

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).** Assists eligible individuals with physical or mental disabilities to obtain employment 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.

<https://dhs.sd.gov/en/rehabilitation-services> 605-773-3195

_____ **Service to the Blind and Visually Impaired (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/en/sbvi> 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 800-772-1213 or local offices

Aberdeen Office 855-278-4196; Huron Office 866-563-4604; Rapid City Office 866-964-7416; Sioux Falls Office 877-274-5421; Watertown Office 888-737-1763, Yankton Office 877-405-3522

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

<https://www.bsnsd.org/>

_____ **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 living services, independent living skills, peer support, advocacy, and more. Centers have branch offices throughout SD. <https://dhs.sd.gov/en/rehabilitation-services/independent-living-services-for-adults-with-disabilities>

_____ **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.

<https://dss.sd.gov/behavioralhealth/services.aspx>

_____ **Department of Labor & Regulations (DLR).** With offices statewide, DLR 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. Work-based learning guides for students, parents, educators and counselors.

<http://dlr.sd.gov/localoffices/default.aspx>

_____ **SD Parent Connection.** Connects families caring for children (birth – 26 years) 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.drdsd.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. The two Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) waiver programs that DDD operates are Family Support 360 and CHOICES. For questions or to learn more about DDD services, call the **Intake Specialist at Dakota at Home 1-833-663-9673, Option 2.**

<https://dhs.sd.gov/en/division-developmental-disabilities>

_____ **Community, Hope, Opportunity, Independence, Careers, Empowerment, Success (CHOICES)** CHOICES is a program with several services for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. CHOICES also includes case management and direct services through Community Support Providers (CSPs). **Call Dakota at Home: 833-663-9637 Option 2**

<https://dhs.sd.gov/en/division-developmental-disabilities/choices-waiver>

_____ **Family Support 360 Program.** Family Support 360 helps people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families get the services they need to live in their own home and community as independently as possible. **Call Dakota at Home: 833-663-9637 Option 2**

<https://dhs.sd.gov/en/division-developmental-disabilities/family-support-360>

_____ **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. To see Post Secondary Disability Services staff listing, click here: <https://tslp.org/post-secondary-education/>

_____ **Assistive Technology.** DakotaLink has four centers around the state that can assist 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/> **800-645-0673 or Aberdeen 605-380-9790, Sioux Falls 605-334-9099, Brookings 605-690-5348, Rapid City 605-394-6742**

_____ **Legal Guardianship.** The S.D. Guardianship Program offers guardianship services for adults who do not have anyone else to serve in this role. **605-773-5990**

<https://dhs.sd.gov/en/learn-about-establishing-guardianship/guardianship-program>

_____ **Guardianship – Financial Assistance.** The Establishment Program offers financial help to set up a private guardianship. The guardianship must be for an adult who lives in South Dakota. **605-773-5990**

<https://dhs.sd.gov/en/learn-about-establishing-guardianship/financial-assistance-to-become-a-guardian-for-a-vulnerable-adult>

_____ **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. <https://www.jobcorps.gov/about> **800-733-5627**

_____ **SD Deaf Resources & Outreach Programs (SD DROP), formerly CSD.** Services provided include information referral, peer support, employment services, communication assistance, community integration skills training and more. Offices in Sioux Falls, Rapid City, and Aberdeen. <https://sddrop.org/> **866-246-5759**

