

Resources for families 2018

- 1. Family Voices of Wisconsin** – Family Voices mission aims to achieve family-centered care for all children and youth with special health care needs and/or disabilities. They provide families with resources and support to make informed decisions, advocate for improved public and private policies, build partnerships among families and professionals, and serve as a trusted resource on health care.
*To stay informed sign up for their e-newsletters: www.familyvoices.org/action/keep_informed
*Contact information: www.familyvoices.org or call 888-835-5669
- 2. Lifespan Respite Care Northern Network** – Assists families to find funding for respite care and offers temporary one-time funding to caregivers who live in the home of the person for whom they care.
*Contact information: Pam Ironside, ironkids@hotmail.com or call 715-423-7182
- 3. National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)** – NAMI Portage-Wood Counties provides support, education, and advocacy for people with mental health conditions, as well as for friends and loved ones of those affected.
*NAMI does have newsletters that list all upcoming courses, meetings, videos and presentations. News letters can be accessed on their website or you can request them to be e-mailed through a list serve.
*Contact information: <http://namiportagewoodcounties.org/> or call 715-254-1864
- 4. Northern Region Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN)** - CYSHCN is dedicated to meeting family needs through a statewide coordinated system of information, referral and follow up, family to family support and strong partnerships with providers in 15 counties of northern Wisconsin. The Regional Center provides free and confidential services for children: Less than 22 years of age with a physical, developmental, behavioral or emotional condition that has lasted over a year or will last that long who require more health or educational services than other children their same age.
*Contact information: <http://northernregionalcenter.org/> or call 715-261-1906
- 5. Parents Information and Education Resources (PIER)** – Supporting individuals and their families with unique needs through information, educational opportunities, and activities. PIER’s mission is to be an informational and support resource for families and people who care for and/or work with children, youth and adults who have: learning, physical, cognitive, developmental, mental health, and behavioral disabilities/issues.
*PIER does send out monthly information through a list serve (e-mail) that you can sign up for. Information included in the e-mail: Monthly Newsletter for activities, workshop/conference/networking opportunities and new resources you should know about.
*Contact information: www.pierwi.info or call 715-423-7182
- 6. Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI)** – Provide leadership to improve outcomes and ensure a free appropriate public education for students protected under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
- 7.** *Contact information: <http://dpi.wi.gov/sped> or call 800-441-4563
- 8. Wisconsin Family Assistance Center for Education, Training, and Support (WI FACETS)** - WI FACETS mission is to provide and broaden opportunities that enhance the quality of life for children and adults with disabilities and their families, with emphasis on support for underserved families in the community.
*WI FACETS has over 100 free workshops scheduled for families of children with disabilities and those who support them. For more information on workshops visit their website www.wifacets.org/events.
*Contact information: www.wifacets.org/ or call 877-374-0511
- 9. Wisconsin Family Ties** – Wisconsin Family Ties mission is changing lives by promoting children’s mental health
*Contact information: <http://www.wifamilyties.org/> (New Website is coming soon) or call 608-267-6800
- 10. Wisconsin First Step for Children with special needs** – Wisconsin First Step’s mission is to assist parents in finding resources for their children with special needs. They serve children and youth from birth to age 21 who have physical, cognitive, or mental health challenges.
*Contact information: www.mch-hotlines.org or 1-800-642-7837

11. **Wood County Health Department** - Range of information from injury prevention to dental health:
www.co.wood.wi.us/Departments/Health/Family.aspx or call 715-421-8911/715-387-8646
* Behavioral (Mental) Health Bike Path (Resources in Wood County with up-to-date contact information)-
<http://www.co.wood.wi.us/Departments/Health/> (Bike path has own link under Community Resources)
12. **Wood County Human Services Department** – www.co.wood.wi.us/Departments/HumanServices/ Wide variety of information on: Mental Health Services, Crisis Services, Case Management, Child Abuse & Neglect, Juvenile Delinquency, Truancy & Court, Food Share, Project Lifesaver, BadgerCare, etc. or call 715-421-8600
13. **2-2-1 Wisconsin is “Excellent, Everywhere and Always”** – The mission of 2-1-1 Wisconsin is to connect everyone in Wisconsin with quick and easy access to community-based health and human service information and resources.
*Contact information: <https://211wisconsin.communityos.org/> or call 211

AUTISM RELATED INFORMATION/RESOURCES

1. Arrow Academy – Stevens Point Center-based Autism and Developmental Disabilities treatment provider, delivering Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA).
*Contact information: <https://www.arrowacademywi.org/> or call 715-544-6847
2. Autism Society of Wisconsin (ASW) – dedicated to improving the lives of all affected by autism in Wisconsin by providing information and referral, family support, advocacy, professional development, resource development, and by raising awareness and acceptance.
*Contact information: <http://www.asw4autism.org/> or call 1-800-328-8476
3. Agnesian Beyond Boundaries of Autism Services - Provides evaluation/assessment and relationship-based behavioral treatment services to individuals with autism spectrum disorders and their families in the home.
*Contact information: <https://www.agnesian.com/services/autism-treatment-services-abba> or call 800-922-3400
4. Caravel Autism Health – Provides evaluation/assessment as well as treatment through Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA therapy) in the home.
*Contact information: <https://caravelautism.com/> or call 715-393-8670
5. Innovative Counseling, Inc - Provides evaluation/assessment as well as treatment through evidence based therapeutic and behavioral approaches in an activity based comprehensive program in the home.
*Contact information: http://www.innovativecounseling.com/autism_treatment/index.html or call 920-497-6161
6. Phoenix Behavioral Health Services, LLC – Provides evaluation/assessment as well as treatment through Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA therapy) in the home.
*Contact information: <http://phoenixbhc.com/autism-treatment-services.html> or call 920-657-1780
7. Wisconsin Early Autism Project, Inc. (WEAP) – Provides evaluation/assessment/ diagnosis as well as treatment through Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA therapy) in the home.
*Contact information: <https://www.wiautism.com/> or call 715-832-2233