

## Support for your family in

# WHITFIELD COUNTY

This listing of community resources has been developed to help families find services and support for their children with special needs. Both county and regional agencies serving your local community are included. Please contact Siskin Children's Institute if you need any assistance navigating through these resources and identifying the services appropriate for your child's diagnosis.

### Local Resources

Agency	Description of Services	Phone
Babies Can't Wait <a href="http://www.health.state.us/programs/bcw">www.health.state.us/programs/bcw</a>	Early intervention services and family support for children with disabilities ages 0 thru 2 years	706-272-2219
Child Care Referral <a href="http://www.qualitycareforchildren.org">www.qualitycareforchildren.org</a>	Assistance with finding child care	800-308-1825
Children 1 <sup>st</sup> <a href="http://www.health.state.ga.us/programs/childrenfirst">www.health.state.ga.us/programs/childrenfirst</a>	Identification, screening, assessment, referral and monitoring of children's health	706-272-2219
Children's Medical Services <a href="http://www.health.state.ga.us/programs/cms">www.health.state.ga.us/programs/cms</a>	Special medical care for children	888-276-1558
Department of Family & Children's Services <a href="http://www.dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov">www.dfcs.dhr.georgia.gov</a>	Financial assistance, protective services, resources	706-272-2331
Easter Seal <a href="http://www.northgeorgia.easterseal.com">www.northgeorgia.easterseal.com</a>	Advocacy, technological assistance, support	404-633-9886
Georgia Learning Resources <a href="http://www.glr.org">www.glr.org</a>	Training and resource services to parents and educators	706-295-6189
Georgia PINES <a href="http://www.gapines.net">www.gapines.net</a>	Statewide home intervention program available to families of infants and toddlers with a sensory impairment	800-522-8652
Heartland Ranch and Arena <a href="http://www.heartland-ranch.org">www.heartland-ranch.org</a>	Summer day and equestrian camps, Hippo therapy and therapeutic riding for children and adults with special needs	706-935-8453
High Risk Infant Follow-Up <a href="http://www.health.state.ga.us/programs/cms">www.health.state.ga.us/programs/cms</a>	Assessment, intervention, follow-up for high risk infants and family support and education	706-272-2219
Lekotek of Georgia <a href="http://www.lekotek.ga.org">www.lekotek.ga.org</a>	Offers "compuplay" classes, support, toy loans	404-633-3430
Op Foundation <a href="http://www.theopfoundation.com">www.theopfoundation.com</a>	Awareness, advocacy, resources	706-346-6346
Parent to Parent of Georgia <a href="http://www.parenttoparentofga.org">www.parenttoparentofga.org</a>	Support, information and parent mentors	800-229-2038
Parents Educating Parents & Professionals <a href="http://www.peppinc.org">www.peppinc.org</a>	Advocacy, trainings, parental assistance	770-577-7771
Spina Bifida Association of Atlanta <a href="http://www.spinabifidaga.org">www.spinabifidaga.org</a>	Education, support, lending library	770-454-7600
United Cerebral Palsy of Atlanta <a href="http://www.ucpa.org">www.ucpa.org</a>	Support, respite care, technical assistance	770-676-2000
Whitfield County Health Department <a href="http://www.nwgapublichealth.org/counties/whitfield">www.nwgapublichealth.org/counties/whitfield</a>	Public health services	706-226-2621
Whitfield County Schools <a href="http://www.whitfield.k12.ga.us">www.whitfield.k12.ga.us</a>	Special education services, psychological assessments, inclusion, Child Find	706-876-3916

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## Regional Resources

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ARC of Hamilton County arcofhamilton@bellsouth.net	Advocacy, specific disability information for people of all ages	423-624-6887
Autism Society of America, Greater GA Chapter www.asaga.com	Advocacy, information	770-904-4474
CHADD, Greater Chattanooga Area www.chattchadd.org	Education on ADD/ADHD	423-876-1241
Chattanooga Area Brain Injury Association chattanoogabraininjury@mail.com	Service coordination, support group for people of all ages	423-634-1572
Chattanooga Autism Support Group	Support group (Awesome Autism)	865-824-2897
Chattanooga Down Syndrome Society www.chattanoogadownsyndrome.org	Support, information, fundraising events and social activities	423-867-1629
Children's Therapy Services www.erlanger.org	Outpatient therapies	423-778-6488
City of Chattanooga Therapeutic Recreation adams_e@mail.chattanooga.gov	Recreational activities	423-697-1345
Epilepsy Services of Northwest Georgia www.ourunitedway.org	Information, support	706-226-1248
Hearing Loss Association, Georgia Chapter www.hearingloss-ga.org	Education, support	678-438-9135
Kidney Foundation of Greater Chattanooga www.kidneyfoundation.com	Advocacy, financial assistance, and education on dialysis and kidney-related treatments	423-265-4397
Lifeline lifelineministry@juno.com	Information, support and mentoring for the families of children with special needs	423-867-2946
Marcus Institute www.marcus.org	Assessment, treatment	404-785-9400
Mothers Moving Mountains autismhope4you@yahoo.com	Autism support group	423-847-3730
Muscular Dystrophy Association, Chattanooga Chapter www.mda.org	Camps, summer programs, support groups	423-855-0645
Orange Grove Center www.orangegrovecenter.org	Education, outpatient rehab, arts programs	423-629-1451
Services for the Deaf, Partnership FCA www.partnershipfca.com	Sign language classes, interpreter services	423-697-3842
Signal Centers www.signalcenters.org	Early intervention, education, assistive technology	423-698-8528
Siskin Hospital for Rehabilitation www.siskinrehab.org	Therapies, health care services, support	423-634-1200
Siskin Children's Institute www.siskin.org	Education, health care, resource library, trainings, family support, research for children both with and without disabilities	423-648-1700
Social Security Administration www.socialsecurity.gov	Financial benefits	800-772-1213
Speech and Hearing Center www.speechhearing.com	Audiology services, therapy, preschool	423-622-6900
TEAM Centers www.teamcenters.org	Disability assessment and evaluation, treatment services and resources	423-622-0500

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Tri-State Resource and Advocacy Corporation 4TRAC@bellsouth.net	Information on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), resources for independent living	423-922-4774
United Way of Greater Chattanooga www.uwchatt.org	Information and referrals on agencies serving children with special needs	423-752-0300
Vital Center for the Blind Vital4blind@comcast.net	Visual impairment programs, support	423-624-0025
Walter Boehm Birth Defects Center www.boehmbdc.com	Health care services, outpatient rehab	423-778-2222
Vanderbilt Kennedy Center TRIAD @vanderbilt.edu	Research, training, autism services, family support	615-936-1705

Siskin Children's Institute will continually update this list of resources to reflect the most accurate and comprehensive information for your community.

For more information visit the Tennessee Disability Pathfinder at [www.familypathfinder.com](http://www.familypathfinder.com) or TennHelp at [www.tennhelp.com](http://www.tennhelp.com)