

## ***South Dakota Adult Services/Resources***

If an agency is going to be paying for or providing services during the IEP timeframe, that agency should 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).** Assists eligible individuals with physical or mental disabilities to obtain and maintain employment. Services may include guidance & counseling, Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS), training, job placement and more. DRS funds the “Project Skills” program, a paid work experience program available for students ages 16 and older who qualify. <http://dhs.sd.gov/rehabservices> 605-773-3195

\_\_\_\_\_ **Service to the Blind and Visually Impaired (SBVI).** Offers services to individuals who have blindness or a visual impairment. Services may 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/servicetotheblind/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](http://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: information & referral, home modifications or telecommunication adaptive devices, community & assistive daily living services, independent living skills, peer support, advocacy, and more. Centers have branch offices throughout SD. <https://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 (Job Service) offers a variety of career assessments, employment services and workforce training for job seekers. They can provide job leads and help with job applications and employer contacts. Career Launch is a new outreach program for students. <https://dlr.sd.gov/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](http://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](http://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**. Serves people with developmental disabilities by assisting 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](http://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**. 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> 605-275-4611

\_\_\_\_\_ **Communication Services for the Deaf (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](http://www.c-s-d.org)  
1-800-642-6410 (Voice) or 1-866-273-3323 (TTY)

