is placed in the strengthening of communication skills in a context that nurtures each child to enable the development of strong self-concept, a love of learning and healthy personality. St. Joseph's serves deaf children from infancy to fourteen years of age in a total communication environment. Ancillary staff and consultants assist in identifying and prescribing effective educational programs to meet all the needs of our students. St. Joseph's School for the Deaf provides an exciting educational environment where Deaf children develop academic, language and social skills as they prepare for the future.

EDUCATION – POST-SECONDARY

Note: Below is a brief list of post-secondary educational institutions. Colleges throughout the metro NYC area provide interpreting and accessible services upon contacting the school's Office of Disability Services. By law, institutions are required to provide reasonable accommodations. For assistance with access, contact Northeast Technical Assistance Center.

Name: College of Staten Island
Resource Center for the Deaf, Office of Disability Services
Resource Center for the Deaf Coordinator, Maryellen Smolka

Address: Office of Disability Services
1P-101, 2800 Victory Blvd
Staten Island, NY 10314

Phone: (718) 982-2515 TTY
(718) 982-2510 Voice

Fax: (718) 982-2117

Email: ODS@postbox.csi.cuny.edu

Website: www.csi.cuny.edu/disabilityservices/index2.html
www.csi.cuny.edu/disabilityservices/RESOURCEFORDEAF.html

Description: Resources are available for Deaf students at College of Staten Island. Resource Center of the Deaf is in the Office of Disability Services. The Office of Disability Services is a division of the Office of Student Affair.

Name: Columbia University

Address: Columbia University Office of Disability Services
Columbia University
Lerner Hall, 8th Floor, Suite 802
2920 Broadway, MC 2605
New York, NY 10027

Phone: (212) 854-2388 (Voice)
(212) 854-2378 (TDD)

Fax: (212) 854-3448

Email: disability@columbia.edu

Website: www.health.columbia.edu/ods/index.html

Description: The mission of the Columbia University Office of Disability Services is to promote a philosophy to enable students with disabilities to realize and maximize their academic and personal potential through an emphasis on abilities, independence, and dignity by facilitating students' integration into all aspects of campus life. In keeping with this mission, the Columbia University Office of Disability Services surveys and determines the specific needs of students with disabilities and develops and implements programs and policies to meet those needs on the undergraduate and graduate level.

Name: Fashion Institute of Institute of Technology – Disability Support Services

Address: Building A, Room 511A
Seventh Avenue at 27th Street
New York, NY 10001-5992
Phone: (212) 217-7875 TTY Liz Holly Mortensen, Coordinator
(212) 217-8900 Voice
Website: www.fitnyc.suny.edu

Description: The Office of Disability Support Services, FIT-ABLE, provides programs, services, and advocacy to students, faculty, staff, and administration to insure that an FIT student, regardless of disability, is able to become industry ready and self-sufficient. The selection criteria for each major at FIT does not include disclosure of a disability. The support services of FIT-ABLE start with each student's choice to self-identify the existence of a disability at an initial meeting with Liz Holly Mortensen. Any disclosure of disability which occurs between the FIT-ABLE coordinator and a student is confidential except for educational discourse on a need-to-know basis. FIT-ABLE is not a program. It is an area of Student Development where the focus is on abilities, and the coordinator works with each student individually, case-by-case, and course-by-course, to determine what academic accommodations, auxiliary aids, academic adjustments, and daily life skills are necessary. FIT-ABLE works collaboratively with the faculty of the various departments of the College. Among the programs and services provided by FIT-ABLE are: (1) Counseling and rehabilitation support to facilitate success at the college and beyond, (2) Advocacy on behalf of students, faculty, and the college regarding requests for accommodations, (3) Coordination, when appropriate, of academic support services needed by individual students, & (4) Collection and evaluation of requisite documentation.

Name: Gallaudet University
Address: 800 Florida Avenue, NE
Washington, DC 20002
Phone: (202) 651-5000 TTY/Voice
Website: www.gallaudet.edu

Description: Gallaudet is the world's only university that brings together deaf, hard of hearing, and hearing students as well as faculty in the common pursuit of education. The Gallaudet community lives by the tenets it explicitly states in its "Commitment to Sign Communication." Admission is available for Undergraduate, Graduate, & English Language Institution studies.

Name: HEATH Resource Center
National Clearinghouse on Postsecondary Education for
Individuals with Disabilities
Address: 2121 K Street, NW, Suite 220
Washington, DC, 20037
Phone: (800) 544-3284 TTY/Voice
Fax: (202) 973-0908
Email: askheath@heath.gwu.edu
Website: www.heath.gwu.edu

Description: The HEATH Resource Center of the American Council on Education is the national clearinghouse on postsecondary education and training for individuals with disabilities, their families, and the professionals who work with them. Support from the U.S. Department of Education enables the center to serve as an information exchange for educational support services, policies, procedures, adaptations, and opportunities at American campuses, vocational-technical schools, and other postsecondary training entities. Brochures and pamphlets are available.

Name: LaGuardia Community College
The City University of New York
Program for Deaf Adults

Address: 31-10 Thomson Avenue, Room C-204
Long Island City, NY 11101

Phone: (718) 482-5325 TTY Tony Allicino, PDA Director
(718) 482-5324 Phone Tony Allicino
(718) 482-5311 TTY Kim Lucas, Support Services
(718) 482-5324 Voice Kim Lucas
(718) 482-5353 TTY Catherine Burland, Adult & Continuing
Education/ PDA Assistant Director
(718) 482-5324 Voice Catherline Burland

Fax: (718) 482-5119
(718) 609-2069

Email: PDA@lagcc.cuny.edu General
tallicino@lagcc.cuny.edu Tony Allicino
katb@lagcc.cuny.edu Catherine Burland
kimluc@lagcc.cuny.edu Kim Lucas

Website: www.LaGuardia.cuny.edu/PDA Program for Deaf Adults
www.laguardia.edu/IEP Interpreter Education Program

Description: More programs and services for deaf and hard-of-hearing students than at any community college. Since its establishment in 1975, LaGuardia Community College's Program for Deaf Adults (PDA) continues to be a model urban, post-secondary education and support program that enrolls the largest number of Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing students in any institution of higher learning in the Greater Metropolitan New York area. Presently, PDA offers four comprehensive post-secondary educational programs to Deaf, Hard-of Hearing, and hearing adults. The programs are: (1) Support Services for Degree Students; (2) Adult and Continuing Education Program; (3) Interpreter Education Projects; and (4) Northeast Technical Assistance Center.

Name: National Center for Deafness (NCOD)

Address: 18111 Nordhoff Street
California State University
Northridge, CA 91330-8267

Phone: (818) 677-2611 TTY
(818) 677-2611 Voice

Fax: (818) 677-4899
Website: <http://ncod.csun.edu>

Description: The National Center on Deafness (NCOD) is housed on the campus of California State University, Northridge. Established in 1965, the NCOD was the first postsecondary program in the nation to provide paid sign language interpreters for deaf students. Since that time, the program has grown to be the largest of its type in the western United States, serving approximately 250 students who are deaf and hard-of-hearing each year. NCOD also provides outreach and training through several federal grants.

Name: National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID)
Address: 52 Lomb Memorial Drive
Rochester, NY, 14623-5604
Phone: (585) 475-6400 TTY
(585) 475-6400 Voice
Fax: (585) 475-5623
Email: ntid@rit.edu
Website: www.rit.edu/ntid
www.ntid.edu

Description: NTID, one of the seven colleges of Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT), is the world's first and largest technological college for students who are deaf. NTID represents the first concerted effort to educate large numbers of students who are deaf within a college campus planned principally for hearing students. Among RIT's 13,000 full- and part-time students are nearly 1,100 students who are deaf from the United States and other countries. NTID offers diplomas, certificates, and associate degrees in 30 technological and professional programs through its Center for Arts and Sciences and Center for Technical Studies. More than 41 percent of NTID students are enrolled in RIT's seven other colleges where they have 200 majors available to them. Through the Center for Baccalaureate and Graduate Studies, students enjoy access to faculty and staff who use sign language, 100 interpreters, note takers, and other support services to foster their success.

Name: New York University
The Henry and Lucy Moses Center for Students with Disabilities
Address: 240 Greene Street, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10012-9873
Phone: (212) 998-4980 TTY/Voice - Ask for Interpreter Coordinator
Fax: (212) 995-4114
Website: www.nyu.edu/csd

Description: NYU has developed a national reputation for providing quality services and accessibility to academically qualified deaf and hard of hearing students. NYU's deaf and hard of hearing students have studied in virtually all of our 14 schools and colleges, on both graduate and undergraduate levels. The Henry and Lucy Moses Center for Students with Disabilities exists to facilitate equal access to the programs and activities of

NYU for deaf and hard of hearing students. Our goal is for each student to acquire the skills and personal growth necessary to develop an independent lifestyle, which we believe to be essential in meeting individual and career objectives. Services include Interpreters/CART services, notetakers, programs, workshops, and personal support, financial aid, housing, auxiliary aids, and student life. The Moses Center functions to determine qualified disability status and to assist students in obtaining appropriate accommodations and services. Services provided are designed to encourage independence and self-advocacy, backed by a comprehensive system of supports.

Name: Northeast Technical Assistance Center – NYS Downstate

Phone: (718) 482-5325 TTY Desiree Duda
(718) 482-5352 Voice
(203) 854-5371 Voice

Email: nycnetac@optonline.net

Description: The Northeast Technical Assistant Center (NETAC) works with post-secondary institutions in the northeast to improve educational access and enhance post-secondary education opportunities for students who are Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing. NETAC offers consultations, workshops, regional conferences, informational guides, and assists with strategies for basic academic preparation, interpreting, notetaking, tutoring and the use of technology in the classroom.

Name: Postsecondary Education Programs Network (PEPNet)

Address: 18111 Nordhoff Street
Northridge, CA, 91330-8267

Phone: (818) 677-2099 TTY/Voice
(888) 684-4695 Voice

Fax: (818) 677-6270

Website: www.pepnet.org

Description: The Postsecondary Education Programs Network (PEPNet) promotes opportunities for the four Regional Postsecondary Education Centers for Individuals Who Are Deaf and Hard of Hearing to collaborate on activities and programs nationally. The centers, supported by the U.S. Department of Education, assist postsecondary educational institutions that provide access and accommodations to individuals who are deaf or hard-of-hearing. The regional centers are located in St. Paul, Minnesota (MCPO); Rochester, New York (NETAC); Knoxville, Tennessee (PEC); and Northridge, California (WROCC). The PEPNet Resource Center, located at California State University, Northridge, houses and loans information, training materials, and videotapes developed by the four regional centers. Professional brochures/pamphlets, professional online publications, audiovisuals, and online training are available. Some materials are available in American Sign Language.

EMPLOYMENT/VOCATIONAL

Name: Brooklyn Bureau of Community Services, Inc.

Address: 285 Schermerhorn Street
Brooklyn, NY 11217-1024

Phone: (718) 852-9843 TTY
(718) 875-0710 Voice

Fax: (718) 855-1517

Email: info@bbcs.org

Website: www.bbcs.org

Description: BBCS offers non-vocational and vocational rehabilitation training, job placement, social support and mental health services for persons with disabilities. BBCS seeks to empower families and individuals with disabilities to achieve greater economic self-sufficiency and fuller, more rewarding participation in the community through programs that nurture and protect children, strengthen and protect families, and enable individuals with physical, emotional and developmental disabilities to achieve their potential. Services include: Adult Rehabilitation, Day Habilitation, Residential Habilitation, PRIDE, and Adolescent Employment and Education Program.

Name: Fedcap Rehabilitation Services Inc.

Address: 211 W 14th St
New York, NY 10011-7102

Phone: (212) 727-4384 TTY
(212) 727-4374
(212) 727-4200 Voice

Fax: (212) 727-4374

Email: info@fedcap.org

Website: www.fedcap.org

Description: Provides vocational education, evaluation, rehabilitation services, and training, employment referrals, and job placement services. Fedcap also offers Home Health Aide Training, Career Design School, and Chelton Loft (member-oriented clubhouse program for people with a history of serious mental illness). Fedcap's mission of is to be the premier organization helping people with barriers to employment achieve independence and full participation in the economic mainstream. Fedcap seeks to accomplish its mission by providing services to individuals, business and government in accordance with the highest ethical standards. We have pioneered training and employment programs for people with disabilities, welfare recipients, displaced workers and others with disadvantages.

Name: Goodwill Industries of Greater New York

Address: 4-21 27th Avenue
Astoria, NY 11102

Phone: (718) 777-6306 TTY

(718) 728-5400 Voice
Fax: (718) 728-9023
Email: info@goodwillny.org
Website: www.goodwillny.org

Description: Goodwill Industries is a leading provider of vocational, youth and community redevelopment services for people with disabilities and other special needs in New York and Northern New Jersey. Its mission is to expand opportunities and job capabilities for people outside the mainstream workforce, whether they are mentally or physically disabled, economically disadvantaged, recent immigrants, unskilled workers or urban youth. The agency operates its programs in the five boroughs of New York City and the metropolitan area, including Long Island and Northern New Jersey.

Deaf Services Program is available in Astoria, Queens where deaf or hard-of-hearing participants are assigned to a case manager who is responsible for rehabilitation support services, including development and implementation of vocational goals and plans, career exploration, placement and job coaching. Communication assistance between employee and employer is available up to several months after placement.

Name: Just One Break, Inc
Address: 120 Wall Street
New York, NY 10005
Phone: (212) 785-4515 TTY
(212)-785-7300 Voice
Fax: (212) 785-4513
Email: jobs@justonebreak.com
Website: www.justonebreak.com

Description: Just One Break brings together the area's leading employers and qualified applicants with disabilities to help meet or exceed business expectations. Just as Franklin D. Roosevelt, Stephen Hawking, Helen Keller, Ray Charles, James Thurber, Marlee Matlin and many others prove that being disabled does not preclude being the best, Just One Break helps people with disabilities turn their dreams of meaningful employment into the reality of financial independence. Our mission is to find competitive employment for people with disabilities through partnerships with companies in all industries. By bringing together the area's leading employers and qualified applicants to help meet or exceed business expectations, JOB breaks down the barriers faced by individuals with disabilities and helps them lead independent lives. JOB matches skilled candidates with leading corporations in all industries.

Name: Lexington Vocational Services Center, Inc., Services for Persons who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Speech Impaired, and Their Families
Address: 30th Avenue & 75th Street
Jackson Heights, NY 11370
Phone: (718) 899-8800 Adele Agin, Executive Director
(718) 350-3031 TTY

Fax: (718) 899-9846
Email: vocationalservices@lexnyc.org
Website: www.lexnyc.org

Description: The Lexington Vocational Services Center seeks to maximize the potential of adults who are deaf through employment. Their goal is to build a bridge between the business and deaf communities because they know that employees who are deaf are highly capable individuals. The Lexington Vocational Services Center, established in 1987, offers a comprehensive range of supported employment programs for employees who are deaf and the businesses that hire them. These supported employment programs include: assessment of an individual's skills and development of a supported work placement plan; job development, job placement, placement of a Job Coach on the first day of employment to assist with training; provision of follow-along services to the client and the employer for the entire duration of employment to ensure that the relationship between employer and employee continues to be satisfactory. The Vocational Services Center also provides: awareness training for staff working with deaf employees; consultation pertaining to the American with Disabilities Act; staff training on ADA mandates; sign language classes; independent living services.

Name: University of Arkansas Rehabilitation Research & Training Center for Persons who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing (RT-31)

Address: 4601 W Markham
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

Phone: (501) 686-9691 TTY/Voice

Fax: (501) 686-9698

Website: www.uark.edu/depts/rehabres/index.html

Description: The Arkansas Rehabilitation Research and Training Center for Persons who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing (RT-31) is funded by the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR), United States Department of Education. The mission of RT-31 is to conduct research and training designed to enhance the rehabilitation outcomes of persons who are deaf or hard of hearing. Toward this goal, RT-31 emphasizes (a) conducting a program of research in areas of high priority for the field of deafness rehabilitation; (b) developing and translating research knowledge into materials and products usable by consumers and practitioners; (c) training consumers and deafness rehabilitation professionals; and (d) disseminating information and products to a national audience of consumers, rehabilitation researchers, and service providers. The RTC programmatic structure is illustrated in Figure 1 below. NIDRR's priority is Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing through enhancing the employability of persons who are deaf or hard of hearing.

The following American Indian Study is available: Improving Outreach by Rehabilitation Counselors: American Indians and Alaska Natives who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Deaf-Blind.

Name: Vocational and Educational Services for Individuals with Disabilities (VESID)

Address:

Bronx VESID
1215 Zerega Avenue
Bronx, NY 10462

Manhattan VESID
116 W. 30th Street
New York, NY

Brooklyn VESID
55 Hanson Place
Brooklyn, NY 11217

Queens VESID
1 Lefrak City Plaza, 20th
Floor
Corona, NY 11368

Harlem VESID
163 W. 125th Street,
Room 713
New York, NY 10027

Staten Island VESID
1139 Hylan Boulevard
Staten Island, NY 10305

Phone:	(518) 474-5652	TTY – State Office
	(800) 222-5627	Voice – State Office
	(212) 630-0283	TTY – Manhattan
	(212) 639-2302	TTY - Manhattan
	(212) 630-2300	Voice – Manhattan
	(718) 828-4003	TTY – Bronx
	(718) 931-3500	Voice – Bronx
	(718) 722-6736	TTY – Brooklyn
	(718) 722-6700	Voice – Brooklyn
	(212) 961-4420	Voice – Harlem
	(718) 271-9799	TTY – Queens
	(718) 271-9346	Voice – Queens
	(718) 448-4800	TTY – Staten Island
	(718) 816-4800	Voice – Staten Island

Fax:	(718) 931-4299	Bronx
	(718) 722-6714	Brooklyn
	(212) 961-4423	Harlem
	(212) 630-2365	Manhattan
	(718) 760-9554	Queens
	(718) 448-4843	Staten Island

Website: www.nysed.gov/vesid/

Description: Through NYS Education Department, the New York State Office of VESID offers thousands of New Yorkers with disabilities an opportunity to become independent through education, training, and employment. VESID also provides vocational rehabilitation services to eligible individuals to prepare them for suitable jobs. These jobs might be in the competitive workforce, in self-owned businesses, in supported employment on employer sites, or in sheltered workshops. They can also help people with disabilities who have difficulty keeping their jobs.

AGENCIES – Federal, State, and City

Name: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Region II
Address: 26 Federal Plaza, 38th Floor
New York, NY 10278
Phone: (866) 226-1819 TTY Toll-Free
(800) 633-4227 Voice
(212) 264-3657 Voice – Regional Office
Website: www.cms.gov Targets healthcare providers & general public
www.medicare.gov Information about services to beneficiaries
Description: The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) is a federal agency with responsibilities that include the Medicare and Medicaid programs, two national healthcare programs benefiting about 75 million Americans; the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), a program covering many of the approximately 10 million uninsured children in the United States; regulation of all non-research-laboratory testing performed on humans in the United States; and programs assisting millions of Americans and small companies obtaining health insurance coverage.

Name: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Office for Civil Rights
Address: 26 Federal Plaza, Suite 3312
New York, NY 10278-0004
Phone: (212) 264-2355 TTY
(212) 264-3313 Voice
Fax: (212) 264-3039

Name: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
Address: Region II Office
26 Federal Plaza - Room 3532
New York, NY 10278
Phone: (212) 264-1290 TTY
(212) 264-0927 Voice
Fax: (212) 264-9829
Website: www.hud.gov/

Name: President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities (PCEPD)
Phone: (202) 376-6262 TTY
(202) 376-6200 Voice
Website: www.pcepd.gov
Description: The mission of PCEPD is to facilitate the communication, coordination, and promotion of public and private efforts to enhance the employment of people with disabilities. The committee provides information, training, and technical assistance to America's business leaders, organized labor, rehabilitation and service providers,

advocacy organizations, families, and individuals with disabilities. The president's committee reports to the president on the progress and problems of maximizing employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

Name: State Director of Special Education
Address: Office of Vocational and Educational Services for
Individuals with Disabilities
One Commerce Plaza, Room 1606
Albany, NY 12234
Phone: (800) 222-5627 Toll-Free
(518) 474-5652 TTY
(518) 474-2714 Voice
Fax: (518) 474-8802
Email: vesidspe@mail.nysed.gov
Website: www.vesid.nysed.gov
Description: Ensure appropriate services and opportunities for children and youth with disabilities.

Name: State Parent Training and Information Center (Disabilities)
Address: New York Advocacy Center
590 South Avenue
Rochester, NY 14620
Phone: (800) 650-4967 Toll-Free
(585) 546-1700 TTY
(585) 546-1700 Voice
Fax: (585) 546-7069
Email: info@advocacycenter.com
Website: www.advocacycenter.com
Description: Provide training and information to parents of infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities and to people who work with parents to enable them to participate more fully and effectively with professionals in meeting the educational needs of their children with disabilities.

HARD OF HEARING

Name: New York State Association of Self Help for Hard of Hearing People
(NYSA of SHHH)

Address: Ed McGibbon, State Association President
PO Box 040478
Brooklyn, NY 11204

Joseph Gordon, NY State Chapter Coordinator
205 West End Avenue Apt 8J
New York, NY 10023

Robin Sacharoff, NY Downstate Chapter Coordinator
82 Beverly Drive
Albertson, NY 11507

Phone: (718) 331-2446 Ed McGibbon, State Association President
(212) 724-4856 Joseph Gordon, NY State Chapter Coordinator
(516) 484-8341 Robin Sacharoff, NY Downstate Chapter Coordinator

Email: Emacnyc@aol.com Ed McGibbon, State Association President
NYJGordon@aol.com Joseph Gordon, NY State Chapter Coordinator
redrobin33@aol.com Robin Sacharoff, NY Downstate

Website: www.nysashhh.org/
www.shhh.org Self Help for Hard of Hearing (SHHH)

Description: NYSA of SHHH is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt, educational and advocacy organization of people working together across New York State to promote issues of importance to New Yorkers who are hard of hearing. The NYSA of SHHH offers many benefits to its members including access to: advocacy for hard of hearing people, local chapters, newsletters, state conferences, and international convention.

Chapter Meetings

Brooklyn Chapter

3rd Thursday of month (except June-August)
2:00 – 4:00 PM
Brooklyn College, Campus RD
Bedford Ave, Brooklyn, NY
Frank Camin (518) 887-6657 or
fcaminjr@aol.com

Queens Chapter

Last Monday of the month
Lexington Hearing & Speech Center
30th Ave & 75th St.
Jackson Heights, NY 11370
Fred Wiener frwiener@aol.com

Manhattan Chapter

3rd Tuesday of month (except July & August)
5:30 – 7:15 PM
League for the Hard of Hearing
50 Broadway.
New York, NY 10004
Ed McGibbon Emacnyc@aol.com

Staten Island Chapter

Monthly
Staten Island University Hospital
(718) 226-8057 TTY
(718) 226-9470 Voice

INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTERS

The NYC Consortium for Independent Living is a partnership of the six Independent Living Centers. Our goal is to create an accessible society where persons with disabilities realize their full potential throughout their lives.

Name: Bronx Independent Living Services
Address: 3525 Decatur Avenue
Bronx, NY 10467
Phone: (718) 515-9094 Ana Vianna-Balzano, Advocacy Counselor
(718) 515-0778 Antonia Ayala, Crime Victims Counselor
(718) 515-3802 TTY – General
(718) 515-2800 Voice – General
Fax: (718) 515-2844
Email: ana@bils.org Ana Vianna-Balzano
Antonia@bils.org Antonia Ayala
Website: www.bils.org
Description: BILS provides all services for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing in areas of advocacy, appeals & hearings (court), disability rights, rights to interpreter services, Administration for Children’s Services (ACS), benefit entitlement, Social Security benefits, food stamps, Medicaid/Medicare, public assistance, housing assistance, tenant’s rights, housing applications, Section 8/NYCHA, MTA Reduced-Fare Metrocard, Verizon - 50% Discounted, HEAP/Jiggetts, rights to individual services, ACS related to domestic violence, legal resources, accompaniment to police and courthouses, crisis intervention, emergency assistance, Crime Victims Board for compensation, referrals to emergency services for food and shelter, individual counseling (for crime victims), information & referral, on-going support, crime victims support group, peer counseling, & more.

Name: Brooklyn Center for Independence
Address: 2044 Ocean Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11230
Phone: (718) 998-3000 TTY
(718) 998-7406 Voice

Name: Center for Independence of Disabled in NY (CIDNY)
Address: 841 Broadway, Room 205
New York, NY 10003
Phone: (212) 674-2300 TTY/Voice
Fax: (212) 254-5953

Name: Harlem Independent Living Center
Address: 5-15 West 125th Street
New York, NY 10027
Phone: (212) 369-6475 TTY
(212) 369-2371 Voice

Fax: (212) 369-9283
Email: harlemil@aol.com

Description: The Harlem Independent Living Center (HILC) is a community-based agency providing services free of charge to individuals with disabilities who live or work in Harlem. The center provides peer counseling, assistance with applications for food stamps, Public Assistance, SSI and SSDI, Medicaid and Medicare, housing assistance, assistive device training, van transportation for the disabled, architectural barrier removal assistance, and referral to other programs. In addition to the core independent living services, HILC focuses on serving consumers who show signs of drug or alcohol abuse as a secondary disability. The goal of the Harlem Independent Living Center is to assist individuals with disabilities to live independently. This is done by assisting the individual, as well as their family members, friends, and significant others, in acquiring skills which ensure optimal integration of individuals with disabilities. One of our goals is to educate and sensitize the community about the physical, attitudinal, and societal barriers existing here in Harlem and in New York which prevent full and equal access by individuals with disabilities. Our staff are advocates for persons with disabilities. Workshops on housing issues, legal rights and entitlements, accessibility, employment, and other areas supported by the Americans with Disabilities Act are planned throughout the year.

Name: Independent Living Centers – Nationwide
Fax: (518)-274-7944
Email: Webmaster@ilusa.com
Website: www.ilusa.com/links/ilcenters.htm

Description: Independent Living Centers are typically non-residential, private, non-profit, consumer-controlled, community-based organizations providing services and advocacy by and for persons with all types of disabilities. Their goal is to assist individuals with disabilities to achieve their maximum potential within their families and communities. Also, Independent Living Centers serve as a strong advocacy voice on a wide range of national, state and local issues. They work to assure physical and programmatic access to housing, employment, transportation, communities, recreational facilities, and health and social services. These are just a few of the services offered. There are nearly 500 ILC's in the USA. Many are state supported.

Name: New York State Independent Living Council, Inc
Address: 111 Washington Avenue
Albany, NY 12210
Phone: (518) 427-1060
(888) 469-7452 (Call from inside New York State only)
Fax: (518) 427-1139
Email: nysilc@global2000.net

Name: Queens Independent Living Center
Address: 140-40 Queens Boulevard

Jamaica, New York 11435
Phone: (718) 658-4720 TTY
(718) 658-2526 Voice
Fax: (718) 658-5295
Email: gardella@qilc.org Mark Gardella, Acting Executive Director
Website: www.qilc.org

Description: The Queens Independent Living Center, Inc. (QILC) is an organization directed by and for people with disabilities, dedicated to advocacy, empowerment, and universal access through education and activism. QILC objectives are: (1) To maximize opportunities for self-direction and independence; (2) To effect systems change and impact public policy; (3) To encourage and provide opportunities that bring people together to empower one another through networking and participation; (4) To provide education and to promote events that raise awareness of issues pertinent to people with disabilities; (5) To address quality of life issues; (6) To promote self-sufficiency and economic independence; and (7) To develop financial resources for organizational maintenance and future growth.

QILC offers a wide variety of services that support people with disabilities to live independently in the community. Services include: advocacy, benefits advisement, independent living skills advisement, information and referral, independent housing program, and peer counseling.

QILC encourages people with any type of disability and any age to contact us for services, advocacy, and information. No referral is needed - just call us. We focus on residents of Queens, but residency is not required. We work with adults and children with disabilities and their families. We provide technical assistance on access and employment, accommodations to businesses and organizations. QILC is supported by Federal and State funding and by private contributions.

Name: Staten Island Center for Independent Living
Address: 470 Castleton Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10301
Phone: (718) 720-9870 TTY
(718) 720-9016 Voice
Fax: (718) 720-9664
Email: info@sicil.org
Dorothy.doran@verizon.net

INTERPRETER TRAINING PROGRAMS

Name: The ASL/English Interpretation Program at
City University of New York - LaGuardia Community College

Address: 31-10 Thomson Ave Room C-204
Long Island City, NY 11101

Phone: (718) 482-5307 Voice Rob Hills
(718) 482-5313 TTY

Fax: (718) 609-2005

Email: roberth@lagcc.cuny.edu

Website: www.lagcc.cuny.edu/iep

Description: Program candidates are actively involved in the Deaf community and can demonstrate fluency in both ASL and English as well as strong interpersonal skills and an aptitude for learning processed interpretation. The program does not require prior interpreting experience or prior study in interpretation. Educational background (*an AA degree, 2 years of college credits or equivalent*) and potential success in an upper division academic environment are key factors. The ASL/English Interpretation Program is a rigorous two year academic curriculum which incorporates national interpreter education standards recommended by the Conference of Interpreter Trainers (CIT).

Name: Seymour Joseph Institute of American Sign Language

Address: 43 Ramona Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10312

Phone: (718) 984-8200 Voice
(718) 608-9156 TTY

Fax: (718) 608-9155

Email: mbacheller@sjiasl.org

Description: SJI prepares sign language interpreters for certification in the interpreter training program. All courses are accredited and are accepted at more than 1,500 U.S. colleges and universities. SJI offers you: an opportunity to earn a Bachelor's degree in Sign Language Interpretation through SJI with Empire State College (SUNY); recommended National P.O.N.S.I. course credit upon institutional approval; V.E.S.I.D. acceptance; scheduled payment plan upon request; convenient evening and summer classes; counseling and evaluation services; and classes taught in Staten Island and Manhattan. SJI also offers a sign language program for both the deaf and hearing populations. Students, professionals, and other interested parties have the opportunity to gain conversational skills in ASL. The program also prepares the student for entry into the Interpreter Training Program at SJI or elsewhere. Discussions of deaf culture are a part of each course, and there are frequent opportunities to meet members of the deaf community. Convenient locations and class schedules are offered for all ASL classes.

INTERPRETING SERVICES/ORGANIZATIONS

Name: American Sign Language Learning Center
Address: 1902 Avenue L, Suite 3D
Brooklyn, NY 11230
Phone: (718) 758-0954 Voice
Fax: (718) 758-2041

Name: Birnbaum Interpreting Services
Address: 6120 Grand Central Parkway Suite C1206
Forest Hills, NY 11375
Phone: (718) 699-2669 TTY
(718) 699-2669 Voice
(800) 471-6441 Toll Free
Fax: (301) 565-0366

Name: The Comprehensive Network Sign Talk
Address: 1663 East 17th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11229
Phone: (718) 339-9700 Voice
(718) 339-8433 Voice

Name: Conference of Interpreter Trainers
Address: 1 Purcell Drive Kellie L. Stewart, Membership Coordinator
Chelmsford, MA 01824-4320
Email: KStewart@fas.harvard.edu Kellie L. Stewart, Membership Coordinator
Website: www.cit-asl.org

Description: The Conference of Interpreter Trainers is a professional association of interpreter educators that: * Provides opportunities for professional development of interpreter educators; * Promotes high standards in institutions, faculties, programs, and curricula for the education of interpreters; * Advocates for research relevant to the practice and instruction of interpreting; and * Encourages collegial relationships with professionals in other related disciplines and organizations. CIT serves an international community of interpreter educators. While the membership consists primarily of teachers of ASL/English Interpreting and teachers of ASL, the organization welcomes educators and other professionals who share CIT's goals, regardless of language combination, spoken or signed.

Name: Deaf & Hard of Hearing Interpreting Services, Inc.
Address: 47-43 Vernon Blvd.
Long Island City, NY 11101
Phone: (718) 392-3372 TTY

(718) 433-1092 Voice
(877) 275-3447 Toll-Free
Fax: (718) 392-3576
Email: customerservice@dhisnyc.com Customer Service
request@dhisnyc.com Coordination
transcription@dhisnyc.com Transcription
Website: www.dhisnyc.com

Description: We are a sign language interpreter referral agency serving New York City, Nassau & Suffolk County, and Northern New Jersey. DHIS is deaf-owned and operated. Owners Irma Azrelyant and Joshua Finkle are fluent in American Sign Language and possess personal and professional expertise in the field of deafness. These unique qualities, combined with knowledge of the rich resources of New York City's pool of interpreters and their skills, are necessary ingredients for the success of DHIS. Public facilities and private entities must now comply with current laws by providing effective communication access for individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing. Thus, demand for interpreters has increased dramatically. DHIS' mission is to meet this demand and facilitate the communication process by matching each client with the most qualified interpreter. Services: (1) Sign Language Interpreting, (2) Remote Transcription Services, (3) Deaf Relay Interpreter, (4) Deaf-Blind Tactile, and (5) Deaf NYC News.

Name: Deaf Enterprises, Inc
Address: 188 Montague Street, Suite 4
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Phone: (718) 522-1924 TTY
(718) 624-6841 Voice

Name: Hands On Sign Interpreted Performances Inc. (HandsOn)
Address: 159-00 Riverside Drive West, Suite 7F
New York, NY 10032
Phone: (212) 740-3087 Voice
Fax: (212) 740-4157
Email: www.handson.org
Website: Info@HandsOn.org

Description: A New York City-based service organization dedicated to providing greater accessibility to arts and cultural events for the Deaf and hard of hearing community by bringing the performing and fine arts to Deaf people of all ages. HandsOn provides interpreters for theatrical productions. HandsOn offers professional development services to interpreters in this field, including theatre interpreting school.

Name: Mill Neck Interpreter Service
Address: 1025 Old Country Road
Westbury, NY 11590
Phone: (516) 512-0260 TTY

(516) 512-6222 Voice

Email: interpret@millneck.org

Website: www.millneck.org/interpreting.cfm

Description: Mill Neck Interpreter Service provides an experienced, caring staff of hearing and Deaf interpreters for medical, mental health, legal, business, classroom, conference, workshop, worship, entertainment, recreational and personal needs. We provide interpreters for any situation requiring communication between hearing and Deaf people. All types of interpreters work for our agency, including certified sign language interpreters, tactile interpreters, oral and other types of interpreters. From the highly technical customer, to the person with minimal language skills who needs extra communication supports, Mill Neck Services can provide you with an interpreter to fit your needs. The majority of Mill Neck's interpreters are nationally certified through the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, and all interpreters are fully qualified in New York State and have passed the New York State MSCP test for sign language interpreters. All of Mill Neck Services' interpreters are fully insured. Mill Neck will soon be providing VIDEO interpreting services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Communities.

Name: National Alliance of Black Interpreters, Inc

Address: NAOBI, Inc. (Membership)

Post Office Box 3189

Catonsville, MD 21228

Email: correspondingsecretary@naobi.org For questions

Easternrep@naobi.org Kathleen Taylor, Eastern Regional Representative

Website: www.naobi.org

Description: NAOBI is a non-profit organization that aims to promote excellence and empowerment among African Americans/Blacks in the profession of sign language interpreting in the context of a multi-cultural, multi-lingual environment. NAOBI is the only organization with the specific scope of increasing the talent pool of skilled African American/Black interpreters. NAOBI has an affiliate NYC Chapter. Members have the opportunity to network with other interpreters who share your cultural background, to gain a broader knowledge of the interpreting profession through newsletters, workshops and seminars, conferences, the Internet, and personal interaction with those who share your same zeal for the profession. NAOBI has common goals with many other interpreter and Deaf-related organizations including Conference of Interpreter Trainers (CIT), National Black Deaf Advocates (NBDA), National Association of the Deaf (NAD), Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID), American Sign Language Teachers Association(ASLTA), American College Educators-Deaf and Hard of Hearing (ACE-DHH), Mano-a-Mano, and a host of others.

Name: New York Interpreters, Inc.

Address: 50 Court Street, Suite 200

Brooklyn, NY 11201

Phone: (718) 855-4455 TTY

(718) 855-4455 Voice

Fax: (718) 855-8899

Name: New York City Metro RID
Affiliate Chapter of the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc.

Address: 111 East 59th St. Room 532
New York, NY 10022

Phone: (212) 971-1191 Sam Tallerico, President
(212) 821-9588 V/TTY

Email: samtallerico3472@msn.com Sam Tallerico, President

Website: www.nycmetrorid.org NYC Metro RID
www.rid.org National Registry of Interpreters

Description: The New York City Metro Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc. was established in 1979. It is an affiliate chapter of the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc. (RID), a national, non-profit membership organization. RID is the only national professional organization for Sign Language/English and Oral Interpreters. The purpose of the organization is to initiate, sponsor, promote and execute practices that will further the profession of interpretation of American Sign Language/English and transliteration of English. Contact regarding questions, suggestions, interpreting business meetings and open forum, and mentoring opportunities.

Name: New York Society for the Deaf Interpreter Referral Services

Address: 161 William Street, 11th Floor
New York, NY 10038

Phone: (212) 777-3900 Main Office
(800) 879-5766 Emergency Hotline

Website: www.nysd.org

Description: NYSD introduced its Interpreter Referral Service in 1975, and the service quickly became an essential source for interpreters in educational, vocational, medical, legal, and social service settings. NYSD is now the oldest and most experienced Agency in New York City providing interpreters to bridge communication gaps between Deaf and hearing people. Unlike other agencies that provide similar services, all NYSD interpreters are certified by the National Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) and/or have passed NYSD's intensive screening process.

Name: Sciarabba, Kathy

Address: 160 Nehring Avenue
Staten Island NY 10314

Phone: (718) 698-2411 TTY/Voice
(917) 816-6006 Cell/Text Message

Fax: (718) 698-2411

Email: kathasl@aol.com

Description: RID Certified Interpreter: CI, CT

LAWS

Air Carrier Access Act

Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

www.usdoj.gov/crt/ada/adahom1.htm

Department of Justice Federal website

www.nad.org

National Association of the Deaf Law Center

<http://dralegal.org>

Disability Rights Advocates

<http://www.aclu.org/DisabilityRights/DisabilityRights.cfm?ID=9962&c=69>

American Civil Liberties Union

Architectural Barriers Act

Civil Rights of Institutionalized Persons Act

Fair Housing Act

Federal and State Civil Rights Acts

Federal Court Interpreters Act

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

Formerly known as Public Law 94-142

National Voter Registration Act

New York City Human Rights Law

New York State Human Rights Law

New York State Judiciary Law

Telecommunications Act of 1996

Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1975

Section 501, 502, 503, and 504

Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act

Note: The National Association of the Deaf sells *Legal Rights: a Guide for Deaf and Hard of Hearing People*. This book is published by Gallaudet University, and written by lawyers on the staff of the lawyers on the staff of the NAD.

LEGAL

Name: ADA Disability and Business Technical Assistance Centers
Phone: (800) 949-4232
Website: www.adata.org
Description: The ADA Technical Assistance Program is a federally funded network of grantees that provides information, training, and technical assistance to businesses and agencies with duties and responsibilities under the ADA and to people with disabilities with rights under the ADA.

Name: Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund
Address: 2212 Sixth Street Main Office
Berkeley, CA 94710
Government Affairs Washington, D.C. Office
1730 M Street N.W., Suite 801
Washington, DC 20036
Phone: (510) 644-2555 TTY/Voice – Main Office
(202) 986-0375 Washington, D.C.
Fax: (510) 841-8645
(202) 833-2116
Email: dredf@dredf.org
Website: www.dredf.org
Description: The mission is to secure and advance the civil rights of people with disabilities. The Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund, Inc., (DREDF) is the leading national law and policy center in disability civil rights. DREDF was founded in 1979 by a unique alliance of adults with disabilities and parents of children with disabilities. DREDF's name was chosen to associate and align with the tradition of other civil rights legal defense funds, starting with the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund. DREDF offers education, training and technical assistance to persons with disabilities, parents of children with disabilities, lawyers, service providers and policy makers about disability civil rights laws and policies.

Name: Disability Rights Section, Civil Rights Division
U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ-DRS)
Address: 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Disability Rights Section
New York Avenue
Washington, DC, 20530
Phone: (800) 514-0383 TTY
(800) 514-0301 Voice
Fax: (202) 514-0404
E-mail: access@fcc.gov
Internet: www.ada.gov

Description: The Disability Rights Section (DRS) is part of the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. DRS focuses on all disabilities and is especially knowledgeable about the interpretation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. The organization offers a information line for all inquiries and assistance to state and local government entities, private sector business professionals, and the general public. Professional and consumer newsletter/bulletin, fact sheets, brochures/pamphlets, and online publications are available. Some materials in Spanish and other languages are available.

Name: Federal Dept of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

Office for Civil Rights

Address: Office for Civil Rights
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
200 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201

Phone: (212) 264-4994 Lisa Anderson
(800) 537-7697 TTY
(800) 368-1019 Voice

Email: lisa.anderson@hhs.gov Lisa Anderson
OCRMail@hhs.gov General

Website: www.hhs.gov/ocr/knowcivilrights.html

Description: Investigates complaints related to discrimination on basis of disability among other things. The office handles complaints related to: hospitals, Medicaid & Medicare, Physicians and other health care professionals in private practice with patients assisted by Medicaid, Family Health Centers, Community Mental Health Centers, Alcohol and Drug Treatment Centers, Nursing Homes, State agencies that are responsible for administering health care, Foster Care Homes, Day Care Centers, Senior Citizen Centers, Nutrition Programs, & State and local income assistance and human service agencies.

Name: The NAD Law Center
National Association of the Deaf (NAD)

Address: 814 Thayer Ave
Silver Spring, MD 20910-4500

Phone: (301) 587-1789 TTY
(301) 587-7730 TTY
(301) 587-7730 Voice
(301) 587-1788 Voice

Fax: (301) 587-1791

Email: NADInfo@nad.org

Website: www.nad.org

Description: The NAD Law Center is available as a legal resource. Although we can accept only a few discrimination cases at a time, we spend a lot of time talking to other

lawyers, explaining to them legal aspects of deafness, and representation of deaf clients. Contact us about legal issues and deafness any time and ask your lawyers to contact us for special expertise.

The NAD, as a national federation of state association and organizational affiliates, offers civil rights advocacy, grassroots and youth leadership development, and legal expertise across a broad spectrum of areas including but not limited to accessibility, education, employment, healthcare, mental health, rehabilitation, technology, telecommunications, and transportation.

Specific services include public information and dissemination; information and referral services; technical assistance, training seminars; national and regional conferences; legal and public policy analysis, guidance and research; and litigation consultation services. Such services are both directly and indirectly provided to the volunteer officers and membership of state association and organizational affiliates, both via electronic mail as well as in person (i.e., consultation, seminars, and conferences).

The NAD website also disseminates a wealth of advocacy information and resources that is accessed by both individual and affiliate members, as well as by members of the general public.

Name: New York Lawyers for the Public Interest, Inc.

Address: 151 W 30th St Fl 11
New York, NY 10001-4007

Phone: (212) 244-3692 TTY
(212) 244-4664 Voice

Fax: (212) 244-4570

Email: info@nylpi.org

Website: www.nylpi.org

Description: Offers a Disability Law Clinic. New York Lawyers for the Public Interest (NYLPI) is a not-for-profit legal office. NYLPI finds unique ways to tackle the problems facing low-income and underrepresented people throughout New York City using two distinct approaches: (1) Our pro bono Clearinghouse works with New York's most prestigious law firms and corporate legal departments to provide free legal assistance for eligible low-income individuals and community groups & (2) NYLPI's staff provide direct legal representation, advocacy, and organizing assistance to low-income New Yorkers in three areas: disability rights, environmental justice, and access to health care.

Name: United States Senator
Honorable Hillary Rodham Clinton (D)

Address: 780 Third Avenue, Suite 2601 (New York City Office)
New York, NY 10017

476 Russell Senate Office Building (Washington, D.C. Office)
Washington, DC 20510

Phone: (202) 224-6821 TTY Washington, DC
(212) 688-6262 Voice New York City Office
(202) 224-4451 Voice Washington, D.C. Office
Fax: (212) 688-7444 New York City Office
(202) 228-0282 General Washington, D.C. Office
(202) 228-0121 Scheduling Requests
Email: http://clinton.senate.gov/email_form.html
Website: <http://clinton.senate.gov>

Description: Hillary Rodham Clinton was elected United States Senator from New York on November 7, 2000. She is the only First Lady ever elected to the United States Senate. Now midway through her six-year term, Senator Clinton has proven to be a strong advocate for New York, working in a bipartisan way to pass legislation, secure millions in appropriations and draw attention to issues that matter to people throughout New York State. Senator Clinton serves on the Senate Committees for Environment and Public Works; Health, Education, Labor and Pensions; and is the first New York Senator to serve on the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Name: Urban Justice Center
Address: 666 Broadway, 10th Floor
New York, NY 10012-2317
Phone: (646) 602-5600
Fax: (212) 533-4598
Email: info@urbanjustice.org
Website: www.urbanjustice.org

Description: The Urban Justice Center was founded with two primary goals - to make legal services easily accessible to people living on the streets and in poverty, and to make social advocacy and law reform efforts directly responsive to the daily struggles of those individuals. We have developed a unique model to achieve both these ends. We do outreach legal work in various communities, and then use what we learn from that work to fuel our broader advocacy efforts. All of our projects rely on this model, or make similar efforts to unite individual stories into a collective voice for social change. We are home to 9 projects that operate independently, but share the agency's infrastructure, as well as a common commitment to finding innovative solutions to the problems of poor and vulnerable people. Impact and class action litigation are among the most powerful tools available for challenging social injustice. Through litigation, we have addressed systemic problems relating to foster care, conditions in homeless shelters, minimum wage violations, services for the mentally ill, and a host of other issues that relate to the poorest and most marginalized among us. While we litigate to effect broad social change, we rely on the firsthand insights we gain from our legal clinics and community outreach to ensure that our law reform efforts are pragmatic and responsive to the needs of the communities we serve. In addition, we compile handbooks and resource guides designed to help clients help themselves, as well as training manuals and other materials to educate and assist service providers and other advocates.

MEDICAL

NOTE: This is a limited listing. To inquire about a sign language interpreter, assistive devices, and accommodations at your hospital, contact the Patient Relations department or call the General Info number at the hospital of your choice. Refer to the Law and Resources sections if information is needed on accessibility to medical services.

Name: Bellevue Hospital
Address: 1st Avenue at 27th Street
New York, NY 10016
Phone: (212) 562-4141 Harry Blum
Description: Provides ASL Interpreting services

Name: Beth Israel Medical Center – Petrie Division
Address: First Avenue and 16th Street
New York, NY
Phone: (212) 844-8430 Sign Language Interpreter (Petrie Division)
(212) 420-2000 General/Main
Website: www.bethisraelny.org/patients/bimc_description.html
Description: Provides ASL interpreters

Name: CDC National AIDS Hotline TTY Service
Centers for Disease Control & Prevention
Phone: (800) 243-7889 TTY
Website: www.ashastd.org/nah/tty.html
Description: The CDC National AIDS Hotline TTY Service is open Monday through Friday, from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM, Eastern Time. The TTY staff can answer questions about HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs). The TTY staff is trained in English, Spanish and American Sign Language (ASL). All calls are free and private.

The website also provides HIV/AIDS videotape resources list for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. An annotated bibliography of published research on HIV/AIDS and Health among the Deaf and Hard of Hearing is also available online.

A Deaf Chat Room is available on Tuesdays: 11am-1pm and 8pm-10pm EST and Thursdays: 11am-1pm and 8pm-10pm EST for people who want to discuss about STD/HIV/AIDS.

Name: Jacob Perlow Hospice Deaf Program
Address: *Department of Pain Medicine & Palliative Care*

Beth Israel Medical Center
First Avenue at Sixteenth Street
New York, NY 10003

Phone: (212) 420-4543 Voice Judith K. Lauterstein, PhD., Coordinator
(212) 420-4129 TTY

Fax: (212) 420-4131

Email: NYDeafHospice@aol.com Paulette Gabel, Outreach Coordinator
sstowens@chpnet.org

Website: www.wehealnewyork.org/services/hospice/hospice.html

Description: Jacob Perlow Hospice recently established the first major U.S. hospice program for the deaf and hard-of-hearing community. The Jacob Perlow Hospice Deaf Services Project provides specialized care to patients with end-stage disease and can assist deaf patients with deaf family members, deaf patients with hearing families, and hearing patients with deaf family members. This culturally sensitive and linguistically appropriate hospice program provides communication access to doctors, nurse, social workers, special therapists and chaplains by way of qualified interpreters. Additional support stems from trained deaf volunteers as well as trained volunteers who can hear and sign.

Name: Jacobi Medical Center

Address: 1400 Pelham Parkway South
Bronx, New York 10461

Phone: (718) 918-5245 Patient Relations/Interpreter Services
(718) 918-5000 General Info

Website: www.ci.nyc.ny.us/html/hhc/jacobi/home.html

Description: American Sign Language interpreters are available. Devices for the Deaf (TDD) and Teletypic Teletype Device (TTY) are also available for hearing-impaired patients.

Name: Long Island College Hospital

Phone: (718) 780-1044 Sign Language Interpreter Services
(718) 780-1000 Main/General Info

Name: Maimonides Medical Center

Address: 4802 Tenth Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11219

Phone: (718) 283-7212 Services for the Deaf/Patient Relations
(718) 283-6000 General Info

Email: info@maimonidesmed.org

Website: www.maimonidesmed.org

Description: Our patient relations department ensures that all guidelines outlined in the Americans with Disabilities Act including those of the deaf and/or hearing impaired are adhered to. We provide services for American Sign Language Interpreters and/or Tactile

Interpreters. Amplified telephone equipment, the use of TTY machines, video conferencing equipment and closed captioned TV are available. Two rooms on each inpatient unit are equipped with wiring to accommodate Deaf Talk equipment. Additionally, the emergency department, intensive care units, and several ancillary areas have also been equipped.

Name: New York University Medical Center
Address: First Avenue and 32nd Street
New York, NY
Email: jody.gill@med.nyu.edu Jody Gill, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program
Website: www.med.nyu.edu/
Description: Sign language interpreter services can be arranged through Jody Gill, M.S., C.I., Manager, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program (DHHP).

Name: St. Joseph's Hospital
Address: 158-40 79th Avenue
Flushing, NY 11366
Phone: (718) 558-6500 Patient Representative
(800) 523-1786 AT&T Interpreter Line
(718) 558-6200 General
Description: St. Joseph's patient representatives are your personal advocates They are available to assist you and your family with any special needs, concerns, or problems, including assistance with Interpreting needs. St. Joseph's offers sign language services for deaf and hearing-impaired patients at no charge.

Name: St. Mary's Hospital Brooklyn
Saint Vincent Catholic Medical Centers
Address: 170 Buffalo Avenue (between St. Mark's Avenue and Prospect Place)
Brooklyn, NY 11213
Phone: (718) 221-3000 Hospital Operator (To request in-house translation)
(718) 221-3295 Patient Relations Director
(718) 221-3570 Patient/Family Support Services/Social Work
(800) 643-2255 AT&T Language Line
Website: www.svcmc.org/stmarys/patientfamilyservices/patientfamilyservices.asp
Description: St. Mary's offer sign language services for deaf and hearing-impaired patients at no charge. St. Mary's patient representatives are your personal advocates and are on duty Monday through Friday, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Please feel free to call upon them. They are available to assist you and your family with any special needs, concerns, or problems. They will assist you with your interpreting needs.

Name: St. Vincent's Hospital - Manhattan
Address: 170 West 12th Street

New York, NY 10011

Phone: (212) 604-8739 Patient Representative/Sign Language Services
(212) 604-7000 General

Description: We offer sign language services for deaf and hearing-impaired patients at no charge. If you need interpreting services, please call your patient representative.

Name: St. Vincent's Hospital - Staten Island

Address: 355 Bard Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10310

Phone: (718) 818-4340 Patient Representatives
(718) 818-2520 Patient/Family Support/Social Work

Description: Sign Language interpreters are arranged through Patient Relations.

Name: Staten Island University Hospital

Address: 475 Seaview Avenue (North)
Staten Island, NY 10305
375 Seguine Avenue (South)
Staten Island, NY 10309

Phone: (718) 226-8057 TDD - The Sound of Caring for Deaf & HOH
(718) 226-9470 Voice - The Sound of Caring for Deaf & HOH
(718) 226-5760 TTY - Community Wellness Center
(718) 226-9000 General - North
(718) 226-2000 General - South

Website: www.siu.edu

Description: Interpreting services are provided 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for emergencies and scheduled appointments. Reservations are available for scheduling a sign language interpreter for support group meetings, seminars, health screenings and related health education events.

Services, devices, and materials include: "Point to Where it Hurts" Communications Card System, Well-equipped rooms with TTY, amplified telephone, door knock sensors, communication cards, TVs (with closed caption and patient education channel with a continuously running sign language interpretation and closed caption version of The Patients Bill of Rights), deaf and hearing volunteers who sign, and Closed caption patient education videotapes.

A pro-active Advisory Board comprised of members of the deaf and hard of hearing community, interpreters, and administrators of the hospital meets on a regularly scheduled basis to guide the development of new programs and the revision of policy and procedures.

MENTAL HEALTH

Name: Alliance for the Mentally Ill (State Resource)
Address: 260 Washington Avenue
Albany, NY 12210
Phone: (518) 462-2000 Voice
Website: www.nami.org/about/naminyc/index.htm
Description: Provides public education on mental illness, including publications, information, referral, and support groups for friends and family members of the mentally ill.

Name: Barrier-Free Living Domestic Violence Program
Address: 270 East Second Street
New York, NY 10009
Phone: (212) 533-4362 Voice
(212) 533-4362 TTY
(212) 533-4358 Voice – Hotline
(212) 533-4632 TTY – Hotline
Fax: (212) 673-5167
Email: margom@bflnyc.org Margo McKillon, MA
Website: www.bflnyc.org
Description: Outpatient mental health clinic with fee for service, third party payments, and sliding scale. Barrier Free Living is our vision: a world in which the barriers to housing, transportation, social services, jobs and fulfilling relationships are broken down and people with disabilities have equal access in our communities. Barrier Free Living is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to helping people with disabilities live independently in the community. Barrier Free Living provides these individuals with a comprehensive range of transitional shelter and counseling services that enables them to overcome the physical and emotional barriers that stand in the way of their living dignified, secure lives. Barrier Free Living's services are open to physically disabled New Yorkers of all ages and to members of their families.

Name: Beacon of Hope House/"Cooke" Terrence Cardinal Cooke Residence
East Bronx Supported Housing
Address: 2467 Bathgate Avenue (House)
Bronx, NY 10458

707 Brady Avenue (Office)
Bronx, NY 10462

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York (Headquarters)
1011 First Avenue, 6th Floor
New York, NY 10022-4112

Phone: (718) 829-3023 TTY (Office)
(718) 829-7177 Voice (Office)
212-371-1000 Catholic Charities Headquarters
Email: albern@beaconofhopehouse.org (Headquarters)
Website: www.catholiccharitiesny.org
Description: A Cooke Residence group home with 24 beds for mentally ill deaf people in the Fordham, Bronx neighborhood.

Name: Betsy Siegel Little House for Deaf Adults
Address: Rockland County, New York

Name: Disability Resource Center
Mary Ann Grossinger, ACSW
Address: 420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 845
New York, NY 10017
Phone: (212) 297-0388 TTY/Voice
Description: Private practice.

Name: Hillside Children Center
Address: 1183 Monroe Avenue
Rochester, NY 14620
Phone: (716) 256-7762 TTY
Fax: (716) 256-7510
Description: Residential Treatment Center, inpatient and emergency services for emotionally disturbed children, sex offense program

Name: Inwood Service Center – Mental Health Clinic for the Deaf
Address: 26 Sherman Ave
New York, NY 10040
Phone: (845) 680-8718 Voice
(212) 942-0301 TTY
Fax: (212) 567-2019
Email: rpisomg@omh.state.ny.us Olga Gonzalez , Director of Deaf Services
Description: Outpatient mental health clinic

Name: Lake Grove Lake Grove School
Address: Moriches Road
P.O. Box 712
Lake Grove, NY 11755-0712
Phone: (516) 585-8776 TTY/Voice
(631) 585-8779

Fax: (631) 585-9215
(516) 737-5564

Description: A 12 month residential program for deaf/emotionally disturbed children & adolescents in a 24-hour therapeutic environment. Physician is on call 24 hours a day. Children with borderline to superior intellectual levels are accepted. Administration of prescription medication is offered. Children with alcohol abuse, substance abuse, attention deficit disorder, neurological impairment, and seizure disorder are accepted.

Name: League for the Hard of Health Mental Health Services
Address: 50 Broadway, 6th Floor
New York, NY 10004
Phone: (917) 305-7730 Ilene Miner TTY/Voice
(917) 305-7700 General TTY/Voice
Fax: (917) 305-7888
Email: iminer@lhh.org Ilene Miner, Mental Health Director
Website: www.lhh.org
Description: Outpatient mental health services for all age groups.

Name: Lexington Center for Mental Health Services, Inc.
Address: 25-02 75th Street (30th Ave & 75th St)
Jackson Heights, NY 11370
Phone: (718) 350-3143 V Adele Adin, CSW, Executive Director
(718) 350-3143 TTY
Fax: (718) 899-9846
Email: mentalhealth@lexnyc.org
Website: www.lexnyc.org
Description: The Lexington Center for Mental Health Services, a New York State Certified Psychiatric Clinic, provides mental health and social services to deaf and hard-of-hearing people in a linguistically-and culturally-accessible manner recognizing the importance of utilizing every means of communication. Programs include: Comprehensive Outpatient Services Clinic (COPS), Parents to Parents Program, Children's Intensive Case Management Program, Parent-Infant Therapeutic Nursery, & School Mental Health Team. Accepted fees include fee for services, third party payment, and sliding scale. All clinicians use American Sign Language. Interpreters are provided on an as needed basis.

Name: My Sister's Place, Ending Violence & Abuse in the Family
Address: 2 Lyon Place, Suite 300
White Plains, NY 10601
Phone: (914) 683-3742 TTY Administrative Office
(914) 683-1333
(800)298-SAFE (7233) Voice – 24 Hour Hotline for the Hearing
(914) 683-1355 TTY – 24 Hour Hotline for the Deaf

Name: Nanuet House
Address: Mental Health Association of Rockland County
357 South Middletown Road
Nanuet, NY 10954
Phone: (914) 623-9193 TTY/Voice
Description: Halfway House

Name: National Deaf Academy
Address: 19650 U.S. Highway 441
Mount Dora, Florida 32757
Phone: (800) 752-7345 V/TTY
(352) 735-9570 TTY
(352) 735-9500 Voice
Fax: (352) 735-4939
Website: www.nationaldeafacademy.com
Description: National Deaf Academy (NDA) is a unique psychiatric residential treatment center designed exclusively for Deaf and Hard of Hearing children, adolescents, and adults. NDA offers mental health treatment to Deaf children and adolescents beginning at age 6 through age 17, and treatment to Deaf adults of any age. It is our belief that every Deaf and Hard of Hearing individual has the right to pursue self-fulfillment through education, independence, and therapeutic insight. Our mission at NDA is to provide the ideal linguistic, cultural, and therapeutic setting necessary for the Deaf resident to experience this personal growth.

Name: New York Presbyterian – Westchester Division
The Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program
Address: New York-Presbyterian Psychiatry
Payne Whitney Westchester – Westchester Division
21 Bloomingdale Road
White Plains, NY 10605
Phone: (914) 997-5794 TTY/Voice Deaf & HOH Outpatient Services
(212) 746-5782 TTY/Voice Deaf & HOH Outpatient Services
(914) 997-5700 Voice Inpatient/Specialty Outpatient
(888) 694-5700 Voice Toll-Free
Website: www.nyppsihpsychiatry.org
Description: The Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Program (DHHP) at New York-Presbyterian Hospital, Payne Whitney Westchester, offers a variety of deafness mental health services for people of all ages and with any degree of hearing loss. These programs for deaf and hard-of-hearing people and family members provide a continuum of care at the hospital's outpatient department, on inpatient units, in day treatment and rehabilitation programs. Managed care plans, other insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, and private pay are accepted.

The DHHP treatment team includes clinical social workers, psychologists, psychiatrists, and psychiatric sign language interpreters who are fluent in American Sign Language (ASL), and trained to work with deaf, deaf-blind, and hard-of-hearing people in a culturally sensitive environment.

Outpatient DHHP Services include: comprehensive evaluations, medication evaluations and monitoring, and psychotherapy (family, couples, group).

Inpatient and Outpatient Specialty Services include: Day Treatment Programs, Addiction Recovery Series, Intensive Psychiatric Rehabilitation Training (IPRT), Partial Hospital Programs, and Inpatient Services. All inpatient and specialty services are accessible through the use of sign language interpreters and/or Assistive Listening Devices; consultations from sign fluent DHHP staff are available.

Name: New York Society for the Deaf Mental Health Clinic
Address: 161 William Street, 11th Floor
New York, NY 10007
Phone: (212) 777-3900
Fax: (212) 777-5740
Email: info@nysd.org
Website: www.nysd.org

Description: NYSD's Mental Health Clinic is licensed by the New York State Department of Mental Health, and is the only program in the New York City area that provides the full spectrum of mental health services in sign language. All of the psychiatrists, therapists, and case managers of NYSD's Mental Health Clinic - both deaf and hearing - are fluent in sign language, have experience working with this special population, and are knowledgeable about the cultural and psycho-social implications of Deafness. NYSD's Mental Health practitioners evaluate Deaf and Deaf-Blind people referred by the criminal justice system, homeless shelters, psychiatric hospitals, outpatient clinics, various social service agencies, and family members. Services offered by NYSD's Outpatient Mental Health Clinic include: Assessment, Individualized Treatment Plans, Individual/Group/Family Therapy, Medication Therapy, Symptom Management, Rehab Readiness Determination, Crisis Intervention, Case Management, & Clinical Support. Services are reimbursable by Medicaid and many private insurance.

Name: New York State Office of Mental Health (Central office)
Address: 93 Worth Street
New York, NY 10013
Phone: (212) 219-5165 TTY
(212) 219-5400 Voice
Fax: (212) 219-5555

Name: Rockland County Task Force for Deaf/Hard of Hearing Services
Mental Health Association of Rockland County

Address: 1 Menocker Road
Monsey, New York 10952

Phone: (845) 426-5416 Voice

Email: russsmith@earthlink.net

Website: www.mharockland.org

Description: The *Mental Health Association of Rockland County, Inc.* is a private voluntary, not-for profit community organization. We help empower people to realize and utilize their potential. The Mental Health Association of Rockland County, Inc. values people achieving and maintaining a life of dignity and fulfillment. Our mission is to respond to the needs of those who receive mental health services, and to the needs of their families. In order to accomplish our mission we provide support, public education, programs, services, and advocacy. We pioneer innovative programs and services to make sure the many needs are being met. Programs available for deaf and hard of hearing include day treatment, day program, vocational program, residential facilities, and Annual Conference on Mental Health & Deafness.

Name: Rockland Psychiatric Center – Deaf Unit (Orangeburg location)

Address: 140 Old Orangeburg Rd.
Orangeburg, NY 10962

Phone: (845) 680-8718 Voice
(845) 680-7050 Outpatient Voice
(845) 359-8643 TTY
(845) 359-6651 Outpatient TTY

Fax: (845) 680-5592

Email: rpisomg@omh.state.ny.us Olga Gonzalez, Director of Deaf Services

Description: Psychiatric hospital with two outpatient treatment clinic locations (Orangeburg & NYC)

Name: Tanya Towers Treatment Apartments
At New York Society for the Deaf

Address: 620 East 13th Street
New York, NY 10009

Phone: (212) 777-3809 TTY/Voice Joe Desmond, TTTA Director

Fax: (212) 358-9312

Email: info@nysd.org

Website: www.nysd.org

Description: The Tanya Towers Treatment Apartment (TTTA) program, licensed by the Office of Mental Health, was the first in the New York City area to provide Deaf and Deaf-Blind adults with Axis I mental health disorders with intensive supportive services in "Deaf friendly" residential settings. All 50 TTTA units are located in NYSD apartment buildings that have state-of-the-art accommodations for people with disabilities, and are specially designed to maintain or improve the ability of Deaf and Deaf-Blind consumers

to live independently. Intensive supportive services offered by the TTTA program include case management, service coordination, individual and group counseling, continuing education, and social and artistic activities. The TTTA program is "outcome" based, and measures success by the consumers' graduation to independent living and reintegration into society. The average length of stay for consumers in the TTTA program is 3 to 4 years, and the majority goes on to move into their own apartments.

Name: Jeffrey Wax, LCSWR, IC/TC, EMDR
Address: 19 West 34th Street, Penthouse
New York, NY 10001
Phone: (212) 947-7111, ext. 363
Email: Jeffw98@hotmail.com
Description: Private practice.

ORGANIZATIONS

Name: ADARA
Email: nycmetroadara@aol.com Florrie Burke, NYC Metro Chapter President
ADARAorgn@aol.com National organization
Website: www.adara.org
Description: Professionals networking for excellence in service delivery with individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. Our mission is to facilitate excellence in human service delivery with individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. This mission is accomplished by enhancing the professional competencies of the membership, expanding opportunities for networking among ADARA colleagues and supporting positive public policies for individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. In achieving the mission, ADARA members are committed to: full access for members to all aspects of the organization's business, including Board matters, conference planning, presentations and journal publications, recognizing and affirming the ethnic, racial, and cultural diversity of the membership, and fostering an inclusive language community through the use of American Sign Language, signed communication, and other communication strategies used by all members at ADARA events in order to strive for barrier-free communication. Areas of special interests include but are not limited to: Chemical Dependency, Deaf & HOH Professionals, Deaf-Blind, Mental Health, Post-Secondary Education, Research, and Vocational.

Name: Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf
Address: P.O. Box 235 NY Chapter
Irvington, NY 10533
3417 Volta Place, NW National Office
Washington, DC 20007
Phone: (914) 591-4565 NY Chapter
(202) 337-5220 Voice National Office
(202) 337-5221 TTY National Office
Fax: (202) 337-8314
Email: agbell@agbellny.org NY Chapter
Website: www.agbellny.org NY Chapter
www.agbell.org National Website

Description: Now in its 14th year, the New York Chapter of the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing is a volunteer-led organization that helps provide a local forum for Association issues. We help provide opportunities for parents, people who are deaf or hard of hearing, and professionals to work together to promote the mission of AG Bell close to home. We: (1) Serve as a clearinghouse for information to parents, professionals, and the general public about auditory approaches for children with hearing loss, including auditory-oral, auditory-verbal and Cued Speech options; (2) Assist parents and professionals to ensure that children with hearing loss receive a free and appropriate education that meets their communication and academic needs; (3) Help educate our members about advances in hearing technology designed to maximize the speaking/ listening potential of people with hearing loss; (4)

Hold an annual conference for parents and professionals; and (5) Publish an online newsletter, *Soundwaves*, which shares news and events of interest around New York.

Name: American Deaf Exposition/ New York Deaf Exposition
Address: P.O. Box 251
Carle Place, NY 11514
Phone: (516) 997-1037 TTY
Fax: (516) 997-1037
Email: ALLEPRE@aol.com
Website: www.americandeafexposition.com
www.newyorkdeafexposition.com

Description: Hosts annual deaf festivals and expositions in the New York City region, including the Annual Seaport Deaf Festival, Deaf BBQ Picnic in Long Island, and Queens Deaf Professional Shows at Lexington School and Center for the Deaf and New York Hall of Science. We strive to make the best out of our Deaf community by creating and offering Expositions for the Deaf.

Name: Association of Late-Deafened Adults, Inc. (ALDA)
Address: 1131 Lake Street, #204
Oak Park, IL, 60301
Phone: (877) 907-1738 Voice
(708) 358-0135 TTY
Fax: (877) 907-1738
Email: info@alda.org General
ALDARD1@aol.com Regional Director Bernie Palmer
Website: www.alda.org

Description: The Association of Late-Deafened Adults (ALDA) serves as a resource center providing information and referrals, self-help, and support groups for people deafened as adults. ALDA works to increase public awareness of the special needs of deafened adults. Holds annual conference; contact ALDA for date and location. Professional/consumer directory, convention information, and fact sheets are available.

Name: Black Deaf Advocates – NYC Chapter
Address: NYCBDA
P.O. Box 2135
NY, NY 10185
Email: nycbda@hotmail.com
Tsam22@aol.com Tom Samuels, NYCBDA President

Description: New York City Black Deaf Advocates (NYCBDA) meets on the second Friday of the each month. Meetings are held at Tanya Towers Community Room - 2nd Floor. Tanya Towers is located at 620 East 13th Street, New York, NY, 10009. Meetings time is 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm.

Name: Deaf Aztlan for Deaf Latinas/os
Email: gato@deafvision.net
Website: http://deafvision.net/aztlan

Description: A home in cyberspace for Deaf Latinas and Latinos! While this website is accessible to genté (people) throughout the world, it is a website that is primarily by, for and about the Deaf Latino/a community in the United States. A Spanish version of this website is available. This site is just getting underway. If you know of a missing resource that should be here, please send it in!! Since most Deaf Latinos / as in the U.S. do not speak, read or write in Spanish, this website will be published primarily in English. Links to Alta Vista Spanish translation service have been included throughout the website.

Name: Deaf Women United of Greater New York Chapter
Email: president@dwu-gny.org Melissa Yingst, President
info@dwu-gny.org General
Website: www.dwu-gny.org DWU-GNY Chapter
www.dwu.org Deaf Women United – National

Description: DWU-GNY's purpose is to bring Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing women together and provide opportunities to develop and share leadership and organizational skills, further career development, build up motivation and confidence, and work together as a team. DWU-GNY believes in shaping and promoting the common good for Deaf women everywhere. We encourage you to understand, reward, enhance problem-solving, evaluate, inspire and encourage Deaf women through networking, empowerment, and learning from peers. DWU-GNY provides workshops, training, events, and support groups designed to empower Deaf women. Resources, newsletters, and information are available. Past events have included International Deaf Women's Day, Young Women's Leadership Day, Wine & Cheese Social, Coffee House, Sign-A-Oke, MICA Fashion Show, Bowling Night, Biking in Central Park, Healthy Eating workshop, and Investment 101 workshop.

Name: Deaf & Hard of Hearing in Government
Address: Deaf & Hard of Hearing in Government
P.O. Box 76087
Washington D.C. 20013-6087
Email: info@dhhig.org General Inquiries
webmaster@dhhig.org E-mail issues and membership inquiries
Website: www.dhhig.org

Description: DHHIG is a national non-profit organization whose purpose is two-fold. It serves as an employee support group for Federal employees who are either Deaf or Hard of Hearing and as a resource organization for the nationwide Federal government. DHHIG coordinates and collaborates with external forces such as OPM, EEOC, U.S. Congress, the White House, President's Task Force on Employment of Adults with Disabilities, Self Help for Hard of Hearing People (SHHH), National Association of the Deaf, Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf, and other entities.

DHHIG is here to function as a knowledgeable, problem-identifying and solving organization for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Federal workers. DHHIG supports and respects all Deaf and Hard of Hearing individuals without any regard to communication preferences and degree of hearing disability. DHHIG supports all Federal employees with

any degree of hearing loss, whether they are profoundly deaf, hard of hearing in one ear or both, late deafened, or deaf-blind individuals.

Name: Deaf International Club of Greater NY
Address: St. Mary's Mother of Jesus Church/School
2326 84th Street at 23rd Avenue, Basement
Brooklyn, New York 11214
Phone: (212) 358-1742 Alex Badalyan
Fax: (212) 358-1742 Alex Badalyan
Email: EPNYUSA@AOL.COM Gene Pitkin
Description: New Games, Refreshments, Music & Fun. Free Parking!

Name: Deaf Queer Resource Center
Website: www.deafqueer.org
Description: The Deaf Queer Resource Center (DQRC) is a national non-profit resource and information center. This is "the place" to find the most comprehensive and accurate information about the Deaf Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender community. Resource information includes: chat resources, coming out support, deaf HIV/AIDS, educational, links, organizations, Pablo Zuinga Project, Point of View Café, deaf queer organizations, deaf transgender, interpreted LGBT church services, and ongoing deaf LGBT gatherings.

Name: Disabled in Action
Address: Post Office Box 30954
Port Authority Station
New York, NY 10011-0109
Phone: (212) 674-5619 TTY – through CIDNY
(718) 261-3737 Voice
Website: www.disabledinaction.org
Description: We are a civil rights organization committed to ending discrimination against people with disabilities — all disabilities. We fight to eliminate the barriers that prevent us from enjoying full equality in American society. Founded in 1970, DIA is a democratic, not-for-profit, tax-exempt, membership organization. DIA consists primarily of and is directed by people with disabilities. We believe in the motto, "Nothing about us without us!"

Name: Eastern Athletic Association of the Deaf
Address: Charles R. Wallace, EAAD President
26 North Shore Blvd.
Helmetta, NJ 08828-1233
Phone: (732) 521-4031
Fax: (732) 521-3098
Email: Wallschu@aol.com Charles R. Wallace, EAAD President
ESADCommissioner@aol.com Dawn Schriver-Seremeth,
Eastern Softball Association of the Deaf

EBADCommissioner@aol.com Mark Tessier, Eastern Basketball Association of the Deaf

Website: www.eaad.org

Name: Fanwood Alumni Association

Address: New York School for the Deaf
555 Knollwood Road
White Plains, NY 10603

Phone: (914) 949-7310 Ext. 503

Fax: (914) 949-0045

Email: Lmoscaginis@nysd.k12.ny.us Linda Mosca-Ginis

Website: www.nysd.k12.ny.us – Click FAA

Description: Liaison between NYSD and Fanwood Alumni Association.

Name: Intertribal Deaf Council, Inc

Address: Intertribal Deaf Council
P.O. Box 7598
Salem, Oregon 97303

Fax: (503) 304-1961

Email: intertribaldeaf@aol.com

Website: www.deafnative.com

Description: IDC is a non-profit national organization based in Oregon. The mission of the organization is to provide American Indians, Alaska Natives and First Nations (Canadian) Indians who are Deaf, Deaf-Blind, hard of hearing or late deafened and their family members with communication access to their traditions, heritage and beliefs. The Intertribal Deaf Council is believed to be the only North American non-profit organization for Deaf, Deaf-Blind, and Hard of Hearing American Indian, Alaska Native, and First Nations individuals and their families.

Name: The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, & Transgender Community Center

Address: 208 West 13th Street
New York, NY 10011

Phone: (212) 620-7310 Voice

Fax: (212) 924-2657

Email: gaycenter@gaycenter.org

Website: www.gaycenter.org

Description: Interpreters are provided upon request for events and services at the Center. Deaf & Hearing people meet for NYC ASL Club on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 8:00 – 10:00 PM.

Name: Metropolitan Asian Deaf Association (MADA)

Address: MADA c/o Candice Hsu, MADA President
PO Box 36-20323, P.A.C.C.
New York, NY 10129

Email: president@mada-nynj.org Candice Hsu, President
John Sala @ jsala@tmail.com John Sala

jacho1970@tmail.com Jennifer Cho

Website: www.mada-nynj.org

Description: MADA, an organization by, of, and for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing women and men and supported by the hearing community, recognizes the evolving roles and needs of Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing women and men today. We focus on multiculturalism, advocacy, education and outreach. We are dedicated to the exchange of information, to empowerment and to the enhancement of the quality of lives for all Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing women and men. MADA believes in advocating our cultural heritage and to encourage the prospects of our Asian Deaf and Hard of Hearing community in social, leadership and education.

Name: National Asian Deaf Congress

Address: NADC, P.O. Box 17583
San Diego, CA 92177

Fax: (510) 441-7227

Email: NADCUSA@aol.com

Website: www.nadc-usa.org

Description: NADC is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to define and address the cultural, political and social issues experienced by Asian who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. NADC is strengthened by the diversity of its members and organizations that represent various geographic regions, languages, religions, cultures and generations. NADC will also strive to provide education, empowerment, and leadership for its respective members and organizations.

Name: National Association of the Deaf (NAD)

Address: 814 Thayer Ave
Silver Spring, MD 20910-4500

Phone: (301) 587-1789 TTY
(301) 587-1788 Voice

Fax: (301) 587-1791

Email: info@nad.org

Website: www.nad.org

Description: The NAD, as a national federation of state association and organizational affiliates, offers civil rights advocacy, grassroots and youth leadership development, and legal expertise across a broad spectrum of areas including but not limited to accessibility, education, employment, healthcare, mental health, rehabilitation, technology, telecommunications, and transportation. Specific services include public information and dissemination; information and referral services; technical assistance, training seminars; national and regional conferences; legal and public policy analysis, guidance and research; and litigation consultation services. Such services are both directly and indirectly provided to the volunteer officers and membership of state association and organizational affiliates, both via electronic mail as well as in person (i.e., consultation, seminars, and conferences). The NAD website also disseminates a wealth of advocacy information and resources that is accessed by both individual and affiliate members, as well as by members of the general public.

Name: National Black Deaf Advocates (NBDA)
Address: [Ari Ogoke](#), NBDA Secretary
P.O. Box 22846
Rochester, NY 14692-2846
Email: President@nbda.org Reginald Redding
Secretary@nbda.org Ari Ogoke
NBDAe-link-subscribe@yahoogroups.com NBDA E-Link List
Website: www.nbda.org
Description: NBDA is the official voice of Black deaf and hard of hearing Americans—a community that has historically been neglected in terms of provision of equal access to education, employment and social services. For more than two decades, NBDA has been at the forefront of the struggle for access, and equity for Black deaf and hard of hearing people. NBDA's objective is to provide advocacy intended to remedy past injustices and to stake a share of the American dream for its members and their families. We welcome your support and partnership. The Mission of the National Black Deaf Advocates, Inc., (NBDA) is to promote the educational, cultural, social and economic advancement of deaf and hard of hearing African Americans.

The National Black deaf Advocates (NBDA) is the oldest and largest consumer organization of deaf and hard of hearing black deaf people in the United States. Black deaf leaders who were concerned that deaf and hard of hearing African-Americans was not adequately represented in leadership and policy decision-making activities affecting their lives established NBDA in 1982. NBDA is a growing organization with 30 [chapters](#). NBDA serves as a national advocate for thousands of deaf and hard of hearing African-Americans.

Membership includes African-American adults who are deaf and hard of hearing; parents of African American children who are deaf or hard of hearing; professionals who work with deaf and hard of hearing children and adults, and other interested individuals.

Programs & advocacy include: annual conference, Youth Empowerment Summit, Andrew Foster Sculpture and Cultural Recognition Project, Black Deaf Seniors Citizen Network, Family Support Network, Government Affairs, Leadership training, Miss Black Deaf America Pageant, Training for Interpreters and Transliterators of Color (ITOCC), Black Deaf History Archives, publications, and scholarships.

Name: Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf
Address: Billy "Zookie" Barr, RAD Secretary
1722 Winona Blvd, #306
Los Angeles, CA 90027
Email: president@rad.org General Correspondence, Bob Donaldson
radchapters@rad.org Yahoo Group Moderator/To Post Info, Scot Potts
Website: www.rad.org
Description: The Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf (RAD) is a nonprofit organization established in 1977. The purpose of this Alliance is to establish and maintain a society of Deaf Gays and Lesbians to encourage and promote the educational, economical, and

social welfare; to foster fellowship; to defend our rights; and advance our interests as Deaf Gay and Lesbian citizens concerning social justice; to build up an organization in which all worthy members may participate in the discussion of practical problems and solutions related to their social welfare. RAD has over twenty chapters in the United States and Canada.

Name: Staten Island Club of the Deaf

Address: 92 Victory Boulevard
Staten Island, NY

Description: Meet Deaf and Hard of Hearing people. Feel free to come to our clubroom every Friday (some Saturdays and Sundays) for socialization.

Name: USA Deaf Sports Federation

Email: info@usadsf.org

Website: www.usadsf.org

Description: Recognized as the only national athletic association to coordinate the participation of American deaf and hard of hearing individuals in international competition, USADSF is affiliated with the United States Olympic Committee (USOC). Its purpose is to foster and regulate uniform rules of competition and provide social outlets for deaf members and their friends; serve as a parent organization for regional sports organizations; conduct annual athletic competitions; and assist in the participation of U.S. teams in international competition. Conditions of competition in the Deaflympics are similar to those for Olympic Games. The U.S. Team has access to all Olympic Training Centers. See website for further information about following sports and associations: Aquatics (United States Aquatic Association of the Deaf), basketball (United States of America Deaf Basketball), bowling, cycling (United States Deaf Cycling Association), golf (United States Deaf Gold Foundation), ice hockey (American Hearing Impaired Hockey Association), net sports, shooting, ski & snowboard (United States Deaf Ski and Snowboard Association), soccer (USA Deaf Soccer Association), softball (National Softball Association of the Deaf), team handball (United States of America Deaf Team Handball), track & field (United States of America Deaf Team Handball), volleyball, and wrestling.

RELAY

Phone Relay Services

Name: New York State Relay

Phone: 711 TTY/Voice
(800) 661-1220 TTY

Name: Sprint RCC

Phone: (800) 676-3777 TTY/Voice/ASCII
(877) 826-2255 Voice Carry-Over Direct for state-to-state calling on
(800) 676-4290 Servicio al Cliente de Sprint Relay
TTY/Voz/ASCII

Name: Telecommunications Relay Services for Individuals who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, or with Speech Impairments

Phone: 711 TTY/Voice
(800) 662-1220 TTY
(800) 421-1220 Voice
(877) 662-4234 Speech to Speech

Internet Relay Services

Name: AT&T Relay

Website: www.att.com/relay

Name: MCI Relay

Website: www.ip-relay.com

Name: Sorenson VRS

Website: www.sorensonvrs.com

Name: Sprint Relay

Website: www.springvrs.com
www.sprintrelayonline.com

RELIGIONS/SPIRITUALITY

Name: Cathedral of the Incarnation (Episcopal/Anglican)
Sign Interpreted Holy Eucharistic Mass

Address: 50 Cathedral Avenue
Garden City, NY 11530

Phone: (516) 746-2955 Voice
(516) 224-2160 TTY/Voice – Richard Steele

Fax: (631) 581-1386 Church

Email: incarnation@att.net Church
rstelle@eischools.org Richard Steele

Website: www.dioceselongisland.org/index.shtml

Description: Sign Interpreted Holy Eucharistic Mass celebrated first and third Sundays of every month at 10 AM at the Cathedral of the Incarnation. All Advent, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Holy Week and Easter and other special services are also interpreted. For information or questions, please contact.

Name: Congregation B'nai Jeshurun (BJ)

Website: www.bj.org.

Description: Offers ASL-interpreted services

Name: Jewish Deaf Congress

Email: Florsheim@aol.com Martin Florsheim, Ed.D., President of Board

Website: www.jdc2005.com/

Description: The Jewish Deaf Congress, Inc., today is a vibrant organization, serving persons who are Jewish and Deaf primarily in North America. Our mission is to provide religious, cultural, and educational experiences. Our people include those who became deaf before acquiring language, those who became deaf later in life, and those who are hard of hearing. Some of our people use sign language; others depend fully on lip-reading. Parents join our organization, as do grandparents. Some hear normally and with our deaf constituents represent a community of interpreters or educators, and rabbis, or perhaps even children or siblings or just friends of deaf adults. JDC, Inc., also serves Jewish deaf and hard of hearing persons all over the world through our biennial conferences. We encourage in our community pluralism - whether Reform, Conservative, Reconstructionist, or Orthodox - we are all an essential part of Klal Yisrael - the worldwide community of Jewry.

Name: Jewish Deaf Resources Center

Email: DRC501c3@aol.com

Website: www.jdrc.org

Description: JDRC, Inc. was founded so Jewish Deaf could participate in and shape the rich worlds of Jewish liturgy, education, culture, and communal life on an equal basis with hearing Jews. JDRC is available to do face-to-face consulting on issues related to:

Studying Hebrew using a face-to-face language; Making a Synagogue Accessible; Interpreting For Meaning; Conducting workshops on Jewish Liturgy in American Sign Language (ASL); and Teaching Basic Judaism in ASL.

Name: Jewish Deaf Singles Registry
Address: JDSR
PO Box 2005
New York, NY 10159-2005
Phone: (908) 352-7395 No calls on Saturdays
Fax: (908) 352-7395
Email: Landau9@optonline.net
Samuel and Rachelle Landau, JDSR Coordinators
Website: www.j-dsr.org

Description: Programs for Jewish deaf and hard of hearing singles, including singles who are widowed and divorced. JDSR offers annual retreats, social events, newsletters, and opportunities to meet the right person for marriage. Secular, Reform, Conservative, and Orthodox Jewish Deaf and Hard of Hearing persons are welcome to join.

Name: Metropolitan Community Church of New York
(ASL Interpreted Services)
Address: 446 West 36th Street
New York, NY
Phone: (212) 629-7440 Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini
Email: revkriskc@aol.com The Rev. Kristen Klein-Cechettini
Description: Every Sunday, the 7 PM service has ASL interpreters. Metropolitan Community Church always offers a special coffee hour afterwards with lots of good food and beverages. Be a part of our Rainbow Community and Spiritual Center!

Name: Our Way/NJCD
Address: 11 Broadway
New York, NY 10004
Phone: (212) 613-8234
(212) 613-8127
Fax: (212) 613-0796
Email: ourway@ou.org
Website: www.njcd.org/ourway
Description: OUR WAY is the outreach program for Jewish deaf and hard of hearing of the National Jewish Council of the Disabled, an agency of the Orthodox Union. Our services and programs are for all Jewish deaf and include Association of Jewish Parents of the Deaf, Jewish Deaf Singles Registry, Deaf Community Shabbatonim, Torah Study by E Mail, Publications and much more. Please contact us with your special needs and request our free catalogue.

Name: St. Ann's Church for the Deaf
209 E 16Th St
New York, NY

Name: St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church
Address: 211 East 83rd Street
New York, NY 10028
Phone: (212) 734-5747
Description: Offers Masses for the deaf, Catholic Deaf Center at St. Elizabeth's, and Deaf Choir.

Name: St. James Cathedral Pavilion
Address: 248 Jay Street
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Phone: (718) 852-4002
Description: ASL-interpreted services.

Name: St. Mark's Lutheran Church of the Deaf
Address: c/o Mount Zion Lutheran Church
421 West 145th Street
New York, NY

Name: St. Matthew's Lutheran Church of the Deaf
Address: 41-01 75th Street (on 75th Street and 41st Avenue)
Elmhurst, New York

Name: St. Paul's Community Baptist Church
Address: 859 Hendrix Street
Brooklyn, NY 11207
Phone: (718) 257-1300 Ext. 160 Patricia Davis, Director of Deaf Ministry
Fax: (718) 257-2988
Email: Pdavis@spcbc.com Patricia Davis, Director of Deaf Ministry
Website: www.spcbc.com
Description: St. Paul Community Baptist Church, led by Reverend Youngblood, offers deaf ministries and ASL-interpreted services. St. Paul's is one of the most culturally, economically, politically, educationally, and spiritually diverse ministries of the 21st century, black or white. The church, which sits placidly in the midst of the urban inner city, has positioned itself as a power broker to be reckoned with---in the interest of the community and successfully ministers to the needs of a broad-based and diverse congregation. The church offers an all-inclusive leadership driven programming. Men,

women and children alike, find meaning, place and purpose in the cascade of programs and ministries that mimic real life issues and struggles. The staff direct and develop a comprehensive holistic program of education, spiritual growth, physical healing and economic revitalization within the framework of daily priorities

Name: Sea of Galilee Pentecostal Church Assemblies of God
Address: 166 Eldridge Street
New York ,NY 10002
Phone: (212) 475-8120
Description: Offers Deaf Bible class and services

Name: Times Square Church
Address: 237 West 51st Street
New York, NY 10019

1657 Broadway, 4th Floor Mailing Address
New York, NY 10019

Phone: (212) 541-6300 Voice
Fax: (212) 541-6415
Email: info@timesquarechurch.org
Website: www.timesquarechurch.org

Description: The Deaf Ministry provides sign language during services. Times Square Church is an interdenominational church located in the heart of New York City. Over 8,000 people, representing more than 100 nationalities, gather to worship together every week. Roughly 2,000 volunteers from the congregation participate in over thirty ministries, ranging from feeding the homeless in New York City to staffing an orphanage in South Africa. A major emphasis at times square church is giving aid to the poor, the hungry, the destitute and the addicted. The new life and calling of Christ in every person is exciting! Get involved and join a ministry at Times Square Church. Opportunities at home and on the mission field abound. We pray that God will show you how your life and future might bring honor to his name.

SOCIAL SERVICES

Name: Barrier Free Living, Inc
Address: 270 East 2nd Street Main Office
New York, NY
Phone: (212) 677-6668 Main Office
(212) 533-4632 TTY – Domestic Violence Hotline
(212) 533-4358 Voice – Domestic Violence Hotline
Website: www.bflnyc.org

Description: Barrier Free Living is our vision: a world in which the barriers to housing, transportation, social services, jobs and fulfilling relationships are broken down and people with disabilities have equal access in our communities. Barrier Free Living is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to helping people with disabilities live independently in the community. Barrier Free Living provides these individuals with a comprehensive range of transitional shelter and counseling services that enables them to overcome the physical and emotional barriers that stand in the way of their living dignified, secure lives. Barrier Free Living's services are open to physically disabled New Yorkers of all ages and to members of their families. Programs include: Shelter for Homeless People with Disabilities (only program in New York City where homeless people in need of personal care assistance can find shelter), Counseling Center, Domestic Violence Program (advocacy and support to victims of domestic violence who have any form of disability), Benefits Planning for Employment and Mobile Outreach Team. Our Domestic Violence Program is in a confidential location. Call our hotline for more information.

Name: Catholic Charities Deafness Services – Brooklyn
Rhonda Russo
Address: Diocese of Brooklyn Office for Disabled Persons
191 Joralemon Street
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Phone: (718) 722-6226 TTY
(718) 722-6216 Voice
Fax: (718) 722-6233

Description: Services provided include advocacy, information and referral, case management, interpreting services, sign language classes, newsletters, pastoral services, and home and hospital visits.

Name: Catholic Charities – Manhattan
Christine Quinton, Interpreter/Advocate
Address: 1011 1st Avenue (at 56th St)
New York, NY 10022
Phone: (212) 758-3045 TTY
(212) 371-1000 x2011
Fax: (212) 317-8719
Email: Christine.Quinton@archny.org

Description: Services provided include advocacy, information and referral, case management, interpreting services, sign language classes, newsletters, pastoral services, and home and hospital visits.

Name: Housing Works, Inc - Deaf Services Department
Phone: (212) 925-9560 TTY Tony Saccente, Peer Outreach Coordinator
Email: saccente@housingworks.org
Website: www.housingworks.org/clientprog/peerinitiative.html

Description: The Peer Initiative/Deaf AIDS Services Project operates through a contract with the NYS DOH AIDS Institute and coordinates peer outreach, education, and related services for deaf and hard-of-hearing clients for an average of 500 people each month. The program is based in Lower Manhattan. Free HIV testing with pre-post test counseling for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community is available. No blood or needle is involved. Free- No Cost Services provided in ASL or with a qualified sign language interpreter. Your preference and your confidentiality will be respected. Free Safer Sex Kits. Housing Works is a minority-controlled, community-based, not-for-profit corporation providing housing, health care, advocacy, job training, and vital supportive services to homeless New Yorkers living with HIV and AIDS.

Name: The New York Foundling Hospital
Family Services for Deaf Children and Adults
Address: 590 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10011
Phone: (212) 206-4111
Website: www.nyfoundling.org/
<http://nyfoundling.org/deaf.htm>

Description: New York Foundling responded to unmet needs in the Deaf community by creating a specialized preventive program with education and family services for Deaf children and parents. With very few services available to this under-served population, we developed a voluntary program for families in need of support or preventive services. The program strives to prevent foster care placement by providing advocacy with individual and family counseling, career and budget planning, parenting skills training and help with housing, public assistance, and education. Many families remain in our services for extended periods of time to ensure that aftercare services, which do not otherwise exist for Deaf children and adults, continue to be provided.

Name: New York Society for the Deaf (NYSB)
Address: 161 William Street, 11th Floor
New York, NY 10038
Phone: (212) 777-3900 TTY/Voice
Fax: (212) 777- 5740
Website: www.nysd.org

Description: NYSD provides comprehensive social and rehabilitative services on a nonsectarian basis for people who are deaf or deaf-blind and reside in the New York metropolitan area. The staff of NYSD is able to communicate directly with its constituency through the use of sign language, tactile communication, lipreading or any

other form of communication in which the consumer feels most comfortable. This ensures full accessibility to all the agency programs and services.

NYSD offers the following: Outpatient Mental Health Clinic, Substance Abuse Treatment Program, Service Coordination Program, Ryan White AIDS/HIV Case Management Program, Residential Services, Communication Skills Program, American Sign Language Academy, Interpreter Referral Service, Berger Deaf Scholars Program, Jewish Continuity, and other Services.

Name: Safe Horizon
Address: 2 Lafayette Street, 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10007
Phone: (800) 810-7444 TTY – Hotline
(212) 577-7700 Office – General
Fax: (212) 577-3897
Email: help@safehorizon.org Hotlines
info@safehorizon.org General Info
Website: www.safehorizon.org
Description: Offers 24-hour toll-free hotlines. Safe Horizon’s mission is to provide support, prevent violence, and promote justice for victims of crime and abuse, their families and communities.

Name: United Cerebral Palsy of NYC, Inc. (UCP)
Address: 80 Maiden Lane 8th Floor, New York, NY 10038
122 E. 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010
160 Lawrence Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11230
175 Lawrence Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11230
1770 Stillwell Ave., Bronx, NY 10469
281 Port Richmond Ave., Staten Island, NY 10302
120 E. 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010
333 Ave. S, Brooklyn, NY 11223
309 West 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010
622 Foster Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11230
408 E. 137th Street, Bronx, NY 10454
Phone: (212) 475-0842 TTY
(212) 979-9700 Voice
Email: info@ucp.org
Website: www.ucpnyc.org
Description: United Cerebral Palsy of New York City, Inc. (UCP/NYC) is the leading nonprofit agency in New York City providing direct services, technology and advocacy to children and adults of all ages with cerebral palsy and related disabilities. Currently, UCP/NYC provides a continuum of services to over 10,000 New York City residents with disabilities and their families annually. These services are offered by a dedicated and trained staff of 1,600 individuals, including many employees who themselves have cerebral palsy or other disabilities.

Agency services include: Project CONNECT, Children's/Youth Services, Adult Services, Housing and Residential Services, Family Support Services, Health Care Services, Early Intervention & Preschool Education, Evaluation Services, Early Childhood Development Center, Day Care & Universal Pre-K, School Age Education, Adult Day Programs (Day Habilitation & Day Treatment), Vocational & Supported Employment Programs, After School & Weekend Recreation Programs, Summer Day Camp, and Assistive Technology Resources.

Name: YAI/National Institute for People with Disabilities
Address: 460 W. 34th Street, 11th Floor
New York, NY 10001
Phone: (212) 220-2787 TTY
(212) 273-6182 Voice

SUBSTANCE ABUSE/CHEMICAL DEPENDENCE

METRO NYC AREA

NOTE: Metro NYC area resources are listed. For information and referral to prevention/treatment programs in other states, view the National Directory of Alcohol and Drugs Prevention/Treatment Programs Accessible to the Deaf at www.rit.edu/~257www/national_directory/nat.directory.htm, or call Substance and Alcohol Intervention Services for the Deaf (SAISD) at (716) 475-4978.

To find ASL-Interpreted events in your area, contact your local AA Intergroup/Central Office and request information about interpreted AA meetings in your area.
www.aa.org/default/en_contact.cfm?contype=central

Street Address:

Alcoholics Anonymous
475 Riverside Drive
11th Floor
New York, N.Y. 10115

Mailing Address:

Alcoholics Anonymous
Grand Central Station
P.O. Box 459
New York, N.Y. 10163

Name: Alcoholics Anonymous General Service Office

Address: Box 459, Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163

Phone: (212) 870-3199 (TTY)
(212) 870-3400 (Voice)

Fax: (212) 870-3003 (FAX)

Description: A non-profit 12-Step program with alcohol information & referral for all ages, anyone who has a desire to stop drinking. Includes: complimentary AA Service Material for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing People; List of Central Offices, Intergroups and Answering Services (Some have TTYs - for times and locations of local meetings) A Deaf Newcomer Asks; How It Works in ASL; Translation of the Twelve Steps for Signing Purposes; Translation of the Twelve Traditions for Signing Purposes; Is AA For You; A Brief Guide to Alcoholics Anonymous; AA Guidelines: Carrying the AA Message to the Deaf Alcoholic; Serving Alcoholics with Special Needs; Other materials including videotapes in ASL and Closed-captioned, illustrated pamphlets are listed in current catalog, with price and discount information.

Name: Chemical Dependence Program at NYSD

Address: New York Society for the Deaf
161 William Street, 11th Floor
New York, NY 10019

Phone: (212) 777-3900

Fax: (212) 777-5740

Email: kpoore@nysd.org

Website: www.nysd.org

Description: It is estimated that 1 in 8 Deaf New Yorkers is a chemical abuser. Many are dually diagnosed with a mental illness and chemical abuse (MICA), and some are developmentally disabled. NYSD's Chemical Dependence Program is licensed and funded by the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) and is the only program in the tri-state area that offers comprehensive, medically supervised substance abuse services for people who use sign language as their primary mode of communication. All staff members, including the medical director and nurse, communicate directly with consumers in sign language. Services offered include: (1) Comprehensive assessment/evaluation; (2) Individualized Treatment Plans developed with input from consumers; (3) Individual counseling; (4) Group and family counseling; (5) Case management; (6) Intra- and Inter-Agency linkages with healthcare providers to ensure full access to the complete continuum of substance abuse services when needed; (7) Fully integrated, concurrent services for mentally ill chemical abusers (MICAs); (8) Coordination with employers, child welfare services, parole, probation; (9) Coordination and monitoring of urinalysis; and (10) Ongoing support for those with long-term sobriety. CDP also hosts 12-Step meetings in sign language on premises, including a self-supporting AA group and an NA group. Services are reimbursable by Medicaid and many private insurers.

Name: John L. Norris Clinic – Alcoholism Treatment Center

Address: 1732 South Avenue
Rochester, NY 14620

Phone: (716) 461-4253 TTY
(716) 461-0410 Voice

Fax: (585) 461-4545

Email: lisa.butler@oasas.state.ny.us

Website: www.oasas.state.ny.us/atc/norris-home.htm

Description: Offers inpatient treatment, assessment, & intake for alcoholism and drug abuse. Family programs are also offered. Interpreted AA meetings are available in inpatient treatment program. Financial arrangements include self-pay; sliding fee scale; SSI/SSD; Medicaid; Medicare; and private insurances.

The John L. Norris Addiction Treatment Center operates a 44-bed, inpatient, addiction treatment program 24 hours a day, every day of the year. The purpose of the center is to help those people addicted to alcohol experience a comfortable living environment free from alcohol and drugs; bring about a change in those individuals and a solid basis for sobriety. The John L. Norris ATC has been serving New York State for more than 25 years. The center is located in Rochester, NY and is operated by the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services. It has specially trained staff and programs to help deaf and hard of hearing people with alcohol and/or drug problems.

The John L. Norris ATC is proud to offer the only inpatient program for the treatment of deaf and hearing impaired persons in New York State and is one of the only six programs in the United States. Seven beds are allocated for this population. The length of stay for

this population is slightly longer than the average length of stay for hearing patients. Counseling staff is fluent in American Sign Language (ASL). Interpreting Staff are Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) certified. Treatment features include: group and individual therapy, educational lectures and movies, self help meetings, and recreational therapy.

Name: The Minnesota Chemical Dependency Program for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Individuals

Address: Fairview Hospital
2450 Riverside Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55454

Phone: (800) 282-3323 TTY/Voice

Fax: (612) 273-4516

Email: Deafhoh1@fairview.org

Website: www.mncddeaf.org

Description: The Minnesota Chemical Dependency Program for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Individuals (MCDPDHHI) is an inpatient chemical dependency program located at Fairview Hospital. MCDPDHHI is a specialized program designed to meet the communication and cultural needs of deaf and hard of hearing persons in chemical dependency treatment. The MCDPDHHI is comprised of a highly trained staff who provide a full range of treatment services. Staff is fluent in sign language as well as knowledgeable about and sensitive to Deaf Culture. Program offerings include individual and group therapy, school programming, lectures, occupational therapy, spirituality group, recreational therapy, grief group, men's/women's groups, participation in Twelve Step groups, comprehensive assessment services and aftercare planning. As a part of a major metropolitan medical center, the Program also offers a full range of physical and mental health services. The video tapes are signed, voiced and open captioned. Step work is often modified to meet the individual learning capacity of the client. All treatment assignments are specifically developed to meet the needs of persons who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. The majority of our clients use American Sign Language (ASL) as their preferred mode of communication. Sign language interpreters are available for clients preferring signed English, oral, or for those clients that are Deaf - Blind. Assistive listening devices are also available for client use. Clients are accepted from outside of Minnesota. Various funding sources are accepted.

Name: National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI)

Address: P O Box 2345
Rockville, MD 20847-2345

Phone: (800) 487-4889 TTY
(800) 788-2800 Voice

Name: Sober Camp

Address: Lisette Weiland (for info about Sober Camp)
Signs of Sobriety, Inc.

100 Scotch Road, 2nd Floor
Ewing, NJ 08530

Phone: (609) 882-7177 TTY- Signs of Sobriety
(609) 882-7677 Voice – Signs of Sobriety

Fax: (609) 882-6808

Email: lweiland@signsofsobriety.org

Website: www.signsofsobriety.org

Description: Sober Camp returns to Camp Mark Seven (CM7) in Old Forge New York once again! Signs of Sobriety, Inc. and SAISD are collaborating to coordinate an exciting retreat for people who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing in recovery from substance abuse and their families. Sobriety maintenance focused activities for the week will include fun outdoor recreation, team building games, family/relationship bonding, 12 Step meetings and more. This is an event not to be missed. Attending Sober Camp requires that you be at least 30 days sober/clean time (no drug or alcohol use for at least 30 days) and deaf or hard of hearing. Hearing family members or spouses may attend as a guest.

Name: Substance and Alcohol Intervention Services for the Deaf (SAISD)

Address: Rochester Institute of Technology
August Center
115 Lomb Memorial Drive
Rochester, NY 14623-5608

Phone: (716) 475-4978 TTY/Voice
(Has Adaptable 24-Hour Answering Machine)

Fax: (716) 475-7375

Email: wmdgrl@rit.edu

Website: www.rit.edu/SA/coun/SAISD SAISD website
http://www.rit.edu/~257www/national_directory/nat.directory.htm
(National Directory of Alcohol and Drugs Prevention/Treatment Programs Accessible to the Deaf)

Description: Provides confidential services for people who want to break free of drinking or drugs or want to help a deaf/hard-of-hearing person do it. SAISD provides resources for: Deaf and hard-of-hearing people, their families and friends, and professionals who work with deaf substance abusers. Services include education, resources, tips, meetings, support groups, communication, information/referral, prevention, and aftercare follow-up information. Services are free. Website provides links to resources, National Directory of Alcohol and Drugs Prevention/Treatment Programs Accessible to the Deaf, and tips for professionals, families, friends, and deaf/hard-of-hearing people who want to learn how to live a sober lifestyle.

12 Step Meetings

Sign Language Interpreted 12 Step Meetings are available for deaf and hard of hearing individuals in recovery from drug/alcohol addiction. Please spread the word because meetings may stop providing interpreters if deaf or hard of hearing individuals do not attend. This list is of meetings I am aware of that have access to deaf/hard of hearing individuals. If there are others not listed, please send them to **Keven Poore at kpoore@nysd.org**. The meetings are not sponsored by NYSD - this is a courtesy announcement for those who are struggling with drugs and alcohol.

Tuesday: Deaf Road To Recovery (AA), 5 to 6 p.m. at New York Society for the Deaf, 161 William St., 11th Floor, NYC - (Between Ann and Beekman Sts). (Conducted in Sign Language - No interpreter).

Wednesday: Oxford Group (AA), 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., at Church of St. Matthew and St. Timothy, 26 West 84th St. Basement (Between Columbus Ave and Central Park West)

Thursday: Open Discussion Meeting (NA), 5 to 6 p.m. at New York Society for the Deaf, 161 William St., 11th Floor, NYC - (Between Ann and Beekman Sts). (Conducted in Sign Language - No interpreter).

Friday: Soho Group (AA), 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Beginners Meeting at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 114 Houston Street (At Sullivan St.) Basement

Saturday: Fireside (AA), 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Step Meeting, St. Paul's Church, 9th ave & 59th St.

Williston Park (AA), 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. (**1st Saturday of the month**) 505, Willis Ave., Willis, NY (**on L.I.**)

Sunday: High Noon (AA) 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Open Discussion meeting, Gay/Lesbian Comm. Center, 208 W. 13th St. (between 7th and 8th Aves).

Bayside Serenity (AA), 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. **1st and 3rd sunday of the month**, Open discussion meeting, Redeemer Lutheran School, Bell Boulevard & 36th Ave, **Bayside, Queens**

Excellent Resources Websites

American Self-Help Group Clearinghouse

www.mentalhelp.net/selfhelp

A keyword-searchable database of over 1,100 national, international, model and online self-help support groups for addictions, bereavement, health, mental health, disabilities, abuse, parenting, caregiver concerns and other stressful life situations. Also lists local self-help clearinghouses worldwide, research studies, information on starting face-to-face and online groups, and a registry for persons interested in starting national or international self-help groups. Also offers link to Selfhelp Telephone Numbers Listing with national hotlines for numerous resources.

College and Career Programs for Deaf Students

<http://gri.gallaudet.edu/colleges.html>

This is a guide to most U.S. and Canadian colleges that offer special postsecondary programs or services for students who are deaf and hard of hearing. It describes many of the programs available, listing career areas of study and special services. It is jointly produced by Gallaudet University and the National Technical Institute for the Deaf. Information covers over 100 postsecondary programs in the United States, alphabetized program listings by state, information about admissions, enrollment, costs, and support services available, an informative question and answer section for students, and a listing of major areas of study and degrees offered by the institutions.

Deaf Resource Library

www.deaflibrary.org

- National/State Organizations of the Deaf
- Deaf Culture / Cultural Deaf WWW Pages
- Schools and Universities for the Deaf (U.S.)
- Organizations of/for the Deaf
- Deaf/ASL Clubs
- Other Deaf WWW Resources
- Linguistics / Sociolinguistics of ASL
- Deaf Kids and their Parents
- Churches/Ministries/Synagogues of the Deaf, for the Deaf
- Deaf Gays, Lesbians, and Bisexuals
- Interpreting
- Captioning
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Technological Innovations / Educational Software for the Deaf
- TTY Modem Software
- News articles re: the Deaf community
- Resources for the Hard of Hearing and Late Deafened
- Deaf Info on Commercial Information Services (Compuserve, etc.)
- Gopher sites and FTP resources for the Deaf
- Deaf Mailing Lists, Newsgroups, and Online Magazines
- Home pages of members of the Deaf community
- Deaf Owned Businesses

Helpful Tips Sheets from Substance and Alcohol Intervention Services for the Deaf

www.rit.edu/~257www/tips/index.htm

- Tips for Counseling Deaf Clients with an Interpreter
- Tips for Deafness and Chemical Dependency: A Paper
- Tips for Communicating with Deaf People: A Primer

Info to Go - Laurent Clerc National Deaf Education Center at Gallaudet University

<http://clerccenter.gallaudet.edu/InfoToGo/index.html>

- Info to Go (formerly the National Deaf Education Network and Clearinghouse), is a centralized source of accurate and objective information on topics dealing with deafness and hearing loss in children and young people under 21 years of age.

(202) 651-5051

(202) 651-5052 TTY

(202) 651-5054 FAX

Clearinghouse.Infotogo@gallaudet.edu

- Frequently asked questions about deafness/hearing loss
- Assistive Devices & hearing Aids
- Career & Employment
- Communication & Sign Language
- Education
- Especially for Children & their Teachers
- Especially for Parents
- For & About Deaf & Hard of Hearing People
- Gallaudet University
- Health & Mental Health
- Legal Focus
- Publications of Special Interest

New York City Metro RID

www.nycmetrorid.org/laws.htm

- Laws pertaining to the provision of Sign Language Interpreters

National Association of the Deaf Information Center

<http://nad.org/infocenter>

NADInfo@nad.org

- American Sign Language
- Deaf Culture & Community
- Education & Employment
- Emergency Information
- Mental Health
- Parents, Family, & Friends
- Technology
- Legal Rights
 - Captioning
 - Health Care
 - Businesses & Places of Accommodation
 - Job Discrimination
 - Settlement Agreements
 - Emergencies
 - Government Agencies
 - Education
 - Housing
 - Courts – Local, State, & Federal
 - Police
 - Prisons
 - Social Security Administration

National Black Deaf Advocates Resources & Links

www.nbda.org/resources.html

- Associations, Organizations & Resource Centers
- Deaf Culture/American Sign Language
- Disability Rights Laws
- Government
- Internet Disability Job Boards
- Learning Resources
- Emergency Preparedness for People with Disabilities

National Information Center on Deafness - Gallaudet University

www.gallaudet.edu/~nicd

National Institute on Deafness & Other Communication Disorders Info Clearinghouse

www.nih.gov/nidcd

PEPNet Resource Center – Postsecondary Education Programs Network

<http://prc/csun.edu/Content/Links.asp>

<http://www.pepnet.org/>

PEPNet is the national collaboration of the four regional postsecondary education centers for individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing. The centers are supported by contracts with OSERS. The goal of PEPNet is to assist postsecondary institutions across the nation in attracting and effectively serving individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing.

- American Sign Language
- Audiology
- Black Deaf
- Camps
- Captions
- Career/Employment
- Catalogs
- Cochlear Implants
- Communication
- Conferences/Festivals/Events
- Cued Speech
- Deaf Abuse
- Deaf-Blind
- Deaf Hispanics
- Deaf Minority
- Deafness
- Deaf sports
- Deaf women
- Education
- Entertainment
- Financial
- Government
- Health
- Hearing Dogs
- History
- International Sign Language
- Interpreting
- Law
- Literature/Poems
- Mental Health
- News
- Organizations
- Publications
- Resources
- Religion
- Schools for the Deaf (Residential)
- Senior Citizens
- Statistics
- Technology
- Travels

Resources for Black Deaf People – Deaf Web Washington

www.deafweb.org/blackdef.htm

SATIRN V[®] Hosted by Office of Advocate for Persons with Disabilities

www.oapwd.org/satirn through www.advoc4disabled.state.ny.us

Self Advocacy Training Information Referral Network: SATIRN V is a comprehensive information and referral database system of programs and services. It was custom designed by the NYS Office of Advocate for Persons with Disabilities 15 years ago to assist our Information and Referral staff in helping people with disabilities, their families, advocates and service providers. Although originally designed for internal use, it soon came to be a valuable resource for other State and community agencies. The system has been modified several times and has just been released in an interactive web based format. The database is available to anyone with access to the Internet at no charge.

The office asks individuals who know of specific services out there for persons with disabilities to contact them with the information so that resources can be added to their existing resources on SATIRN.

University of Arkansas Rehabilitation Research and Training Center for Persons who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing (RT-31)

www.uark.edu/depts/rehabres/EMPLOYMENT

- Employment
- General Information on Deafness
- Postsecondary Education
- Professional and Consumer Organizations
- Rehabilitation