

Rankin County School District

Office of Special Services

Linkages for Post Secondary Goals

The following linkages provide specific agency recommendations to students and parents in achieving post secondary goals: vocational rehabilitation, mental health, home and community based service providers, day habilitation centers, recreational services and colleges.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services- Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

Robin Stricklin, District 6 Manager
Stephen Steed, MDRS Supported Employment Counselor
1032 Center Pointe Boulevard, Suite A
Pearl, Mississippi 39208
601-709-5600
rstricklin@mdrs.ms.gov

Rankin County Schools Transition Counselor

Renee Mayfield Shameka Holmes
MS Department of Rehabilitation Services
1032 Center Pointe Blvd. Suite A
Pearl, Mississippi 39208
601-709-5600

Ability Works, Inc.

Janice Berry, Facility Manager
Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services
3895 Beasley Road
Jackson, MS 39213
601-898-7077
jbarry@mdrs.ms.gov

EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

Pearl WIN Job Center

212 St Paul St
Pearl, MS 39208
(601) 321-5441
<http://mdes.ms.gov/i-need-a-job/applicant-services>

DISABILITY SERVICES BENEFITS

Mississippi Partners for Informed Choices

Office of Selected Social Security Services (Social Security Income & Social Security Disability Income)

Vicki Thornton, Director

P.O. Box 1698

Jackson, MS 39215

601-853-5315

vthornton@mdrs.state.ms.us

Office of Disability Social Security

JoAnn Summers, Director

100 W. Capitol St. Room 225

Jackson, MS 39269

1-800-772-1213

www.ssa.gov

Mississippi Division of Medicaid Enrollment/Eligibility

Evelyn May, Staff Officer II

550 High Street, Ste. #1000

Jackson, MS 39201

601-576-4110

601-359-6050

1-800-421-2408

www.medicaid.ms.gov

RANKIN COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Region 8 Mental Health, Rankin County

Richard McMullin, Administrator

613 Marquette Road

Brandon, MS 39042

601-825-8800

www.region8mhs.org

Dr. Sam Peden

DD Services Administrator

speden@region8mhs.org

STATE REGIONAL CENTER (MR/DD)

Hudspeth Regional Center

Sandra May, Community Services Director
Hwy 475 South
Pearl, MS 39208
601-664-6000
smay@hrc.state.ms.us

Diagnostic Services

Hudspeth Regional Center
Evan Bradford, Director
PO Box 127-B
Whitfield, MS 39193
601-664-6130
ebradford@hrc.state.ms.us

Hudspeth Supported Employment

Faye Jordan, Supported Employment Director
Hudspeth Regional Center
Highway 475 South
PO Box 127
Whitfield, MS 39193
601-664-6181
fjordan@hrc.state.ms.us

GENERAL INFORMATION

UNITED WAY

843 North President Street
Jackson, MS 39202
601-948-4725
601-361-0450
<http://211ms.com/>

LIFE

1304 Vine Street
Jackson, MS 39202
601-969-4009

HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED WAIVER SERVICES (HCBS)

The following are statewide programs administered by the Department of Mental Health, Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation, and Mississippi Division of Medicaid. These programs are designed to offer assistance to qualified Medicaid beneficiaries.

Intellectual Disability/Developmental Disability Waiver (ID/DD)

The Department of Mental Health operates the Home and Community Based Services Waiver for individuals who have intellectual and developmental disabilities (ID/DD Waiver). The purpose of this program is to provide services at home and in the community for people who would be eligible for services in an Intermediate Care Facility. Services could include but are not limited to: in-home respite, community respite, residential habilitation, day habilitation, and attendant care services. There are no age restrictions.

Mississippi Department of Mental Health

Ashley Lacoste, Director of Medicaid and Waiver Program
1101 Robert E. Lee Bldg.
239 North Lamar Street
Jackson, MS 39205
601-359-1288
ashley.lacoste@dmh.state.ms.us
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Independent Living Waiver

The Independent Living Waiver program was created to assist severely orthopedic and/or neurologically impaired individuals who, for the provision of personal care attendant services, would require the level of care provided in a nursing facility. Individuals in this waiver must be capable of directing their own care, possess rehabilitative potential and are not cognitively disabled. Services offered under this waiver are case management, transition assistance services, specialized medical supplies and equipment, and environmental accessibility adaptations. Beneficiaries must be 16 years of age or older.

**Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services
Office of Disability Programs**

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Keith King, District Manager
601-709-5657

Assisted Living Waiver

The Assisted Living Waiver provides services to individuals who, but for the provision of home and community-based services, would require placement in a nursing facility. Assisted living services can be provided in licensed personal care homes, community residential care facilities or in a congregate housing services program. These facilities must be licensed as an Assisted Living Facility by the State Department of Health. Beneficiaries enrolled in this waiver program must contribute to the facility for their own room and board. Medicaid will pay the facility a daily flat fee for a variety of services received in the facility. Beneficiaries must be 21 years of age or older. Services offered under this waiver include case management, personal care, homemaker services, chore services, attendant care, and skilled nursing services.

**Division of Medicaid
Bureau of Long Term Care**

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Walter Sillers Bldg.
Jackson, MS 39201
601-359-6697
601-359-6141
www.medicaid.ms.gov

Elderly and Disabled Waiver

The Elderly and Disabled Waiver program provides home and community-based services to individuals over the age of 21 who, but for the provision of such services, would required the level of care provided in a nursing facility. Beneficiaries must have a deficit in at least three Activities of Daily Living(ADL)- eating, toileting, bathing, personal hygiene, ambulation, transferring and/or dressing. Services offered under this waiver are case management, homemaker service, adult day services, expanded home health services, home delivered meals, escorted transportation and respite.

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Traumatic Brain Injury/Spinal Cord Injury Waiver

The TBI/SCI Waiver program was created to assist individuals who have a traumatic brain or spinal cord injury who, but for the provisions of such services, would require the level of care provided in a nursing facility. Persons must have trauma, from an outside source, of either the brain or spinal cord. Services offered under this waiver are case management, respite services, environmental accessibility adaptations, specialized medical equipment and supplies and attendant care services. There are no age restrictions.

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 Bureau of Long Term Care
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 Jackson, MS 39201
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DAY HABILITATION CENTERS**Willowood Developmental Center**

Curtis Alford, Executive Director
 Kim Oakes, Community Living Director
 Rusty Ferguson, Day Habilitation Director
 1635 Boling Street
 Jackson, MS 39047
 601-366-0123
rustyferguson@rocketmail.com
www.willowooddevelopmentalcenter.org

Mustard Seed

Elizabeth Gammill, Program Director
elizabeth@mustardseedinc.org
 1085 Luckney Road
 Brandon, MS 39047
 601-992-3556
www.mustardseedinc.org

Son Valley Community Center

Bob Fioretti, Program Director
 Joe Little, PreVocational Coordinator
 285-A Commerce Park Drive
 Ridgeland, MS 39157
 601-856-3200
www.sonvalley.net

Region 8 Day Habilitation Program

Dr. Sam Peden, Day Habilitation Director
103 South Lake Circle
Canton, MS 39046
601-859-8371
www.region8mhs.org
speden@region8mhs.org

INDEPENDENT LIVING/ ASSISTED LIVING/ RESIDENTIAL LIVING

Hudspeth Regional Center

Sandra May, Community Services Director
Hwy 475
Whitfield, MS 39193
601-664-6000
smay@hrc.state.ms.us

The Baddour Center

Parke Pepper, Executive Director
PO Box 97
3297 Hwy 51 South
Senatobia, MS 38668
1-888-422-3368
ppepper@baddour.org

Son Valley

Dr. Bill McCormack, Executive Director
Sergio A. Trejo, Program Director
461 Goodloe Road
Canton, MS 39046
601-859-2100
www.sonvalley.net

POST- SECONDARY EDUCATION

Mississippi Institute of Higher Learning

3825 Ridgewood Road

Jackson, MS 39211

601-432-6198

www.ihl.state.ms.us

www.mississippi.edu.com

Mississippi State University

ACCESS

Julie Capella, Director Student Support Services

PO Box 806

Mississippi State, MS 39762

662-325-3335

jcapella@saffairs.msstate.edu

www.sss.msstate.edu/access

Holmes Community College

Ridgeland Campus

Allison Deweese, Disability Support Service

412 W. Ridgeland Avenue

Ridgeland, MS 39157

601-605-3430

adeweese@holmescc.edu

www.holmes.cc.ms.us

Hinds Community College

Raymond Campus

Jamy Dickson, Disability Support Service

Mark Palmer, Counselor

505 E. Main Street

Raymond, MS 39154-97999

601-857-3646

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mapalmer@hindscc.edu

www.hindscc.edu

RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

Hope Hollow Summer and Holiday Day Camp

Deborah Edmonson, Director
PO Box 2247
Madison, MS 39130
601-506-6293
www.hopehollowms.org

Ridgeland Parks and Recreation

Top Soccer

Hoops Basketball

Wendy Bourdin, Coordinator
Cameron Arcemont
304 US Highway 51
Ridgeland, MS 39157-3918
601-853-2011
601-853-2008
cameron@topsoccer.com
www.ridgelandms.org

Parks & Recreation Richland

410 E Harper St
Richland, MS 39218-7506
601-420-3400

Parks & Recreation Florence

437 S Church St
Florence, MS 39073-9057
601-845-5858

Parks and Recreation Brandon

601-825-3047

Clinton Parks and Recreation

Challenger League Basketball

Challenger League Bowling

Challenger League Softball

Top Soccer

Chandra Fontenot, Special Services Coordinator
200 Soccer Row
Clinton, MS 39056
601-924-6082
cfontenot@clintonparksandrec.com

**Kamp Kaleidoscope Summer and Holiday Camp
TEAAM**

Dr. Mark H. Yeager
PO Box 37
Mize, MS 39116
601-733-0090
dryeager@TEAAM.org
takeaction@TEAAM.org
www.kampkaleidoscope.org

Broadmoor Baptist Church

Friday Night Friends
Karen Leggett
1531 Highland Colony Parkway
Madison, MS 39110
601-405-7365
601-898-2345
graceministries@broadmoor.org
www.broadmoor.org

Ridgecrest Baptist Church

Special Teens & Adults at Ridgecrest (STARS)
Parent's Night Out
Beth Bennett
7469 Old Canton Road
Madison, MS 39110
601-853-1090
www.rcbc.org

Pear Orchard Presbyterian Church

SONBEAMS Ministry
750 Pear Orchard Road
Ridgeland, MS 39157
601-956-3283
Dr. John and Martie Kwasny, Program Director
601-919-8605
www.pearorchard.org

