RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES OF PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Advocacy

Alabama Council on Developmental Disabilities – The Alabama Council on Developmental Disabilities (ACDD) works to achieve equality of opportunity for all citizens. We promote independence, advocacy, productivity, and inclusion for Alabamians with developmental disabilities. RSA Union Building 100 North Union Street, Post Office Box 301410, Montgomery, AL 36130 334-242-3973 <u>https://www.acdd.org/</u>

Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services – 2129 East South Boulevard, Montgomery, AL 36116-2455 (334) 281-8780 <u>http://www.rehab.alabama.gov/</u> The mission of the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services is "to enable children and adults with disabilities to achieve their maximum potential."

Auburn University Regional Autism Network – Doris Hill, Ph.D. auran@auburn.edu

(334) 844-2004 3084 Haley Center Auburn, Alabama. The Auburn University Regional Autism Network was established by legislative action, under the direction of the <u>Alabama Interagency Autism</u> <u>Coordinating Council</u>. Auburn University, along with the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), the University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH), the University of Alabama, and the University of South Alabama, is charged with the task of providing resources and training for persons of all ages in the state of Alabama who have autism spectrum disorder. <u>http://www.education.auburn.edu/initiatives/auburn-</u>university-regional-autism-network/

Autism Society of Alabama – 205 Lambert Ave, Suite C, Mobile, AL 36604 <u>info@autism-alabama.org</u> 1-877-4Autism This organization's mission is to improve services for individuals affected by Autism Spectrum Disorder in the State of Alabama through education and advocacy. <u>http://www.autism-alabama.org/</u> **Disability Rights and Resources** - <u>http://drradvocates.org</u> Address: 120 Plaza Circle, Suite C Alabaster, AL 35007 Phone: (205) 685-0570 Services: Advocacy, Peer Mentoring, Independent living skills, Workshops, Disability awareness training and transportation resources.

Epilepsy Foundation of Alabama – 3100 Lorna Road, Suite 300, Birmingham, AL 35216 205-453-8205 alabama@efa.org Founded in 1971, the Epilepsy Foundation Alabama is a chapter of the Epilepsy Foundation of America, a network of nearly 50 partners throughout the United States. The Foundation is leading the fight to END EPILEPSY[®] in Alabama by connecting people to treatment, support and resources; leading advocacy efforts; funding innovative research and the training of specialists; and educating the public about epilepsy and seizure first aid. <u>https://epilepsyalabama.org/</u>

Family Voices of Alabama - www.familyvoicesal.org Phone: 1-877-771-3862 Email:

susan.colburn@rehab.alabama.org Services: Statewide, family-led, non-profit organization that keeps the VOICE of Alabama's children, youth, and young adults with special needs and their families at the table to help design and improve efficient policies, programs, services, and systems that affect them and the community they live in.

Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities – The mission of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities (GCDD) is to bring about social and policy changes that promote opportunities for persons with developmental disabilities and their families to live, learn, work, play and worship in Georgia communities. 2 Peachtree St. NW, Suite 26-246, Atlanta, GA 30303 404-657-2126 Eric Jacobson <u>eric.jacobson@gcdd.ga.gov</u> <u>https://gcdd.org/about/staff.html</u>

Independent Rights and Resources – 345 Molton Street, Montgomery, AL 36104 334-240-2520 <u>irr@independentrandr.org</u> Independent Rights & Resources formerly known as the Montgomery Center for Independent Living was established in 2004 with the aim of empowering individuals with disability in the community. We are a 501 © non-profit organization which is mandated and funded by the state and federal government. Our service area initially covered the counties of Montgomery, Autauga and Elmore but have recently expanded to a total of 18 counties

PADS – <u>www.downsyndromealabama.org</u> Phone: 205-988-0810 Services: Parents advocating for the needs of individuals with Down Syndrome, offering support, acceptance, and encouragement for parents and families of persons with Down Syndrome.

People First of Alabama – <u>www.peoplefirstofalabama.org</u> Phone: 205-422-5006 Services: Statewide group of individuals with developmental disabilities dedicated to making their dreams happen by having choices and control over their own lives.

https://www.uab.edu/civitansparks/images/Resource_Guide_Updated_UAB.pdf

Regional Autism Network – <u>http://www.autism.alabama.gov/Regional-Autism-Network.html Auburn</u> <u>University 334-844-2004 auran@auburn.edu</u> AL-RAN serves those who have questions, concerns, or resource needs regarding themselves, a family member, friend, client, patient, or student with diagnosed or suspected Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Alabama's RAN is staffed by experts in the field of Autism Spectrum Disorder. Each RAN strives to connect people with ASD, their families, educators, and service providers to the information and/or services that best meet their needs.

Behavioral Counseling

Children's of Alabama –https://www.childrensal.org/programs-services Children's of Alabama Main Campus 1600 7th Avenue South, Birmingham, Alabama 35233 (205) 638-9100 Since 1911, Children's of Alabama has provided specialized medical care for ill and injured children. Ranked among the best children's hospitals in the nation by U.S. News & World Report, Children's serves patients from every county in Alabama and nearly every state. With more than 3.5 million square feet, it is one of the largest pediatric medical facilities in the United States. Children's offers inpatient and outpatient services at its Russell Campus on Birmingham's historic Southside with additional specialty services provided at Children's South, Children's on 3rd and in Huntsville and Montgomery.

GlobalPoint Behavior Group – GoalPoint Behavior Group provides Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Our comprehensive programs provide individualized treatment plans, caregiver education, Telehealth opportunities, and much more. *Columbus Center* 1921 Whittlesey Rd #400, Columbus, GA 31904 <u>info@goalpointaba.com</u> 706-221-9629 <u>https://goalpointaba.com/columbus/</u>

Lighthouse Behavioral Consulting – (762) 359-0003 <u>info@lighthousebehavior.com</u> 6051 Seaton Drive Columbus, GA 31909 Lighthouse Behavioral Consulting provides Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services for people with autism spectrum disorders and other developmental disabilities of all ages. We are currently serving Columbus, Georgia and Sarasota, Florida. <u>https://www.lighthousebehavior.com/</u> **Mitchell's Place** – <u>http://mitchells-place.com/</u> Address: 4778 Overton Road Birmingham, Alabama 35210 Phone: (205)957-0294 email: <u>info@mitchells-place.com</u> Services: Operates 5 programs and outpatient services delivering care to 140 children, teens and families affected by Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) in communities across Alabama every year.

Reaching Milestones – 1440 54th St, Suite C, Columbus, GA 31904. 706-221-1208 Autism treatment is one of our areas of expertise. We provide center and home-based services and specialize in developing skill acquisition (i.e., language acquisition, social skills, etc.) and behavior reduction programs for individuals with Autism and related disorders. Our treatment approach is guided by the principles of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), a method recommended by the U.S. Surgeon General as an effective treatment for Autism. <u>https://reachingmilestones.com/</u>

The HANDS Program – info@thehandsprogram.org 300 Shadow Wood Park, Suite 100

Birmingham, AL 35244 Phone: 205.733.0976 The HANDS Program opened its doors in 2006 to children diagnosed with autism and their families. We have provided one-on-one and small group behavioral therapy, as well as training and consultation services for over 10 years! We have since expanded our services to also include teen and adult groups, a Kinect sports program, a financial assistance program! At HANDS, we believe that it is not the diagnosis that matters. We focus on each person individually and help them reach their full potential. <u>http://www.thehandsprogram.org/</u>

<u>Camps</u>

Camp ASCCA – http://campascca.org/ matt@campascca.org 256-825-9226 5278 Camp ASCCA Dr. Jacksons' Gap, AL 36861 Services: A special camp for children and adults that provides therapeutic recreation. Located in Alabama on Lake Martin, Camp ASCCA offers campers a wide variety of traditional recreational and educational activities with a unique design for accessibility.

Camp Big Heart – Camp Big Heart is an overnight summer camp for campers with mild to moderate special needs, sponsored by the Civitan Clubs of Georgia. Camp Big Heart was recognized by Civitan International in 2018 as the number one program for Outstanding Service to People with Disabilities. Campers are invited to join us at Camp John Hope for a week-long session this summer. The dates for

2021 are June 20-25 and June 27- July 2. <u>administrator@campbigheart.org</u> 478.235.0021 Camp Big Heart P.O. Box 633 Bonaire, GA 31005 <u>http://campbigheart.org/</u>

Camp Dream – Camp Dream offers recreational Summer Camp and Camp Out programs for children and young adults with moderate to severe physical and developmental disabilities. Camp Dream programs are 100% volunteer, providing a 1:1 camper to counselor ratio during its Summer Camp sessions. Camp Dream offers a barrier free environment and has never turned away a camper due to the severity of their disability or their financial capability. 4355 Cobb Parkway, Suite J117, Atlanta, GA 30339 678-367-0040 info@campdreamga.org https://www.campdreamga.org/contact

Daycare/ Day Programs

Brain Jogging (Camp Academia) – 1507 Vernon Road, LaGrange, Georgia 30240 and 6501 Veterans Parkway, Suite F-1, Columbus, Georgia 31902 Phone: 706-884-4492 Email: <u>info@campacademia.com</u> Camp Academia is an educational consulting firm that believes that all children's learning experiences can be enriched. A student's parent recently stated, "Camp Academia has turned our years of tears of frustration into tears of joy." This is our goal for all of our students. By integrating the latest in neuroscientific research and computer technology with individualized instruction, Camp Academia challenges students to reach for the stars as they become lifelong learners.

http://www.campacademia.com/aboutus.html

EASE Retired Senior Volunteer Program - <u>http://www.ease-inc.org/</u> We are an adult day care center. We keep elderly and disabled clients during the day, so that their families can work. We prevent early institutionalization for these clients. Lani Richardson, Director auburnadultdayca@bellsouth.net (Preferred)334-826-9144401 Boykin Street, Auburn AL, 36830

The Little H.A.P.©.E. Tree Preschool - <u>www.learning-tree.org</u> April Rapp <u>alrapp@auburnschools.org</u> (Preferred) 334-887-4958 721 E. University Drive, Auburn AL, 36830. Our mission is to provide excellent behavioral intervention services for preschoolers with autism spectrum disorders. Also, we provide a fun and educational preschool experience for children without disabilities.

Feeding Therapies

All for Children – 2204 Olgetree Village Lane, Auburn, Alabama 36830 334-209-2009 ALL (Auburn Language and Learning) is a pediatric, private practice located in Auburn, Alabama, offering speech, language, auditory, occupational therapy, physical therapy, literacy and math services to children of all ages. Our practice consists of speech-language pathologists, auditory-verbal therapists, special educators, and occupational therapists. ALL for Children has been providing quality therapy to children in our area and surrounding areas since 2010. <u>https://all-forchildren.com/</u>

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Hearing/ Cochlear Implants

Auburn University Audiology Clinic - The Auburn University Speech and Hearing Clinic, an outreach service of the College of Liberal Arts, was established in 1947 and has served the surrounding community for over 65 years. The clinic provides a full range of evaluation and treatment services for clients of all ages, from infants to the elderly. 425 Heisman Drive, Auburn, AL (334)844-9600 https://cla.auburn.edu/speechandhearingclinic/contact-us/

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Hearing Professionals of Alabama, LLC - Your hearing health is important. It is your connection to the people around you and the sounds you love. At Hearing Professionals of Alabama, we are dedicated to providing you with expert hearing care you can trust. Our staff has years of experience treating patients with a variety of hearing health concerns, and we will listen to you, explain your options, and help you find the best solution for your needs. 2415 Moore's Mill Rs, #225, Auburn, AL 36830 (334) 528-0386 https://special.hpoal.com/?msclkid=1c561db669be19c3a02d7dd53627b919

Job Training & Assistance

Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services – Vocational Rehab http://www.rehab.alabama.gov/ Address: 108 W College St Columbiana, AL 35051 Phone: (205)669-3829 6 Services: Educational services; vocational assessment, evaluation and counseling; job training; assistive technology; orientation and mobility training; and job placement.

Alabama Employment First - <u>http://www.al-apse.org/</u> Byron White <u>byron.white@mh.alabama.gov</u> Montgomery AL The mission of the Alabama Chapter of APSE is to enhance innovative individualized employment opportunities, promote careers, and improve the quality of life for individual with significant disabilities by providing education, technical assistance and training, advocacy and support to people, family members, employers, and employment specialists. AL-APSE intends to encourage the development and expansion of employment with supports through coordination, collaboration communication, and choice by way of a team effort.

I am My Brother's Keeper - http://www.iambkinc.org/ Trellis Smith, Staff

iambk@ymail.com (Preferred) 334-887-3324 778 Whitaker Lane, Auburn AL, 36830 The mission of IAMBK is to provide family and youth services that enable disadvantaged and minority members (in Macon and Lee counties) to become self-supportive and thrive in their homes, schools, and communities. The program targets low income, single parent, and special needs families with low levels of education. The organization is designed to help participants develop morals and character, develop skills for the workforce, increase their education levels, promote their physical health, and discover and nurture their talents. Current IAMBK programs are: (a) Leap for the Stars Tutoring, (b) Restoration Social Services, (c) Work to Excel Career Development, (d) BOUNCE Physical Fitness, and (e) the Elect Performing Arts Programs. University students are needed to provide tutoring to youth K-12, assist with fundraising activities, help prepare meals for families in the communities, help distribute clothing and books to family members, provide assistance to dance and athletic instructors, and participate with students in recreational activities (e.g. basketball, track, and tennis).

New Horizons Behavioral Health – New Horizons day programs are located in Columbus and Cuthbert. They provide adults with I/DD opportunities to connect with the community, and are designed to assist consumers in the acquisition, retention or improvement of self-help, socialization, adaptive and vocational/employment skills. The Columbus I/DD Service Center offers the Artistic Ability Project in collaboration with the Bo Bartlett Center for the Arts at Columbus State University, the Gallery on Tenth, and the Columbus Museum. Please visit the Photo Gallery section of this website for images from the Artistic Ability Project. 2100 Comer Avenue, Columbus, GA 31907 <u>706-596-5500</u> http://www.nbbh.org/development-disabilities.cms

The Arc – 6001 Crestwood Blvd, Birmingham, AL 35212 205-323-6383 The Arc of Central Alabama provides services to over 800 people throughout both Jefferson and Blount counties. Services are provided via: Community Day and pre-vocational training at seven Arc campuses, Residential Services for over 320 individuals in 88 homes, Early Intervention for toddlers and their families, and Employment Support. <u>https://www.arcofcentralalabama.org/about/who-we-are/</u> **Triumph Services, INC.** – <u>https://triumphservices.org/</u> 600 South Court St, Ste 326, Montgomery, AL 36104 Office Phone: 205-581-1000 <u>info@triumphservices.org</u> Triumph provides independent living skills, employment, social skills training, and counseling for individuals with developmental disabilities.

United Ability – Address: 100 Oslo Circle, Birmingham, AL 35211 Phone: <u>205-944-3900</u> Email: <u>info@unitedability.org https://www.unitedability.org/about/contact/</u> United Ability provides innovative services connecting people with disabilities to their communities and empowering individuals to live full and meaningful lives. United Ability envisions a world where disability is neither defining nor limiting. United Ability employment services help employers and individuals with disabilities work together. United Ability enterprises provides employment for people living with physical, developmental, and intellectual challenges.

Workshops, Inc. – <u>www.workshopsinc.org</u> Address: 4244 3rd Ave S, Birmingham, AL 35222 Phone: (205) 592-9683 Services: Provides job training and employment services for people who have significant disabilities. Some training includes: reception, food services, building maintenance, warehousing, materials handling, fork lift operation and local deliveries.

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Postsecondary Education

Columbus State University GOALS Program -4225 University Ave, Columbus, Georgia 31907 <u>goalsinfo@columbusstate.edu</u> The Guidance and Opportunities for Academic and Leadership Success (GOALS) Program at Columbus State University is a two-year certificate program that provides a college experience for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. https://tlc.columbusstate.edu/goals.php

EAGLES Program – EAGLES (Education to Accomplish Growth in Life Experiences for Success) is a two or four-year comprehensive transition program for students with intellectual disabilities. The EAGLES program includes Auburn University credit-bearing courses, as well as program-specific courses focused on improving students' independent living and employment outcomes. <u>eagles@auburn.edu</u> Auburn University

Think College – <u>https://thinkcollege.net/college-search</u> This directory includes information on 298 college programs for students with intellectual disability. You can search by program name, location, and other keywords. "Advanced Filters" offer more options to narrow your search.

The Horizons School – <u>https://horizonsschool.org/</u> Address: 2018 15th Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35205 Phone Number: (205) 322-6606 The Horizons School offers a postsecondary, non-degree program specifically designed to facilitate personal, social and career independence for young adults (ages 18-26) with learning differences. Students also have the option of dual enrollment with Jefferson State Community College, a SACS-accredited institution to earn associate degrees or industry certificates

Recreational Activities & The Arts

Alabama's Hunting and fishing trail for people with disabilities – 334-242-3469

<u>http://bonusdownload.net/free/alabamamaps/Hunting%20and%20Fishing%20Disabilities.pdf</u> Alabama's Hunting & Fishing Trail for People with Physical Disabilities is a network of public and private recreational sites throughout the state providing accessible fishing, shooting, and hunting opportunities for individuals with physical disabilities Adaptive Aquatics – 1473 Paradise Cove Lane, Wilsonville, AL 35186 Telephone: (205) 807-7519 <u>skiyoulater@adaptiveaquatics.org</u> Contact name: Joe Ray Adaptive Aquatics was organized as a means of providing opportunities to physically disabled individuals wishing to learn how to water ski despite their physical limitations. Over the years Adaptive Aquatics has taught skiers with a broad range of physical disabilities including individuals with cerebral palsy, spinal cord injuries, spina bifida, muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis, post-polio, kernicterus, acquired brain injuries, amputations and visual impairments.

BraveHeart – https://cla.auburn.edu/braveheart/Expressions of a BraveHeart (also known as BraveHearts) is a fine arts program offering art, music, and dance classes to enhance the quality of life for preteens, youth, and young adults (11–21 years old) with moderate to severe disabilities. BraveHearts is a safe, respectful, and understanding setting where your family member can develop friendships, explore fine arts, and enhance self-esteem. BraveHearts meets Monday evenings at the Opelika Sportsplex during spring and fall semesters for art, music, and dance classes. There is NO cost to participating families. BraveHearts is a collaboration between the Auburn University Social Work Program and Opelika Parks and Recreation Department. The program is managed by 3 Auburn University Social Work faculty members and facilitated by approximately 70-80 Auburn University students from a variety of majors. Volunteers complete orientation and are provided training throughout the semester. <u>Angie Colvin Burque- burquad@auburn.edu</u> (334)844-2834 Opelika Sports complex

The Exceptional Foundation of East Alabama- 1171 Gatewood Dr #101, Auburn, AL 36830 334-329-7773 Services: Provides year-round services to individuals with special needs who have reached the age of 21 and no longer receive services from school systems. Programs are also offered to the school-age exceptional population through after-school activities and a summer camp. <u>https://efofea.org/</u>

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LakeShore – 4000 Ridgeway Drive, Birmingham, AL 35209 205-313-7400 Here at Lakeshore, our job is to provide the expertise, facilities, equipment and programs to maximize the return on our members' investment of time and energy ensuring they can be as healthy, active and independent as possible. <u>https://www.lakeshore.org/</u>

Miracle League of Opelika – <u>http://miraclefield.org/</u> Amy Sanderson, Staff <u>asapsanderson@bellsouth.net</u> (Preferred) 334-750-3036 1076 E. University Dr., Auburn AL, 36830. To provide an opportunity for kids with special health needs to be able to play baseball.

Storybook Farm – <u>http://www.hopeonhorseback.org/</u> Dena Little, Director & Founder <u>info@HopeOnHorseback.org</u> (Preferred) 334-444-5966 300 Cusseta Road, Opelika AL , 36801. Since opening in 2002, Storybook Farm, Inc. has welcomed hundreds of children from east central Alabama and west central Georgia to experience life on a farm. Our animal staff consists of 7 horses, 7 ponies, 1 miniature horse, 9 dogs, 9 cats, 2 goats, 1 miniature Zebu cow, 1 rabbit, and schools of fish. All these animals together with wonderful volunteers create an environment that teaches, loves and nurtures. The year-round equine assisted activities are tailored to serve children ages 2 years to young adults who are challenged with life-threatening illnesses, disabilities, mental and/or emotional trauma, and grief. The gentle nature of our horses provides hope and healing.

The Dance Foundation – The Dance Foundation 1715 27th Court South, Birmingham, AL 35209 205.870.0073 Services: Provides dance classes for students with special needs in order to improve motor and social skills.

https://thedancefoundation.org/classes/?gclid=EAIaIQobChMIqNeO8PfV7wIV2cDICh0prATQEAAYASA AEgIHQ_D_BwE

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Very Special Arts Alabama - <u>http://www.birmingham365.org/org/detail/220156403/VSA</u> VSA Alabama is a statewide, 501©(3) organization dedicated to serving children and adults with disabilities and chronic illnesses through the arts. We offer visual arts, drama, creative writing, drumming and rhythm, creative movement, music therapy, and art therapy programming. Annually, VSA Alabama serves over 3,000 people with disabilities and chronic illnesses through our programming in community, educational, and healthcare settings across Alabama. Primary address: 1915 4th Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35233 (205)307-6300 <u>meagan@vsaalabama.org</u>

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Equilibrium Physical Therapy – 2415 Moores Mill Rd, suite 210, Auburn, AL 36830 334-246-3587 <u>equilibriumpt1@gmail.com</u> Equilibrium PT and Balance Center is a practice specializing in the treatment of vestibular disorders and related balance dysfunction. Our goal is to educate our patients and the community that help is readily available and that dizziness and falls are not an expected element of aging. <u>https://equilibrium-pt.com/</u>

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Service Animals

Service Dogs Alabama - Service Dogs Alabama is dedicated to providing medical and psychiatric Service Dogs to children, adults, and Veterans with disabilities and Intervention Facility Dogs for schools, youth facilities, and courtrooms. <u>info@servicedogsalabama.org</u> (334) 676-3733 8365 Mobile Highway Hope Hull, AL 36043 <u>https://www.servicedogsalabama.org/contact</u>

4 Paws for Ability – <u>http://4pawsforability.org/</u> karen4paws@aol.com 4 Paws for Ability is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization whose mission is to place quality service dogs with children with disabilities and veterans who have lost use of limbs or hearing and educate the public regarding use of service dogs in public places.

Speech Therapy

All for Children – 2204 Olgetree Village Lane, Auburn, Alabama 36830 334-209-2009 ALL (Auburn Language and Learning) is a pediatric, private practice located in Auburn, Alabama, offering speech, language, auditory, occupational therapy, physical therapy, literacy and math services to children of all ages. Our practice consists of speech-language pathologists, auditory-verbal therapists, special educators, and occupational therapists. ALL for Children has been providing quality therapy to children in our area and surrounding areas since 2010. <u>https://all-forchildren.com/</u>

Auburn Therapy and Learning Center – 2408 East University Drive, Suite 109, Auburn, AL 36830 334-734-5511 welcome to Auburn Therapy and Learning Center. Our mission is to empower and encourage functional daily living skills for all ages, specifically focusing on providing the highest quality treatment to improve those skills pertaining to communication, fine motor skills, sensory integration, and feeding difficulties. We are conveniently located in Auburn, Alabama and also service the surrounding communities. Our clinicians are fully licensed and trained to provide quality treatment in <u>Speech and Language Therapy</u>, <u>Occupational Therapy</u>, and <u>Feeding Therapy</u>. We welcome clients of all ages who are in need of our therapeutic services. We do require a referral by your doctor prior to evaluation. <u>https://www.auburntlc.com/</u>

Auburn University Speech Clinic - The Auburn University Speech and Hearing Clinic, an outreach service of the College of Liberal Arts, was established in 1947 and has served the surrounding community for over 65 years. The clinic provides a full range of evaluation and treatment services for clients of all ages, from infants to the elderly. 425 Heisman Drive, Auburn, AL (334)844-9600 <u>https://cla.auburn.edu/speechandhearingclinic/contact-us/</u>

Children's of Alabama –https://www.childrensal.org/programs-services Children's of Alabama Main Campus 1600 7th Avenue South, Birmingham, Alabama 35233 (205) 638-9100 Since 1911, Children's of Alabama has provided specialized medical care for ill and injured children. Ranked among the best children's hospitals in the nation by U.S. News & World Report, Children's serves patients from every county in Alabama and nearly every state. With more than 3.5 million square feet, it is one of the largest pediatric medical facilities in the United States. Children's offers inpatient and outpatient services at its Russell Campus on Birmingham's historic Southside with additional specialty services provided at Children's South, Children's on 3rd and in Huntsville and Montgomery.

Hear My Words - Hear My Words is a family-centered speech therapy practice in Auburn, Alabama birthed from a focus of serving children and their families in a manner that works best for them in a private setting. Every child and family is unique with different goals, needs, and schedules. The most effective speech therapy tailors services to the family's needs while constantly challenging and growing the speech, language, cognitive, and social development of the child. <u>speechtherapy@hearmywords.org</u> Phone: 334-549-2711 1035 E Samford Ave, Auburn, AL 36830 <u>http://www.hearmywords.org/</u>

HPRC – Pediatric speech therapy treatments address expressive and receptive communication challenges that affect verbal and non-verbal language skills. They also can address oral motor conditions

(chewing and swallowing), articulation, auditory processing and social skills. <u>705 17th Street, Suite 407,</u> <u>Columbus, Georgia 31901</u> Phone: 706-321-0930 <u>https://hprc.net/services/pediatric-therapy/</u>

Mitchell's Place – <u>http://mitchells-place.com/</u> Address: 4778 Overton Road Birmingham, Alabama 35210 Phone: (205)957-0294 email: <u>info@mitchells-place.com</u> Services: Operates 5 programs and outpatient services delivering care to 140 children, teens and families affected by Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) in communities across Alabama every year.

R&R Rehabilitation – 6079 Knology Way, Columbus, GA 31909 (706) 507-4433

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<u>Support</u>

Autism Hope Center – Diane Pope <u>autismhopecenterllp@gmail.com</u> 706-604-633 6003 Veterans Parkway, Suite 223, Columbus GA 31909 The Autism Hope Center and Support Group proceeds will stay here in the Chattahoochee Valley, where an estimated 2,000 individuals are affected by autism. The Autism Hope Center uses its proceeds to provide Family Support Grants so local families can receive consultations, specializing training, and community seminars on critical topics such as in-home respite care, life stage transitions, coordinating service agencies, and effective parenting of children with special needs. We are a 501c(3) non-profit serving the Chattahoochee Valley area. Founded in 2005 it is our mission is to provide information and programs to improve the lives of children and families affected by autism. <u>https://www.autismhopecenter.com/</u>

"Don't Pay Full" Blog - http://www.dontpayfull.com/blog/free-things-and-grants-for-kids-with-specialneeds Services: An online list of free resources and grants for children with disabilities concerning travel aid, therapy tools/mobility aids, financial assistance, and available grants.

Easterseals - <u>http://achievement-center.org/</u> 334-395-4489 or info@al.easterseals.com for more information or to sign up! Easterseals, nationally, is the leading non-profit provider of services for individuals with autism, developmental disabilities, physical and mental disabilities, and other special

needs. Through therapy, training, education, and support services, Easterseals Alabama creates lifechanging solutions so that people with disabilities can live, learn, work and play in their communities.

Full Life Ahead Foundation – <u>https://fulllifeahead.org/</u> 205-439-6534 2908 Clairmont Ave, South Birmingham, AL 35205 <u>Info@FullLifeAhead.org</u> The purpose of the Full Life Ahead Foundation is to positively impact the lives of individuals with disabilities, and their families, by helping them create HOPE, encourage dreams, set expectations, and establish an action plan to achieve the fullest possible adult life. We offer individuals with disabilities the opportunity to be a productive contributing member of their community.