REPRESENTATIVE RYAN MACKENZIE'S

SPECIAL NEEDS

RESOURCE GUIDE











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Dear Friends,

I have gathered the following information with hope that you are able to learn about organizations and services that are available to Pennsylvanians with special needs. It was assembled with your interests in mind.

The wide array of organizations that are listed will be able to assist you with issues relating to your health and wellness; support services; and programs provided by federal, state, and local governments.

I hope that you are able to find the information helpful for your particular needs. Please feel free to contact my district office with any questions.

Sincerely,

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RYAN E. MACKENZIE State Representative, 134th District Access Services, Inc.

3975 Township Line Road Bethlehem, PA 18020 610-866-6667

www.accessservices.org

Access Services believes that every individual with special needs is entitled to a supportive community and the opportunity to lead a rich, fulfilling life. From children in need of foster care to adults with developmental challenges or disabilities, everyone has the potential to overcome tremendous adversity. For 40 years Access Services has empowered countless individuals and their families in Eastern Pennsylvania through community-based, innovative special needs and disability services. From community day programs, to respite care, to our mental health and wellness center, we have made it our mission to provide those in need with companionship, resources and opportunities to grow as part of a community.

AMS Caregivers, Inc. 32 North Third Street

Emmaus, PA 18049 610-966-7033

www.amscaregivers.com

AMS Caregivers provides healthcare and home assistance services in client's homes, assisted living facilities and nursing homes. Our services are always available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, including holidays and unlike many other agencies, our minimum is only one hour of service per visit.

ARC of Lehigh and Northampton Counties

2289 Ave A Bethlehem, PA 18017 610-849-8076

www.arcoflehigh north ampton.org

The mission of The Arc of Lehigh and Northampton Counties is to

advocate, educate, and provide services and support for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

Autism Services, Education, Resources, and Training Collaborative

1-877-231-4244

www.PaAutism.org

ASERT is a statewide initiative funded by the Bureau of Autism Services, PA Department of Public Welfare. The ASERT Collaborative is a partnership of medical centers, centers of autism research and services, universities and other providers of services involved in the treatment and care of individuals of all ages with autism and their families. The ASERT Collaborative has been designed to bring together resources locally, regionally, and statewide.

Autism Society of the Lehigh Valley

P.O. Box 267 Coopersburg, PA 18036 610-778-9212 www.asalehighvalley.org

ASA-LV is a volunteer parent organization dedicated to supporting individuals with autism and their families who live in the Lehigh Valley.

Bayada Home Health Care- Pediatrics 317 South Cedar Crest Blvd. Allentown, PA 18103 610-766-7000

www.bayada.com

Bayada Home Health Care provides nursing or personal care aides to disabled adults, seniors, and special needs children in the comfort of their homes.

CHIP Capital Blue Cross

1221 W. Hamilton Street Allentown, PA 18102 610-820-2700 www.CapBlueCross.com/CHIP

CHIP is short for Pennsylvania's Children's Health Insurance Program, which provides affordable or free health insurance to uninsured children who are not eligible for medical assistance. While income plays a role in CHIP eligibility, no family makes too much money to qualify.

Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit #21

4210 Independence Drive Schnecksville, PA 18078 610-769-4111

www.cliu.org

The Carbon Lehigh Intermediate Unit 21 (CLIU) is an education service agency serving the schools and children of Carbon and Lehigh Counties. In compliance with federal and state requirements, the CLIU offers a wide variety of special education services to our member districts and charter schools.

Caresense Home Health Care

1227 W. Liberty St., Suite 206 Allentown PA, 18102 888-444-8157

www.caresensehc.com

Caresense Home Health Care is dedicated to Fostering Quality of Life with our Quality of Care. We offer Companionship, Homemaker, Habilitation, Respite and Behavioral Support for Individuals and Families with Intellectual Disabilities.

Caring Grace Home Care Agency

881 Third Street, Suite B-2 Whitehall, PA 18052 610-443-1850

www.caringgracehomecare.com

Caring Grace Home Care Agency offers social skills training sessions for children ages 3-12. This new program adds on to our existing services for the elderly and will give parents and caregivers of young children the opportunity to help build social skills and improve daily interactions with family members, peers, and members of the community.

Community Partners 4 Kids

P.O. Box 3432 Allentown, PA 18106 610-762-8054 www.cp4kids.org

Community Partners 4 Kids is the child safety agency for the Lehigh Valley. We provide educational workshops to protect your kids from violent predators and also free fingerprinting, or Child ID.

CONCERN Professional Services for Children, Youth, and Families

90 South Commerce Way, Suite 300 Bethlehem, PA 18017 610-691-8401

www.concern4kids.org

CONCERN is a private non-profit human services organization dedicated to providing placement, permanency, and treatment to children and their families.

Epilepsy Foundation of Eastern PA

919 Walnut Street, Suite 700 Philadelphia, PA 19107 215-629-5003 www.efepa.org

The EFEPA is dedicated to meeting the non-medical needs of people affected by epilepsy/seizure disorder to enhance their lives and build supportive communities.

Easterseals Eastern Pennsylvania

1501 Lehigh Street Allentown, PA 18103 610-289-0114

www.easterseals.com/esep

Easterseals Eastern Pennsylvania provides a wide range of services to support people with developmental delays, disabilities, and other special needs. We serve families in Berks, Lehigh, and areas of the Poconos. If you have a question about your child's development or you need resources for your young adult, we are here for you.

Eastern PA Down Syndrome Center

6900 Hamilton Boulevard Trexlertown, PA 18087 610-402-0184 www.epdsc.net

Our mission is to equip families and individuals influenced by Down syndrome with the latest medical advancements, social, emotional and education support in order to maximize each individuals potential.

The Goddard School

4397 Sturbridge Drive Harrisburg, PA 17110 717-526-0404 www.goddardschool.com

Quality in Early childhood education serving children ages infants through Kindergarten. Full day licensed Kindergarten program.

Good Shepherd Pediatrics

850 S. 5th Street Allentown, PA 18103 1-888-447-3422 www.goodshepherdpediatrics.org

Good Shepherd Pediatrics provides the most specialized inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation services in the area for babies, kids and teens. The expert physicians and therapists at Good Shepherd Pediatrics specialize in the treatment of acquired and development disabilities.

Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network

850 South 5th Street Allentown, PA 18103 610-776-3501

www.GoodShepherdRehab.org

Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network, based in Allentown, Pennsylvania, is a nationally recognized rehabilitation leader, offering a continuum of care for people with physical and cognitive disabilities and specializing in assistive and rehabilitation technology. For more information, visit www.GoodShepherdRehab.org.

The Hillside School

2697 Brookside Road Macungie, PA 18062 610-967-3701 www.hillsideschool.org

The Hillside School is the leading independent school in the Lehigh Valley that is dedicated to educating children with language based learning disabilities.

KidsPeace

5300 KidsPeace Drive Orefield, PA 18069 800-257-3223 www.kidspeace.org

For over 135 years, KidsPeace has been building on its expertise to give hope, help and healing to children, adults, and those who love them throughout the United States. Through its comprehensive range of residential treatment programs; accredited educational services; unique psychiatric hospital and foster care and community-based programs, KidsPeace is dedicated to helping people connect, transform and overcome their challenges to ensure a stable future, transition to adulthood and gain independence. Since its door opened in 1882, more than 200,000 children have participated in one of the multitude of programs KidsPeace offers.

Lehigh County Children's Mental Health & **Integrated Services** 17 South 7th Street

Allentown, PA 18104 610-782-3523

www.lehighcounty.org

Lehigh County Children's Mental Health works with children and families to achieve positive change and recovery. This office believes that people with mental illness can best achieve change and recovery when treatment and supportive services are guided by each person's goals, preferences, strengths and needs.

Lehigh County Office of Aging and Adult Services 17 South 7th Street

Allentown, PA 18101 610-782-3034 www.lehighcounty.org

The Office of Aging and Adult Services is committed to supporting and empowering the wellbeing of adults of all ages, residing in Lehigh County. Information and assistance is provided to enable individuals to remain active, healthy, productive and independent in their community.

Lehigh Valley Center for Independent Living

713 North 13th Street Allentown, PA 18102 610-770-9781 www.lvcil.org

LVCIL is a non-profit organization based in Allentown, PA that provides services and support to people with all types of disabilities. Some of these supports and services include housing, employment, veteran services, waiver supports coordination, sign language interpretation referral, and transition work with young adults.

Lehigh Valley Children's Centers

1501 Lehigh Street, Suite 208 Allentown, PA 18103 610-820-5333 www.LVCConline.org

LVCC provides high quality early education and child care at 21 locations in Lehigh and Northampton Counties. Meeting the needs of families since 1970, LVCC promotes healthy child development and encourages children to discover the joy of learning.

Lehigh Valley Health Network

1200 South Cedar Crest Blvd. Allentown, PA 18103 610-402-CARE (2273)

www.lvhn.org

Lehigh Valley Health Network includes 8 hospital campuses; 20 health centers caring for communities in five counties; numerous primary and specialty care physician practices throughout the region; pharmacy, imaging, home health services and lab services; and preferred provider services through Valley Preferred.

If your child needs physical therapy, occupational therapy or audiology services, you can find it close to home. Lehigh Valley Health Network's rehabilitation services provide skilled therapy for children from birth through adolescence. Our experienced, caring therapists evaluate and treat children with a wide range of diagnoses, including gross and fine motor delays, balance and coordination disorders, sensory processing disorders, speech and language delays and feeding issues. The network also features the Children's Hospital at Lehigh Valley Hospital, where you will find the most wide-ranging, specialized health care services of any facility in the region. The Children's Hospital is unique and is home to the regions only Children's ER and Pediatric Intensive Care Unit. It is the only associate member of the Children's Hospital Association (CHA), the organization that recognizes children's hospitals in the United States.

Magellan Behavior Health of Pennsylvania, Inc.

1 West Broad Street, Suite 210 Bethlehem, PA 18018 610-814-8009

www.magellanofpa.com

Magellan Behavioral Health of Pennsylvania, Inc., established in 1996 for the sole purpose of serving the behavioral health needs of Pennsylvania's HealthChoices Program membership, serves as the partner of choice for Northampton and Lehigh County clients in a collective effort to facilitate and accelerate the transformation of their behavioral health systems so that individuals and families are assisted and sup-ported on their journey toward recovery, building resilience in their lives and securing a healthier future.

Mercy School for Special Learning

830 S. Woodward Street Allentown, PA 18103 610-797-8242 www.mercyschool.org

Mercy School for Special Learning provides all children and young adults with special needs the best opportunity to reach their utmost potential, both academically and in life, which is an expression and extension of the Catholic Church's mission to promote the Gospel and sanctity of human life.

Miracle League of the Lehigh Valley

P.O. Box 180 Whitehall, PA 18052 484-707-5746 www.miracleleagueofLV.org

Miracle League of the Lehigh Valley is a baseball program for those with special needs, and an inclusive cheer team. The program is open from May-October with various winter activities. Ages 4 and above welcome. There is no age of cut off.

MobilityWorks

6475 Ruch Road Bethlehem, PA 18017 610-837-0707 www.mobilityworks.com

MobilityWorks is a national chain of wheelchair accessible van providers. MobilityWorks serves the disabled community with wheel-

chair-accessible minivans, full-sized vans with lifts and commercial fleet vehicles. With 35 consumer showrooms in 13 states, we are one of the largest adaptive van providers in the United States. For more information, please call 877-275-4907 or visit www.mobilityworks.com.

Music Therapy Associates, LLC.

3437 MacArthur Road Whitehall, PA 18052 610-740-9890

www.musictherapyassociates.com

With 19 board certified music therapists, Music Therapy Associates provides individual and group music therapy services to individuals of all ages and abilities in their home, school, older adult community, their Whitehall studio or other community location. Contact Music Therapy Associates today to bring the power of music to your loved one!

NAMI Lehigh Valley

802 West Broad Street Bethlehem, PA 18018 610-882-2102

www.nami-LV.org

We provide free education, support and advocacy for individuals with mental health disorders and their family members who are often the caretakers.

NovaCare Rehabilitation

175 W. Main St Macungie, PA 18062 610-966-6773

www.novacare.com

Located in the heart of Macungie, NovaCare Rehabilitation is the leading physical therapy service provider. NovaCare's therapy team

works directly with you to create a plan of care that meets your overall goals. Our therapists are dedicated to the communities we serve and to helping you discover "the power of physical therapy." Visit us to set up your complimentary consult today as well as enter to win two tickets to a Phillies game in our NovaCare suite!

Pennsylvania Department of Health Northeast District

665 Carney Avenue, Suite 5 Wilkes-Barre, PA 18706 570-826-2062 www.health.pa.gov

www.freelibrary.org/lbph

Alzheimer's or dementia.

The Pennsylvania Department of Health, Bureau of Community Health Systems provides many public health services including health promotion and education, immunization and the monitoring, tracking and investigation of communicable diseases. STD and HIV testing provides at local offices.

Philadelphia Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped 1500 Spring Garden St., Suite 230 Philadelphia PA 19130 215-683-3213

The Philadelphia and Pittsburgh Libraries for the Blind and Physically Handicapped work together to provide FREE Braille, Audio and Large Print book, and magazine services throughout PA for all individuals, regardless of age, who are certified as print impaired for a visual, physical or cognitive reasons. Some visual impairments include blindness, diabetic retinopathy, vision loss, macular degeneration, cataracts or glaucoma. Some physical impairments include quadriplegia, paraplegia, Muscular Dystrophy (MD), Cerebral Palsy (CP), Multiple Sclerosis (MS), reading and developmental disabilities, tremors and amputations. Cognitive print impairments include Parkinson's Disease, Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) dyslexia,

Physical Therapy at St. Luke's

1901 Hamilton St. Allentown, PA 18104 484-426-2930

www.stlukesphysicaltherapy.com

We are your partner through every step in your road to recovery.

Pre-K for PA: All Children Ready to Succeed 909 Red Maple Lane Easton, PA 18040 610-253-5376

www.prekforpa.org

The goal of the campaign is to ensure that all children in the Common-wealth are ready for succeed in school by making the high-quality pre-k accessible to every 3- and 4-year-old, focusing on the most at-risk first. While Pennsylvania's high-quality pre-k programs have been proven effective, they are currently reaching just one in six children. You can also find more information and sign on as a campaign supporter by visiting our website, prekforpa. org and click on the "take action" tab.

Progressions Behavioral Health Services, Inc.

881 Marcon Blvd, Suite 3900 Allentown, PA 18109 610-266-2656

www.pbhsi.com

PBHSI focuses on providing behavioral rehabilitative health services to children and adolescents with mental, emotional, and behavioral health concerns. Our teams of therapeutic staff (Behavior specialist Consultant; Mobile Therapist; Therapeutic Support Staff) work with our clients and their families in the home, school, and community environments in order to maximize their potential and autonomy.

Project Lifesaver/TRIAD www.projectlifesaver.org

Project Lifesaver's mission is to use state of the art technology in assisting those who care for victims of Alzheimer's, dementia, Autism, Down syndrome, and any other cognitive condition that causes wandering. The Project Lifesaver program places personalized radio transmitters on identified persons. Transmitters assist caregivers and local emergency agencies in locating those who cannot help themselves. Local emergency teams respond to calls resulting in an average rescue time of less than 30 minutes.

Private Industry Council of the Lehigh Valley, Inc.

72 North Second Street Easton, PA 18042 610-829-1244

www.piclv.com

Private Industry Council Supported employment Program serves individuals with disabilities who want to work. Program staff matches individuals to appropriate jobs which are determined through our com-munity assessment process. We can then provide the one-on-one training and support necessary for them to remain successfully employed. Long-term follow-along or job retention assistance may be provided if needed.

Quality Progressions

65 East Elizabeth Avenue, Suite 410 Bethlehem, PA 18018 610-691-0215

www.qualityprogressions.org

Quality Progressions is a supports coordination organization (case worker) who supports and advocates for the independence of those with an intellectual disability.

Rejoicing Spirits

Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit 3461 South Cedar Crest Boulevard Emmaus, PA 18049 610-967-2220

Rejoicing Spirits is a nondenominational worship service for individuals with developmental disabilities, their families and caregivers. Services are held the 2nd Sunday of every month at 2:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Special Olympics of Lehigh County

Park Professional Building 2200 Hamilton Boulevard, Suite LL-4 Allentown, PA 18102 610-432-5346

Special Olympics provides year round training for sports and athletic competitions for individuals with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, and experience joy. The athletes participate in a sharing of gifts and skills, they develop friendships with other athletes, family members, and members of the community.

Step by Step, Inc.

623 West Union Boulevard Bethlehem, PA 18018 610-867-0688

www.stepbystepusa.com

Step By Step, Inc. a community based, Human Service Agency is committed to enhancing the quality of life and personal growth of those we serve. Out vast array of services focuses on meeting the needs of individuals

Valley Youth House

524 Walnut Street Allentown, PA 18101 610-432-6481

www.valleyyouthhouse.org

Valley Youth House is a non-profit agency that provides prevention and intervention services, counseling, life skills, and behavioral health services to youth and families. We provide respire care to families in need. BHRS services are also available.

Via of the Lehigh Valley

336 West Spruce Street Bethlehem, PA 18018 610-317-8000

www.vianet.org

Via provides services to children and adults with disabilities in the Lehigh Valley and surrounding counties. Services offered are Early Intervention, Community Habilitation/ Integration, Supported Employment, Prevocational Adult Training, and Summer Camp for Transition Age Students. Services are funded through ODP, BAS, OLTL, OVR and private pay.

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