

Resources

Evaluation and Diagnosis

Children's National Medical Center

Center for Autism & Spectrum Disorders
Rockville, MD
301-738-8930
www.childrensnational.org

The Kennedy Krieger Institute

Center for Autism and Related Disorders
Baltimore, MD
443-923-9400
www.KennedyKrieger.org

William Stixrud, PH.D., & Associates

William Stixrud, PH.D., & Associates
8720 Georgia Avenue, Suite 300
Silver Spring, MD 20910
Fax: 301-565-2217
E-mail: wstixrud@stixrud.com
www.stixrud.com

Dr. Angela M. Bollich, Ph.D., CCC/SLP, Pediatric Neuropsychologist

Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders, Children's National Medical Center
Upper Marlboro Regional Outpatient Center
9440 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 210
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772
Phone: 301-297-4000
Appt. Line: 301-765-5432

Mount Washington Pediatric Hospital

410-578-8600
www.mwph.org

Direct Service Providers

Coordinated Movements, Inc.

OT, PT, and Speech and Language Services
29770 Three Notch Rd Charlotte Hall, MD 20622
(301) 290-0800
www.coordinatedmovements.com

Personalized Therapy, LLC

OT, PT, and Speech and Language Services
22593 Three Notch Rd, Rt. 235
California, MD 20619
Phone: (301) 862-2505
www.personalizedtherapyllc.com

Yvette M. McCoy, Owner

MS CCC/SLP, MD Licensed, ASHA Certified
41680 Miss Bessie Drive, Suite 304
Leonardtown, Maryland 20650
301-672-2148
info@SpeakWellSolutions.com
<http://www.speakwellsolutions.com/>

Theory-in-Motion

Offering the benefits of taiji, qigong, yoga, reflexology and speech & language therapy to adults and children alike.
10025 H.G. Trueman Road, Suite 105 (this is NOT our mailing address!)
Lusby, MD, 20657
Contact Therrien Sifu at (301)481-3390,
or taijiguy@md.metrocast.net

The Autism Project

North Beach, MD 20714
United States
See map: [Google Maps](#)
410 286 8240
Contact Name:
Angel Gaither
Contact Email:
theautismproject@cs.com
<http://www.theautismproject.info>

The Autism Project, Inc. is a non-profit 501c3 organization serving children and families on the Autism spectrum in surrounding counties. Our Director, Angela Gaither-Parker advocates for children and their families throughout the state of Maryland. TAPI offers Individual, Therapeutic Integration and Family Services for Individuals on the Autism spectrum. Our Mission is to educate, advocate for and empower individuals on the Autism Spectrum, their families, and communities.

Dr. Aimee Alinsonorin-D (Child and Adolescent Psychiatry)

14350 Solomons Island Rd.
Solomons Island, MD 20688
(410) 326-2333

Dr. Jose Juambeltz, Pediatric Dentist

23140 Moakley St., Suite 8
Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-997-1800

2880 Dunkirk Way SUITE 103
Dunkirk, MD 20754
(301) 855-8888

Tidewater Dental

21534 Great Mills Rd
301-862-3779

Allergy, Asthma & Sinus Care

Dr. Pradeep Simlote

41680 Miss Bessie Dr Suite 203
Leonardtown, MD 20650
(301) 475-7900 (Office)
110 Hospital Rd Suite 305
Prince Frederick, MD 20678
(301) 737-4995 (Office)

11637 Terrace Dr Suite 103
Waldorf, MD 20602
(301) 374-9950 (Office)

Advocacy and Support

Academic Assessment & Intervention Services

Dr. Aimee Fellows-Merkle
t2L Systems, Inc. (Time 2 Learn Systems, Inc.)

8980 St. Andrews Drive
Chesapeake Beach, MD 20732
toll free (866) 295-2712
(410) 257-2221

Bowen Foundation for Autism

A family-run organization based in Annapolis, MD
For more information, e-mail Bryan Levy
or call him at 410-570-3018
www.bowenfoundation.org

Advocacy for Successful Kids and Advocating for Children's Educational Services (ASK & ACES)

Mary Jo Siebert
P.O. Box 274
Phoenix, MD 21131
Phone: 410-967-0122
Phone: 410-683-2237
Fax: 410-666-8478

Pathfinders for Autism

www.pathfindersforautism.org

Maryland Disability Law Center

www.mdclaw.org

The Weinfeld Education Group, LLC

www.richweinfeld.com

The Weinfeld Education Group, LLC, strives to help all students reach their potential, particularly students who face the increased obstacles presented by their learning challenges or disabilities, and in need of special education or other educational support services.

Agencies

Community Services for Autistic Adults & Children (CSAAC)

8615 East Village Avenue
Montgomery Village, MD 20886
Phone: (240) 912-2220
www.csaac.org

Learning Disabilities Association of Maryland, Inc. (LDA-MD)

www.ldamd.org

Maryland State Dept. of Education (MSDE) - Dept. of Special Education & Early Intervention

www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/divisions/earlyinterv/

St. Mary's County Public Schools, Dept. of Special Education

Mrs. Melissa Charbonnet
Exec. Director of Special Education and Student Services
301-475-5511 ex.t 220
www.smcps.org/se

Calvert County Public Schools, Dept. of Special Education

<http://www.calvertnet.k12.md.us/departments/specialed/directory.asp>
Main Phone Number – 410-535-7422

Charles County Public Schools, Dept. of Special Education

<http://www2.ccboe.com/sped/>

“Partners for Success”

Calvert County

Parent Connections
4105 Old Town Road
Huntingtown, MD 20639
410-535-7387
410-535-7383 Fax
parentconnections@calvertnet.k12.md.us

Charles County

Partners for Success Parent Center
F.B. Gwynn Center
5998 Radio Station Road
LaPlata, MD 20646
301-934-7456
301-934-6839 Fax
www.ccboe.com/parentcenters

St. Mary's County

SMCPS Partners for Success
Susan Shannon
301-863-4069
e-mail: partnersforsuccess@smcps.org
<http://www.smcps.org/se/partners-for-success-program>

The Treatment and Learning Centers

2092 Gaither Road, Suite 100
Rockville, Maryland 20850
301-424-5200; www.ttlc.org

Contact: Bonnie Lawhorn; blawhorn@ttl.org

Services: Private school; Psychological counseling; Occupational therapy; Speech/language therapy; Social skills therapy; Educational testing; Neuropsychological testing; Academic tutoring/coaching

TLC serves nearly 2,000 children and adults with a wide range of special needs annually. Our mission is to improve the lives and expand possibilities for these individuals through offering a family of services within one organization. We offer speech-language and occupational therapy, evaluations and summer programs for children; comprehensive psychological and educational testing, tutoring and counseling for students with learning challenges.

The Katherine Thomas School is a private school for students with moderate to severe language and learning disabilities and/or autism, preschool through twelfth grade. Summer programs and intensive educational programs are available.

The Outcomes Service helps individuals with special needs find and keep jobs and live independently in our community.

The Family Hearing Center conducts hearing testing, provides counseling, evaluations and hearing aid fittings for all ages.

Mindwell Psychology/Bethesda

5602 Shields Drive, S & A
Bethesda, MD 20814
301-581-1120, www.mindwell.us

Contact: Dr. Resnik Rebecca; drrebeccaresnik@gmail.com

Services: Psychological counseling; Educational consulting; Educational testing; Neuropsychological testing

The Ivymount School & Programs

11614 Seven Locks Road
Rockville, MD 20854
301-469-0223; www.ivymount.org

Contact: Molly Whalen, mwhalen@ivymount.org

Services: Private school; Nonprofit organization; Occupational therapy; Speech/language therapy; Social skills therapy; Behavioral therapy; Educational consulting; Athletics/recreational support

Ivymount School and Programs provides school- and community-based services for children and young adults with special needs from throughout the Washington metropolitan area. The school program serves more than 200 students, ages 4–21, with speech and language impairments, learning disabilities, intellectual disabilities, health impairments, and Autism Spectrum Disorders. The

classrooms are structured to serve students with a range of academic and cognitive abilities, including, in some cases, those who have the potential to obtain a high school diploma.

Ivymount Outreach Programs serve students, teachers, and parents to support children with learning and developmental challenges in the community through assessments, evaluations, therapies and professional development. The goal in all of the programs is to help children and young adults achieve their highest level of development and independence to live with dignity and self-respect. Ivymount School has been twice recognized as a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence by the U.S. Department of Education. Founded in 1961, Ivymount celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2011.

The Auburn School

9545 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910
301-588-8048; www.theauburnschool.org

Contact: Marina Major; mmajor@theauburnschool.org

Services: Private school

The Auburn School grows the social and academic potential of bright students with social and communication challenges, simultaneously supporting the development of academic skills, social competency and pragmatic language in an engaging educational environment.

Guiding Exceptional Parents, LLC

4711 Sheridan Street
Riverdale Park, Maryland 20737
301-768-8503, www.guidingexceptionalparents.com

Contact: Sarah Wayland, wayland@guidingexceptionalparents.com

Services: Social skills therapy; Behavioral therapy; Educational consulting

Sarah Wayland, Ph.D., is an RDI consultant-in-training and a special needs care navigator at Guiding Exceptional Parents, LLC. She helps parents of children with ADHD, autism spectrum disorders, learning disabilities, and other diagnosed and undiagnosed challenges that make it hard to function at school or at home. She is also co-editor of the book, *Technology Tools for Students with Autism: Innovations That Enhance Independence and Learning*.

Logistics

Most of my services can be provided to families anywhere in the USA. We can work together via e-mail, telephone, and video chat (Skype, Facetime, Google Chat, etc.). That said, my office is in southern Maryland, near College Park, and I am most familiar with systems, services, and providers in the Washington DC metropolitan area. If you are looking for referrals, I will be most helpful if you live in that region.

We can meet weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, or for consultations as needed. I am happy to provide whatever level of support works best for you.

Links to
Educational Laws and Rules

- **[The Individuals With Disabilities Education Act](#)**
- **20 U.S.C. §§ 1400, *et seq.***
The Individual with Disabilities Education Act, or IDEA, is our nation's special education law. It governs the way that states, school districts, and public agencies provide early intervention, special education and related services to our country's eligible infants, toddlers, children and youth with disabilities. Title 20 of the United States Code (U.S.C.) is divided into sections: §§1400-1419 concern the education of all students with disabilities, while §§1421-44 deal strictly with infants and toddlers with disabilities.
- **[The Code of Federal Regulations](#)**
34 C.F.R. §§ 300.1-818
The federal regulations governing special education are written by the U.S. Department of Education, as a way of interpreting the IDEA, and spelling out its mandates in further detail.
- **[The Code of Maryland](#)**

COMAR §§ 13A.05.01-11

The Code of Maryland, or COMAR, is the official codification of the laws of the State of Maryland.

Dr. Charles (Chuck) Conlon, MD

Kaiser-Permanente
1396 Piccard Drive
Rockville, MD 20850
301-548-5856

Contact: charles.j.conlon@kp.org

Services: Medical/medicine management

Dr. Charles ("Chuck") J. Conlon, MD, FAAP, is a Neurodevelopmental Pediatrician who is presently at Kaiser-Permanente at the Shady Grove Medical Center in Rockville, MD. He graduated from Georgetown University School of Medicine, completed his residency in Pediatrics at the National Naval Medical Center and a fellowship in Developmental Pediatrics at the Kennedy Krieger Institute. After he retired from the Navy in 1999, where he was Head of the Educational and Developmental Intervention Services (EDIS) Team, he joined Children's National Medical Center (CNMC). While at CNMC, he was Chief of the Division of Developmental Pediatrics and started the Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Residency Training Program. During his nine years at CNMC, he was an investigator in several clinical trials looking at medication for children and adolescents with ADHD and Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD). He was in private practice for almost five years before joining Kaiser-Permanente. He continues to enjoy seeing children and adolescents with ASD, ADHD and other developmental and behavioral challenges at Kaiser-Permanente.

Dr. Edward J. Coll, MD

Kaiser Permanente
1396 Piccard Drive
Rockville, MD 20904
201-548-5856

Contact: Edward.J.Coll@kp.org

Services: Medical/medicine management

Dr. Coll is a Developmental Pediatrician, currently at the Shady Grove Center of the Mid-Atlantic (Kaiser) Permanente Medical Group. His subspecialty training was at Madigan Army Medical Center, in affiliation with Seattle Children's Hospital. He recently retired from Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, and has worked locally for the past 20 years.

Dr. Taruna Ahluvalia, Ph.D.

10440 Shaker Drive, Suite 209
Columbia, Maryland 21046
443-364-8441; www.drahlualia.com

Contact: Dr. Taruna Ahluvalia, ta@drahlualia.com

Taruna Ahluvalia, Ph.D. is a licensed psychologist and pediatric neuropsychologist in private practice in Columbia, MD. She has practiced as a pediatric neuropsychologist in the DC/Baltimore region for over 15 years. Dr. Ahluvalia has extensive experience in the evaluation of children and adolescents with autism-spectrum disorders, specific learning disorders, attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), executive functioning problems, and language disorders. In addition, Dr. Ahluvalia has expertise in the assessment of emotional functioning and personality, including projective testing.

In a neuropsychological evaluation, Dr. Ahluvalia provides a comprehensive assessment of an individual's intellectual skills, language skills, visual processing, attention, executive functioning, learning and memory, basic academic skills, and social / emotional functioning. Based on this comprehensive neuropsychological evaluation, detailed information is obtained regarding the child's cognitive strengths and weaknesses, learning style, diagnosis, and intervention needs.

Autism Society of America

www.autism-society.org/
Autism Society of America

The primary mission of ASAF is to raise and allocate funds to address the many unanswered questions about *autism*. ASAF sponsors work as diverse as the ...

The Autism Society, the nation's leading grassroots autism organization, exists to improve the lives of all affected by autism. We do this by increasing public awareness about the day-to-day issues faced by people on the spectrum, advocating for appropriate services for individuals across the lifespan, and providing the latest information regarding treatment, education, research and advocacy.

Talk About Curing Autism (TACA)

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

Talk About Curing Autism (TACA) is a national organization dedicated to providing information, resources, and support to families affected by ... Get Help Now.

Amen Clinics, Inc.

10701 Parkridge Blvd, Suite 110

Reston, VA 20191

609-576-7602; www.amenclinics.com

Contact: Larry Gourdine, lgourdine@amenclinics.com

Services: Medical/medicine management; Psychological counseling; Behavioral therapy; Neuropsychological testing

Amen Clinics provides comprehensive neuro-psychiatric assessments and treatment using neuro-imaging and all natural interventions in conjunction with pharmacologic options for the entire family. Areas of expertise include but not limited to Autism, ADD, Concussions, Depression, Anxiety, OCD, toxins and Lyme. We work with other providers and specialists.

Wrightslaw.com

MyEmploymentOptions.com

Employment Options is a Certified and National Social Security Administration (SSA) Employment Network in the Ticket To Work program. Our company has been helping job seekers with disabilities and other challenges return to work and reach greater independence for over 20 years.

Maryland Coalition for Inclusive Education

www.mcie.org/

Our Mission and Vision

The Maryland Coalition for Inclusive Education, Inc. (MCIE) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the inclusion of students with disabilities in their neighborhood schools. Our mission is to be the catalyst for meaningful and successful participation of all students in their neighborhood schools.

LEGAL REPRESENTATION INQUIRIES

email: intake@mcie.org

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INQUIRIES

email: mcie@mcie.org