

Evaluations

Jefferson County Public Schools, Child Find

303-982-7247

- Provides free developmental assessments for young children from birth to 5 years of age.
- Can help families determine if their child is eligible for special education services in the areas of learning, speech, language, motor skills and social/emotional needs.
- Free Resource to Jefferson county residents.

The Children's Hospital – Developmental Pediatrics Department

720-777-6630

www.thechildrenshospital.org

- Evaluation and services for: Developmental, Psychological, Audiology, Speech Pathology, Learning, Communication, Occupational and Physical Therapy, Neurology
- Offers evaluations for Autism, including Aspergers, and other developmental delays for ages 0-18. Takes all insurance including Medicaid. Wait list is about one year. Offers services in Spanish.

JFK Partners - Autism and Developmental Disabilities Clinic

303-724-5266 main, 303-724-7664 clinical

University of Colorado Denver, 13121 E. 17th Ave., C234, Aurora, CO 80045

- Outpatient clinical services to persons with Autism Spectrum Disorders and other developmental disabilities and their families. Goal is to address education, social, emotional, vocational, or recreational needs.
- Accepts Medicaid
- Developmental evaluations for children under 18 years old are referred to the Children's Hospital Child Development Unit (listed above).
- Speech/language evaluations ONLY: Terry Hall 303-724-7633
- To inquire about evaluations for adults, call 720-777-6630

Oliver Behavioral Consultants

720-459-7493

12213 N Pecos St #200, Westminster, CO 80234

info@oliver-bc.com

<https://www.oliver-bc.com/>

- Offers diagnostic evaluations to identify Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, Autism Spectrum Disorders and Intellectual Disabilities
- Offers Speech and Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Behavioral Services

Sewall Child Development Center

303-399-1800

940 Fillmore St. Denver CO 80206

www.sewall.org

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- Provides comprehensive, trans-disciplinary evaluations for children with medical, mental health, or developmental concerns.
- Assessments are available for children 18 months through age 10. Takes only Medicaid and Preauthorized Denver Health Medical Plan. Offers evaluations in Spanish.
- Contact person is Marina Vidrine.

Developmental FX

303-333-8360

7770 E Iliff Ave #C Denver CO 80231

www.developmentalfx.org

- Provides evaluations, treatment, and individual and group therapy.
- Specializes in treatment of children and adults diagnosed within the spectrum of autism, sensory integration difficulties, learning and attention difficulties, executive functioning problems, speech/language and social skill challenges, fine motor difficulties, perceptual and coordination difficulties including low muscle tone and dyspraxia, and children with uneven development
- Accepts Medicaid.

University of Denver – Professional Psychology Clinic

303-871-3626,

2450 S. Vine St., Denver, CO 80208

<http://www.du.edu/gspp/services/ppc.html>

- Staffed by more than 100 doctoral students and psychologists, they offer affordable and confidential mental health services.
- Affordable neuro-psychological / IQ Testing on a sliding scale. Accepts Medicaid. Please call to inquire about grants. \$30 fee for 1st 3 sessions then a sliding scale fee from \$15-70/hr for the evaluation.

Service Centers / Resource Centers

Development Disabilities Resource Center

303-233-3363

11177 West 8th Avenue, Suite 300, Lakewood, CO 80215

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

- Serves Jefferson, Summit, Gilpin and Clear Creek counties
- Services that create opportunities for people with developmental disabilities and their families to participate fully in the community.
- Offers supported living service, residential services, resource coordination, in-home supports, vocational services, computer technology services, recreational services, day programs, family supports, and behavioral health services.

The ARC of Jefferson County

303-232-1338

13949 West Colfax Ave, Denver West Building 1, Suite 150, Lakewood, CO 80401

www.arcjc.org

- Serves children and adults with cognitive, intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families from Jefferson, Clear Creek and Gilpin counties



- Offers advocacy, information, resources, trainings, and representative and guardian services.

Early Intervention Colorado

1-888-777-4041

1575 Sherman St Denver Co 80203

www.eicolorado.org

- Connects families with early intervention services to help infants and toddlers under age three grow and develop, and to help their families in this process.

HCP-Jefferson County Public Health

303-239-7006

<http://jeffco.us/public-health/home-visitations/healthcare-program-for-special-needs-children/>

- HCP: A Program for Children & Youth with Special Health Care Needs
 - Provides in-depth, one-on-one care coordination for families of children (birth to 21 years) who have, or are at risk for, physical, developmental, behavioral or emotional conditions. Examples of care coordination include: assistance with identifying local services, insurance or other financial resources, and supporting important transitions such as from hospital to home or from child to adult care. Care coordinators work with the family to advocate for the child, identify and prioritize needs, and develop a plan to achieve goals.
 - HCP program administers newborn hearing screenings for babies that are home birthed, or are born at a birthing center.
 - If referred by a health care provider or community agency, referral can be faxed to: 303-239-7088 or scan and email to publichealthhomevisitation@jeffco.us.

The Autism Society of Colorado

720-214-0794

550 S. Wadsworth Blvd, Suite 100, Lakewood 80226

www.autismcolorado.org

- Information, Referral, Support and Advocacy Hotline: 877-265-6273
- Promotes quality of life for people with autism spectrum disorders and families.

Autism Society of America

800-328-8476

www.autism-society.org

- Online resource database, discussion forums, etc.

Autism Speaks

888-288-4762, Spanish: 1-888-772-9050

www.autismspeaks.org

- Website that lists, by state, providers that work with Kids with Autism
- Offers the Autism Response Team which connects families with information, resources and opportunities: 1-888-AUTISM2 (288-4762)

US Autism and Asperger Association

888-9AUTISM

www.usautism.org



- Provides education, support and solutions with the goal of helping individuals with autism spectrum disorders achieve their fullest potential.

O.A.S.I.S - Online Asperger Syndrome Information & Support

www.aspergersyndrome.org

- Website with lots of resources, including a list of local support groups.

Respite and Child Care

Give Me a Break – Autism Society of Colorado

720-214-0794 ext. 17

550 W. Wadsworth Blvd., Suite 100, Lakewood, CO

- Provides respite funds to relieve families of the daily care and supervision of a loved one with autism.

Easter Seals of Colorado

303-233-1666 x237

5755 West Alameda Ave., Lakewood, CO 80226

www.eastersealscolorado.org

- Respite, including Discovery Club, weekend programs and summer camp.
- Warm water therapy and aquatic programs.
- Employment services/support, transition trainings, transportation assessments.

Respite Recreation Program - Schlessman YMCA

720-524-2750; Fax: 720-524-2745

3901 East Yale Avenue, Denver, Colorado 80210

- Must be age 4 to 13 and have a physician's diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder.
- Multiple sessions throughout the year
- Call 720 524 2778 or email Claire Eades at ceades@denverymca.org for more information.

Night Owls- Fisher Early Learning Center, University of Denver

303-871-2095

- First Friday night of each month, trained volunteers provide an evening of individualized care and fun for children with special needs and their siblings, ages 1 month to 12 years.
- Kids participate in pre-planned activities and events according to each child's interests. Nurses are there to assist with any medical needs.
- Families must pre-register by calling 303-871-2723 or emailing NightOwls@du.edu

Parent and Sibling Support

ABC's of Autism: Monthly Educational Program and Networking

720-214-0794

550 S. Wadsworth Blvd., Suite 100, Lakewood, CO 80226

www.autismcolorado.org

- Expert guest speakers present on a variety of topics (go to website for information).



Autism 101

720-214-0794

550 S. Wadsworth Blvd., Suite 100, Lakewood CO

www.autismcolorado.org

- Introduction to understanding autism spectrum disorders with the intention of fostering understanding, awareness, education and acceptance

GRASP – The Global and Regional Asperger Syndrome Partnership

888-47-7277

www.grasp.org

- Offers support groups and online discussion groups.
- Contact Mikayla Houser at 1-877-928-8476 or mikayla@autisticfusion.org for group information.

Parent to Parent of Colorado

303-691-9339

801 Yosemite St, Denver CO

www.p2p-co.org

- Provides emotional and informational support and resources to parents of children with disabilities.
- Services offered in Spanish.

Empower Colorado

1-866-213-4631

- <http://www.abilityconnectioncolorado.org/empowercolorado/support/groups-list-servs/>
- Support, education, advocacy and resources for families with children and youth who have social, emotional, or mental health challenges.
- Most groups offer free child care or a children's program
Email: knrivera@abilityconnectioncolorado.org/empowercolorado
3rd Thursday, 6-8pm, Rainbow Center, 2140 E 88th Ave, Thornton, CO

El Grupo VIDA

303-335-9875

7323 S. Alton Way, Unit A, Centennial, CO 80112

www.elgrupovida.org

- Network of Spanish speaking families who have children with disabilities or special needs.
- Educational training and support group for families
- Social events for families
- Annual conference held entirely in Spanish
- Information and referrals

Sibling Tree

720-840-3001

www.siblingtree.org

5940 W 59th Ave Suite B Arvada CO 80003

- Provides support groups for siblings of those affected by Autism and other developmental/special needs conditions.



- Support groups held for both child and adult siblings throughout the Metro area.
- Call or visit their website for current list of groups and locations.

Healthcare and Financial Assistance

Family Voices

1-800-881-8272, 303-733-3000

www.familyvoicesco.org

- Advocacy for children with special health care needs.
- Assists families in navigating health systems including Medicaid and private insurance.
- Spanish speaking services available.

Health Colorado

303-839-2120 or 1-888-367-6557 outside of Denver www.healthcolorado.org

- Helps families find services covered by Medicaid.
- Can speak with an outreach coordinator to discuss extra services or special health care needs that Medicaid will cover.

Helping Hand Program, National Autism Association: <http://nationalautismassociation.org/family-support/programs/helping-hand/>

1-877-622-2884

- Offers assistance for physician recommended medical treatments, supplements or therapies for a child with autism.
- Does not provide funding for recreation, respite care, or entertainment items
- One time only grants, annual net income must not exceed \$50,000

United Healthcare Children's Foundation

<http://www.uhccf.org/apply/>

1-855-698-4223

- Offers grants to help children who need critical health care treatment, services or equipment not covered or not fully covered by their parents' health benefit plans.

School / Legal Support

Jeffco Transition Services

303-982-6690

http://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/programs/special_education/transition_services

- Provides learning experiences which are designed to assist youth in transitioning from high school student to adult. Is an optional program for young adults with special needs who are 18-21 years of age. Students have to have an IEP that specifies needed post-secondary transition instruction and support.

PEAK Parent Center

719-531-9400

www.peakparent.org

917 East Moreno Avenue Suite 140, Colorado Springs, CO 80903

- Colorado's federally designated parent training and information center.



- Helps families with children with all disabilities make informed decisions about early childhood, education, transition, employment, recreation, and other services for their children.
- Provides many resources and services at no or low cost, in both English and Spanish.

Denver Metro Community Parent Resource Center

303-365-CPRC (2772)

www.denvermetrocpirc.org

- Informs and empowers low-income, culturally and linguistically diverse families as advocates for their children with disabilities, age birth to 26, to achieve a meaningful participation in their schools and communities in the Denver Metro area.
- Serves families in Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson counties.
- Spanish services available; all services are free.

Colorado Cross-Disability Coalition (CCDC)

303-839-1775

1385 S. Colorado Blvd #610-A Denver CO 80222

www.ccdconline.org

- Information & assistance on disability rights issues for youth and adults.
- Advances legislation & public policy impacting the disability community.
- Offers a summer internship program for youth (age 14-18) with disabilities.

HIMAT (Health Insurance Mandated Autism Treatment) Law

- A new law that requires certain types of *private* group health insurance policies to cover treatment for Autism Spectrum Disorders.
- For more information go to:
[http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/medicalschool/programs/JFKPartners/educationtraining/Pages/Health-Insurance-Mandated-Autism-Treatment-\(HIMAT\).aspx](http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/medicalschool/programs/JFKPartners/educationtraining/Pages/Health-Insurance-Mandated-Autism-Treatment-(HIMAT).aspx)

** More resources available for Developmental Disabilities and Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder. Please contact Navigation.*

Additional Resource Web Sites:

<https://emergeprofessionals.com/>

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

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

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

<http://aspencenter.net/>

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

<http://joshuaschool.org/>

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

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

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

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

