

# Resources for Including Children with Special Needs in Child Care Settings

## **New Jersey MAP to Inclusive Child Care**

**VISION:** All children in New Jersey will have equal access to affordable, high quality, developmentally appropriate and culturally competent child care.

**PARENTS**  
are your best  
source of  
information

### **Project Child Find**

Assists in identification of children with developmental delays or disabilities. Helps families access community services such as Early Intervention (birth to 3) and local school district child study teams (ages 3 through 21).

**1-800-322-8174**

[www.state.nj.us/education/specialed/childfind/](http://www.state.nj.us/education/specialed/childfind/)

### **Special Child Health Services**

Provides county-based case management services for children with special needs from birth through 21 years of age.

**609-777-7778**

[www.state.nj.us/health/fhs/sch/index.shtml](http://www.state.nj.us/health/fhs/sch/index.shtml)

*Specialized Pediatric Services:*

[www.state.nj.us/health/fhs/sch](http://www.state.nj.us/health/fhs/sch)

### **NJ Early Intervention System**

Statewide system of services for infants and toddlers, birth to age 3, with developmental delays/disabilities and their families.

**1-888-653-4463** / [www.nj.gov/health/fhs/eis](http://www.nj.gov/health/fhs/eis)

### **NJ Family Health Line**

24-hour help line dedicated to maternal, child and family health issues. Trained telephone counselors provide information and referrals for health screening and treatment.

**1-800-328-3838**

[www.state.nj.us/health/fhs/primarycare/family-health-line](http://www.state.nj.us/health/fhs/primarycare/family-health-line)

### **NJ Inclusive Child Care Project (NJICCP)**

*Located at the Statewide Parent Advocacy Network (SPAN)*

Funded by the Department of Human Services (DHS), the project provides free regional trainings and telephone and on-site consultation to child care centers and family child care providers.

**1-800-654-7726 ext. 108**

[www.spanadvocacy.org/NJICCP](http://www.spanadvocacy.org/NJICCP)

### **NJ School-Age Care Coalition (NJSACC)**

Provides an annual conference, training, and telephone and on-site consultation to school-age child care providers.

**908-789-0259**

### **New Jersey Department of Education Division of Early Childhood Education**

Programmatic responsibility for preschool through 3rd grade programs funded by public schools

**609-777-2074** / [www.state.nj.us/education/ece](http://www.state.nj.us/education/ece)

### **Offices of Special Education**

[www.nj.gov/education/specialed/](http://www.nj.gov/education/specialed/)

### **Child Care Health Consultants**

Central Jersey Family Health Consortium

[echc@cjfhc.org](mailto:echc@cjfhc.org)

## **Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies**

**Provide an array of early care services in each county.** Services for parents include child care subsidies, referrals to child care programs, and education on quality care. Services to professionals include data collection and dissemination, opportunities for professional improvement and training, technical assistance, and on-site visits by infant toddler specialists.

**1-800-332-9227**