

South Dakota Adult Services/Resources

If an agency is going to be paying for or providing services during the IEP timeframe, that agency needs to be invited to the IEP meeting. Prior to inviting the agency, written parental consent must be received from parent or student, if he/she has reached age of majority.

_____ **Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS)**. DRS funds the “Project Skills” program, a paid work experience program available for students age 16 and older who qualify. DRS assists individuals with physical or mental disabilities to obtain employment and live independently. Services may include counseling, training, job placement and more. <http://dhs.sd.gov/rehabservices> 605-773-3195

_____ **Service to the Blind and Visually Impaired (SBVI)**. SBVI offers services to individuals who have blindness or a visual impairment. Services include: adjustment to blindness training, rehabilitation counseling, assistance in finding and keeping a job, tools and supplies needed to reach goals, vocational training, post-secondary preparation, assistive technology, and more.

<https://dhs.sd.gov/servicetothblind/default.aspx> 605-773-4644

_____ **Social Security Administration (SSA)**. Manages two different disability programs – SSDI and SSI. Both programs provide a monthly income for people with disabilities, but the rules that affect eligibility for them are different. www.ssa.gov Aberdeen Office 855-278-4196, Sioux Falls Office 605-330-4334, Huron Office 800-568-1952, Rapid City Office 605-342-1819, Watertown Office 605-886-8284, Yankton 605-665-6801, or 800-772-1213

_____ **SD Benefits Specialist Network**. Regional Benefits Specialists provide SSI and SSDI beneficiaries with access to benefits planning and assistance services.

<https://bsnsd.org/contact/> BHSSC – 605-224-6287

_____ **Centers for Independent Living**. Staff at several Centers located throughout the state could assist in these areas: housing, community resources, independent living skills, peer support, employment, self-advocacy, personal safety, individual sights, and attendant management. Centers have branch offices throughout SD. <http://dhs.sd.gov/rehabservices/il.aspx>

_____ **Mental Health Centers**. Located at several locations around the state, these centers provide a full range of mental health services including emergency care, evaluations, case management, consultation, and outpatient care. <http://dss.sd.gov/behavioralhealth/community/mentalhealth.aspx>

_____ **Department of Labor & Regulations (DLR)**. With offices statewide, DLR provides employment services and workforce training for job seekers. <http://dlr.sd.gov/localoffices/default.aspx>

_____ **SD Parent Connection**. Connects families caring for children (birth – 26 yr) with the full range of disabilities or special health care needs to information, training and resources in an environment of support, hope and respect. www.sdparent.org 800-640-4553 or 605-361-3171

_____ **Disability Rights South Dakota (formerly SD Advocacy)**. DRSD provides services such as information and referral, advocates, client assistance program for adults with disabilities, self-advocacy training and more. www.drSDLaw.org 800-658-4872 or 605-224-8294

Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD). DDD programs support people to participate in the communities of their choice. Service options include Family Support 360, Strengthening Families, Respite Care, and CHOICES waiver programs. For questions or to learn more about DDD services, call the Intake Specialist at Dakota at Home 1-833-663-9673, press Option 2.

To find DDD Community Support Providers, Case Management Providers, or Family Support Providers, go to: <https://dhs.sd.gov/developmentaldisabilities/csplist.aspx>

Community Support Providers (CSP). CSP's are located throughout the state and provide day and/or residential services to individuals with developmental disabilities, primarily age 16 and older. Services include community living training, home/community based services, follow-along services, pre-vocational and vocational training. <http://dhs.sd.gov/developmentaldisabilities/csp.aspx>

Family Support 360 Program. Family Support 360 serves people with developmental disabilities. This program assists participants and their families in getting the services they need to live as independently as possible in the community.

<http://dhs.sd.gov/developmentaldisabilities/familysupport360.aspx> 800-265-9684

Post-Secondary Schools. Post-secondary education can be pursued through avenues such as public or private colleges, universities, community colleges, technical colleges, and business and traditional schools. Post-secondary schools have staff specifically assigned to counsel students with disabilities. www.tslp.org , click on Post-Secondary Education tab for Disability Services staff listing.

Assistive Technology. DakotaLink has four centers around the state that can provide assistance to individuals of all ages to help locate, acquire and use the latest available assistive devices that best meet the need to maintain independence at home, work, classroom or in leisure activities.

<https://www.dakotalink.net/> Sturgis 605-347-4467, Aberdeen 605-380-9790,

Sioux Falls 605-334-9099, Brookings 605-692-7275, Rapid City 800-645-0673 or 605-394-6742

Legal Guardianship. The S.D. Guardianship Program provides professional guardianship, conservatorship, and related protective services for adults with disabilities. Other services include consultation, estate planning assistance, information/resources, future planning, and trustee services.

<http://dhs.sd.gov/guardianship/default.aspx> 800-265-9684 or 605-773-5990

Job Corps Program. Job Corps is a free education and training program that helps young people learn a career, earn a high school diploma or GED, and find and keep a good job. For eligible young people at least 16 years of age that qualify as low income, Job Corps provides the all-around skills needed to succeed in a career and in life. <http://www.jobcorps.gov/home.aspx> 800-733-5627

Communication Services for the Deaf (CSD). CSD serves deaf and hard-of-hearing people in South Dakota. Services provided include interpreting, advocacy and consultation, employment services, communication equipment, independent living, mentoring and more. www.c-s-d.org

1-800-642-6410 (Voice) or 1-866-273-3323 (TTY)



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