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#### **United States Representatives**

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#### **Governor**

Honorable Sonny Perdue  
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#### **Official State Web Site**

Web: [www.georgia.gov](http://www.georgia.gov)

#### **State Department of Education: Special Education**

Marlene Bryar, Director  
Division for Exceptional Students  
Georgia Department of Education  
1870 Twin Towers East  
Atlanta, GA 30334-9048  
(404) 656-3963  
Web: [www.doe.k12.ga.us/](http://www.doe.k12.ga.us/)

**State Coordinator for NCLB (No Child Left Behind)**

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**Programs for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities: Ages Birth through 3**

Stephanie Moss, Program Manager  
Babies Can't Wait Program  
Division of Public Health  
Department of Human Resources  
2 Peachtree Street, 11.217  
Atlanta, GA 30303-3186  
(404) 657-2726; (888) 651-8224  
E-mail: [skmoss@dhr.state.ga.us](mailto:skmoss@dhr.state.ga.us)  
Web: [www.health.state.ga.us/programs/bcw](http://www.health.state.ga.us/programs/bcw)

**Programs for Children with Disabilities: Ages 3 through 7**

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**State Vocational Rehabilitation Agency**

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Georgia Department of Labor  
1700 Century Circle, Suite 300  
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Web: [www.vocrehabga.org](http://www.vocrehabga.org)

**Coordinator for Transition Services**

Contact Vocational Rehabilitation Agency listed above.

**Office of State Coordinator of Vocational Education for Students with Disabilities**

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**State Mental Health Agency**

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Division of Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities and Addictive Diseases  
Department of Human Resources  
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Web: [www2.state.ga.us/departments/dhr/mhmrsa/index.html](http://www2.state.ga.us/departments/dhr/mhmrsa/index.html)

**State Mental Retardation Program**

Steve Hall, Director  
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Division of Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities and Addictive Diseases  
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Atlanta, GA 30303-3142  
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Web: [www2.state.ga.us/departments/dhr/mhmrsa/index.html](http://www2.state.ga.us/departments/dhr/mhmrsa/index.html)

**Councils on Developmental Disabilities**

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Web: [www.gcdd.org](http://www.gcdd.org)

**Protection and Advocacy Agency**

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Georgia Advocacy Office, Inc.  
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Decatur, GA 30030  
(404) 885-1234 (V/TTY); (800) 537-2329 (in GA only)  
E-mail: [info@thegao.org](mailto:info@thegao.org)  
Web: <http://www.thegao.org>

**Client Assistance Program**

Georgia Client Assistance Program  
123 N. McDonough Street  
Decatur, GA 30030  
(404) 373-2040 (V/TTY); (800) 822-9727 (in GA only)  
Web: [www.vocrehabga.org/lev3j.html](http://www.vocrehabga.org/lev3j.html)

**Programs for Children with Special Health Care Needs**

Helen Dulock, Acting Teamleader  
Office of Children with Special Needs  
Department of Human Resources  
Department of Public Health, Family Health Branch  
2 Peachtree Street, N.W., 11-227  
Atlanta, GA 30303  
(404) 657-4857; (888) 651-8224  
Web: [www.health.state.ga.us/programs](http://www.health.state.ga.us/programs)

**State CHIP Program**

*(health care for low-income uninsured children)*  
PeachCare for Kids  
P.O. Box 2583  
Atlanta, GA 30301-2583  
(877) 427-3224  
Web: [www.peachcare.org](http://www.peachcare.org)  
Web: [www.communityhealth.state.ga.us](http://www.communityhealth.state.ga.us)

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

Jennifer Whitcomb, Executive Director  
Georgia Council for the Hearing Impaired, Inc.  
4151 Memorial Drive, Suite 103-B  
Decatur, GA 30032  
(404) 292-5312; (800) 541-0710 (V/TTY)  
Web: [www.gachi.org](http://www.gachi.org)

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

(800) 255-0135 (V)  
(800) 255-0056 (TTY); 711 (TTY)  
(800) 229-5746 (Speech to Speech-English)  
(866) 260-9470 (Speech to Speech-Spanish)

**Programs for Children and Youth who are Blind or Visually Impaired, Deaf or Hard of Hearing, or Deaf-Blind**

Dr. Kathy Heller, Project Director  
Georgia Sensory Assistance Project

Georgia State University  
Department of Educational Psychology and Special Education (EPSE)  
P.O. Box 3979  
Atlanta, GA 30302-3979  
(404) 651-1262; (800) 597-2356 (V/TTY)  
E-mail: [spekwh@langate.gsu.edu](mailto:spekwh@langate.gsu.edu)  
Web: <http://education.gsu.edu/georgiadeafblindproj>

**State Education Agency Rural Representative**

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Division for Exceptional Students  
Georgia Department of Education  
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Atlanta, GA 30334-9048  
(404) 656-3963  
Web: [www.doe.k12.ga.us](http://www.doe.k12.ga.us)

**Regional ADA & IT Technical Assistance Center**

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Center for Assistive Technology and Environmental Access  
Georgia Tech  
490 10th Street  
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(404) 385-0636; (800) 949-4232 (V/TTY)  
E-mail: [sedbtac@coa.gatech.edu](mailto:sedbtac@coa.gatech.edu)  
Web: [www.sedbtac.org](http://www.sedbtac.org)

**University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities**

Zolinda Stoneman, Director  
Institute on Human Development and Disability  
Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research, and Service  
The University of Georgia  
850 College Station Road  
Athens, GA 30602-4806  
(706) 542-3457  
Web: [www.ihdd.uga.edu](http://www.ihdd.uga.edu)

**Technology-Related Assistance**

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Tools for Life, Georgia Assistive Technology Project  
Vocational Rehabilitation Program  
Georgia Department of Labor  
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Atlanta, GA 30345  
(404) 638-0384; (800) 497-8665  
(404) 486-6333 (TTY)  
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Web: [www.gatfl.org](http://www.gatfl.org)

**State Mediation System**

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### **Special Format Library**

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E-mail: [scone@georgialibraries.org](mailto:scone@georgialibraries.org)  
Web: [www.georgialibraries.org](http://www.georgialibraries.org)

## ***Disability-Specific Organizations***

### **Attention Deficit Disorder**

To identify an ADD group in your state or locality, contact either:

Kim McIntosh, Coordinator  
Cherokee/Cobb County, North Atlanta & Central Georgia CHADD  
350 Weatherstone Place  
Woodstock, GA 30188  
(770) 517-6963  
E-mail: [NorthAtlantaCHADD@yahoo.com](mailto:NorthAtlantaCHADD@yahoo.com)  
Web: [www.chaddonline.org/chapters/chadd108.html](http://www.chaddonline.org/chapters/chadd108.html)

Attention Deficit Disorder Association (ADDA)  
P.O. Box 543  
Pottstown, PA 19464  
(484) 945-2101  
Web: [www.add.org](http://www.add.org)

### **Autism**

To identify an autism group in your state, contact:  
Autism Society of America  
7910 Woodmont Avenue, Suite 300  
Bethesda, MD 20814  
(301) 657-0881; (800) 3-AUTISM  
Web: [www.autism-society.org](http://www.autism-society.org)

### **Blind/Visual Impairments**

Frances Mary D'Andrea, Director  
American Foundation for the Blind-National Literacy Center  
100 Peachtree Street, Suite 620  
Atlanta, GA 30303  
(404) 525-2303  
E-mail: [literacy@afb.net](mailto:literacy@afb.net)

E-mail: [atlanta@afb.net](mailto:atlanta@afb.net)

Web: [www.afb.org](http://www.afb.org)

### **Brain Injury**

Mary V. Sloan, Executive Director

Brain Injury Resource Foundation

1841 Montreal Road, Suite 220

Tucker, GA 30084

(678) 937-1555; (888) 334-2424

E-mail: [info@birf.info](mailto:info@birf.info)

Web: [www.birf.info](http://www.birf.info)

### **Cerebral Palsy**

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3300 Northeast Expressway, Building #9

Atlanta, GA 30341

(770) 676-2000

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### **Down Syndrome**

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Atlanta, GA 30339

(404) 320-3233

Web: [www.down-syndrome-atlanta.org](http://www.down-syndrome-atlanta.org)

### **Epilepsy**

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### **Learning Disabilities**

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Web: [www.gpsn.org](http://www.gpsn.org)

### **Mental Retardation and Related Developmental Disabilities**

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Atlanta, GA 30345  
(404) 634-5512  
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### **Speech and Hearing**

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Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association  
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Owings Mills, MD 21117  
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### **Special Health Care Needs**

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Tucker, GA 30084  
(770) 256-2988  
E-mail: [beammeupbaby@earthlink.net](mailto:beammeupbaby@earthlink.net)  
Web: [www.familyvoices.org](http://www.familyvoices.org)

### **Spina Bifida**

William E. Turnipseed, President



Spina Bifida Association of Georgia, Inc.  
1448 B McLendon Drive  
Decatur, GA 30033  
(770) 939-1044  
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### ***Organizations Especially for Parents***

#### **Linda Shepard, Executive Director**

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Douglasville, GA 30135  
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Web: [www.peppinc.org](http://www.peppinc.org)

#### **Parent-To-Parent**

Parent to Parent of Georgia, Inc.  
3805 Presidential Parkway, Suite 207  
Atlanta, GA 30340  
(770) 451-5484; (800) 229-2038  
E-mail: [info@parenttoparentofga.org](mailto:info@parenttoparentofga.org)  
Web: [www.parenttoparentofga.org](http://www.parenttoparentofga.org)

#### **Parent Teacher Association (PTA)**

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### ***Other Disability Organizations***

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Emory Regional Perinatal Center  
Developmental Continuity Program  
P.O. Box 26015  
80 Butler Street, S.E.  
Atlanta, GA 30335  
Web: <http://med.emory.edu/PEDIATRICS/NEONATOLOGY/DPC/index.htm>

### **Independent Living**

***To find out the contact information for the Statewide  
Independent Living Council (SILC) in your state, contact:***

Independent Living Research Utilization Project  
The Institute for Rehabilitation and Research  
2323 South Sheppard, Suite 1000  
Houston, TX 77019  
(713) 520-0232 (V); (713) 520-5136 (TTY)  
E-mail: [ilru@ilru.org](mailto:ilru@ilru.org)  
Web: [www.ilru.org](http://www.ilru.org)

***To find out the contact information for centers for  
independent living (CILs) in your state, contact:***

National Council on Independent Living  
1916 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 209  
Arlington, VA 22201

(703) 525-3406; (703) 525-4153 (TTY)

E-mail: [ncil@ncil.org](mailto:ncil@ncil.org)

Web: [www.ncil.org](http://www.ncil.org)

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