

ORANGE COUNTY SERVICES GUIDE

FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND THEIR FAMILIES



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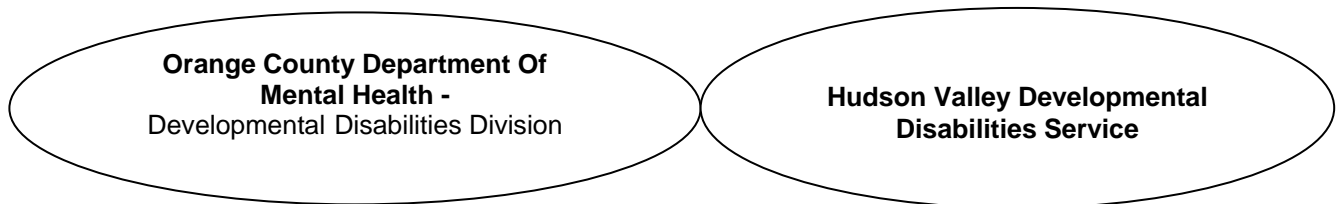
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HOW IS THE SYSTEM ORGANIZED?

The Orange County Department of Mental Health (OCDMH) is the State-designated entity for the planning, development and coordination of services in the fields of mental health, chemical dependency, and developmental disabilities within the geographic boundaries of the County of Orange. While the Department does not provide any direct specialized services, it does provide advocacy, mediation, information/referral, technical assistance and training opportunities to people with developmental disabilities, families, and school and agency personnel. It also manages the central intake and referral process for specialized services. Additionally, it contracts with and funds many of the services delivered by not-for-profit provider agencies and is responsible for the quality of existing services and planning for appropriate services. Orange County's commitment to serving people with developmental disabilities and their families is demonstrated by its designation of a full time administrator within the Department of Mental Health to coordinate the system--the Director of Developmental Disabilities Services. That person works in full partnership with staff at the Hudson Valley Developmental Disabilities Service Office to ensure that services are available to meet the needs of county residents.

Service recipients benefit greatly from the level of cooperation that exists within the system through the Orange County Developmental Disabilities Provider Network. The Network exists to:

- Identify needs, trends and obstacles to service delivery
- Maximize quality and choice of services
- Set policy and direction for the service system
- Provide a forum for sharing and dissemination of information
- Promote cross-systems cooperation



- Orange County Developmental Disabilities Provider Network**
- Action Toward Independence
 - Chemlu Developmental Disabilities Center, Inc.
 - Crystal Run Village, Inc.
 - Epilepsy Society, Inc.
 - Family Empowerment Council, Inc.
 - Footings, Inc.
 - Greystone Programs, Inc.
 - Hamaspik of Orange County, Inc.
 - Hudson Valley Developmental Disabilities Service Office*
 - Independent Living, Inc.
 - Inspire, The Cerebral Palsy Center
 - Mental Health Association of Orange County, Inc.
 - Occupations, Inc.
 - Orange County Association for the Help of Retarded Citizens, Inc.
 - Orange County Association for Learning Disabled
 - Orange County Department of Mental Health
 - Rayim of Hudson Valley, Inc.
 - Stony Ford Foundation, Inc.

WHAT IS A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY?

A developmental disability is defined by New York State as a disability of a person which:

- is attributable to mental retardation, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, neurological impairment or autism;
- attributable to any other condition of a person found to be closely related to mental retardation because such conditions result in similar impairment of general intellectual functioning or adaptive behavior to that of persons with mental retardation or requires treatment and services similar to those required for such persons;
- is attributable to dyslexia resulting from a disability described above;
- originates before such person attains age twenty-two;
- has continued or can be expected to continue indefinitely; and
- constitutes a substantial handicap to such person's ability to function normally in society.

WHAT IS NEEDED TO ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY?

- Information indicating that the disability or brain injury began in childhood (prior to age 22);
- Information indicating that the disability is expected to last indefinitely; and
- Information indicating that the condition or disability causes a “substantial handicap” or limitation on the person’s ability to function independently in society

Acceptable documentation must minimally include a psychological evaluation with the results of standardized I.Q. testing and the results of an assessment of adaptive behavior. Additionally, a social history, medical reports or evaluations indicating health status and all presenting diagnoses plus educational records are extremely helpful in determining eligibility. When evidence indicating a developmental disability is insufficient for a child under age eight, a time-limited provisional eligibility determination **may** be made.

Submit all such existing documentation to either the County Department of Mental Health or the Hudson Valley DDSO. It may not be necessary to have new evaluations completed.

What is NOT considered to be a Developmental Disability?

- Mental illness such as bi-polar disorder or depression
- Loss or absence of senses such as deafness, blindness
- Attention deficit disorder if successfully treated by medication
- Mild forms of conditions such as a learning disability, cerebral palsy, seizure disorder, brain injury may not be eligible for services if there is no evidence of a “substantial handicap”.

For greater detail, please refer to the [OMRDD Advisory Guideline for Determining Eligibility](#).

SERVICE NEEDS ACCESS PANEL (SNAP) OF ORANGE COUNTY

The [Service Needs Access Panel \(SNAP\)](#) of Orange County offers a central point of entry into the system of services for county residents with a developmental disability & their families that have unmet needs. Unique to Orange County, the panel was designed to simplify access to services. It also exemplifies the partnership that exists between State & County government, parents and voluntary operated Developmental Disabilities Provider Agencies. The panel is responsible for ensuring that:

- Information is kept confidential
- the most appropriate and cost efficient services are recommended (generic and specialized developmental disabilities services);
- information provided is inclusive, comprehensive, offered in a format that is unbiased, promoting informed choice;
- immediate and long-term needs are defined;
- recommendations are assigned a priority status, action and responsible party;
- a central prioritized waiting list of service needs is maintained;
- data is analyzed for trends and utilized for planning purposes.

WHO SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE SNAP OF ORANGE COUNTY?

County residents of any age with a developmental disability and an unmet *non-educational* need for themselves and/or their family may request a meeting with the panel, however, due to the current fiscal situation, referrals to SNAP of Orange County are generally only accepted for the following types of situations:

- Anyone with a developmental disability in need of housing
- Anyone in need of day services
- Young people in need of a plan for adult services
- Families not yet connected with the system seeking information
- Children in need of Waiver Enrollment to Access Medicaid (the situation must meet with criteria outlined in the [Instructions for HCBS Waiver Enrollment & Termination](#))
- Situations with an increasing risk to self or others
- Emergencies (situations meeting priority one criteria, i.e., **imminent** danger to self or others, **imminent** risk of harm; **imminent** homelessness). Please indicate "immediate attention required" and complete the urgency and risk sections of the referral. In this case a meeting will not be scheduled and the situation will be immediately addressed if necessary. True emergencies should be handled directly to the Department of Social Services/Child or Adult Protective as appropriate, or by phone to DDSO or OCDMH followed by the formal submission of a referral to SNAP.

WHO MAY MAKE A REFERRAL?

Anyone can make a referral. Consumers/families may self-refer or ask staff from an agency or school to assist in the process. *If you are a service coordinator, do NOT make a referral until you have had time to meet with the family sufficiently to assess their needs and current situation. Additionally, service coordinators have the responsibility to carefully and clearly explain the criteria for prioritization and funding guidelines with the family PRIOR to making a referral.*

HOW DO I MAKE A REFERRAL TO SNAP?

All referrals are made electronically via the Orange County Department of Mental Health's Web site: <https://mentalhealth.co.orange.ny.us> There is **no paper referral form**. Simply complete all data fields and submit. A letter scheduling your appointment with SNAP will be forwarded via email, fax or mail shortly after receipt of the referral. Meetings are held every Wednesday afternoon and are scheduled every 30 minutes between 1:15 and 4:00. **If you cannot make the appointment, please call (845)-291-2600 as soon as possible so that another family can be scheduled in your place.**

WHO IS ON THE SNAP OF ORANGE COUNTY?

The Service Needs Access Panel of Orange County consists of two teams of approximately eight people. Each team consists of parents of individuals with a developmental disability, representatives of Provider Network agencies with various backgrounds and areas of expertise, (many are also parents of people with developmental disabilities), and a state or county representative. The teams alternate weeks.

WHAT SERVICE REQUESTS ARE REVIEWED BY THE PANEL?

The panel will review needs/requests for any type of service and can be utilized for brainstorming or troubleshooting. However, the following services may *only* be accessed following the panel's recommendation:

- All housing/residential options
- Day Habilitation, Day Treatment, HCBS Waiver pre-vocational and HCBS Waiver Supported Work Services Requiring NYS Cares Funding (HCBS Waiver and/or Individual Support Services)
- Services Requiring Community Support Plan funding (Waiver and/or Individual Support Services)
- Services requiring Aging-Out Funding for students aging out of school
- Environmental Modifications

WHAT HAPPENS AT THE SNAP MEETING?

The full participation of the individual being referred and his/her family is essential to help the panel make appropriate recommendations. For school-aged children, participation by the school is strongly encouraged. A NYS Developmental Disabilities Profile form (DDP4) must be submitted to the panel prior to or on the day of the meeting. If one has already been completed and submitted to OMRDD, a copy of the form is needed for verification. Otherwise, you will need to complete the form on the day of the meeting. These forms simply indicate that you are an Orange County resident with an unmet need. The New York State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities uses this data to determine future funding allocations by county.

At each meeting, there are assigned roles of meeting facilitator, scribe and parent greeter. The facilitator's job is to keep the meeting focussed, the scribe writes all the recommendations so that everyone else can focus on the discussion and the parent greeter is available for support. Based on information provided, the panel will facilitate a discussion to define current and future needs to support the child/adult and where necessary, the family. The panel will then meet for a few minutes privately while it considers the various options. Once the panel has developed a plan, the scribe will record each recommendation and its status plus any informal suggestions and then present/explain this information to the individual and family.

Services recommended for which new funding is needed and those services for which a waitlist exists require a priority ranking (see below) and will be indicated on the form as "to be considered"

At the close of the meeting, families are given a copy of the recommendation form with the name and phone number of the scribe to contact with any questions. Within two weeks following the meeting, the same form will be mailed with a cover letter containing the final priority ranking(s) as appropriate. NOTE: People are not rank ordered. Each recommended service requiring a priority is ranked individually.

The panel is obligated to apply ranking based on the following criteria set forth by NYS Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities:

Priority I: (Emergency)

- Abusive or neglectful situation constituting imminent risk of harm
 - Presents an imminent danger to self
 - Presents an imminent danger to others
- Homeless or in imminent danger of being so

Priority II. (Urgent/Emergency Prevention)

- Aging or failing health of caregiver/no alternate available
- Living situation presents a significant risk of neglect or abuse
- Medical/physical condition requires care not available in present situation
 - Presents an increasing risk to self or others
- Affected by court or legislative mandate requiring residential placement

Priority III. (Non-Urgent)

This group includes all whose need is current but there is no danger to the health or well being of consumer or caregiver. The living situation is stable.

The person's name may go onto a waiting list for some services while other services recommended may be accessed immediately. *There is one waiting list for services in Orange County. You will be contacted when an appropriate match is available in the case of housing or day service or when funds are available to meet the need.* In addition to recommendations for services, the panel may also offer informal suggestions that may assist with identified needs and provide additional support. All service recommendations and suggestions will be reviewed, recorded and given to the family at the close of the meeting.

WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW?

All recommendations are subject to determination of eligibility. Please note that while proof of eligibility is not required to make the referral, documentation will be reviewed prior to actual approval/authorization of service. Please refer to the section above regarding eligibility.

Services provided by the Developmental Disabilities Provider Network *may not be used to duplicate or substitute services for which an individual is entitled under other federal or state mandates* including but not limited to State Education, Early Intervention services, Mental Health, Aging and Social Services. Although services cannot be duplicated or substitute for another state or federal mandate, they may be provided to *compliment* other services received.

Approval for service differs from actual service delivery. While the service may be authorized and funding allocated, often there is a delay in service delivery due to lack of appropriate staff to provide the service. This is particularly true for individualized services provided in a person’s home. There are many factors that make it difficult to recruit and retain staff. Typically, staff is recruited especially for the purpose of providing in home respite or residential habilitation for a specific individual in their home. It is a VERY part time job that requires a particular personality and skill set. Location can also play a significant role. There are certain areas of the county to which it is difficult to attract staff. Additionally, the nature of the person’s disability and the training needed to build staff skills prior to starting can present problems. Families should be aware that if staff is being sought in one agency with little or no success, they should have their service coordinator contact at least two other agencies to see if they have the ability to fill the job.

From time to time, you will be asked if the service is still needed and if so, does it need to be provided at the same level of intensity and frequency originally approved. We ask that you assess this realistically, if the intensity or frequency can be reduced, if it’s not being used or it’s not effective and that funding could be used to provide a service to someone else.

HOW ARE SERVICES FUNDED?

The developmental disabilities system and the way it is funded is extremely complex. Basically, there are eight funding streams or accounts used to pay for specialized services for people with developmental disabilities. Funding streams are often blended to pay the full cost of services, however, certain recreational services may require a participant fee or co-pay. Additionally, people living in certified supervised housing or receiving housing supports contribute a portion of their income toward room and board.

Funding Streams

Orange County Medicaid 25% city tax \$, 25% state 50%federal	Orange County Department of Mental Health 100% county	NYS/OMRDD Family Support Funds 100% state	NYS/OMRDD Aging-Out Funds 100% state*
NYS/OMRDD NYS CARES 100% state*	NYSOMRDD Community Service Plan Funding 100% state*	NYS/OMRDD funding for Environmental Modifications & Adaptive Equipment 100% state*	NYS/Education Department 100% State

- may be maximized when used for waiver services

WHAT HAPPENS ONCE SERVICES ARE RECOMMENDED?

Service	Funding Source	Next Steps
Educational Seminars for parents Family Reimbursement In- Home Respite In-Home Behavior Consultation Parenting Skills Training Recreation & Social Activities School Break Respite Service Coordination (for non-Medicaid eligible people) Support Groups	NYS OMRDD Family Support and/or Orange County Dept. of Mental Health Additionally, there may be a co-pay	Services may be accessed directly by calling the agency providing the service There may be a waitlist for certain services
Day Habilitation, Day Habilitation Without Walls and the Club ASPIRE after school program	Medicaid plus CSP, or Medicaid plus NYS Cares, or Medicaid plus Aging Out \$	Waitlist. This service requires HCBS Waiver enrollment (see below) see Instructions for Day Service Referral Policy
Day Training/Work Center	NYS OMRDD & Department of Mental Health	May be accessed directly through an agency or VESID
Day Treatment	Medicaid	There may be a waitlist
Supported Work	VESID/OMRDD	Apply to VESID. This service may require Waiver enrollment
Housing (certified & uncertified)	Medicaid & New York State Cares Funding The service can also be funded via CSP for people not eligible for NYS Cares	Waitlist. DDP4 and NYS Cares Application Cover Page/HVDDSO required. See Instructions for ISS requests
Environmental Modification	Medicaid plus Environmental Modification Funding	Waitlist. See Instructions for E-mod Referral

Adaptive Equipment	Family Reimbursement ,or Medicaid and CSP, <i>or</i> Medicaid and E-Mod Funding, or May also be funded 100% CSP without Waiver enrollment	Waitlist. May require Waiver enrollment. Specific product information and cost estimate is required
Residential Habilitation	Medicaid plus CSP, or Medicaid plus NYS Cares May also be funded 100% CSP without Waiver enrollment	Priority One status situations receive immediate attention. All others are on waitlist status. Requires Waiver enrollment, price proposal. See Instructions for CSP Price Proposals
In-home Waiver respite	Medicaid and CSP or Mirrored service can be funded through Family Reimbursement, Family Support Funding or CSP/ISS contract	Priority One status situations receive immediate attention. All others are on waitlist status. Requires Waiver enrollment, price proposal. See Instructions for CSP Price Proposals
Medicaid Service Coordination (previously known as CMCM or Waiver Case Management)	Medicaid or Medicaid Eligible	See MSC Enrollment Process MSC Withdrawal Change of MSC Vendor
HCBS Waiver Enrollment	Medicaid or Medicaid eligible	Priority One and Two in compliance with Instructions for Waiver Enrollment & Termination are acted on immediately. All others go on waitlist status. Complete packet: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level of Care (with supporting Clinical documentation) • Waiver enrollment application • Freedom of choice • Case manager selection form • Preliminary Individual Service Plan • DDP1, DDP2 • Price Proposal if needed Mail to DDSO: Mary Newhard for persons with last names A-K, Rick Sinclair for persons with last names L-Z. DDSO will send a Notice of Decision to Service Coordinator and family

SPECIALIZED SERVICES

Advocacy, Information & Referral

Advocacy services provide short-term assistance focused on a single, specific issue. There are no fees associated with the services listed below.

Action Toward Independence Advocacy for individuals with any type of disability. Assistance in securing legal, economic and educational rights. Support groups.

Contact: Joann Hargabus - Joann@warwick.net
Telephone: (845) 343-4284 (voice) - (845) 342-5269 (FAX)

Early Childhood Direction Center

Information, referral, and advocacy for children birth to 5 years old with special needs.

Telephone: 338-6755 – Parents can call collect

Epilepsy Society Of Southern New York, Inc.

Individual, systems and medical advocacy, employment assistance, epilepsy education and training, information and referral, support groups, counseling and crisis intervention for individuals/families with seizure disorders, or other disabilities such as traumatic brain injury.

Contact: Kim Egan casemgmt1@efsny.com
Telephone: 1-800-640-0371 or (845) 344-0450

Inspire, CP Center - Home Services Program - Intake and follow-up for individuals of any age with any type of disability. **Parent Enabling Program (PEP)** *Information, referral, counseling, linkage, advocacy*

Contact: Becky Kunkel – rkunkel@inspirecp.org
Telephone: (845) 294-8806 x 235

Independent Living, Inc. Peer counseling and advocacy series for persons with any type of disability. Provides consultation and education on all facets of disabilities including ADA, vocational and career issues.

Contact: Douglas Hovey – dhovey@myindependentliving.org
Telephone: 565-1162 (voice and TTY)

Mental Health Association -CAPIS (*Crisis Assessment Prevention and Intervention Services*) *Crisis intervention, short term crisis counseling, advocacy, information, referral, linkage, educational seminars.*

Contact: Anne Klingner - annek@mhaorange.com
Telephone: (845) 294-7411ext. 253 - In a crisis, call 1-800-832-1200

Orange County Association for the Learning Disabled

Referral and information

Contact: Dannette Shepherd – dshepherd@warwick.net
Telephone: (845) 733-1594

Orange County Department Of Mental Health

30 Harriman Drive, Goshen, NY 10924-2410

Information, linkage, educational seminars, problem solving & mediation, single point of entry

Contact: Delores Fraser McFadden - dmcfadden@co.orange.ny.us
Telephone: (845) 291-2620

EDUCATIONAL ADVOCACY

Educational advocacy is a service families may wish to use when there is a question of obtaining a free, appropriate education for a child who has special needs. Educational advocates are knowledgeable about education law, New York State education regulations, the Committee on Special Education (CSE) process and children's educational rights. Advocates may accompany parents to CSE meetings to assist in presenting information or seeking additional educational service and supports. **There may be a fee for services at some agencies.**

Agency: **Family Empowerment Council** 225 Dolson Avenue, Middletown, NY 10940

Contact: Marie O'Malley – momalley@familyempowerment.org or Kathy White
Telephone: (845) 343-8100 (888) 343-8181

Agency: **Family Advocates** 209 Clinton Avenue, Kingston, NY 12401

Contact: Rosalie Charpentier
Telephone: (845) 339-8080

Agency: **Footings, Inc.** P.O. Box 2038, Monroe, NY 10950

Contact: Nichole Watts – footings.nbrehm@juno.com
Telephone: (845) 783-7505

Agency: **Parent Information Center of New Jersey, NY Chapter**

Contact: Marilyn Ayrans
Telephone: (201) 692-0898

Agency: **Protection and Advocacy** Westchester/Putnam Legal Services

29 North Hamilton, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
Telephone: (845) 471-0058

Note: An educational advocate may not be necessary for your school issues. Instead, your service coordinator may participate in your child's CPSE or CSE meeting or convene a special meeting to address basic educational issues.

SERVICE COORDINATION

What is a Service Coordinator?

A Service Coordinator, also known as a case manager, is a staff person who works for the person in need of services. The Service Coordinator's activities fall into three general categories:

- Advocating
- Planning Individualized Services
- Record keeping

The Service Coordinator is the key to accessing services. Prior to selecting a Service Coordinator, consumers and family members are advised to call and interview more than one provider agency and the actual person who would be assigned to work with them. Qualities to look for include but are not limited to: good listening skills; knowledge of the developmental disabilities system (including services outside the person's agency); knowledge of generic services; the ability to make the consumer/family feel "safe" and comfortable in sharing ideas. The Service Coordinator should always involve the consumer/family in developing the plan for services and present all available options and choices. Consumers should be aware that they may choose a Service Coordinator from one agency while another agency or agencies may provide other needed services. If the consumer is not satisfied with the Service Coordinator chosen, he/she should attempt to resolve the issues with the provider agency. If the situation cannot be resolved, the consumer may choose a Service Coordinator from another agency through the assistance of the Hudson Valley DDSO. For more information please refer to the informational flyer "[How to Select a Service Coordinator](#)".

There are two types of service coordination in the developmental disabilities system

- MEDICAID SERVICE COORDINATION- This service is for people that have Medicaid and those that are eligible to receive Medicaid.
- NON-MEDICAID SERVICE COORDINATION-This service is people that are NOT Medicaid eligible.

NOTE: If the person in need of services does not currently have Medicaid but is Medicaid *eligible*, any provider of Medicaid Service Coordination can assist them in applying for Medicaid and may begin providing the service. They will be able to back bill for services once Medicaid is in place.

PROVIDERS OF MEDICAID SERVICE COORDINATION

Eligibility: An individual must have a documented developmental disability, have an ICF/DD level of care, have Medicaid or be eligible to received Medicaid and reside anywhere except in a facility certified by a state agency other than OMRDD (i.e., foster care, residential treatment facility, OMH licensed housing). There is no fee for this service.

PROVIDER

ACTION TOWARD INDEPENDENCE

130 Dolson Avenue, Suite 35 Middletown, N.Y. 10940
American Sign

CHEMLU DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES CENTER

2 Garfield Road, Suite 201 Monroe, N.Y. 10950
Yiddish, Hebrew

CRYSTAL RUN VILLAGE, INC

601 Stony Ford Road, Middletown, N.Y. 10941
Spanish, Creole, American Sign

EPILEPSY SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN NY, INC

726 East Main Street, Middletown, N.Y. 10940

FAMILY EMPOWERMENT COUNCIL, INC.

225 Dolson Avenue, Suite 403, Middletown, N.Y. 10940

FOOTINGS, INC.

P.O. Box 2038
Monroe, N.Y. 10950

GREYSTONE PROGRAMS, INC.

1404 Kings Highway, P.O. Box 392, Sugar Loaf, N.Y. 10981

HAMASPIK OF ORANGE COUNTY, INC.

51 Forest Road, Suite 302 Monroe, NY 10950
Yiddish, Hebrew

HUDSON VALLEY DDSO

18 Seward Avenue, Ste. #3/7, Middletown, NY 10940

INDEPENDENT LIVING

5 Washington Terrace, Newburgh, N.Y. 12550

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INSPIRE, CP Center
2 Fletcher St., Goshen, N.Y. 10924

REBECCA KUNKEL
(845) 294-8806 ext. 235
rkunkel@inspirecp.org

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES OF ORANGE COUNTY
92 Seward Ave., Suite 7, Middletown, N.Y. 10940

ELIZABETH KADISH
(845) 341-1173 or 562-8372

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION IN ORANGE COUNTY, INC
20 Walker Street, Goshen, N.Y. 10924

MILLIE MATJEVICH
(845) 294-7411, ext. 252
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OCCUPATIONS, INC.
Service Access Center

JOANN GOSWICK
(888) 750-2266
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ORANGE COUNTY AHRC
357 Mt. Hope Road, Middletown, N.Y. 10940
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RAYIM OF HUDSON VALLEY, INC.
6 Mountain Road, Unit 204, Monroe, New York 10950
Yiddish, Hebrew

CHEVY FRANKEL
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chevy@rayim.org

STONY FORD FOUNDATION
225 Dolson Avenue, Suite 402-A, Middletown, NY 10940

LISA HAYES
(845) 343-5523
sffi@citlink.net

In addition to the above referenced providers, there are agencies based outside of Orange County that can also provide this service. Contact the Hudson Valley DDSO Community Support Team at (845) 343-0791 to learn more.

PROVIDERS OF NON-MEDICAID SERVICE COORDINATION

Eligibility: Determination of a developmental disability, the person may reside anywhere except in a certified residential facility, the person **must not** be Medicaid eligible. Fee: none

ASSOCIATION FOR THE HELP OF RETARDED CITIZENS (AHRC)

OMRDD Family Support funded service for children with a Developmental Disability and their families who speak little or no English (Spanish speaking) and are not eligible for Medicaid.

Contact: Antoinette Cabrera acabrera@orangeahrc.org
249 Broadway, Newburgh, NY 12550
565-6027 x128

EPILEPSY SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN NEW YORK

Contact: Kim Egan – casemgmt1@efsny.com
726 East Main Street, Middletown, NY 10940
1-800-640-0371 or (845) 344-0450

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Note: In many instances, the need for linkage can be met through an agency that provides advocacy, information and referral

RESPITE

Respite services give families time away from taking care of their family member who has a disability. Respite allows family members to go shopping, attend a wedding or funeral, take vacation or to just relax at home. The respite may be provided in the home, at a central location in the community, or at a recreational or social activity in the community and may be planned or urgent. Individuals will be supervised and cared for during the time spent away from family. All of the programs below receive funding through the HCBS Medicaid Waiver, OMRDD Family Support Services, OCDMH funding, or a combination of funding streams. There may be a fee or co-pay for certain services.

IN-HOME RESPITE SERVICES

AHRC In-home Respite Program

AHRC staff member is linked to a family to provide respite. Arrangements made individually as to time and day. Designed for those that are not enrolled in the Medicaid Waiver.

Provider:	Orange County AHRC
Eligibility:	Orange County Residents, all ages
Contact:	Charles Smith cbsmith@warwick.net
Telephone:	(845) 561-0670
Fees:	None

In- Home Hourly HCBS Waiver Respite

Provides supervision in the person's home

Provider:	Any agency of choice (Chemulu, Crystal Run Village, Epilepsy Foundation, Family Empowerment Council, Footings, Greystone, Hamaspik of Orange County, Inspire, the CP Center, Mental Health Association, Occupations, Orange AHRC, Rayim, Stony Ford)
Eligibility:	Medicaid eligible, given a Priority One or Two through SNAP
Fee:	None

Kiryas Joel Respite Management

Respite services in your home or the home of the respite provider, Monday – Thursday and Sunday.

Provider:	Kiryas Joel Respite Management
Contact:	Joseph Hartman or Stephen Bernardo
Telephone:	(845) 782-2300
Fees:	None

CENTER-BASED DAY RESPITE SERVICES

Club ASPIRE (After School Program Integrating Recreation & Education)

After school program providing intensive behavior and academic support, social recreation, creative arts, and sports integrating the child's instructional methodology. Located in Sugar Loaf.

Provider: Greystone Programs, Inc.
Eligibility: Ages 6-21, Autism spectrum disorders
Contact: Liz Connolly – lconnolly@greystoneprograms.org
Phone: (845) 469-3760
Fees: None. HCBS Waiver day habilitation service

Club ASPIRE – Saturdays

Monthly Saturday respite, behavior management and skillbuilding from 10-4 located in Sugar Loaf.

Provider: Greystone Programs, Inc.
Eligibility: Ages 6 -21, Autism spectrum disorders
Contact: Liz Connolly – lconnolly@greystoneprograms.org
Fees: None

Club ASPIRE –School Break

Full day respite open during school breaks providing intensive training and support to continue skill building when school is not in session. Located in Sugar Loaf.

Provider: Greystone Programs, Inc.
Eligibility: Ages 6-21, Autism spectrum disorders
Contact: Liz Connolly – lconnolly@greystoneprograms.org
Phone: (845) 469-3760
Fees: Sliding fee co-pay

Club Rec. at Port Jervis

After school inclusive program providing academic support, social-recreation, creative arts and sports activities, located in Port Jervis

Provider: Footings, Inc.
Eligibility: Students living in the Port Jervis School District. Students ages 6-12
Contact: John Muollo
Telephone: 858-3232
Fees: None

Crystal Run Village Respite House

After school and after work or hourly services on weekends, located in Middletown

Provider: Crystal Run Respite House
Eligibility: Ages 12 and over
Contact: Holly Rich
Telephone: (845) 695-2561
Fees: Arranged on an individual basis

Saturday Respite

Respite provided at the Inspire, The CP Center in Goshen from noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday only.

Provider: Inspire, CP Center
Eligibility: Age 3 - 12 including siblings
Contact: Cathy Bruinix – cbruinix@inspirecp.org
Telephone: (845) 294-7300 x231
Fees: None

OVERNIGHT RESPITE

AHRC Weekend Trips

One-or two-night trips to nearby points of interest. Includes meals, lodging, transportation, supervision, and activities.

Provider: Orange County Association for the Help of Retarded Citizens
Eligibility: Age 16 and over; living at home with family
Contact: Beth Delacruz
Telephone: (845) 427-2077
Fees: Sliding scale up to \$55 (one night) or \$69 (two nights)

Crystal Run Village Respite House

Overnight planned respite at a four-bed house located in Middletown. Meals included and supervision included.

Provider: Crystal Run Village
Eligibility: Age 12 and over
Contact: Holly Rich – holly_rich@crvi.org
Telephone: (845) 695-2561
Fees: None

Crystal Run Village Respite House – Children’s Weekends

Overnight planned respite at a four-bed house located in Middletown just for children. Meals, supervision and fun activities included.

Provider: Crystal Run village
Eligibility: Age 5 – 12
Contact: Holly Rich holly_rich@crvi.org
Telephone: (845) 695-2561
Fees: None

Hudson Valley DDSO Short-Term Respite

Overnight planned respite in a State-operated group home when Crystal Run Respite is not available. Meals and supervision included. Locations may vary.

Provider: Hudson Valley DDSO
Eligibility: Age 18 and older
Contact: Mary Ann Watson-Bamberger or Rich McKeon
Telephone: (845) 344-6500
Fees: None

OTSAR – Overnight Respite to Children in Orthodox Jewish Homes

Provider: OTSAR
Eligibility: Orthodox Jewish children
Contact: Betty Pollack
Telephone: (718) 946-7301
Fees: None

RECREATION AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

ADULT SOCIAL GROUP – NEW LINKS

First Monday of each month. Adults with learning disabilities and Attention Deficit Disorder meet to provide information, referral, social activities and recreational services to one another.

Provider: Orange County Association for the Learning Disabled
Eligibility: 18+
Contact: Dannette Shepherd dshepherd@warwick.net or Alma Terrana
Telephone: (845) 733-1594 or (845) 361-0818
Fee: None

ADVENTURES UNLIMITED

Provides monthly recreation & activities for children & adults and their families.

Provider: Family Empowerment Council
Eligibility: Developmental disability
Contact: Randy Mandel
Telephone: (845) 343-8100 or 1-888-343-8181
Fees: None

ADVISORY BOARD

A consumer based group of individuals who focus on self-advocacy and self-determination. New members are always welcome. Group meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM at the Galleria Mall, Middletown

Eligibility: Adults with Developmental Disabilities
Contact: Marie Sutherland at AHRC
Phone: 565-6027 x129

AHRC COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

Varied activities at AHRC buildings or in the community evenings and weekends. Activities may include exercise class, movie and dinner, shopping, dances, trips, holiday parties, crafts and baking programs, special events, and swimming.

Provider: Orange County Association for the Help of Retarded Citizens
Eligibility: Living at home with family
Contact: Beth Delacruz
Telephone: (845) 427-2077
Fees: Average \$2 per activity; fees for community outings and special events vary according to activity.

AHRC WEEKEND TRIPS

One or two night trips to regional points of interest. Includes meals, lodging, transportation, supervision, and activities.

Provider: Orange County Association for the Help of Retarded Citizens
Eligibility: Age 16 and over; living at home with family
Contact: Beth Delacruz
Telephone: (845) 427-2077
Fees: Sliding scale up to \$55 (one night) or \$69 (two nights) based on income

ANYONE BUT PARENT'S KIDS CLUB

Provides monthly recreation in the community for children in Orange County. This Social group encourages social skills and age-appropriate independence.

Provider: Inspire, CP Center
Eligibility: Ages 6-12, including siblings
Contact: Cathy Bruinix – cbruinix@inspirecp.org
Telephone: (845) 294-7300 x 231
Fees: None

Club ASPIRE (After School Program Integrating Recreation & Education)

After school program providing intensive behavior and academic support, social recreation, creative arts, and sports integrating the child's instructional methodology, located in Sugar Loaf.

Provider: Greystone Programs, Inc.
Eligibility: Ages 6-21, Autism spectrum disorders
Contact: Liz Connolly – lconnolly@greystoneprograms.org
Phone: (845) 469-3760
Fees: None. HCBS Waiver service

Club ASPIRE – Saturdays

Monthly Saturday respite, behavior management and skill building from 10-4 located in Sugar Loaf.

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Eligibility: Ages 6 -21, Autism spectrum disorders
Contact: Liz Connolly – lconnolly@greystoneprograms.org
Fees: None

Club ASPIRE –School Break

Full day respite open during school breaks providing intensive training and support to continue skill building when school is not in session, located in Sugar Loaf.

Provider: Greystone Programs, Inc.
Eligibility: Ages 6-21, Autism spectrum disorders
Contact: Liz Connolly – lconnolly@greystoneprograms.org
Phone: (845) 469-3760
Fees: Sliding fee

DREAMS FOUNDATION, INC.

A non-competitive sports education and recreation program for children with physical, mental and social challenges based in Goshen.

Eligibility: Orange County Residents ages 4-14
Contact: Alyson Sweetser
Telephone: (845) 567-1983
Fees: None

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Weekly meetings in Monroe for social and recreational activities.

Provider: Footings, Inc.
Eligibility: Ages 17-35
Contact: Rori Cooper Corbin – rorifootings@juno.com
Telephone: (845) 783-7505
Fees: \$20 registration and \$5 weekly. Prior registration is required.
The first meeting is free.

INTRODUCTIONS

Social activities twice a month with activities including movies, dinner out, dances, gym night

Provider: Inspire, CP Center
Eligibility: Ages 16 – 26
Contact: Cathy Bruinix – cbruinix@inspirecp.org
Telephone: (845) 294-7300 x 231
Fees: Members pay own admissions & activity fees

LEAP

Learning all that is possible, Enjoying and array of activities, Applying what is learned = Prepared for a happy and successful future). After School Program. Operates Monday – Thursday from 2 – 5 PM, when Newburgh School are in session

Provider: Independent Living, Inc.
Eligibility: Student ages 11 – 16 in Newburgh School District
Contact: Brian J. Burke – bBurke@myindependentLiving.org
Telephone: (845) 565-1162 x 203
Fees: None

ORC EXPRESS: A TRAVEL CLUB

Transportation to community activities and supervision provided for adults with developmental disabilities.

Provider: Occupations, Inc.
Eligibility: Adults with developmental disabilities, ages 18+
Telephone: 1-888-750-2266
Fees: Participants pay for activity attended

PERSONAL EFFECTIVENESS AND SEXUALITY AWARENESS PROGRAM (PESAP)

This training will offer factual information regarding sexuality in a manner that is comfortable for the participant and does not challenge or disregard their values. Participants will learn the health risks of unsafe practices, high-risk behaviors and/or substance abuse and how to establish healthy, positive relationships. Families of the participating group will also receive orientation and training.

Provider: Footings, Inc.
Contact: Rori Cooper-Corbin – rorifootings@juno.com
Telephone: (845) 783-7505
Fees: None

SATURDAY COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

Saturday program for students with developmental disabilities to assist individuals in accessing social and recreational activities throughout the community.

Provider: Independent Living
Eligibility: Ages 6 - 16 and siblings
Contact: Brian Burke – bburke@myindependentliving.org
Telephone: (845) 565-1162 ext. 203 (voice and TTY)
Fax: (845) 565-0567
Fees: None

TBI ADULT SOCIAL CLUB

Provider: Family Empowerment Council
Eligibility: Adults with TBI
Contact: Peg Jeffries
Telephone: (845) 343-8100 x315 or (888) 343-8181
Fees: None

YOUNG ADULT SOCIAL CLUB

Monthly meeting with planned activity such as crafts, movies, community trips, plays, parties.

Provider: Mental Health Association in Orange County, Inc.
Eligibility: Age 18 and over; living at home with family
Contact: Hava Udalevich hava@mhaorangeny.com
Telephone: (845) 294-7411 ext. 254
Fees: \$2.00 dues per meeting

OTHER COMMUNITY RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The following are a listing of specialized recreational opportunities provided by organizations that are not a part of the developmental disabilities provider network. Inclusion in this service guide is not an endorsement. Fees may be involved.

- **Boy Scouts of America Hudson Valley Council**
Telephone: (845) 497-7337
- **Camp Sunrise** (overnight camping)
Telephone: (845) 986-1164
- **Camp Snowball** (selected winter weekends)
Telephone: (845) 986-1164
- **GAIT Therapeutic Riding, Matamoras, PA**
Telephone: (570) 409-1140
- **Hudson Valley DDSO Recreation**
Contact: Steve Rudin
Telephone: (845) 294-6449
- **Little League-Challenger Division**
Otisville: 386-8162 ***or call your local little league for more information**
- **Orange County Special Olympics**
Contact: Diane Pichalski or Cathie Illenberg
Telephone: (845) 692-0016
- **Sarah Wells Girl Scout Council**
Telephone: (845) 342-3845 or (845) 561-2803
- **Special College at OCCC**
Contact: Pat Eisley
Telephone: (845) 341-4125
- **Winslow Therapeutic Riding Center**
Telephone: (845) 986-6686
- **Town of Walkill Soccer Club-Challenger**
Contact: Jay or Carol Anthony 695-1955 www.towsoccerclub.com
- **Monroe-Woodbury Challenger Soccer Program**
Contact: Thomas LaPola
Telephone: (845) 783-0233

CAMPS

Local Specialty Camps

Camp Jened

Weeklong overnight camp for adults with developmental disabilities located in Rock Hill

Telephone: 845-434-2220

www.campjened.org

Warwick Conference Center

(camp-like experience for children & adults with developmental disabilities)

Camp Sunrise (weeklong summer overnight)

Camp Snowball (selected fall/winter weekends)

Telephone: (845) 986-1164

www.warwickcenter.com

For more information on summer camps:

Family Village Recreation & Leisure Center

<http://www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/Leisure/camps>

WWW.KidsCamps.com

WWW.SummerCamps.com

WWW.Info@resourcenyc.org

American Camp Association 800-777-2267

For additional information regarding overnight summer camps for adults log onto

http://www.omr.state.ny.us/hp_camp_adultovernight.jsp

INDIVIDUALLY PLANNED SUPPORTS

The following individual supports are available from the agencies affiliated with [the Orange County Developmental Disabilities Provider Network](#) and may be accessed only after review by the Services Needs Access Panel (SNAP).

Individual supports are goods, services, and subsidies determined by the individual which are provided to meet the goals of (a) promoting the basic health and safety of the individual, (b) accessing the necessary medical services, medication and equipment, (c) obtaining and maintaining decent and safe housing, (d) optimizing public benefits and entitlements, (e) maximizing employment, education and other daily activities, transportation, recreation and community resources.

Supports for individuals are intended to supplement services available through other funding sources, not to replace them. Funding for services available through this category should be considered as "funds of last resort" to meet service needs which cannot be met through other sources of funding or support, including generic entitlements, Medicaid and natural supports. **The following individualized supports are available from the agency members of the Orange County Developmental Disabilities Provider Network and may be accessed only after review by Services Needs Access Panel (SNAP) and approval of Community Services Plan Funding.**

HOURLY RESPITE

Respite services give families time away from taking care of their family member who has a disability. Respite allows family members to go shopping, attend a wedding or funeral, or to just relax at home. Hourly respite is provided in the person's home. The child or adult with a developmental disability will be supervised and provided with care. This service is not designed to provide skill building. Other types of respite, including social and recreational activities that provide respite for families, can be found later in this guide.

RESIDENTIAL HABILITATION

Residential Habilitation at home includes assistance with acquisition, retention or improvement of skills related to life safety and fire evacuation, activities of daily living, such as personal grooming and cleanliness, bed making and household chores, eating and the preparation of food, and social and adaptive skills necessary to enable the person to reside in a non-institutional setting. The training and skills acquisition is offered in and around the person's house and community. Residential Habilitation may also be provided in a structured, supervised group home setting known as an Individual Residential Alternative (IRA).

INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT SERVICES (ISS)

Individual Support Services (ISS) funding is used to support individuals living alone or with others in non-supervised, non-certified apartments, condominiums, and houses either owned or leased. If needed, ISS can be used to supplement the person's income and other available programs (e.g., low-income home energy assistance, food stamps). It can be used to pay for a number of items including but not limited to household supplies, furniture, utilities, telephone, insurance, home repairs, rent.

ADAPTIVE EQUIPMENT/ ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Adaptive equipment is any item, product or piece of equipment that can be used by persons with disabilities to maintain or improve their functional abilities. Such equipment might include bathtub lifts, transfer boards, modified eating utensils, communication devices, and adapted toys. Assistive technology services are services to help a person know about, acquire, and use the appropriate adaptive equipment. Such services might include demonstration, assessment, funding, training, maintenance and repairs. Funding for this service is extremely limited and may vary significantly from year to year.

ENVIRONMENTAL MODIFICATION

Environmental Modification provides assistance to families and individuals with the removal of barriers which limit accessibility in the home, and remodeling to enhance the independent or assisted functioning of individuals with developmental disabilities. The provision of modifications and/or improvements to the living quarters of an individual or family is intended to ensure the health, welfare and safety of the individual with developmental disabilities. Environmental modifications (E-Mods) may be available at the individual's work place when the modifications are necessary to maintain the individual in that position. Any modifications within this area must be specific to the individual and outside of the ADA and any regulatory requirements. Modifications are provided on a one-time only basis. Examples of modifications include: ramps, lifts, hand railings, roll-in showers, cabinetry, adaption to vans. Site evaluations are available at no cost to families through Action Toward Independence. Funding for this service is extremely limited and may vary significantly from year to year

ADULT DAY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Certified day programs are established models providing a set of services based upon regulatory requirements. Everyone enrolled must have access to the full menu of services. Although program participants have a service plan based on their needs, the services are provided within the context of the required package of services. Day Treatment, day training, sheltered workshop, day habilitation and waiver-funded supported employment may be accessed following review by Services Needs Access Panel (SNAP).

DAY HABILITATION

Training, structured activities, and specialized assistance provided outside an individual's home, which will enable the participant to engage in a variety of non-vocational community activities and/or prepare the individual for eventual employment. The purpose of DAY HABILITATION is to increase the individual's independence, productivity, and integration using a setting away from the home. Services may occur at virtually any community setting including but not limited to grocery stores, businesses, parks, and place of employment or volunteering. Examples of DAY HABILITATION activities include: personal grooming (bathing, showering, shaving, toileting), housekeeping, food preparation, money skills (money awareness, banking, budgeting), shopping, social skills, leisure time skills, and traffic safety. The services may be provided to one person or to groups of people.

DAY HABILITATION WITHOUT WALLS is the term used for the provision of non-center-based services. In other words, there is no day habilitation building but participants will meet at a designated location in the community. This service may be provided by any agency affiliated with the [Orange County Provider Network](#).

CENTER BASED DAY HABILITATION is more structured, providing some services within a building and some out in the surrounding community. Center-based day habilitation programs are scattered throughout the County and operated by the following agencies.

Crystal Run Village, Inc.
(845) 692-4444

Footings, Inc.
(845) 783-7505

Greystone Programs, Inc.
(845) 469-3760

Hamaspik of Orange County
(845) 774-7044

Hudson Valley DDSO
(845) 344-6500

Independent Living, Inc.
(845) 565-1162

Occupations, Inc
1-888-750-2266

Orange County AHRC
(845) 561-0670

DAY TREATMENT

Day Treatment is a Medicaid funded program designed to provide individualized services to people with intensive needs. Staffing is enriched with a full compliment of clinical staff including registered nurses, psychologists, speech, occupational and physical therapists. Through an interdisciplinary approach, a wide variety of services are offered to enhance skills in self-care, communication, mobility, independent living, learning, and self direction. There are three-day treatment programs in Orange County each offering similar services including specialized senior citizen programs designed to meet the medical, social and energy levels of seniors. Seniors enrolled in day treatment are able to partake in generic senior services offered under the auspices of the Orange County Office of the Aging where they have the opportunity to make friends with other senior residents of the County. All three programs are wheelchair-accessible and physically resemble a public school with classrooms, recreation/gym areas. Programs range in size, serving between 78 and 130 individuals.

ORANGE COUNTY AHRC

Campbell Hall, N.Y.
(845) 427-2077

ORANGE COUNTY AHRC

Middletown, N.Y.
(845) 343-0871

HUDSON VALLEY DDSO

Goshen, N.Y.
(845) 294-8161

VOCATIONAL SERVICES

Vocational Services available are; Vocational counseling, evaluations, career planning, restoration services and/or adaptive equipment to remove or reduce limitations related to employment, work and personal adjustment training, job skills training, driver/homemaker evaluation and training; assistance with support services during training; supported employment, job placement, post-employment and follow-up services. The primary funders of agencies providing these services are NYS Education/VESID, NYS Commission for the Blind along with the OMRDD and Orange County Dept. of Mental Health.

NYS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES (VESID)

(845) 346-4260

NYS COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND

(845) 933-5370 or (845) 346-4288

DAY TRAINING & SHELTERED WORKSHOPS

Day Training/Sheltered Workshop programs are designed to provide services that will assist persons with developmental disabilities in developing competencies and habits to improve their personal, social, educational, and prevocational functioning to the fullest extent of their abilities.

“Work” in the Day Training programs is defined as engaging in some productive activity for reinforcement which may be monetary, verbal, or something intrinsic to the individual. A relatively high staff-to-worker ratio (approximately 1:10) is maintained, allowing for skill acquisition in basic areas such as grooming and behavioral control.

The Sheltered Workshop provides remunerative employment in controlled and protective working environment and employment activities, with individualized goals to assist the individual to progress toward normal living and productive vocational status. Program elements include: diagnostic assessment and testing, controlled and supervised working experiences for training, work adjustments, or employment in conjunction with other services, progress, referral, and follow-up. Skill training may include automotive, porter/matron, food service, shipping and receiving, clerical, bench assembly and machine/tool usage as well as work adjustment services which assist individuals to adjust to global demands of the work environment (e.g. acceptance of supervisory demands, flexibility to change tasks, and co-worker interaction). The Workshop maintains a lower staff-to-worker ratio (approximately 1:30). -Vocational counseling and adult education is provided under both programs.

Orange County AHRC
Campbell Hall, NY
(845) 427-2077

Occupations, Inc.
Middletown and New Windsor
1-888-750-2266

SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT

This program provides meaningful work for wages in community settings for individuals who need long-term supports before starting or restarting unassisted competitive employment. The individual must be engaged in a full-or part-time schedule for at least 15 hours per week. The work setting must provide frequent daily social integration with non-disabled co-workers who are not paid caregivers. Supported employment may be offered in the following models:

- Supported individual jobs: individuals are matched and begin jobs with no prior training. One on one job coach starts and fades as needed.
- Enclave/Work Stations in Industry-rehabilitation agency offers supports and supervision to a group placed together.
- Mobile Work Crews focuses on grounds and maintenance contracts. Usually small crews have one supervisor and five (5) crew members.
- Entrepreneurial Model: establishes a business employing both disabled & non-disabled workers.

CRYSTAL RUN VILLAGE (845) 692-4444

EPILEPSY SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN NY
1-800-640-0371 or (845) 344-0450

FOOTINGS, INC. (845) 782-7505

HAMASPIK OF ORANGE COUNTY, INC. (845) 774-7044 ext. 309

INDEPENDENT LIVING, INC. (845) 565-1162

OCCUPATIONS, INC. 1-888-750-2266

ORANGE COUNTY AHRC (845) 427-2077

YAI/RCALD (845) 346-4288

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES & SUPPORTS

What Housing Options are Possible? Three types of housing options are available: Traditional Certified Residential Options, Assistance and supports in non-certified settings; assistance with Home Ownership

Traditional Certified Residential Options

Traditional residential programs are established models of service, which provide a set of services based upon regulatory requirements. Although program participants have a service plan based on their needs, the services are provided within the context of the required package of services. These services may be accessed following review by the Service Needs Access Panel (SNAP).

INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITY (ICF)

This model provides twenty-four hour intensive support with medical and/or behavioral services, and training in daily living skills. Everyone enrolled in a traditional program model must receive the full menu of services regardless of individual need. Program elements include: room and board, continuous 24-hour supervision, and professionally developed and supervised activities, experiences or therapies developed for each individual by an interdisciplinary team. Services include, psychology, social work, nursing, nutrition and recreation and occupational, physical, speech therapies. These facilities range in size from 10-24 beds.

Hamaspik of Orange County, Inc.
(845) 774-7044 ext. 304

Orange County AHRC
(845) 561-0670

Hudson Valley DDSO
(845) 344-6500

SUPERVISED COMMUNITY RESIDENCE OR INDIVIDUAL RESIDENTIAL ALTERNATIVE (IRA)

This model provides housing, supplies and services for persons with developmental disabilities who require twenty-four hour assistance and training in daily living skills. In addition, individuals receive assistance with supportive interpersonal relationships and supervision. Community residences are designed to provide a home environment and a setting where persons can acquire the skills necessary to live as independently as possible. These residences provide housing with practice in independent living and individually determined amounts of oversight delivered in accordance with the individual's need for such supervision. Supervised community residence range in size from four-to fourteen people.

Crystal Run Village, Inc.
(845) 692-4444

Hudson Valley DDSO
(845) 344-6500

Occupations, Inc.
1-888-750-2266

Orange County AHRC
(845) 561-0670

Rehabilitative Support Services, Inc.
(845) 343-2216

Stony Ford Foundation
(845) 343-5523

Greystone Programs, Inc.
(845) 469-3760

FAMILY CARE

Family care is a regulated program in which families or individuals are certified by OMRDD to provide care in their own homes to persons with developmental disabilities. Extended family members may become a certified family care provider for their own family member who has a developmental disability.

Hamaspik of Orange County, Inc.

Shaya Wertcberger
(845) 774-7044 ext. 312

Hudson Valley DDSO

Robert Miller
(845) 344-6500

SUPPORTIVE APARTMENT

This model provides housing, supplies and services for persons with developmental disabilities who require semi-independent living with less than twenty-four hour assistance and supervision. In addition, individuals receive assistance with supervision and training in activities of daily living. These residences are designed to provide a home environment and a setting where persons can acquire the skills necessary to live as independently as possible. These residences provide housing with practice in independent living and individually determined amounts of oversight delivered in accordance with the individual's need for such supervision. Generally, supportive apartments house two or three people.

Occupations, Inc.

(888) 750-2266

Orange County AHRC

(845) 561-0670

NON-TRADITIONAL, NON-CERTIFIED HOUSING OPTIONS

A PERSON MAY LIVE ON THEIR OWN OR WITH FRIENDS WITH THE SUPPORT OF RESIDENTIAL HABILITATION, ROOM AND BOARD SUPPORTS AND OTHER GENERIC SERVICES IN AN APARTMENT, CONDO, OR HOUSE.

RESIDENTIAL HABILITATION

Residential Habilitation at home includes assistance with acquisition, retention or improvement in skills related to life safety and fire evacuation; to activities of daily living, such as personal grooming and cleanliness, bed making and household chores, eating and the preparation of food; and social and adaptive skills necessary to enable the person to reside in a non-institutional setting. These services are distinct from any programming provided as day habilitation but will in some circumstances involve the person's involvement in learning situations outside of the home. The training and skills acquisition is offered in and around the individual's home, in consumer family home, own home or home shared with friends. Residential Habilitation may also be provided in a structured, supervised group home setting known as an Individual Residential Alternative (IRA).

ROOM AND BOARD SUPPORTS

Room and board supports apply to individuals living alone, with family or with others. The site may be a family home, a single-family residence or an apartment, owned or leased. A variety of other private or public sources of funding may be available to supplement the individuals living costs. The services provided under room and board cover the basic living needs. Room and board supports could be supplemented through affordable housing such as HUD Section 8, Rural Rental Assistance, and other rent subsidies, and Individual Support Services (ISS). Other available programs to assist in room and board costs are the low-income home energy assistance (HEAP) and food stamp programs. Services provided include such items as: food, household supplies, furniture, utilities, telephone, insurance, home repairs, rent.

HOME OF YOUR OWN (HOYO) PROJECT

The NYS Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (OMRDD) can assist low to moderate income first time home buyers who have a disability with the information and referrals necessary to purchase their own home in New York State. Contact Patti Maher 518 473-1973 or email at maherpl@ix.netcom.com

How is Housing Accessed?

People in need of housing must get onto the waitlist by making a referral to [the Service Needs Access Panel of Orange County](#). To make a referral, log onto <https://mentalhealth.co.orange.ny.us>. Once on the list, opportunities can become available two ways:

Opportunities in Existing Homes

When a vacancy in an existing home or supervised apartment becomes available, the waitlist is reviewed and those people with the greatest need for immediate housing that are an appropriate match are contacted. What is an appropriate match? Several factors are considered in matching someone from the waitlist to a vacant bed. In most existing homes, bedrooms are shared; therefore, most vacancies have a gender requirement. Additionally, existing homes and supervised apartments have certain fixed staff ratios and levels of supervision. A person with a need for intensive supervision and training will require a bed in a home with the appropriate level of staffing. There is also an age factor in matching people with available homes. A young, active adult would not be an appropriate match to a home with elderly, frail people. Finally, people using wheelchairs and those with ambulation difficulties must be matched with an environment in which there are few stairs or a wheelchair accessible environment. An individual may be asked to come to the house for a dinner visit and an overnight or weekend visit prior to any decision for admission. If the house does not “feel” right, a person can decline the offer without any negative affect on their waitlist status. For information on existing homes in Orange County, log onto www.orangecountygov.com and look for the developmental disabilities/housing profiles.

Creation of a New Home or Apartment with Supports

A new housing option may be created through Governor Pataki’s New York State Cares initiative created to eliminate the waitlist by funding new development of housing options. This initiative presents an exciting opportunity for individuals or small groups of friends to select an agency to work with and create a housing option that’s right for them. Using a person-centered approach, individuals and families can work together to develop the housing and supports to meet their needs and choices. If you are considering developing a new home please refer to [Development Overview for the Purchase of Residences](#).

The following documents are available to assist individuals and families in choosing housing options. [Guide for Choosing a Residential Service Provider](#) and [Questions Developed by Orange County Parents During the Process of Selecting a Residential Provider](#).

Whatever option is selected-- moving into an existing home or creating something new-- people can and should continue spending time with relatives back at the family home, in the person’s new home, meet for dinner and a movie or vacation together.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES & SUPPORT GROUPS

SIBLING PROJECT

Support, education and information for children who have siblings with developmental disabilities. Monthly meeting and annual Family Day.

Provider: Mental Health Association in Orange County, Inc.
Eligibility: Children ages 6-18
Contact: Hava Udalevich (ext. 254) hava@mhaorangeny.com
Telephone: (845) 294-7411 x 254
Fees: None

EARLY CHILDHOOD DIRECTION CENTER

Information, referral, and advocacy for children birth to 5 years old with special needs.

Telephone: (845) 338-6755 – Parents can call collect

EPILEPSY SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN NEW YORK, INC.

Individual, systems and medical advocacy, employment assistance, epilepsy education and training, information and referral, support groups, counseling and crisis intervention for individuals/families with seizure disorders, or other disabilities such as traumatic brain injury.

Contact: Kim Egan casemgmt1@efsny.com
Telephone: 1-800-640-0371 or (845) 344-0450
Fees: None

FAMILIES LEARNING TOGETHER

Parenting skills training and support for parents with developmental disabilities. Participants will learn a number of skills including but not limited to: reasonable discipline, anger management, conflict resolution, communication skills and teen issues.

Provider: Action Toward Independence
Eligibility: Parents with developmental disabilities who have children in the home, parents with DSS intervention seeking to maintain or reunite with their children, parents with visitation privileges and people with developmental disabilities interested in becoming a child care provider.
Telephone: (845) 343-4284
Fee: None
Note: Groups are offered in Port Jervis, Newburgh and Middletown

ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

Informational & Referral, Advocacy, Educational seminars.

Contact: Delores Fraser McFadden dmcfadden@co.orange.ny.us
Telephone: (845) 291-2620
Fees: None

SURPASS

Support understanding Regarding Play and Social Skills weekly social skill building group.

Provider: Greystone Programs
Contact: Caren O'Brien
Telephone: (845) 452-5772 cobrien@greystoneprograms.org
Fees: None

PERSONAL EFFECTIVENESS AND SEXUALITY AWARENESS PROGRAM (PESAP)

This training will offer factual information regarding sexuality in a manner that is comfortable for the participant and does not challenge or disregard their values. Participants will learn the health risks of unsafe practices, high-risk behaviors and/or substance abuse and how to establish healthy, positive relationships. Families of the participating group will also receive orientation and training.

Provider: Footings, Inc.
Contact: Rori Cooper Corbin rorifootings@juno.com
Telephone: (845) 783-7505
Fees: None

POSITIVE BEHAVIORAL SUPPORTS – PARENT TRAINING & IN HOME BEHAVIOR THERAPY

Multi-session educational seminars designed to assist parents of children with challenging behaviors to understand why the behaviors occur, how to prevent them and develop long-term replacements for the problem behaviors. In- home/school observations are available to participants and upon completion of the series, parents will be eligible to participate in a monthly group structured to provide continued consultation and follow-up. On-site childcare is available for all sessions.

Provider: Collaborative effort of the Orange County Department of Mental Health/DD Services, Greystone Programs & The Westchester Institute for Human Development/UAP and New York Medical College, Valhalla
Contact: Caren O'Brien (845) 452-5772 - cobrien@greystoneprograms.org
Delores F. McFadden (845) 291-2620 – dmcfadden@co.orange.ny.us
Fees: \$35.00 refundable upon completion of training

CRISIS ASSESSMENT PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION SERVICES (CAPIS)

information and referral, educational seminars, family support groups, and newsletters.

Provider: Mental Health Association in Orange County, Inc.
Contact: Anne Klingner annek@mhaorangenyc.com
Telephone: (845) 294-7411 Ext. 253 or (845) 294-9355 - 24 hours
Fees: None

SUPPORT GROUPS

There is no fee involved with any of the support groups. Support groups are subject to change.

- Parents of Individuals with Autism/PDD
- Inclusion Information Network
- Asperger Information Alliance.....Mental Health Association.....294-7411x253
- CHADD986-1594
- Parents of Children with Epilepsy Adults with Epilepsy
- Epilepsy Society of Southern NY.....344-4050
- Survivors of Head Injury.....Family Empowerment Council, Inc.....343-8100
- Parents & Families of People with Down Syndrome-Down Syndrome Association.226-5220
- Parents of Children with LD, ADD & Neurological Impairments.....733-1594
- Tourette Syndrome Networking Group.....Mental Health Association.....294-7411x254
- Autism Support Group.....Family Empowerment Council, Inc.....343-8100
- Father’s Support Group.....Family Empowerment Council, Inc.....343-8100

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

TRANSITION PLANNING

The purpose of including information on the laws and regulations in this guidebook is to reinforce the fact that Transition Services are mandated by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) (P.L. 101-476). In other words, they are not optional. All students who are classified as having a disability by the local Committee on Special Education need preparation to fully participate in community life as adults. The transition planning process is meant to encourage Committees on Special Education to look beyond the traditional educational focus of the IEP and to be creative. For example, Transition Services may include travel training, self-advocacy, real work experiences, and /or involvement with community based social networks.

Transition Services refers to a coordinated set of activities for a student with a disability, designed within an outcome-oriented process that promotes movement from school to post-school activities including but not limited to:

- Post-secondary education
- Vocational training
- Supported and competitive employment
- Continuing and adult education
- Adult day services
- Adult services to support independent living
- Supervised housing and community participation

Transition Services can include any aspect of adult life with which students and families will need some assistance. This does not mean that the school district must provide you with housing, for example, but it does mean that they must discuss with you during the planning meetings where you can get information and help with this issue.

Long Term Adult Outcome Statements must be included in the student's IEP. They are destination statements, based upon the student's hopes and dreams for his/her self. They are future statements not behavioral objectives. There should be at least one outcome statement in each of the following areas developed in collaboration with the student and family:

- Employment: Will the student become a part of the workforce?
- Post-Secondary Education: Will the student go on to further education? (including life-long activities such as adult education, skill improvement workshops, training for hobbies, two- and four-year college, armed forces or technical schools)
- Community Living: How will the student be interacting with the community outside of work and further education?

A Coordinated Set of Activities must be included in the student's IEP. They must be based on the student's needs, taking into account their preferences and interests and shall include needed activities in the following areas:

- Instruction
- Community experiences
- Related services
- The development of employment and other post-school adult living objectives, and,
- If appropriate, acquisition of daily living skills and functional vocational evaluation.

Related Services that support the student in achieving his/her educational, vocation and other community-based goals are also very important. Related Services refers to: speech, psychology, social work, physical therapy, occupational therapy, counseling, medical, health, parent counseling and training, other appropriate developmental or corrective support services, appropriate access to recreation and other appropriate support services.

Participating agencies, other than the local school district and BOCES must be identified. For students with developmental disabilities, that means one or more of the developmental disabilities provider network agencies listed in this guide. The following information should be included:

- Agency name
- Contact
- Service being delivered
- Implementation date of service

It is important to make sure that the agency has been contacted and has agreed to provide the service.

Transition Planning is not just one meeting. **By regulation, it is a process that must begin at age 14.** Over time, the student's needs, desires, and expectations will change and the transition plan should be updated as needed to fit the student. Transition Planning is also a collaborative process with the student, the family, school, and community agencies. Establishing a connection with the Service Needs Access Panel of Orange County will greatly facilitate and enhance the Transition Planning process.

The above definitions are excerpts from the New York State Education Department's informational booklet Transition Services ---A Planning and Implementation Guide which you can request from: BOCES/SETRC (845) 291-0520 or online at <http://www.vesid.nysed.gov/specialed/transition/>

Please note that there is special funding available to develop an individually tailored day service for students with developmental disabilities ending school. This funding is known as "aging out" funds. This is a one-time opportunity for the development of a unique day service support. It can be used to enhance services for students seeking employment or other post educational endeavor. The service can be provided by many of the developmental disabilities service agencies.

ESTATE PLANNING AND GUARDIANSHIP

All families need to make legal and financial plans for the future. Parents should plan estates regardless of size, in order to provide lifetime care, financial security and protection for your child who has a developmental disability. The first step in estate planning is to assess the child's future requirements and needs. An accurate assessment with the help of professionals, family members and the child will facilitate proper planning. Estate planning items include: wills and trusts, maintaining governmental benefits, and minimizing taxes. Parents of an individual with developmental disabilities must give special consideration to the following:

- How to prevent government and other agencies from charging for current or past services
- How to prevent their child from being disqualified from need-based government benefits

The estate plan should supplement rather than replace state and federal entitlements. (See Public Entitlements). The plan should ensure that the resources a parent leaves for the child do not disqualify him/her for any benefits to which he/she may be entitled or not are taken for reimbursement of benefits received in the past.

An attorney is essential in creating an appropriate plan, which will fit the family circumstances and meet the need of the family member with a disability. It is important to find an attorney who is not only competent in estate planning but is also familiar with the issues created by developmental disabilities. Agencies within the Developmental Disabilities Provider Network may be of assistance in identifying local attorneys with this particular expertise.

WILLS

The Will specifies how your money and property will be distributed after your death and names a guardian for minor children. It is recommended that both spouses have a Will. Special consideration should be given to:

- Deciding the best way to distribute money or property so as not to jeopardize the child's benefits
- Determining if a guardian will be necessary to manage money or care for the child

TRUSTS

Individuals with developmental disabilities, who need governmental benefits such as SSI and Medicaid for their care, can keep their benefits and have supplemental financial assistance through the use of a Trust. Parents of an individual with developmental disabilities may establish a Supplemental Needs Trust as an effective way to financially assist their son or daughter and allow them to continue to benefit from SSI, Medicaid and other benefits. A Trust can be established at any time during the life of the person with a disability. It can be established as a directive of the parents' Will or created separately with the assistance of an attorney. It is important to remember that assets should not be left directly to an individual who receives SSI but the assets should be placed in a Trust to supplement the SSI income.

In order to establish a Supplemental Needs Trust, it is necessary to contact an attorney who is very familiar with the specific issues related to developmental disabilities. The trust can be part of a Will or can be a separate document.

GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORSHIP

When an individual reaches the age of 18, that person is seen by the government and legal system as capable of managing his or her affairs including making decisions about all aspects of life. When a person has a developmental disability, he or she may need assistance in making decisions, working with income and finances and more. There is a legal process by which a parent, sibling or friend can be appointed as guardian to assist the individual with decisions and other life activities. The process also allows appointment of stand-by guardians to assume the guardian position when the current guardian is no longer able to provide the assistance needed.

The points to be aware of in regard to **guardianship** are:

- Guardians are appointed for individuals who are developmentally disabled over the age of 18 who are incapable of managing themselves or their affairs.
- Parents require a court appointment as a guardian to continue to exercise legal control over an adult child who reaches age 18.
- Parents who reside in Orange County must petition the County Surrogate Court. The petition can and should name an alternate or standby guardian. The standby guardian can assume the guardianship duties upon the death or inability of the guardians.
- Depending upon the circumstances, a hearing may be held. Parents may initiate this process on their own by contacting **Orange County Surrogate Court located at 30 Park Place in Goshen, NY. Telephone (845) 291-2193.**

Assistance in filling out applications for Article 17A Guardianship can be received at CAPIS, (845) 294-7411 ext. 253

The points to be aware of in regard to **Conservatorship** are:

- Conservators are appointed for individuals over the age of 18 who are unable to manage their finances.
- Conservators manage the property of the conservatee. They do not have the authority to make medical decisions.
- The parent or another party must petition the County Supreme Court (845) 294-5151 for the appointment of a conservator.
- A hearing is required.

NYSARC, Inc. (formerly The New York State Association for Retarded Children) through its chapters, offers a unique, lifetime commitment to parents and relatives of individuals who have a developmental disability. It has a guardianship program that offers guardianship of the person for families who apply and list NYSARC, Inc. as the last alternate stand-by guardians. For further information contact: Sandy Schwartz at (845) 342-0443 or e-mail ahrcsschwartz@hvc.rr.com

For an easy-to-read booklet about planning for the future of individuals with developmental disabilities, contact Developmental Disabilities Planning Council at 1-800-395-3372.

www.ddpc.state.ny.us

SURROGATE DECISION MAKING

Mentally disabled persons who reside in facilities or programs licensed, operated, or funded by New York State sometimes require major medical and dental treatment. In some instances they lack the capacity to make an informed decision whether to consent or refuse the proposed major medical treatment.

In many cases, they don't have a family member or guardian who is legally authorized and willing to make this important decision on their behalf.

When a true medical emergency exists, New York State law allows these individuals to receive emergency treatment without consent. If the proposed major medical procedure is not of an emergency nature, and there is no one authorized and willing to provide informed consent or refusal of treatment on behalf of the patient, then a court order must be obtained. This process is sometimes expensive, and often there is a delay in obtaining needed medical services for the patient.

Surrogate Decision-Making Committees (SDMC) are an alternative approach to the court system for obtaining an informed decision about major medical treatment for mentally disabled clients in residential facilities and programs operated, licensed, or funded by an office of the Department of Mental Hygiene.

The SDMC consists of volunteers appointed by the Commission on Quality of Care, and these volunteers exercise SDMC functions through panels of four.

This approach is intended to provide a quicker, more easily accessible, inexpensive and more personalized decision on behalf of mentally disabled individuals.

For further information, log onto www.cqc.state.ny.us or contact: tomf@cqc.state.ny.us, or call (518) 388-2820, or write:

Surrogate Decision-Making Program
NYS Commission on Quality of Care for the Mentally Disabled
401 State Street
Schenectady, NY 12305-2397

RESOURCES FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, PUBLIC ENTITLEMENTS & OTHER BENEFITS

FAMILY REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAMS

Provides cash subsidies, reimbursement, goods, services and financial advocacy for people with developmental disabilities living on their own or with their families.

Provider: Epilepsy Society of Southern New York
Eligibility: Diagnosed seizure disorder
Contact: Kim Egan efsnycasemngmt@aol.com
Telephone: 1-800-640-0371 or (845) 344-0450, or (845) 627-0627

Provider: Family Empowerment Council, Inc.
Eligibility: Living at home with family or independently in community.
Contact: James Schueler
Telephone: (845) 343-8100 or (888) 343-8181

Provider: Hudson Valley Developmental Disabilities Service Office (DDSO)
Contact: Eileen Wood Eileen.wood@omr.state.ny.us
Telephone: (845) 344-6500

Provider: Hamaspik of Orange County, Inc.
Contact: Rifky Berger
Telephone: (845) 774-7044 ext. 309

Provider: Mental Health Association of Orange County, Inc.
Eligibility: Living at home with family (For separate Autism Spectrum Fund, diagnosis on Autism spectrum.)
Contact: Hava Udalevich
Telephone: (845) 294-7411 ext. 254

GM MOBILITY PROGRAM

For persons with disabilities, the program provides up to \$1,000 total reimbursement toward: vehicle mobility adaptation costs for drivers or passengers; and/or, vehicle alerting devices for drivers who are deaf or hard of hearing. Two types of alerting devices are on the market: emergency vehicle siren detectors and enhanced turn signal reminder devices. The alerting device reimbursement is retroactive to eligible new GM vehicles purchased or leased on or after September 29, 1994 (the start of the 1995 model year). These reimbursements are available even if other funding assistance is obtained (e.g. VESID).

Contact: Local GM dealer or GM Mobility Assistance Center
P.O. Box 9011, Detroit, MI 48202
Telephone: 1-800-323-9935 (voice)
1-800-833-9935 (TTY)

SOCIAL SECURITY *Provides monthly income for eligible individuals with disabilities.*

Provider: Social Security Administration
Eligibility: Based on individual's income and disability
Contact: Social Security Office
Telephone: 1-800-772-1213
For further assistance contact: SSI Outreach at ILC
Contact: Vincent Adinolfi
Telephone: (845) 565-1162

PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN'S PROGRAM (PHCP)

Financial assistance for medical care for children with severe, long-term health problems which can be corrected or improved.

Provider: Orange County Department of Health
Eligibility: Under age 21: physical disability or chronic illness; not eligible for Medicaid and meets PHC financial eligibility.
Contact: Peggy Carter
Telephone: (845) 291-2569

CHILD & FAMILY HEALTH PLUS

Free or low-cost health insurance for children and adolescents not eligible for Medicaid. Fees are free or low-cost depending upon family size and income.

Telephone: 1-800-698-4543

CARE AT HOME MEDICAID WAIVERS

Waives parental income for children with complex health care needs.

Provider: DSS/OMRDD
Eligibility: Under 18 years old; living with family; ICF level of care: SSI disabled; interventions that replace or compensate for a vital bodily function.
Contact: Jackie Spring Jackie.Spring@omr.state.ny.us
Telephone: (845) 429-4144

EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

Comprehensive services for infants and children up to age three with developmental delays and their families.

Provider: Orange County Department of Health
Eligibility: Ages birth through 2 with developmental delay.
Contact: Sheila Warren – swarren@co.orange.ny.us
Telephone: (845) 291-2333

PERSONAL CARE AND NURSING

Services provided in the home to assist in the care of children and adults with a developmental disability and/or help with chores and household tasks.

Provider: Orange County Department of Social Services – Adult Protective Services
Eligibility: Medicaid eligible
Telephone: (845) 291-2800
Fees: None

SENIOR DINING HOME DELIVERED MEALS

Hot, nutritionally balanced meals are provided five days per week at noontime to the individuals home alone, with two frozen meals to cover weekends.

Provider:	Orange County Office for the Aging
Eligibility:	Individuals ages 60+, homebound, with no nutritional supports - people who have a developmental disability are eligible if they themselves meet the criteria above or if their primary caretaker meets the eligibility requirements.
Phone:	(845) 291-2150
Fees:	None. However, a contribution of \$2.00 is suggested

COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAMS

The County Department of Social Services offers many services through its economic independence and human services divisions. The Department has several locations throughout the County.

ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE DIVISION

Medicaid pays for certain medical services, equipment, and procedures. If a person has SSI, Medicaid is automatic.

Food Stamps Provides supplemental funds to buy food in your local store.

Family Assistance Provides benefits to a parent or other relative for children under age 18 that have not had parental support due to death, physical or mental incapacity or continued absence of a parent.

Safety Net Assistance Program Provides benefits to people in need who are not eligible for any other public assistance.

Emergency Assistance to Families Provides cash benefits for a family that faces an emergency due to a situation that threatens its stability for up to 30 days.

Temporary Assistance provides cash assistance to Orange County residents lacking income and resources to maintain a minimal standard of living.

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) assists households with meeting the costs of home fuel and heating needs.

Employment Activities for employable recipients are coordinated with the Orange County Employment and Training Administration.

Housing for eligible homeless applicants/recipients.

HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION

Intake Caseworkers are responsible for assessing the service needs of children and families in non-child protective service situations.

Child Protective Services Caseworkers investigate allegations of child abuse and neglect that are made to the New York State Central Register (SCR) and then transmitted to the local DSS.

Preventive Services provide supportive and rehabilitative services to intact families where children have been assessed to be at-risk of foster care placement.

Foster Care Caseworkers provide casework services to children in family foster care, group and residential programs and to their birth parents and siblings at home.

Adult Home Care Services are designed to increase or maintain an adult's level of independence to assure their continuing safety, independence and ability to remain at home.

Adult Protective Services Caseworkers provide assistance to mentally or physically impaired adults, 18 or older, who are unable to meet their essential needs of food, clothing, shelter, or medical care, and/or who are unable to protect themselves or their interests from neglect or abuse, and who further, have no one willing and able to help in a responsible manner.

Contacts for the County Department of Social Services

Goshen (845) 291-4000 (Economic Independence Division)

Goshen (845) 291-2800 (Human Services Division)

Newburgh (845) 568-5100 (both Divisions)

Middletown (845) 346-1120 (both)

Port Jervis (845) 856-4497 (both)

After Hours Emergencies: (845) 291-4033 (5 P.M. - 9 A.M.)

Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-342-3720

CHILD CARE OPTIONS

CHILD CARE COUNCIL OF ORANGE COUNTY

www.childcarecounciloc.org

Free referrals to certified/licensed child care providers throughout the county.

(845) 294-4012

CHILD CARE/BABYSITTING REFERRAL SERVICE

Referral and linkage to teens and young adults who have completed a course and specialized training in sitting for a child with special needs. Offered to any family residing in Monroe, Woodbury, Warwick, and Goshen areas. Families must provide transportation for the sitter.

Provider: Footings, Inc.

Eligibility: Two-hour minimum; signed waiver recognizing Footings, Inc. as a referral source only

Contact: Rori Cooper Corbin

Telephone: (845) 783-7505

E-Mail: rorifootings@juno.com

Fees: Negotiated with each sitter individually

CLUB ASPIRE DAY CARE

Inclusive Day Care program for both typically developing and developmentally delayed children.

Provider: Greystone Programs, Inc.
Eligibility: Any child age 2.5-5
Contact: Liz Connolly – lconnolly@greystoneprograms.org
Phone: (845) 469-3760
Fees: Call the program for more information

CLUB ASPIRE (After School Program Integrating Recreation & Education)

After-school and school-break respite. Located in Sugar Loaf, this program provides intensive training to continue skill building after school and when school is not in session.

Provider: Greystone Programs, Inc.
Eligibility: Ages 6-and up children with Autism, PDD and related disabilities
Contact: Liz Connolly – lconnolly@greystoneprograms.org
Phone: (845) 469-3760
Fees: Sliding fee for school break and after school is an HCBS Waiver service

Club ASPIRE – Saturdays

Monthly Saturday respite, behavior management and skill building from 10-4 located in Sugar Loaf.

Provider: Greystone Programs, Inc.
Eligibility: Ages 6 -21, Autism spectrum disorders
Contact: Holly
Phone: 695-2561
Fees: None

Club Rec. at Port Jervis

After school inclusive program providing academic support, social-recreation, creative arts and sports activities. Parent's are responsible for transportation from "home school" to their personal homes at the end of the day.

Provider: Footings, Inc.
Eligibility: Ages 6 – 12 eligible to receive services from Port Jervis School District may attend; BOCES students are welcome.
Contact: John Muollo
Telephone: (845) 858-3232
Fees: None

CRYSTAL RUN VILLAGE RESPITE HOUSE

After school and after work or hourly services on weekends at Crystal Run Respite House.

Provider: Crystal Run Respite House
Eligibility: Ages 12 and over
Contact: Holly Rich holly_rich@crvi.org
Telephone: (845) 695-2561
Fees: Arranged on an individual basis

CURIOUS CUBS DAYCARE CENTER & DROP IN SERVICE

Inclusive program in Middletown for both typically developing & developmentally delayed children.

Provider: Orange AHRC
Eligibility: Any child between 8 weeks old and age 4
Phone: 344-2292
Fees: Call for more information

LEAP

Learning all that is possible, Enjoying and array of activities, Applying what is learned = Prepared for a happy and successful future). After School Program. Operates Monday – Thursday from 2 – 5 PM, when Newburgh School are in session

Provider: Independent Living, Inc.
Eligibility: Student ages 11 – 16 in Newburgh School District
Contact: Brian J. Burke – bBurke@myindependentLiving.org
Telephone: (845) 565-1162 x 203
Fees: None

OTSAR – OVERNIGHT RESPITE TO CHILDREN IN ORTHODOX JEWISH HOMES

Provider: OTSAR
Eligibility: Orthodox Jewish children
Contact: Betty Pollack
Telephone: (718) 946-7301
Fees: None

PRE-SCHOOL LEARNING EXPERIENCE

*The **PLE** program is an inclusive preschool program for both typically developing and developmentally delayed children. Located in Middletown and New Windsor.*

Provider: Orange AHRC
Eligibility: Any child age of 2.5- 4
Phone: (845) 564-1855
Fees: Call for more information

SATURDAY RESPITE

Respite provided at the Inspire, CP Center in Goshen from noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday only.

Provider: Inspire, CP Center
Eligibility: Age 3 to 12 including siblings
Contact: Cathy Bruinix
Telephone: (845) 294-7300 x 231
Fees: None

Additionally, the County Department of Social Services provides assistance with day care to qualifying low-income families' (845) 291-4000

ADULT DAY CARE OPTIONS FOR SENIORS

Adult Day Care provides seniors with and without disabilities meaningful and stimulating activities while providing the caregiver with a break. There are two types of adult day care models: Medical and Social. The MEDICAL MODEL provides round trip transportation, nursing, medical care, medication administration, clinical services, dentistry, podiatry, social services counseling, community and recreational activities (exercise, music, arts and crafts, guest speakers, and entertainment), hot nutritional meal and snacks. The SOCIAL MODEL provides community and recreational activities, hot nutritional meals and snacks, it does **NOT** offer clinical, medical or transportation services.

DAY AT A TIME

Medical Model Program located in Warwick open Monday - Friday 9:00-4:00.

Contact: Theresa Casey

Telephone: (845) 987-5767

Fees: Medicaid, private pay is \$98.00 per day.

ELANT (formerly Arden Hill Life Care)

Located in Goshen, the medical and social models are open seven days a week.

Fees: Social model accepts private pay \$36.00 per day, private insurance, Medicaid may be accepted if approved for long term health care. The Medical model accepts Medicaid or private pay at \$106.00 per day

Telephone: (845) 291-3700 or info@elant.org

ELANT (formerly Sylcox Nursing Home)

Located in Newburgh, this medical model program is open Monday-Friday.

Fees: Medicaid

Telephone (845) 564 -1700

HAND IN HAND CARE

Located in Middletown, this social model program is open Monday through Friday.

Contact: Alice Krawcyk

Telephone: (845) 342-4787

Fees: private pay \$125.00 per week or \$35.00 per day. Agency also offers service coordination, respite, referral, Home Care & Housekeeping

HOMEMAKER SERVICE OF ORANGE COUNTY

Located in both Middletown at Southwinds Retirement Home and a temporary location on 1st Street in Newburgh, these social model programs are open Monday through Friday.

Telephone (845) 343-0886 or (845) 569-2540

Fees: MA may be accepted if approved for long term health care, private pay \$36.00/day

See also under specialized programs for people with developmental disabilities respite and adult day services

TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS & INFORMATION

Dial-a-Bus *Door-to-door transportation within specific towns.
Call the town hall to find out if your town has this service.*

GM Mobility Program

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Contact: Local GM dealer or GM Mobility Assistance Center
P.O. Box 9011, Detroit, MI 48202
Telephone: 1-800-323-9935 (voice) 1-800-833-9935 (TTY)

Handi-Van Transportation must be arranged in advance.

Eligibility: Middletown residents
Telephone: 342-0068
Fees: Donation requested

The Main Line Trolley Bus *Accessible bus transportation connecting Middletown, Goshen, Chester, Monroe, Harriman, Galleria at Crystal Run, Harriman Railroad Station and Woodbury Commons.*

Contact: Shortline
Telephone: 1-800-631-8405
Fees: Vary according to distance

MASA Ambulette *Transportation in southern Orange County.*

Contact: Sizzy Leux
Telephone: (845) 774-7044 ext. 302
Fees: Medicaid ONLY. Must be pre-approved.

Medicaid Transportation (845) 291-2846

Para-Transit *(all vehicles have lifts and tiedowns) operating in Newburgh, Middletown and Kiryas Joel areas, transporting people to/from an area ¾ mile on either side of the fixed bus routes; may be door to door.*

Contact: Newburgh Beacon Bus Corporation
Telephone: 1-800-624-4217 ext. 346 (845) 783-6222 (Kiryas Joel only)
Fees: \$2.00 each way
Must have special Para-transit photo pass and call 24 hours in advance.

Stewart Airport Passenger Boarding Lift

Stewart Airport now has a passenger boarding lift available to assist people with disabilities in boarding and disembarking aircraft. If you would like to use the lift, contact your airline at least 24 hours in advance.

MISCELLANEOUS

NYS Office of the Advocate for Disabled

Assists people with disabilities to obtain needed assistive technology services and devices through it's TRAIID program (Technology Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities). Information & referral, advocacy.

Provider: NYS Health Department
Eligibility: Individuals of all ages with disabilities, providers, employers, and educators
Telephone: 1-800-522-4369

Complaints and Assistance regarding services provided by an agency

Contact: NYS Commission for Quality of Care for the Mentally Disabled
Telephone: 1-800-624-4143

Families Learning Together

Parenting skills training and support for parents with developmental disabilities. Participants will learn a number of skills including but not limited to: reasonable discipline, anger management, conflict resolution, communication skills and teen issues

Provider: Action Toward Independence
Eligibility: Parents with developmental disabilities that have children in the home, parents with DSS intervention seeking to maintain or reunite with their children, parents with visitation privileges and people with developmental disabilities interested in becoming a child care provider.
Telephone: (845) 343-4284
Fee: None
Note: Groups are offered in Port Jervis, Newburgh and Middletown

Help Understanding Guidance Support

For parents considering or experiencing psychiatric hospital admission for their child.

Provider: Family Empowerment Council, Inc.
Telephone: 1-866-629-4829

Helpline

24-hour information and referral/crisis intervention hotline

Telephone: 1-800-832-1200 (845) 294-9355

LINKS- Living Independently with New Knowledge and Services

24-hour counseling/crisis assistance, intensive case management, education, linkage to counseling and other services

Provider: Emergency Housing
Telephone: (845) 342-5713
Eligibility: 16+ living independently in Orange County

Personal Effectiveness and Sexuality Awareness Program (PESAP)

This training will offer factual information regarding sexuality in a manner that is comfortable for the participant and does not challenge or disregard their values. Participants will learn the health risks of unsafe practices, high-risk behaviors and/or substance abuse and how to establish healthy, positive relationships. Families of the participating group will also receive orientation and training.

Provider: Footings, Inc.
Contact: Rori Cooper-Corbin rorifootings@juno.com
Telephone: (845) 783-7505
Fees: None

RAPP-Relatives as Parents Program

Program designed to assist grandparents and other relatives who have taken on the role of primary caregiver for related children. Education and training to learn new parenting and advocacy skills, support group, referral and access to services

Contact: Cornell Cooperative Extension (845) 344-1234 www.cce.cornell.edu/orange

SIBLING PROJECT

Support, education and information for children who have siblings with developmental disabilities. Monthly meeting and annual family day.

Provider: Mental Health Association in Orange County, Inc.
Eligibility: Children ages 6-18
Contact: Hava Udalevich (ext. 254) hava@mhaorangeny.com
or Anne Klingner (ext. 253) annek@mhaorangeny.com
Telephone: (845) 294-7411
Fees: None

Single Points Of Entry (Other)

NETWORK - to access children’s mental health services in Orange County

Contact: Justine Bauer (845) 342-8737 jbauer@familyempowerment.org

SPOA - to access case management and housing for adults with mental illness in Orange County

Contact: Barbara Fick (845) 291-2600 bfick@co.orange.ny.us

ASSISTANCE WITH CHALLENGING BEHAVIORS

Behavior Consultation Services-In home

Short-term consultation by a psychologist in the family home providing strategies for behavior intervention, training, and information for families coping with their developmentally disabled child's challenging behaviors. This service is available from the following agencies:

Provider: Greystone Programs, Inc.
Contact: Caren O'Brien cobrien@greystoneprograms.org
Telephone: (845) 452-5772 Ext. 129
Fees: None

Provider: Mental Health Association in Orange County
Contact: Anne Klingner aklingner@mhaorangeny.com
Telephone: (845) 294-7411 Ext. 253
Fees: None

Behavior Consultation Unit

Short-term consultation by a multi-disciplinary team providing strategies for behavior intervention, training and information for agencies experiencing difficulty managing behaviors of people with developmental disabilities.

Provider: Hudson Valley Developmental Disabilities Services Office
Contact: Sharon Gelfand
Telephone: (845) 947-6234
Fees: None

Positive Behavior Support Training

Multi-session educational seminars designed to assist parents of children with challenging behaviors to understand why the behaviors occur, how to prevent them, and develop long term replacements for the problem behaviors. On-site childcare is available for all sessions.

Provider: Collaborative effort of the Orange County Department of Mental Health/DD Services, Greystone Programs & the Westchester Institute for Human Development/UAP and New York Medical College, Valhalla
Contact: Caren O'Brien (845) 452-5772 cobrien@greystoneprograms.org or Delores F. McFadden (845) 291-2620 dmcfadden@co.orange.ny.us
Fees: \$35.00 refundable upon completion of training

Westchester Institute for Human Development Valhalla, New York

Through a multi-discipline approach, services are provided to assist adults or children with developmental disabilities experiencing problems that interfere with their ability to manage school, work, or home life including but not limited to: anger, aggression, restlessness, lack of cooperation, self-injurious behavior(s), depression, anxiety, compulsive thinking, repetitive behavior. For more info log onto www.nymc.edu/wihd

Telephone: (914) 493-8209
Fees: Medicaid and many insurance accepted

New York State Institute for Basic Research, Staten Island, New York

Provides management of uncontrolled seizures, recommendations for behavior management and medication review, determination of cause of developmental disability, genetic testing/counseling

Contact: Social Services Department
Telephone: (718) 494-5126
Eligibility: Developmental disability, diagnosed or suspected

If a person is experiencing an increase in symptoms such as anger, aggression, restlessness, self-injurious behavior(s), sadness, anxiety, sleepiness, loss of appetite, isolation, avoidance of people and activities, compulsive thinking, repetitive behavior, there is an array of services available to help.

Mental Health Clinics licensed by the NYS Office of Mental Health

Medication management, individual and group counseling for children and adults

Arden Hill Behavioral Health Center (845) 294-7931

Middletown Psychiatric Center Out Patient Clinics 343-6686 562-7326 Adults only

Occupations 1-888-750-2266 with locations throughout the county

Orange County Department of Mental Health, Newburgh (845) 568-5260, Port Jervis 858-1456

Help Understanding Guidance Support

For parents considering or experiencing psychiatric hospital admission for their child

Provider:
Telephone: 1-866-629-4829

If the symptoms mentioned above have increased to a level presenting imminent crisis or if the person is threatening to hurt themselves or others, call 911 or utilize the following services:

MENTAL HEALTH MOBILE CRISIS SERVICE

This program is designed to divert the need for psychiatric hospitalization by providing emergency services to people in the community experiencing an emotional/behavior trauma during hours when regular services are unavailable. Staff respond immediately to calls for help providing intervention and next-day follow-up. Staff will facilitate a hospitalization when necessary.

Provider: Occupation's, Inc. in collaboration with Arden Hill Hospital
Telephone: (845) 692-0022 or 1-888-750-2266
Hours: 24 hours – 7 days per week
Fees: None

ACUTE IN-PATIENT PSYCHIATRIC CARE

If a person is presenting imminent danger to themselves or others call 911 or bring them to the emergency room at one of the following local hospitals.

Arden Hill Hospital (845) 294-5441 Cornwall Hospital (845) 534-7711
Bon Secours Community Hospital (845) 856-5351

Hospitals are required to assess the need for in-patient psychiatric care but not required to admit the person if the assessment indicates that there is not a need for in-patient care, or in the case of a child under age 16. If the hospital agrees that a person is in need of care, but doesn't have an available bed or does not serve children, they are to contact other hospitals and arrange for transport if necessary. Once a person is hospitalized a discharge-planning meeting should be initiated by the hospital to plan for appropriate services when the person returns home. Persons with mental retardation or other developmental disabilities are entitled to access mental health services when needed. **Mobile Mental Health (see above) can be called to help facilitate a hospitalization.**

Additionally, the following hospitals located outside Orange County are available for children and adolescents. *Note: This is NOT a comprehensive listing.*

St. Francis -adolescent unit (ages 12+) and adult unit (845) 483-5000

St. Vincent's- adolescent unit (ages 12+) and adult unit (914) 967-5557

Bellevue (therapeutic nursery for children age 4-11 that includes a 5-bed unit for children with autism, adolescent and adult units. Loni Goldstein, MSW (212) 562-4725 or Dr. Abanilla (212) 562-4504.

Rockland Children's Psychiatric Hospital (845) 359-7400 Ages 4-18

Westchester Medical Behavioral Health Care (914) 493-7000 Ages 6+

New York Hospital (914) 682-9100 or (914) 997-5700 ages 4+

Four Winds (914) 763-8151 Ages 4-adulthood

Stony Lodge (914) 941-7400 separate units for ages 5-11, 11-16, 17+

RESOURCES FOR MEDICAL ASSESSMENTS & TREATMENT

Blythdale Children's Hospital (Valhalla)

Provides assessments and comprehensive pediatric rehabilitation services.

Contact: Social Services Department
Telephone: (914) 592-7555 ext. 472
Eligibility: Infants, children and adolescents
Fees: Medicaid and many insurance accepted

Dental Services

Dental Services designed specifically for children and adults with developmental disabilities.

Provider: Inspire, The CP Center (845) 294-6284
Helen Hayes (845) 947-3000
Westchester Institute for Human Development (914) 493-8209
Hudson Valley DDSO (845)947-6220
Fees: Medicaid and your private dental plan may cover the service

Ezra Choilim Health Center

Comprehensive health care, including dental, vision, podiatry

Telephone: (845) 782-3242
Fees: Medicaid and many insurance's accepted

Helen Hayes Hospital (West Haverstraw)

Provides assessments and comprehensive rehabilitation services

Telephone: (845) 947-3000
Fees: Medicaid and many insurance accepted

Hudson Valley DDSO/Jervis Clinic (Thiells & Middletown)

Nursing, Social Work, Psychiatry, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Psychology, Speech, Audiology, Dental, Medical for people with developmental disabilities

Provider: Hudson Valley DDSO
Telephone: Lucille Acrish (845) 947-6220
Fees: Medicaid and many insurance plans accepted

Inspire, CP Center (Goshen)

Rehabilitative services through a clinic licensed under Public Health Law, for a wide range of temporary and permanent disabilities, including Audiology, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Psychology, Social Work and Speech and Language Pathology. Additionally, dental services are provided.

Provider: Inspire, CP Center
Telephone: (845) 294-7300
Fees: Medicaid, Medicare and many insurance plans accepted, sliding scale fee.

**John & Nancy O'Shea Pediatric Specialty Center/Vassar Brothers Hospital
(Poughkeepsie)**

Provides care by board-certified pediatricians from Westchester County Medical Center in the special areas of cardiology, gastroenterology, endocrinology, hematology/oncology, pulmonology, and nephrology.

Contact: Pediatric Specialty Center
Telephone: (845) 437-3040
Eligibility: Infants, children and adolescents
Fees: Medicaid and many insurance accepted

New York State Institute for Basic Research George A. Jervis Clinic (Staten Island)

Provides management of uncontrolled seizures, recommendations for behavior management and medication review, determination of cause of developmental disability, genetic testing/counseling

Contact: Social Services Department
Telephone: (718) 494-5126
Eligibility: Developmental disability, diagnosed or suspected
Fees: Medicaid and many insurance accepted

Orange Specialty Center (Middletown)

Satellite office of the Children's Hospital of Westchester Medical Center. Pediatric medical and surgical specialties offered in the areas of cardiology, endocrinology, gastroenterology, hematology, oncology, genetics, nephrology, orthopedic surgery, urology, plastic surgery and general surgery.

Contact: Carolyn Smith
Telephone: (845) 692-8970
Eligibility: Children and adolescents
Fees: Many insurance accepted; some physicians accept Medicaid

St. Luke's Hospital Pediatric Specialty Center (Middletown)

Pediatric medical and surgical specialties offered in the areas of neurology, cardiology, gastroenterology and urology.

Telephone: (845) 703-7000

Westchester Institute for Human Development (Valhalla)

Comprehensive medical & behavioral health services for children & adults with developmental disabilities.

Contact: Linda Stern (for children)
Telephone: (914) 493-8140
Contact: Marilyn Klein (for adults)
Telephone: (914) 493-8189
Fees: Medicaid and many insurance accepted

ORANGE COUNTY DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PROVIDER NETWORK

The Orange County Network is a group of local agencies that exists to identify needs, trends, and obstacles to service delivery, maximize quality & choice of services, set policy & direction for the service system, provide a forum for sharing & dissemination of information and to promote inter-agency & cross-systems collaboration.

- **ACTION TOWARD INDEPENDENCE**
130 Dolson Avenue, Suite 35, Middletown, NY 10940.....(845) 343-4284
- **CHEMLU DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES CENTER**
2 Garfield Road, Suite 201, Monroe, NY 10950.....(845) 774-4444
- **CRYSTAL RUN VILLAGE, INC.**
601 Stony Ford Rd., Middletown, NY 10941.....(845) 692-4444
- **EPILEPSY SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN NEW YORK, INC.**
726 E. Main St., Middletown, NY 10940..... (845) 627-0627
- **FAMILY EMPOWERMENT COUNCIL, INC.**
225 Dolson Avenue, Middletown, NY 10940(845) 343-8100
- **FOOTINGS, INC.**
P.O. Box 2038, Monroe, NY 10950.....(845) 783-7505
- **GREYSTONE PROGRAMS, INC.**
20 Delavergne Avenue, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590.....(845) 297-8800
- **HAMASPIK OF ORANGE COUNTY, INC.**
51 Forest Road, Suite 302, Monroe, NY 10950.....(845) 774-7044
- **INDEPENDENT LIVING, INC.**
5 Washington Terrace, Newburgh, NY 12550.....(845) 565-1162
- **INSPIRE, CP CENTER**
2 Fletcher Street, Goshen, NY 10924.....(845) 294-8806
- **HUDSON VALLEY DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES OFFICE**
18 Seward Avenue, Suite # 3/7, Middletown, NY 10940(845) 344-6500
- **MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION IN ORANGE COUNTY, INC.**
20 Walker Street, Goshen, NY 10924(845) 294-7411
- **OCCUPATIONS, INC.**
Service Assess Center, Middletown, NY 10940.....888-750-2266
- **ORANGE COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE LEARNING DISABLED**
54 Hubbard Road, Bloomingburg, NY 12721.....(845) 733-1594
- **ORANGE COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE HELP OF RETARDED CITIZENS, INC.**
249 Broadway, Newburgh, NY 12550.....(845) 561-0670
- **ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH**
30 Harriman Drive, Goshen, NY 10924.....(845) 291-2600
- **RAYIM OF HUDSON VALLEY, INC.**
6 Mountain Road, Unit 204, Monroe, NY 10950.....(845) 782-7700
- **STONY FORD FOUNDATION, INC.**
225 Dolson Avenue, Suite 402-A, Middletown, NY 10940.....(845) 343-5523

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION & INPUT

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

The Community Services Board of the Orange County Department of Mental Health is a group of citizens appointed by the County Executive to meet and discuss issues of mental health, chemical dependence and developmental disabilities and to make recommendations to the Commissioner of Mental Health with respect to servicing the needs of Orange County residents.

The Developmental Disabilities Sub-Committee of the Community Services Board is composed of people who have demonstrated an interest in developmental disabilities, including consumers, family members and representatives of community agencies. The committee advocates for the availability of adequate and appropriate services for people with developmental disabilities and their families. All meetings are open to the public. Consumers of developmental disabilities services and family members are encouraged to visit the committee meetings and to bring information, ideas, needs and issues to the attention of the committee.

For further details contact Orange County Department of Mental Health at (845) 291-2600, leave a message for the Chairperson.

HUDSON VALLEY CONSUMER COUNCIL

The Consumer Council of Letchworth was created to recognize and use the knowledge and experience of families of persons with developmental disabilities, and consumers themselves, in developing Hudson Valley DDSO's and New York State's family support policies, services and supports. For information about the Consumer Council contact Jackie Spring at Hudson Valley DDSO in Rockland County (845) 947-6335.

THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

The department exists to ensure that quality Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Chemical Dependency services are accessible to all the people of Orange County, that such services are delivered in a cost-effective, timely and culturally-sensitive manner under the jurisdiction of the Mental Hygiene Law of New York State and provided within the rules, regulations, policies and procedures of the licensing authority of appropriate State offices. If you have comments, concerns or suggestions contact Delores Fraser McFadden, Director of Developmental Disability Services, at (845) 291-2600.