

Children & Down Syndrome

Early Identification and Intervention

Birth to Three Connections

<https://doe.sd.gov/birthto3/>

800-305-3064

Statewide early intervention services, at no cost, for children from birth to age three who have a disability or a developmental delay.

Education Services

Federal laws ensure that a child with a disability receives a free and appropriate public education.

- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) www.parentcenterhub.org/lg1/
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 www.pacer.org/parent/504/

LifeScape

www.lifescapesd.org

605-444-9500, Sioux Falls
605-791-7400, Rapid City

Evaluations, outpatient services, and trainings.

USD Sanford School of Medicine, Center for Disabilities

www.usd.edu/cd

605-357-1437, Sioux Falls

Clinics, evaluations, training, and services.

Family Support and Connection

New Directions Down Syndrome Association

<http://newdirectionsdsa.com/index.php>

605-610-8026, South Dakota, Iowa, and Minnesota
Information, events, resources, and support for families.

Independent Living Choices

www.ilcchoices.org

605-362-3550, 1-800-947-3770

Information and referral services, adaptive devices program, independent and community living services, and youth peer support and transition programs.

SD Parent Connection

www.sdparent.org

800-640-4553

Information, resources and support for families and professionals. Assists families and professionals to understand and navigate the special education process at no charge.

Ups of Downs Family Support Group

<https://upsofdowns.org>

605-348-1358, Rapid City

Provides educational, charitable, recreational, and social events for individuals with Down syndrome and their family and friends.

Western Resources for Independent Living

www.wrill.org

605-718-1930, 1-888-434-4943

Information and referral services, adaptive devices program, independent and community living services, and youth peer support and transition programs.

- Serves Pennington, Meade, Lawrence, Butte, Custer, Fall River, Stanley, Sully, Hughes, Jones, Lyman, Mellette, Tripp, Harding, Perkins, Haakon, and northern Jackson counties.

Financial Assistance Programs

Family Support 360 Program, SD Department of Human Services

<https://dhs.sd.gov/developmentaldisabilities/familysupport360.aspx>

Assists children with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families with service coordination, a wide array of services and potential access to Medicaid for the eligible child. Contact Family Support 360 providers directly to apply,

<https://dhs.sd.gov/docs/March%202020%20FS%20Providers%20List.pdf>

Strengthening Families Program

https://dhs.sd.gov/docs/SFS_application.pdf
800-265-9684

Assists families who have a child with a developmental disability, across the lifespan, living in the home. A flexible pool of limited funds is available to families, regardless of income, for assistance with unmet needs.

Medicaid, SD Department of Social Services

<https://dss.sd.gov/medicaid/recipients/>
877-999-5612, Eligibility 800-597-1603, Claim Insurance for low income children and youth.

Medicaid Non-Emergency Transport Assistance

<https://dss.sd.gov/medicaid/recipients/transportation.aspx>
866-403-1433

Medicaid recipients may receive transport assistance or reimbursement of travel expenses.

SD Council on Developmental Disabilities

<https://dhs.sd.gov/cdd.aspx>
A financial resource for families to assist with attending trainings and more.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for Children, Social Security Administration

www.ssa.gov/ssi
800-772-1213

SSI is a Federal income supplement program designed to help low income individuals who are aged, blind or have disabilities.

Additional Resources

American Academy of Pediatrics

www.aap.org

Information and resources for professionals.

American Academy of Pediatrics

www.healthychildren.org

Information and resources for families.

Down Syndrome Diagnosis Network

www.dsdiagnosisnetwork.org

Information and resources for families and professionals.

Down Syndrome Resource Foundation

www.dsrf.org/

Information and resources for families.

eParent

www.eparent.com

Information and resources for families.

National Down Syndrome Congress

www.ndscenter.org

800-232-NDSC (6372)

Information and resources for families.

National Down Syndrome Society

www.ndss.org

800-221-4602

Information and resources for families.

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Questions on where to start? SD Parent Connection is here to help! 800-640-4553 or sdpc@sdparent.org
If your family does not live in South Dakota, contact SD Parent Connection for information on resources in your state.