 

Community Resources for those With Disabilities or Special Needs

**Why is it so difficult to find what I need?**

Individuals with special health care needs in Oklahoma and their families have many resources at their fingertips, however, finding them can be a bit challenging. Once they begin their journey of educating themselves so they understand their disability or special health care need and the supports available to them, they can drive their own services versus waiting for someone else to tell them what is available.

The purpose of this document is to assist youth, families, schools and other providers to consider many possibilities for partnership with state and community resources which may encourage better outcomes including independence. By no means is this a complete list for Oklahoma, however, it is a good start.

**Assistive Technology**

* **DRS Resource Guide** [**http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch03/03-01.asp**](http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch03/03-01.asp)
* **Oklahoma Able Tech www.ok.gov/abletech/**
* **Oklahoma Assistive Technology Center** [**www.theoatc.org**](http://www.theoatc.org/)

**Developmental Disabilities and Special Health Care Needs Links**

* **DHS Children With Special Health Care Needs www.okdhs.org/programsandservices/health/**
* **DHS Developmental Disabilities Services Division** [**www.okdhs.org/programsandservices/docs/disabilities.htm**](http://www.okdhs.org/programsandservices/docs/disabilities.htm)
* **Independent Living & Rehabilitation www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch11/11.htm**
* **Oklahoma Governor’s Conference see www.okdhs.org**
* **Oklahoma Developmental Disabilities Council** [**www.okddc.ok.gov/**](http://www.okddc.ok.gov/)
* **Office of Disability Concerns** [**www.odc.ok.gov/**](http://www.odc.ok.gov/)
* **Special Olympics** [**www.sook.org/**](http://www.sook.org/)
* **TARC** [**www.ddadvocacy.net/**](http://www.ddadvocacy.net/)

**Disability Specific Resources Links**

* **Autism** [**www.okautism.org**](http://www.okautism.org)[**www.autismtulsa.org/**](http://www.autismtulsa.org/)
* **Blindness/Vision Impairment** [**www.afb.org**](http://www.afb.org) **http://www.library.state.ok.us/**
* **Brain Injury** [**www.braininjuryoklahoma.org**](http://www.braininjuryoklahoma.org/)[**www.okbtf.org**](http://www.okbtf.org/)
* **Cerebral Palsy and other Physical Disabilities www.ucpok.org/**
* **CHADD www.chadd.org**
* **Deaf/Hard of Hearing www.** **clerccenter.gallaudet.edu/**
  + [**www.agbell.org**](http://www.agbell.org/) **www.agbell.org/ok/**
* **Down Syndrome** [**www.dsaco.org/**](http://www.dsaco.org/) [**www.dsat.org**](http://www.dsat.org/)
  + [**www.ndsccenter.org/index.php**](http://www.ndsccenter.org/index.php)
* **Epilepsy** [**www.epilepsyfoundation.org**](http://www.epilepsyfoundation.org)
* **Learning Disabilities** [**www.ldao.org/**](http://www.ldao.org/)[**www.ldonline.org/**](http://www.ldonline.org/)
* **Specific Disability Resources www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch07/07-03.htm**

**Education Links**

* **Dept. of Rehabilitation Services (DRS) Education Specific Resources http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch02/02-01.asp**
* **Oklahoma Able Tech www.ok.gov/abletech/**
* **Oklahoma Assistive Technology Center** [**www.theoatc.org**](http://www.theoatc.org/)
* **Oklahoma Parents Center** [**www.oklahomaparentscenter.org**](http://www.oklahomaparentscenter.org)
* **Oklahoma Resolution Center www.ok.gov/abletech/Special\_Education\_Resolution\_Center**
* **Oklahoma State Department of Education** [**www.sde.state.ok.us**](http://www.sde.state.ok.us)
* **Special Schools & Programs DRS Resource Guide www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch02/02-02.asp**
* **Wrightslaw www.wrightslaw.com**

**Employment**

* **Dept. of Rehabilitative Services (DRS)** [**www.okrehab.org**](http://www.okrehab.org)
  + - **Training and Employment** [**http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch03/03-01.asp**](http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch03/03-01.asp)

**Evaluation**

* **Child Study Center** [**www.ouhsc.edu/body.cfm?id=561**](http://www.ouhsc.edu/body.cfm?id=561)
* **Today’s Therapy Solutions** [**www.todaystherapysolutions.com**](http://www.todaystherapysolutions.com)
* **Moore Counseling** [**www.moorecounselingcenter.com**](http://www.moorecounselingcenter.com)
* **Tulsa Developmental Pediatrics** [**www.tulsadevelopmental.com**](http://www.tulsadevelopmental.com)
* **Enid Counseling & Diag. Center** [**www.ecdcweb.com**](http://www.ecdcweb.com)
* **Calming Connections, Tahlequah/Sallisaw 918-453-1108**
* **OU Pediatrics, Sumner, Emerson, Hamilton 918-619-4300**

**Financial Assistance**

* **211** [**www.211oklahoma.org/**](http://www.211oklahoma.org/)
* **Catholic Charities** [**www.catholiccharitiestulsa.org/**](http://www.catholiccharitiestulsa.org/)[**www.catholiccharitiesok.org/index.php?id=10**](http://www.catholiccharitiesok.org/index.php?id=10)
* **Donna Nigh Foundation www.ok.gov/abletech/documents/Donna%20Nigh%20Foundation.pdf**
* **DRS Financial Assistance Guide** [**www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch04/04.htm**](http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch04/04.htm)
* **OASIS** [**www.oasis.ouhsc.edu/**](http://www.oasis.ouhsc.edu/)
* **Social Security** [**www.ssa.gov**](http://www.ssa.gov)
* **TEFRA** [**www.okhca.org**](http://www.okhca.org) **TEFRA Children Overview/Physician Assessment Form**
* **United Health Care Foundation** [**www.uhccf.org/**](http://www.uhccf.org/)

**Health, Mental Health, Dental, Pharmaceutical Assistance**

* **Children’s Behavioral Health Network** [**http://oklahomafamilynetwork.org/okfn/childrens-behavioral-health-network/**](http://oklahomafamilynetwork.org/okfn/childrens-behavioral-health-network/)
* **DRS Resource Guide** [**http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch05/05.htm**](http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch05/05.htm)
* **NAMI Oklahoma** [**http://www.namioklahoma.org/**](http://www.namioklahoma.org/)
* **OK Community Mental Health Centers** [**http://www.ok.gov/odmhsas/Mental\_Health\_/Community\_Mental\_Health\_Centers/Mental\_Health\_Centers\_by\_City/**](http://www.ok.gov/odmhsas/Mental_Health_/Community_Mental_Health_Centers/Mental_Health_Centers_by_City/)
* **OK Systems of Care** [**http://ok.gov/odmhsas/Mental\_Health\_/Children,\_Youth,\_and\_Family\_Services/Systems\_of\_Care/**](http://ok.gov/odmhsas/Mental_Health_/Children,_Youth,_and_Family_Services/Systems_of_Care/)
* **OK Family Network** [**www.oklahomafamilynetwork.org**](http://www.oklahomafamilynetwork.org)

**Housing Links**

* **DRS Resource Guide** [**www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch06/06.htm**](http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch06/06.htm)
* **Housing www.ohfa.org**
* **Independent Living Centers**
  + [**Progressive Independence, Inc.**](http://www.progind.org/) [**Oklahomans for Independent Living**](http://www.oilok.org/)[**r-mike-ward@sbcglobal.net**](mailto:r-mike-ward@sbcglobal.net)
  + [**jlhughes@progind.org**](mailto:jlhughes@progind.org) [**vhaws@gcilrc.org**](mailto:vhaws@gcilrc.org)[**clawson@ability-resources.org**](mailto:clawson@ability-resources.org)[**relston@ecok.edu**](mailto:relston@ecok.edu)[**gcooper@c-s-d.org**](http://us.mc832.mail.yahoo.com/mc/compose?to=gcooper@c-s-d.org)

**Information and Referral Links**

* **211** [**www.211oklahoma.org/**](http://www.211oklahoma.org/)
* **Hotlines & Toll-Free Resources** [**www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch07/07-01.asp**](http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch07/07-01.asp)
* **Information Clearing Houses www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch07/07-01.asp**
* **JOIN (Joint Oklahoma Information Network)** [**www.join.ok.gov/**](http://www.join.ok.gov/)
* **NAMI www.ok.nami.org**
* **OASIS www.oasis.ouhsc.edu/**
* **Oklahoma Family Network www.oklahomafamilynetwork.org**
* **Oklahoma Parents Center www.oklahomaparentscenter.org**
* **Oklahoma Parent e-Network www.okparentnetwork.org**
* **Sooner SUCCESS** [**www.ouhsc.edu/body.cfm?id=1517**](http://www.ouhsc.edu/body.cfm?id=1517)
* **Support www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch13/13.htm**

**Minority & Underserved Populations**

* **Catholic Charities** [**www.catholiccharitiesok.org/index.php?id=10**](http://www.catholiccharitiesok.org/index.php?id=10)[**http://www.catholiccharitiestulsa.org/**](http://www.catholiccharitiestulsa.org/)
* **Latino Community Development Agency** [**www.lcdaok.org/home/**](http://www.lcdaok.org/home/)
* **Native American Tribes** [**www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch09/09-01.asp**](http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch09/09-01.asp)[**http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch09/09-02.asp**](http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch09/09-02.asp)
* **Other Minority Populations** [**www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch09/09-03.asp**](http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch09/09-03.asp)
* **Tulsa Hispanic Resource Association www.hispanicresourceassociation.org/**

**Misc., Protection & Advocacy Links**

* **Legal Rights and Legal Assistance Resources www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch07/07-03.htm**
* **Office of Disability Concerns www.odc.ok.gov/**
* **Oklahoma Disability Law Center ODLC www.home.flash.net/~odlcokc/index.html**
* **Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy** [**www.oica.org**](http://www.oica.org)

**Personal Assistance & In-Home Services**

* **DRS Resource Guide** [**www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch10/10.htm**](http://www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch10/10.htm)
* **OK Respite Resource Network** [**www.oasis.ouhsc.edu/ORRN.asp**](http://www.oasis.ouhsc.edu/ORRN.asp)
* **Respite Overview** [**www.oklahomafamilynetwork.org**](http://www.oklahomafamilynetwork.org)

**Recreation**

* **Miracle League of Edmond** [**www.themiracleleagueofedmond.org**](http://www.themiracleleagueofedmond.org)
* **OFN Recreation Guide www.oklahomafamilynetwork.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=59&Itemid=55**
* **Special Olympics** [**www.sook.org/**](http://www.sook.org/)
* **Sports, Recreation & Travel www.okrehab.org/guide/Ch12/12.htm**
* **Tulsa Recreation Resource Guide** [**www.autismtulsa.org/index.cfm?d=42**](http://www.autismtulsa.org/index.cfm?d=42)

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