



# Georgia Disability Resources

## Affordable Care Act (ACA)

To get coverage under the ACA, go to <https://www.healthcare.gov/> to find out more about the Health Insurance Marketplace and the options available in your state.

## Aging Resources

### Aging and Disability Resource Centers/ No Wrong Door

<https://www.n4a.org/adrcs>

<https://www.acl.gov/node/413>

Call Eldercare Locator Toll-free 1-800-677-1116 to find the ADRC in your area.

The No Wrong Door (NWD) System initiative is a collaborative effort of the ACL, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), and the Veterans Health Administration (VHA). The NWD System initiative builds upon the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) program and CMS' Balancing Incentive Program No Wrong Door requirements that support state efforts to streamline access to long-term services and support (LTSS) options for older adults and individuals with disabilities. NWD Systems simplify access to LTSS, and are a key component of LTSS systems reform.

The Aging and Disability Resource Center Program (ADRC) is a collaborative effort of the U.S. Administration for Community Living (<http://www.hhs.gov/acl/index.html>) (including AoA (<http://www.aoa.gov/>) as of April 2012) and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) (<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/>). ADRCs serve as single points of entry into the long-term supports and services system for older adults and people with disabilities. Sometimes referred to as a "one-stop shops" or "no wrong door" systems, ADRCs address many of the frustrations consumers and their families experience when trying to find needed information, services, and supports. Through integration or coordination of existing aging and disability service systems, ADRC programs raise visibility about the full range of options that are available, provide objective information, advice, counseling and assistance, empower people to make informed decisions about their long term

supports, and help people more easily access public and private long term supports and services programs.. Click on your state to find state and local ADRCs.

The core functions of an ADRC are 1) information, referral and awareness, 2) options counseling, advice and assistance, 3) streamlined eligibility determination for public programs, 4) person-centered transitions, 5) quality assurance and continuous improvement. ADRCs perform these functions by integrating, coordinating, and strengthening different pieces of the existing long term supports and services systems, including Area Agencies on Aging, Centers for Independent Living, state and local Medicaid offices, and other community-based organizations.

### **Georgia Division of Aging Services**

<http://aging.dhs.georgia.gov/>

47 Trinity Ave, SW

Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: 404-657-5258, 866-552-4464 (Toll-free)

### **Area Agencies on Aging by County**

<https://aging.georgia.gov/locations>

### **National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA)**

<https://ncea.acl.gov/>

Funded by the Administration for Community Living, the NCEA disseminates elder abuse information to professionals and the public, and provides technical assistance and training to states and to community-based organizations.

## **Arts and Creativity**

### **Full Radius Dance**

<https://fullradiusdance.org/>

Mailing Address:

PO Box 54453

Atlanta, GA 30308

Founded in 1990, Full Radius Dance is a physically integrated modern dance company that presents mature, choreographically complex works celebrating technique and physicality. Full Radius also offers lecture demonstrations, master classes, and teacher training.

### **Extra Special People, Inc**

<https://espyouandme.org/>

189 VFW Drive

Watkinsville, Ga 30677

Phone: 706-769-9333

Email: [Info@espyouandme.org](mailto:Info@espyouandme.org)

ESP empowers children with developmental disabilities to cultivate skills, self-confidence, and relationships through recreational therapy, community involvement, and the arts.

With the support of volunteers and donors, the ESP team gives participants and their families acceptance, hope, and the opportunity to not just survive, but to thrive.

### **The Frazer Center**

<http://www.fraziercenter.org/>

1815 S. Ponce de Leon Ave, NE

Atlanta, Georgia 30307

Phone: 404-377-3836

Email: [info@fraziercenter.org](mailto:info@fraziercenter.org)

At Frazer Center, our greatest commitment is to fostering the kinds of learning and social opportunities with adults and children that build sustaining friendships, that deepen an appreciation for diversity, and that recognize the gifts and talents of every individual in ways that celebrate those characteristics as essential to the vitality of the larger community!

## **Assistive Technology**

### **Georgia Project for Assistive Technology**

<https://gpat.gadoe.org>

Phone: 404-656-3963, 678-340-8118

Email: [pgumpman@doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:pgumpman@doe.k12.ga.us) (Paula Gumpman, Program Specialist)

### **Tools for Life, Georgia's Assistive Technology Act Program**

<https://gatfl.gatech.edu>

Mailing Address:

Georgia Institute of Technology

512 Means St, Suite 250

Atlanta, GA 30318

Phone: 404-894-0541, 800-497-8665 (Toll-free)

Email: [info@gatfl.org](mailto:info@gatfl.org)

### **Southeast ADA Center**

<http://www.adasoutheast.org/>

Burton Blatt Institute Lexington

2355 Huguenard Drive, Suite 200

Lexington, KY 40503

Phone: 800-949-4232 (National Toll-free), 404-541-9001 (Voice and Spanish)

Email: [adasoutheast@syr.edu](mailto:adasoutheast@syr.edu)

### **Georgia's Credit-Able Loan Program**

[https://gatfl.gatech.edu/tflwiki/index.php?title=Funding\\_Solutions](https://gatfl.gatech.edu/tflwiki/index.php?title=Funding_Solutions)

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Mailing Address:

Georgia Institute of Technology

512 Means St, Suite 250

Atlanta, GA 30318

Phone: 404-894-0541, 800-497-8665 (Toll-free)

Email: [info@gatfl.org](mailto:info@gatfl.org)

**Georgia SILC: Assistive Technology**

<https://www.silcga.org/assistive-technology/>

315 West Ponce de Leon Ave, Suite #660

Decatur, GA 30030

Phone: 770-270-6860

**Caregivers**

**Well Spouse Association**

[www.wellspouse.org](http://www.wellspouse.org)

63 West Main Street, Suite H

Freehold, NJ 07728

Phone: 732-577-8899

Email: [info@wellspouse.org](mailto:info@wellspouse.org)

Georgia Support Groups

**Atlanta Area/Alpharetta/Sandy Springs WSA Support Group**

<https://wellspouse.org/our-support/support-groups/map-location.html>

Strauss Wellness Center

6667 Vernon Woods Dr., Suite A14

Sandy Springs, GA 30328

Phone: 404-579-6782 (Jan, Group Leader)

Email: [atlantawsa@gmail.com](mailto:atlantawsa@gmail.com)

**Community-Based Fitness Programs**

**Beyond Therapy**

<http://www.beyond-therapy.org/>

Shepherd Center

2020 Peachtree Road NW

Atlanta, GA 30309

Phone: 404-350-7787

Beyond Therapy is a rigorous, activity-based therapy program designed by Shepherd Center to help people with a variety of neurological disorders, including spinal cord injury and brain injury, improve their lifelong health, minimize secondary complications and get the most out of any new neural links to their muscles. Beyond Therapy is available at Shepherd Center in Atlanta and its satellite in Franklin, Tennessee.

**NextStep Atlanta**

<http://www.nextstepfitness.org/atlabout/>

1755 Grassland Parkway, Ste B

Alpharetta, GA 30004

Phone: 678-580-1404

Email: [admin@nextstepatlanta.org](mailto:admin@nextstepatlanta.org)

NextStep Atlanta provides lifelong health and recovery for people living with paralysis.

## **Community Health Centers**

Community Health Centers are non-profit organizations providing health care to those with insurance and without. All sites offer primary care and many offer specialty care as well. There is no residency requirement; individuals can receive services at any facility of their choosing, with over 1,200 health centers in 8,000 rural and urban communities across the nation. Sliding-scale fees based on family size, income, and insurance status ensure that anyone who uses a Community Health Center can receive quality care regulated by federal standards. Please call the state association listed above to find a Community Health Center in your local area.

### **Georgia Primary Care Association**

[www.gaphc.org](http://www.gaphc.org)

315 West Ponce de Leon Avenue, Suite 1000  
Decatur, GA 30030  
Phone: 404-270-2168

### **Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA): Find a Health Center**

<http://findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov/>

HRSA Health Centers care for you, even if you have no health insurance – you pay what you can afford based on your income. Health centers provide services that include checkups when you are well, treatment when you are sick, complete care when you are pregnant, and immunizations and checkups for your children. Some health centers also provide mental health, substance abuse, oral health, and/or vision services. Contact the health center organization directly to confirm the availability of specific services and to make an appointment.

## **Crime Victim Assistance**

### **Georgia Crime Victims Compensation Program**

<https://crimevictimscomp.ga.gov/>

104 Marietta Street NW, Suite 440  
Atlanta, GA 30303  
Phone: 404-657-2222, 800-547-0060 (Toll-free), 404-463-7650 (TTY)  
Email: [victims.info@cjcc.ga.gov](mailto:victims.info@cjcc.ga.gov)

### **Safe Horizon's Links for General Crime Victim Resources/Issues**

[www.safehorizon.org](http://www.safehorizon.org)

Phone: 800-621-4673 (24/7 Hotline)

## **Domestic Violence Help**

### **National Domestic Violence Hotline**

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

Phone: 800-799-7233, 800-787-3224 (TTY)

### **National Resource Center on Domestic Violence**

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

Phone: 800-537-2238

### **Georgia Coalition Against Domestic Violence**

[www.gcadv.org](http://www.gcadv.org)

2295 Parklake Drive, Suite 130

Atlanta, GA 30345

Phone: 404-209-0280, 800-334-2836 (24/7 Domestic Violence Hotline)

### **Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence**

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

PO Box 171

Decatur, GA 30031

Phone: 404-688-9436 (24 Hour Hotline), 404-370-7670 (Community Office)

Email: [info@wrcdv.org](mailto:info@wrcdv.org)

Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence strives to meet the immediate and long-term needs of the diverse community of battered women and their children with programs that promote safety, compassion, connection, advocacy, and prevention.

This facility has self-reported that it operates an accessible shelter. If you require any special accommodations, please call ahead of time to inquire that certain needs can be met.

## **Easterseals Offices**

### **Georgia Easterseals Offices**

[www.easterseals.com](http://www.easterseals.com)

Lists 5 Easterseals offices in Georgia. Locate offices by entering your zip code.

Easterseals offers services to children and adults with disabilities and special needs. The programs Easterseals offers include autism, children's, adult and senior specific services, employment & training, medical rehabilitation, as well as camping & recreation opportunities. Services may vary by location.

## **Government Offices for Georgia**

### **Official Website of the State of Georgia**

[www.georgia.gov](http://www.georgia.gov)

### **Georgia Medicaid**

<https://medicaid.georgia.gov/>

Phone: 404-657-5468, 877-423-4746 (Toll-free)

### **PeachCare for Kids (State Children's Health Insurance Program)**

[www.peachcare.org](http://www.peachcare.org)

Phone: 877-427-3224

Email: [peachcare@dch.ga.gov](mailto:peachcare@dch.ga.gov)

### **Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency**

<https://gvs.georgia.gov/>

200 Piedmont Ave, SE

West Tower, Suite 1410  
Atlanta, GA 30334  
Phone: 844-367-4872 (Toll-free)

### **Georgia SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program)**

<https://aging.georgia.gov/georgia-ship>

Phone: 866-552-4464

### **Georgia Workers' Compensation**

<https://sbwc.georgia.gov/>

State Board of Workers' Compensation

270 Peachtree St, NW

Atlanta, GA 30303-1299

Phone: 404-656-3818, 800-533-0682 (Toll-free)

Find your **elected officials** to contact them on legislation that is important to you. Each member of Congress maintains at least one office in his or her home state or district. Most have multiple offices throughout the state or district. These offices are designed for direct contact with constituents (that's you!). This is your opportunity to advocate and make your voice heard in Congress without traveling to Washington, DC. Congressional offices are also a great resource for handling problems with federal agencies. You have a constitutionally guaranteed right to petition your government, and home offices provide you an opportunity to use that right.

<http://www.house.gov/representatives/find/>

<http://whoismyrepresentative.com/>

### **State LTC Ombudsman**

<http://www.georgiaombudsman.org/>

Phone: 866-552-4464 (Toll-free)

The mission of the state long-term care ombudsman is to protect the health, safety, welfare and rights of the elderly in nursing homes, assisted living facilities and other facilities.

## **Housing**

### **Housing and Urban Development (HUD)**

[www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov)

451 7th Street, S.W.

Washington, DC 20410

Phone: 202-708-1112, 202-708-1455 (TTY)

HUD is the government office which offers information on public housing, buying a home, renting, discrimination, FEMA related housing, and more. HUD also provides a list of housing counselors as well as information on ways to avoid foreclosure. To find your local HUD office, please click on the "State Info" tab across the top bar, then click on your state, then click on "contact my local office". If you want info on public housing, click here: [https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/public\\_indian\\_housing/pha/contacts](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/pha/contacts) and choose your state from the drop down box.

211

[www.211.org](http://www.211.org)

211 can help people find emergency shelters for individuals and families in crisis. Learn about programs that offer rental assistance, subsidized housing, and housing vouchers that can help families, the elderly and disabled individuals pay for housing.

### **Independent Living**

#### **ILRU: Statewide Independent Living Councils (SILCs)**

##### **Statewide Independent Living Council of Georgia**

<http://www.ilru.org/projects/silc-net/silc-directory>

<http://www.silcga.org/>

315 West Ponce de Leon Ave, Suite #660

Decatur, GA 30030

Phone: 770-270-6860, 711 (TTY)

Email: [rrtuttle@silcga.org](mailto:rrtuttle@silcga.org)

#### **Independent Living Research Utilization's Directory of Centers for Independent Living and Associations**

<http://www.ilru.org>

#### **Disability Connections: The Middle Georgia Center for Independent Living, Inc.**

<https://www.disabilityconnections.com/>

3695 Broadway

Macon, GA 31206

Phone: 478-741-1425, 800-743-2117

Provides help with independent living, home modifications, peer support, nursing home transition, and information and referral.

#### **Disability Resource Center**

<http://disabilityresourcecenter.org/>

170 Scoggins Drive

Demorest, GA 30535

Phone: 706-778-5355, 888-534-7144 (Toll-free)

Provides help with independent living, home modifications, peer support, nursing home transition, and information and referral.

#### **Walton Options**

[www.waltonoptions.org](http://www.waltonoptions.org)

948 Walton Way

Augusta, GA 30901

Phone: 706-724-6262, 877-821-8400 (Toll-free)

An independent living center.

#### **disABILITY LINK: The Center for Rights and Resources**

[www.disabilitylink.org](http://www.disabilitylink.org)

1901 Montreal Road, Suite 102



Tucker, GA 30084

Phone: 404-687-8890, 711 (TTY)

Provides independent living skills training, advocacy, peer support, information & referral and ramps and home modifications. One of their programs is Empowering Our Youth which helps young people with disabilities (age 17-30) to advocate for themselves.

### **National Council on Independent Living (NCIL)**

<http://www.ncil.org/>

PO Box 31260

Washington, DC 20030

Phone: 202-207-0334, 844-778-7961 (Toll-free)

Email: [ncil@ncil.org](mailto:ncil@ncil.org)

The National Council on Independent Living is the longest-running national cross-disability, grassroots organization run by and for people with disabilities. Founded in 1982, NCIL represents thousands of organizations and individuals including: individuals with disabilities, Centers for Independent Living (CILs), Statewide Independent Living Councils (SILCs), and other organizations that advocate for the human and civil rights of people with disabilities throughout the United States.

### **Living Independence for Everyone (LIFE)**

<http://lifecil.com/>

4811 Waters Avenue

Savannah, GA 31404

Phone: 912- 920-2414, 800-948-4824 (Toll-free), 912-226-7660 (Video Phone)

Living Independence for Everyone (LIFE), Inc. is a Center for Independent Living (CIL) that serves the following counties in Southeast Georgia: Bryan, Bulloch, Camden, Chatham, Effingham, Evans, Glynn, Liberty, McIntosh, Tattnall and Toombs. CILs are service and advocacy organizations run by and for people with disabilities. We focus on civil rights, the independent living philosophy, and inclusion. All Centers provide individual and systems advocacy, information and referral, peer support, independent living skills training, and transition services.

## **Library Services**

### **Georgia Library Service for the Blind & Print Disabled**

<https://gls.georgialibraries.org/>

Mailing Address:

GLS Atlanta Library

First Floor

One Margaret Mitchell Square, NW

Atlanta, GA 30303

Phone: 800-248-6701

Email: [gls@georgialibraries.org](mailto:gls@georgialibraries.org)

## **NeuroRecovery Network (NRN)**

The NRN is a network of rehab programs designed to provide locomotor (treadmill) training to promote functional recovery and improve the health and quality of life for people living with paralysis. The program is for people with spinal cord injuries. The NRN is a program of the Reeve Foundation. For more info on qualifying for the program, please go to [www.ChristopherReeve.org/NRN](http://www.ChristopherReeve.org/NRN)

## **Peer Support Programs**

### **Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation's Peer & Family Support Program (PFSP)**

[www.ChristopherReeve.org/Peer](http://www.ChristopherReeve.org/Peer)

636 Morris Turnpike, Suite 3A

Short Hills, NJ 07078

Phone: 800-539-7309

Email: [Peer@ChristopherReeve.org](mailto:Peer@ChristopherReeve.org)

The Peer & Family Support Program (PFSP) is the Reeve Foundation's national peer-to-peer mentoring program. The goal of PFSP is to provide critical emotional support, as well as, local and national information and resources to people living with paralysis, and their families and caregivers. When possible, the program matches people with paralysis with certified peer mentors who are of similar age, location, gender, and level of injury or type of paralyzing condition. The Reeve Foundation's Quality of Life Grants program gives out grants to peer support groups (amongst other groups) that are associated with a non-profit organization. If you represent a non-profit organization looking for a Quality of Life grant, please see: [www.ChristopherReeve.org/qol](http://www.ChristopherReeve.org/qol) for more info on qualifying and applying.

## **Protection and Advocacy**

### **Georgia Advocacy Office**

[www.thegao.org](http://www.thegao.org)

Phone: 404-885-1234, 800-537-2329 (Toll-free)

Email: [info@thegao.org](mailto:info@thegao.org)

### **Georgia Client Assistance Program**

<http://georgiacap.com/>

123 North McDonough Street

Decatur, GA 30030

Phone: 404-373-2040, 800-822-9727 (Toll-free), 800-255-0135 (GA Relay)

Email: [GACAPDirector@georgiacap.com](mailto:GACAPDirector@georgiacap.com)

### **disABILITY LINK: The Center for Rights and Resources**

<http://www.disabilitylink.org/>

1901 Montreal Road, Suite 102

Tucker, GA 30084

Phone: 404-687-8890, 711 (TTY)

Offers advocacy, peer support, information and referral, independent living skills training, nursing facility transition services, and ADA services.

## Service Dogs

### Canine Assistants

<http://www.canineassistants.org/>

3160 Francis Road

Milton, Georgia 30004

Phone: 770-664-7178, 800-771-7221 (Toll-free)

Email: [info@canineassistants.org](mailto:info@canineassistants.org)

### Canine Companions

<http://www.cci.org>

Southeast Training Center

8150 Clarcona Ocoee Road

Orlando, FL 32818

Phone: 407-522-3300, 800-572-2275 (Toll-free)

Canine Companion's Southeast Training Center serves several states, including Georgia.

## Sports and Recreation

### American Association of Adapted Sports Program (AAASP)

<http://adaptedsports.org/>

PO Box 451047

Atlanta, Georgia 31145

Phone: 404-294-0070

Email: [sports@adaptedsports.org](mailto:sports@adaptedsports.org)

AAASP's mission is to develop and support a standardized structure for school-based athletic competition to improve the well-being of students with physical disabilities.

### BlazeSports America

<https://blazesports.org/>

3000 Business Park Drive, Suite A

Norcross, GA 30071

Phone: 404-270-2000

Email: [info@blazesports.org](mailto:info@blazesports.org)

BlazeSports America's mission is to change the lives of youth and veterans with disabilities through adaptive sports and recreation.

### Catalyst Sports

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

2020 Howell Mill Road NW

Suite D560

Atlanta GA 30318

Phone: 404-692-0933

Email: [info@catalystsports.org](mailto:info@catalystsports.org)

Catalyst Sports' mission is to empower people by providing the highest quality of adaptive sports to the disabled community.

### **Trellis Horticultural Therapy Alliance**

<https://trellishta.org>

Decatur, GA

Email: [rachel@trellishta.org](mailto:rachel@trellishta.org)

Trellis offers wheelchair accessible gardens and gardening programs to those with spinal cord injury and brain injury.

## **United Way Offices**

### **United Way National Headquarters**

<http://www.unitedway.org>

701 North Fairfax Street

Alexandria, VA 22314

Phone: 703-836-7112

Enter postal code for a United Way office in your area

United Way focuses on education, financial stability and health to impact the lives of millions. United Way raises awareness surrounding key issues, provides financial and one-on-one assistance to those who need it most, and promotes social and policy change that helps strengthen people and their communities.

### **United Way of Central Georgia**

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

Physical Address:

277 MLK Jr. Blvd, Suite 301

Macon, GA 31201

Mailing Address:

PO Box 1302

Macon, GA 31202

Phone: 478-745-4732

### **United Way of Northwest Georgia**

[www.ourunitedway.org](http://www.ourunitedway.org)

PO Box 566

816 S. Thornton Ave

Dalton, GA 30722-0566

Phone: 706-226-4357

### **United Way of Northeast Georgia**

[www.unitedwaynega.org](http://www.unitedwaynega.org)

1 Huntington Road

Suite 805

Athens, GA 30606

Phone: 706-543-5254

## Veterans Benefits

### Veterans Administration Facility Locator

<https://www.va.gov/directory/guide/home.asp?isflash=1>

### Augusta VA Medical Center-Uptown

1 Freedom Way  
Augusta, GA 30904-6258  
Phone: 706-733-0188

### Charlie Norwood Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center

950 15th Street  
Augusta, GA 30904-2608  
Phone: 706-733-0188

### Paralyzed Veterans of America

<https://pva.org/>

Southeastern PVA Chapter  
4010 Deans Bridge Road  
Hephzibah, GA 30815-5616  
Phone: 706-796-6301  
Email: [paravet@comcast.net](mailto:paravet@comcast.net)

## ALS

### ALS United of Georgia

<http://www.alsaga.org/>  
5881 Glenridge Dr, Suite 200  
Atlanta, GA 30328  
Phone: 404-636-9909, 888-636-9940 (Toll-free)  
Email: [info@alsaga.org](mailto:info@alsaga.org)

### Emory ALS Center at Emory University School of Medicine

[https://med.emory.edu/departments/neurology/programs\\_centers/emory\\_als\\_center/index.html](https://med.emory.edu/departments/neurology/programs_centers/emory_als_center/index.html)  
101 Woodruff Circle  
Sixth Floor, Suite 6000  
Atlanta, GA 30322

## Brain Injury

### Brain Injury Association of Georgia

[www.braininjurygeorgia.org](http://www.braininjurygeorgia.org)  
Mailing Address:  
2300 Bethelview Rd, Ste 110-343  
Cumming, GA 30040  
Phone: 800-444-6443 (Toll-free)

Email: [info@braininjurygeorgia.org](mailto:info@braininjurygeorgia.org)

This is a non-profit organization that provides education, advocacy and support for those affected by brain injury. They work to empower individuals with brain injury by making resources available that may improve the quality of life.

### **Brain Injury Peer Visitor Association**

<http://braininjurypeervisitor.org/>

20714 Behrens Pass Lane

Cypress, TX 77433

Phone: 770-330-8416

Email: [Annie12549@aol.com](mailto:Annie12549@aol.com)

A non-profit organization that conducts peer visits in 16 Atlanta metropolitan hospitals and rehabilitation facilities, as well as conducting telephone peer visits and email peer visits. The peer visitors conduct visits with brain-injured survivors and/or their families and/or their caregivers, and even with their friends.

### **Georgia Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission**

<https://bsitf.georgia.gov/>

200 Piedmont Ave. SE

East Tower, Ste. 472

Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: 888-233-5760

Email: [dph-info-bsitf@dph.ga.gov](mailto:dph-info-bsitf@dph.ga.gov)

Helps to offset the high costs of needed services for those who suffer from traumatic brain injuries or spinal cord injuries.

### **Georgia RSVP Clinic**

<https://www.garsvpclinic.org>

Physical Address:

Shepherd Center

2020 Peachtree Rd. NW

Atlanta, GA 30309

Mailing Address:

c/o Tracey Wallace

1330 Mayfield Manor Dr.

Alpharetta, GA 30009

Phone: 404-721-3292

Email: [susanj@garsvpclinic.org](mailto:susanj@garsvpclinic.org)

GA RSVP Clinic is a non-profit organization which offers a free outpatient rehabilitation clinic for uninsured and underinsured people with brain, stroke and spinal cord injuries. In 2019, a group of rehab professionals in Georgia joined together with the vision to create a clinic where they could volunteer their time and skills to provide care to these patients.

## **Cerebral Palsy**

### **United Cerebral Palsy of Georgia**

[www.ucpga.org](http://www.ucpga.org)

3300 Northeast Expressway NE, Bldg. 9  
Atlanta, GA 30341  
Phone: 770-676-2000, 888-827-9455 (Toll-free)  
Email: [info@ucpga.org](mailto:info@ucpga.org)

Works to advance the independence, productivity, and rights of those who have developmental disabilities. Services included personal support, day support, childcare, residential support, and employment services.

### **Friedreich's Ataxia**

#### **National Ataxia Foundation (NAF)**

<http://www.ataxia.org/>

Physical Address:

600 Hwy 169 S, Ste 1725  
Minneapolis, MN 55426

Mailing Address:

PO Box 27986  
Golden Valley, MN 55427

Phone: 763-553-0020

Email: [naf@ataxia.org](mailto:naf@ataxia.org)

Please ask them for any local support groups

### **Guillian-Barré Syndrome / CIDP**

#### **Guillain-Barré Syndrome/CIDP Foundation International**

<http://gbs-cidp.org/>

Mailing Address:

375 East Elm St, Suite 101  
Conshohocken, PA 19428

Phone: 610-667-0131, 866-224-3301 (Toll-free)

Please contact them for information in your area

### **Multiple Sclerosis**

#### **Georgia Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society**

<http://www.nationalmssociety.org/Chapters/GAA>

Physical Address:

950 East Paces Ferry Rd, Suite 820  
Atlanta, GA 30326

Mailing Address:

PO Box 88540  
Carol Stream, IL 60188

Phone: 800-344-4867 (Toll-free)

#### **Multiple Sclerosis Association of America (MSAA) Headquarters**

<http://www.mymsaa.com>

375 Kings Highway North, Suite B

Cherry Hill, NJ 08034  
Phone: 800-532-7667  
Email: [msaa@mysaa.org](mailto:msaa@mysaa.org)

### **MSAA Southeast Regional Office**

<https://mysaa.org/publications/improving-lives/offices/>

Phone: 800-532-7667 extension 160 (Toll-free)

Email: [southeast@mysaa.org](mailto:southeast@mysaa.org)

Covers Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi.

## **Muscular Dystrophy**

### **Muscular Dystrophy Association**

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

1016 W Jackson Blvd #1073

Chicago, IL 60607

Phone: 800-572-1717

Email: [resourcecenter@mdausa.org](mailto:resourcecenter@mdausa.org)

*Enter your postal code in the "Find your local MDA" section of the website for MD clinics in your area.*

## **Post-Polio Syndrome**

### **Post-Polio Health International (PHI)**

<http://www.post-polio.org>

50 Crestwood Executive Center, Suite 440

Saint Louis, MO 63126

Phone: 314-534-0475

<https://post-polio.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/PDIR-2023.pdf>

*Directory lists Health Professionals, Clinics, and Support Groups by state.*

### **Post-Polio Health Directory of Support Groups:**

#### **Atlanta Post-Polio Association**

[www.atlantapostpolio.com](http://www.atlantapostpolio.com)

1036 Parkway Court

Buford, GA 30518

Phone: 404-350-7631

#### **Coastal Empire Polio Survivors Association, Inc.**

[www.coastalempirepoliosurvivors.org](http://www.coastalempirepoliosurvivors.org)

PO Box 14355

Savannah, GA 31416

Phone: 912-508-3470

## **Spina Bifida**

### **Spina Bifida Association**

<http://www.spinabifidaassociation.org>



1600 Wilson Blvd, Suite 800  
Arlington, VA 22209  
Phone: 800-621-3141  
Email: [sbaa@sbaa.org](mailto:sbaa@sbaa.org)

### **Spina Bifida Association of Georgia-Tennessee**

<https://www.spinabifidaassociation.org/chapter/sbagatn/about/>

Contact Gage Abell  
Phone: 202-900-8878  
Email: [gabell@sbaa.org](mailto:gabell@sbaa.org)

### **Spina Bifida Association's Clinics**

<http://spinabifidaassociation.org/clinics/>

### **Children's Healthcare of Atlanta**

[www.choa.org](http://www.choa.org)

Center for Advanced Pediatrics  
1400 Tullie Road NE  
Atlanta, GA 30329  
Phone: 404-785-5437

The Center for Advanced Pediatrics offers multispecialty outpatient treatment for children with a wide range of conditions.

### **Shepherd Center Outpatient Clinic (Adult and Pediatric 13 and older)**

[www.shepherd.org](http://www.shepherd.org)

2020 Peachtree Road NW  
Atlanta, GA 30309  
Phone: 404-352-2020

## **Spinal Cord Injuries**

### **Model Spinal Cord Injury Facility**

[www.shepherd.org](http://www.shepherd.org)

Southeastern Regional SCI Model System  
Shepherd Center  
2020 Peachtree Road, NW  
Atlanta, GA 30309-1465  
Phone: 404-352-2020

Shepherd Center is one of 14 designated model spinal cord injury facilities in the United States.

### **Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Peer Support Group Dinner**

Meets the fourth Thursday of every month from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

### **Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Survivor and Caregivers Support Group**

Following a group dinner, individual support group meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of every month from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

### **Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Savannah**

[www.encompasshealth.com/locations/savannahrehab](http://www.encompasshealth.com/locations/savannahrehab)

6510 Seawright Dr  
Savannah, GA 31406  
Phone: 912-235-6000

Encompass Health offers technology to treat paralysis. Equipment includes autoambulator, Bioness H200 and L300, ReoTherapy, and SaeboFlex amongst others. A care plan is developed to individualize treatment to each patient.

### **Georgia Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission**

<https://bsitf.georgia.gov/>

200 Piedmont Ave. SE  
East Tower, Ste. 472  
Atlanta, GA 30334  
Phone: 888-233-5760

Email: [DPH-INFO-BSITF@dph.ga.gov](mailto:DPH-INFO-BSITF@dph.ga.gov)

Helps to offset the high costs of needed services for those who suffer from traumatic brain injuries or spinal cord injuries.

### **Georgia RSVP Clinic**

<https://www.garsvpclinic.org>

Physical Address:  
Shepherd Center  
2020 Peachtree Rd NW  
Atlanta, GA 30309  
Mailing Address:  
GA RSVP  
c/o Tracey Wallace  
1330 Mayfield Manor Dr  
Alpharetta, GA 30009  
Phone: 404-721-3292

Email: [susanj@garsvpclinic.org](mailto:susanj@garsvpclinic.org)

GA RSVP Clinic is a non-profit organization which offers a free outpatient rehabilitation clinic for uninsured and underinsured people with brain, stroke and spinal cord injuries. In 2019, a group of rehab professionals in Georgia joined together with the vision to create a clinic where they could volunteer their time and skills to provide care to these patients.

### **Habersham YMCA of Coastal Georgia**

<https://ymcaofcoastalga.org/>

6400 Habersham St.  
Savannah, GA 31405  
Phone: 912-354-6223, 912-354-5480

Offers a program to people with spinal cord injuries. The group trains together.

## **Stroke**

### **CDC's Heart Disease and Stroke Maps**

<http://www.cdc.gov/dhdsp/maps/atlas/index.htm>

Click on Georgia

### **American Stroke Association**

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

National Center

7272 Greenville Avenue

Dallas, TX 75231

Phone: 888-478-7653

Call to see if they have support groups in your area

## **Syringomyelia**

### **Worldwide Syringomyelia & Chiari Task Force, Inc.**

<http://www.wstfcure.org/>

PO Box 491975

Lawrenceville, GA 30049

Email: [wstfcure@wstfcure.org](mailto:wstfcure@wstfcure.org)

The Worldwide Syringomyelia & Chiari Task Force Inc.'s mission is to educate the world about Syringomyelia. They are a 501 c 3 organization led by nurses, physicians, and veterinarians focused on answering the problems associated with Syringomyelia as well as focused on advocating for the rights of the individual and canines bravely battling it with or without chiari. They provide direct assistance with prescriptions and durable medical equipment and offer continuous educational credits to medical professionals to learn about Syringomyelia and worldwide broadcasting through UStream.

## **Transverse Myelitis**

### **Siegel Rare Neuroimmune Association (SRNA)**

[www.wearesrna.org](http://www.wearesrna.org)

Physical Address:

1787 Sutter Parkway

Powell, OH 43065-8806

Mailing Address:

PO Box 826962

Philadelphia, PA 19182-6962

Phone: 855-380-3330 (EST)

Please contact them for info in your area.

## **General Georgia Disability Resources**

### **Georgia Yellow Pages for Kids with Disabilities**

<http://www.yellowpagesforkids.com/help/ga.htm>

### **University of Georgia Disability Resource Center**

<http://drc.uga.edu/>

Clark Howell Hall

825 South Lumpkin Street

Athens, GA 30602  
Phone: 706-542-8719  
Email: [drc@uga.edu](mailto:drc@uga.edu)

### **Friends of Disabled Adults and Children**

<http://www.fodac.org/>

4900 Lewis Road

Tucker, GA 30083

Phone: 770-491-9014, 866-977-1204

Non-profit organization that provides people with disabilities in the Atlanta area with free medical equipment.

### **Preschool Special Education Program (Ages 3 Through 5)**

<https://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Special-Education-Services/Pages/Preschool-Special-Education.aspx>

Georgia Department of Education

1562 Twin Towers East

205 Jesse Hill Jr. Dr. SE

Atlanta, GA 30334

Phone: 678-444-0571

Email: [Barbara.Ross@doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:Barbara.Ross@doe.k12.ga.us)

### **Georgia Department of Education: Special Education Services and Supports**

<http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Special-Education-Services/Pages/default.aspx>

Phone: 404-656-3963

Email: [SPEDHelpDesk@doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:SPEDHelpDesk@doe.k12.ga.us)

### **Parent to Parent of Georgia**

<http://p2pga.org/>

3070 Presidential Parkway, Suite 130

Atlanta, GA 30340-3720

Phone: 770-451-5484, 800-229-2038 (Toll-free)

Helps families which have children with disabilities. All services are free. For help in Spanish, please see: <http://esp.p2pga.org/>

### **Georgia Occupational Therapy Association**

<http://www.gaota.com>

PO Box 495

Gainesville, GA 30503

Email: [info@gaota.com](mailto:info@gaota.com)

### **Georgia Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association**

<https://aptageorgia.org/default.aspx>

2900 Delk Rd

Suite 700, PMB 321

Marietta, GA 30067

Phone: 770-433-2418  
Email: [info@aptageorgia.org](mailto:info@aptageorgia.org)

**Association for People Supporting Employment First: Georgia Chapter**

[www.apse.org](http://www.apse.org)  
<https://apse.org/chapter/georgia/>  
Email: [gaapse@apse.org](mailto:gaapse@apse.org)

**FOCUS**

<https://focus-ga.org/>  
3825 Presidential Parkway, Suite 103  
Atlanta, GA 30340  
Phone: 770-234-9111  
Email: [inquiry@focus-ga.org](mailto:inquiry@focus-ga.org)

FOCUS is here to help children who are medically fragile or have significant developmental and/or physical disabilities. We comfort with hospital visits and support groups, offer hope by information and education, provide fun activities for parents and kids and help to make equipment available to children in need.

**Emory Decatur Hospital Outpatient Rehab Services: Driving Solutions Program**

<http://www.dekalbmedical.org>  
2701 N Decatur Rd  
Decatur, GA 30033  
Phone: 404-501-1000

**Side by Side Brain Injury Clubhouse**

<http://www.sidebysideclubhouse.org/>  
1001 Main Street  
Stone Mountain, GA 30083  
Phone: 770-469-9355

Side by Side Brain Injury Clubhouse is a place where people living with the lifelong effects of traumatic brain injury (TBI) are respected and valued as contributing community members. Our rehabilitation focuses on the abilities, strengths and volunteer efforts of members who work side by side with staff to manage all operations of the Clubhouse

**The Speak Foundation**

<http://www.thespeakfoundation.com/>

The Speak Foundation reaches to provide a mentoring and supportive community to people of all ages with physical disabilities. They hold annual an annual summer conference for individuals with neuromuscular disorders that includes informational sessions, medical presentations, and social events.

**ThinkFirst National Injury Prevention Foundation**

[www.thinkfirst.org](http://www.thinkfirst.org)  
2206 N Main Street, #277  
Wheaton, IL 60187  
Phone: 630-961-1400

Email: [thinkfirst@thinkfirst.org](mailto:thinkfirst@thinkfirst.org)

ThinkFirst offers evidence-based injury prevention programs for students of all ages through their network of healthcare-based chapters. Health educators and people who have experienced brain or spinal cord injuries help students understand the importance of making safe choices related to vehicles, sports, violence and falls. To find chapter information in your area, please go to their website and click on the “Chapter Site” tab.

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