

Along **THE** *Way*

Directory of Resources
for Individuals
with Intellectual and
Developmental Disabilities

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Resources for Individuals with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities

This Directory of Resources is part of the “Along the Way” series of guides created to provide information for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, their families, and others. This is a companion to three guides for:

- Infants, Toddlers, and Children with Disabilities
- Adolescents and Young Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
- Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Resources are listed here to provide people with contact information for agencies and programs designed to support them. Community, state, and federal resources are included. The information provided is current at the time of publication.

NEBRASKA RESOURCES ◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆

ACCESSNebraska

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) administers and manages eligibility for Medicaid and Economic Assistance programs through ACCESSNebraska. Persons may apply for benefits and handle their Medicaid and Economic Assistance needs on the ACCESSNebraska website. Customer service is available by phone or at local DHHS offices 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Website: www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov

Economic Assistance

Toll Free: 800-383-4278
 In Lincoln: 402-323-3900
 In Omaha: 402-595-1258
 TDD: 402-471-7256

Medicaid Eligibility

Toll Free: 855-632-7633
 In Lincoln: 402-473-7000
 In Omaha: 402-595-1178
 TDD: 402-471-7256

Developmental Disabilities

Toll Free: 877-667-6266
 In Lincoln: 402-471-8501
 TDD: 402-471-7256

Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC)

The Aging and Disability Resource Center is for older Nebraskans (age 60 and older), people with disabilities of all ages, family members, caregivers, and advocates. Local ADRCs provide information, referral, and assistance for accessing community services and long-term care options. Call the toll free number at (844) 843-6364 to be connected to the closest ADRC, contact an ADRC from the list below, or check out the ADRC website at: <http://nebraska.networkofcare.org/aging/index.aspx>.

Beatrice

Blue Rivers Area Agency on Aging
103 Eastside Blvd
Beatrice, NE 68310

Phone: 402-223-1376

Kearney

South Central Nebraska Area
Agency on Aging
620 E 25th Street, Suite 12
Kearney, NE 68847

Phone: 308-234-1851

Norfolk

Northeast Nebraska Area Agency
on Aging
119 West Norfolk Avenue
Norfolk, NE 68701

Phone: 402-370-3454

Scottsbluff

Aging Office of Western Nebraska
1517 Broadway, Suite 122
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Phone: 308-635-0851

Hastings

Midland Area Agency on Aging
2727 West 2nd Street, Suite 440
Hastings, Nebraska 68901

Phone: 402-463-4565

Lincoln

Aging Partners
1005 O Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: 402-441-7070

Omaha

Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging
4780 South 131st Street
Omaha, Nebraska 68137

Phone: 402-444-6536

Answers4Families

Answers4Families is Nebraska's support and information connection for families and professionals seeking assistance. Answers4Families provides information, opportunities for dialogue, education, and support to Nebraskans with special needs and their families by developing and providing Internet resources and by encouraging others to do the same.

University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Center on Children, Families, and the Law
206 South 13th Street, Suite 1000
Lincoln NE 68588

Phone: 402-472-0844

Toll Free: 800-746-8420

Website: <http://www.answers4families.org>

Arc of Nebraska

The Arc of Nebraska offers a wide range of programs and services to meet the needs of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. They help families by providing programs, information, and resources. The Arc of Nebraska focuses on issues such as: voting, employment, special education, Medicaid, and the DD waiting list.

215 Centennial Mall South, Suite 508
Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: 402-475-4407

Website: www.arc-nebraska.org

Arc Chapters in Nebraska

Arc Chapters across the state provide advocacy, recreation, support, and educational opportunities for people with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families.

Aurora

The Arc of Hamilton-Merrick
Counties
1414 9th St
Aurora, NE 68818
Phone: 402-694-3519

Columbus

The Arc of Platte County
3020 18th Street, Suite 9
Columbus, NE 68601-4254

Phone: 402-563-1699

Email: executivedirector@acrofplat-tecounty.com

Website:

<http://www.arcofplattecounty.com>

Grand Island

The Arc of Central Nebraska
P.O. Box 571
2938 Via Milano
Grand Island, NE 68802

Phone: 308-379-8070

Email: arccentralne@hotmail.com

Website:

<https://www.arccentralne.org>

Kearney

The Arc of Buffalo County
4511 6th Avenue, Suite 204
Kearney, NE 68845-3489

Phone: 308-237-4343

Website:

<http://www.arcofbuffalocounty.org>

Norfolk

The Arc of Norfolk
PO Box 32
Norfolk, NE 68702-0032

Phone: 402-379-1160

Email: arcnorfolk@conpoint.com

Seward

The Arc of Seward
PO Box 24
Seward, NE 68434-0024

Phone: 402-761-3462

Hastings

The Arc of Adams-Clay Counties
PO Box 86
Hastings, NE 68902-0086

Phone: 402-463-5816

Lincoln

The Arc of Lincoln
5730 R Street, Suite C2
Lincoln, NE 68505-2309

Phone: 402-421-8866

Email: director@arclincoln.org

Website:

<http://www.arclincoln.org>

Omaha

The Arc of Omaha at Ollie Webb
Center
1941 South 42nd Street, Suite 122
Omaha, NE 68105-2942

Phone: 402-346-5220

Website:

<http://www.olliewebbinc.org>

Area Agencies on Aging (AAA)

Nebraska has a wide range of services for older adults across the state. A map of the geographic areas served by the eight AAAs may be found at: <http://nebaaaa.org/locations.html>. Services vary by community, depending on local needs and funding. Those typically provided include: Care Management/Service Coordination, congregate and home-delivered meals, family care support services, homemaker services, legal services, information and assistance, long-term care ombudsman services, medical insurance counseling, Medicaid waiver services, senior centers, transportation, and volunteer opportunities.

Aging Office of Western NE

Bluffs Business Center
1517 Broadway, Suite 122
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Phone: 308-635-0851

Toll Free: 800-682-5140

Website: <http://www.aown.org>

Aging Partners

1005 O Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: 402-441-7070

Toll Free: 800-247-0938

Website: <http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/Mayor/aging/index.htm>

Blue Rivers Area Agency on Aging

103 Eastside Blvd.
Beatrice, NE 68310

Phone: 402-223-1376

Toll Free: 888-989-9417

Website: www.braaa.org

Eastern NE Office on Aging

4780 South 131st Street
Omaha, NE 68137

Phone: 402-444-6536

Toll Free: 888-554-2711

Website: <http://enoa.org>

Midland Area Agency on Aging

2727 W. 2nd Street, Suite 440
Hastings, NE 68901

Phone: 402-463-4565

Toll Free: 800-955-9714

Website: <http://www.midlandareaagencyonaging.org>

Northeast NE Area Agency on Aging

119 W Norfolk Ave.
Norfolk, NE 68701

Phone: 402-370-3454

Toll Free: 800-672-8368

Website: <http://www.nenaaa.com>

South Central Area Agency on Aging

620 E 25th Street, Suite 12
Kearney, NE 68847

Phone: 308-234-1851

Toll Free: 800-658-4320

Website:
<https://www.agingkearney.org>

West Central NE Area Agency on Aging

115 North Vine
North Platte, NE 69101

Phone: 308-535-8195

Toll Free: 800-662-2961

Website: <http://www.wcnaaa.org>

AT4ALL

The Nebraska Assistive Technology Partnership provides a service, AT4ALL, to assist people to obtain assistive technology equipment for loan, free, sale, or demonstration. Assistive technology is any device or service that helps a person with a disability maintain or increase independence or overcome a barrier to employment.

Phone: 877-201-4141

Email: atp@nebraska.gov

Website: <https://www.at4all.com>

Autism Family Network

Autism Family Network promotes a positive, respectful image of children with autism and their families by offering social opportunities, recreational experiences, and community inclusion.

5730 R Street, Suite C2
Lincoln, NE 68505

Phone: 402-421-0874

Email: autismfamilynetworklincoln@gmail.com

Website: <http://autismfamilynetwork.org/>

Autism Society of Nebraska

The Autism Society provides information, referral, support, awareness, and special events related to individuals on the autism spectrum and their families in a number of Nebraska communities.

PO Box 83559
Lincoln, NE 68501

Toll Free: 1-800-580-9279

Website: <http://autismnebraska.org>

Centers for Independent Living

Centers for Independent Living promote and provide services for community living to persons with disabilities. Services are statewide, vary by location, and may include: Advocacy, Assistive Technology, Housing Counseling, Independent Living Skills Instruction, Information & Referral, Social Skills Training, and System Advocacy. An online listing of counties served by each agency is available: <http://nebraska.networkofcare.org/aging/services/subcategory.aspx?tax=LR-1550>

Independence Rising

3335 West Capital
Grand Island, NE 68803

Phone: 308-382-9255

Website: <http://www.cilne.org>

League of Human Dignity

Medicaid Waiver Office
3811 West 29th Avenue, Suite 2
Kearney, NE 68845

Phone: 308-224-3665

Email: kinfo@leagueofhumandignity.com

Website: <http://leagueofhumandignity.com/locations-service-area/>

League of Human Dignity

Center for Independent Living
1701 P Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: 402-441-7871

Email: info@leagueofhumandignity.com

Website: <http://leagueofhumandignity.com/locations-service-area/>

League of Human Dignity

Medicaid Waiver Office
400 Elm Avenue
Norfolk, NE 68701

Phone: 402-371-4475

Email: ninfo@leagueofhumandignity.com

Website: <http://leagueofhumandignity.com/locations-service-area/>

League of Human Dignity

Medicaid Waiver Office
2509 Halligan Drive
North Platte, NE

Phone: 308-532-4911

Email: npinfo@leagueofhumandignity.com

Website: <http://leagueofhumandignity.com/locations-service-area/>

League of Human Dignity

Omaha Center for Independent Living
5513 Center Street
Omaha, NE 68106

Phone: 402-595-1256

Email: Oinfo@leagueofhumandignity.com

Website: <http://leagueofhumandignity.com/locations-service-area/>

League of Human Dignity

Panhandle Medicaid Waiver Office
17 East 21st Street
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Phone: 308-632-0470

Email: sinfo@leagueofhumandignity.com

Website: <http://leagueofhumandignity.com/locations-service-area/>

Panhandle Independent Living Services

1455 11th Street
Gering, NE 69341

Phone: 308-635-7901

Website: <http://www.panhandleilc.org>

Client Assistance Program

The Nebraska Client Assistance Program (CAP) is a free service to help find solutions for people experiencing problems with any of the following programs. CAP acts independently of these programs.

- Vocational Rehabilitation (VR)
- Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired
- Centers for Independent Living

301 Centennial Mall South, Box 94987
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

Phone: 402-471-0801 V/TTY

Toll Free: 1-800-742-7594 V/TTY

Website: <http://www.cap.nebraska.gov>

Community Action Agencies

Nine community action agencies in Nebraska empower people living in poverty to reach economic stability. Services include: housing, child development (Head Start), employment programs, health, transportation, disaster relief, food and nutrition, and asset development.

To find a local Community Action Agency, view the online map:

<https://canhelp.org>

Blue Valley Community Action Partnership

620 5th Street
Fairbury, NE 68352

Phone: 402-729-2278

Website: www.bvca.net

Central NE Community Action Partnership

626 N Street
Loup City, NE 68853

Phone: 308-745-0780

Website: www.centralnebraskacap.com

Community Action Partnership of Lancaster & Saunders Counties

210 O Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: 402-471-4515

Website: www.communityactionat-work.org

Community Action Partnership of Mid NE

16 West 11th Street
Kearney, NE 68847

Phone: 308-865-5675

Website: www.communityaction-midne.com

**Community Action Partnership
Western NE**

3350 10th Street
Gering, NE 69341

Phone: 308-635-3089

Website: www.capwn.org

**Eastern NE Community Action
Partnership**

2406 Fowler Avenue
Omaha, NE 68111

Phone: 402-453-5656

Website: <https://encapnebraska.org>

**Northeast NE Community Action
Partnership**

603 Earl Street
Pender, NE 68047

Phone: 402-385-6300

Website: www.nencap.org

**Northwest Community Action
Partnership**

270 Pine Street
Chadron, NE 69337

Phone: 308-432-3393

Website: www.ncap.info

**Southeast NE Community Action
Partnership**

802 Fourth Street
Humboldt, NE 68376

Phone: 402-862-2411

Website: www.senca.org

Developmental Disability Services Provider Agencies

Services for people with intellectual/developmental disabilities are administered by the Department of Health and Human Services Division of Developmental Disabilities (DHHS-DD). Provider agencies are contracted by DHHS-DD to deliver these services. A directory of Nebraska’s service providers is arranged alphabetically and by agency city in a comprehensive document located at:

http://dhhs.ne.gov/developmental_disabilities/Documents/ProviderAgencyList.pdf

Disability Rights Nebraska

Disability Rights Nebraska uses a combination of legal advocacy, public policy advocacy, citizen advocacy, self-advocacy and advocacy education to protect vulnerable people with disabilities, especially those who learn, live, or work in isolated, segregated, or congregated settings. They work in partnership under the US Administration for Community Living with Munroe-Meyer Institute and the Nebraska Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Lincoln

134 South 13th Street, Suite 600
Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: 402-474-3183

Toll Free: 800-422-6691

Email: info@disabilityrightsnebraska.org

Website:
<http://www.disabilityrightsnebraska.org>

Scottsbluff

1425 1st Avenue
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Phone: 308-631-5367

Email: info@disabilityrightsnebraska.org

Website:
<http://www.disabilityrightsnebraska.org>

Easterseals Nebraska

From child development centers to physical rehabilitation and job training for people with disabilities, Easterseals offers services to help people of all ages with disabilities address life's challenges and achieve personal goals. Services include, but are not limited to:

- Summer camps, weekend respite camps, and day camps;
- Low-interest loans for the purchase of assistive technology devices and services;
- Comprehensive benefits planning services to individuals served by Nebraska VR and Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired;
- Assistance with Nebraska Work Incentives Planning and Assistance;
- Assistance with Nebraska Ticket to Work; and
- Nebraska AgrAbility services for Nebraska's farmers and ranchers affected by disability.

Information about Easterseals Nebraska is located at: <http://www.easterseals.com/ne/who-we-are/>

Geneva

1320 G Street, PO Box 106
Geneva, NE 68361

Phone: 402-462-3031

Website:
<http://www.easterseals.com/ne/connect-locally/service-center-locations/easterseals-nebraska-geneva.html>

Hastings

2727 West 2nd Street, Suite 203
Hastings, NE 68901

Phone: 402-462-3031

Website:
<http://www.easterseals.com/ne/connect-locally/service-center-locations/easterseals-nebraska-hastings.html>

Lincoln

211 N. 14th Street
Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: 402-462-3031

Website:

<http://www.easterseals.com/ne/connect-locally/service-center-locations/easterseals-nebraska-lincoln.html>

Omaha-Main Office

12565 West Center Road, Suite 100
Omaha, NE 68144

Phone: 402-462-3031

Toll Free: 800-650-9880

Website:

<http://www.easterseals.com/ne/connect-locally/service-center-locations/easterseals-nebraska-omaha-main-office.html>

Educational Service Units

Educational Service Units (ESUs) act primarily as service agencies to provide core services for member school districts, such as technology support, special education services, and professional development for educators. More information, including a map of areas served, for Nebraska's seventeen (17) ESUs is located online: <http://www.esucc.org/nebraska-esus/>

ESU 1

211 10th Street
Wakefield, NE 68784

Phone: 402-287-2061

Website: <http://www.esu1.org/>

ESU 2

2320 N Colorado
PO Box 649
Fremont, NE 68026

Phone: 402-721-7710

Website: <http://www.esu2.org/>

ESU 3

6949 S 110th Street
Omaha, NE 68128

Phone: 402-597-4800

Website: <http://www.esu3.org>

ESU 4

919 16th Street
Auburn, NE 68305

Phone: 402-274-4354

Website: <http://www.esu4.org/>

ESU 5

900 West Court
Beatrice, NE 68310

Phone: 402-223-5277

Website: <http://www.esu5.org/>

ESU 6

210 5th Street
Milford, NE 68405

Phone: 402-761-3341

Website: <http://esu6.org/>

ESU 7

2657 44th Avenue
Columbus, NE 68601

Phone: 402-564-5753

Website: <http://www.esu7.org>

ESU 9

1117 E South Street
Hastings, NE 68901

Phone: 402-463-5611

Website: <http://home.site.esu9.org/>

ESU 11

412 W 14th Street
PO Box 858
Holdrege, NE 68949

Phone: 308-995-6585

Website: <http://esu11.org/>

ESU 15

344 Main Street
PO Box 398
Trenton, NE 69044

Phone: 308-334-5160

Website: <http://www.esu15.org/>

ESU 17

207 N Main Street
Ainsworth, NE 69210

Phone: 402-387-1420

Website: <http://www.esu17.org/>

ESU 19

3215 Cuming Street
Omaha, NE 68131

Phone: 402-557-2478

Website: <http://esu19.org/>

ESU 8

302 Main Street
PO Box 89
Neligh, NE 68756

Phone: 402-887-5041

Website: <http://www.esu8.org/>

ESU 10

76 Plaza Blvd
PO Box 850
Kearney, NE 68848

Phone: 308-237-5927

Website: <http://www.esu10.org/>

ESU 13

4215 Avenue I
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Phone: 308-635-3696

Website: <http://www.esu13.org/>

ESU 16

314 W 1st Street
PO Box 915
Ogallala, NE 69153

Phone: 308-284-8481

Website: [http://www.esu16.org/
ESU_16_Home.html](http://www.esu16.org/ESU_16_Home.html)

ESU 18

5905 O Street
PO Box 82889
Lincoln, NE 68501

Phone: 402-436-1000

Website: <http://home.lps.org/esu18>

EducationQuest Foundation

EducationQuest Foundation is a nonprofit organization with a mission to improve access to higher education in Nebraska through free college planning services, outreach services, need-based scholarship programs, and college access grants.

Kearney

2706 2nd Avenue
Kearney, NE 68847
Phone: 308-234-6310

Toll Free: 800-666-3721

Website: <https://www.education-quest.org>

Lincoln – Headquarters

1300 O Street
Lincoln, NE 68508
Phone: 402-475-5222

Toll Free: 800-303-3745

Website: <https://www.education-quest.org>

Omaha

Rockbrook Village
11031 Elm Street
Omaha, NE 68144
Phone: 402-391-4033

Toll Free: 888-357-6300

Website: <https://www.education-quest.org>

Enable Savings Plan

The Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act is a federal law that allows people with disabilities to open tax-exempt savings accounts to save for disability-related expenses without impacting eligibility for resource-based benefits. In Nebraska, ABLE accounts are referred to as the Enable Savings Plan. An Enable account is a way for people with disabilities to save (cash, savings, etc.) in their name in a qualified ABLE account.

Enable Savings Plan
P.O. Box 30275
Omaha, NE 68103-1375

Phone: 1-844-362-2534

Website: <https://www.enablesavings.com/home/able-act.html>

Email: clientservices@enablesavings.com

Family Run Organizations of Nebraska

The Family Run Organizations of Nebraska are recognized as state leaders in guaranteeing that all children and families in Nebraska are emotionally, behaviorally, and mentally strong; are empowered by family driven choices; and are fully honored in their diversity.

Families CARE

4111 4th Avenue, Suite 2
Kearney, NE 68845

Phone: 308-237-1102

Email: kbennetts@familiescare.org

Website: <https://familiescare.org/>

Families Inspiring Families

1645 N Street, Suite A
Lincoln, NE 68503

Phone: 402-441-4369

Email: director@familiesinspiring-families.org

Website: www.familiesinspiring-families.org

Nebraska Family Support Network

3568 Dodge Street, Suite 2
Omaha, NE 68131

Phone: 402-345-0791

Toll Free: 800-245-6081

Email: info@nefamilysupport.org

Website: <https://nefamilysupport-network.org>

Parent to Parent Network

328 W. Norfolk Avenue
Norfolk, NE 68701

Phone: 379-2268

Toll Free: 1-877-226-8819

Email: veritas@parent-parent.org

Website: <https://www.parent-parent.org>

Governor, State of Nebraska

Nebraska citizens may contact the Governor's office at any time regarding questions or concerns, whether on an individual level or systems level.

Website: <https://governor.nebraska.gov/contact-governor>

Lincoln Office/State Capitol

Office of the Governor
P.O. Box 94848
Lincoln, NE 68509-4848

Phone: 402-471-2244

North Platte Office

Craft State Office Building
200 South Silber, Room 022
North Platte, NE 69101

Phone: 308-660-9111

Hotline for Disability Services

The Hotline for Disability Services provides information and referral for Nebraskans who have questions or concerns related to a disability. This includes information about rehabilitation services, transportation, special parking permits, and legal rights.

301 Centennial Mall South
P.O. Box 94987
Lincoln, NE 68509

Phone: 402-471-0801

Toll Free: 800-742-7594

Website: <http://www.cap.nebraska.gov>

Housing Authorities

Housing authorities assist in providing affordable, safe, sanitary, and decent housing for qualifying individuals and families with financial needs.

Columbus Housing Authority

2554 40th Avenue
Columbus, NE 68601
Phone: 402-564-1131

Website:
<http://www.columbushousing-authority.com/>

Douglas County Housing Authority

5404 N. 107th Plaza
Omaha, NE 68134
Phone: 402-444-6203

Website:
<http://www.douglascountyhousing.com/>

Hall County Housing Authority

1834 W 7th Street
Grand Island, NE 68803
Phone: 308-385-5530

Website: www.hallcountyne.gov

Kearney Housing Agency

2715 Avenue I
PO Box 1236
Kearney, NE 68848

Phone: 308-234-3000

Website: <http://www.kearneyhousingagency.com>

Lincoln Housing Authority

5700 R Street
Lincoln, NE 68505

Phone: 402-434-5500

TDD Line: 800-545-1833 Ext 875

Website: <http://www.l-housing.com>

Norfolk Housing Agency

110 North 4th Street
Norfolk, NE 68701

Phone: 402-844-2080

Website: <https://www.ci.norfolk.ne.us/housing/>

**Northern Ponca-Norfolk
Housing Authority**

1501 W Michigan Avenue
Norfolk, NE 68701

Phone: 402-379-8224

Toll Free: 800-367-2320

Website: <http://poncahousing.org/>

**Northern Ponca-Omaha
Housing Authority**

10635 Birch Street
Omaha, NE 68134

Phone: 402-505-3055

Toll Free: 866-276-3667

Website: <http://poncahousing.org/>

Omaha Housing Authority

1805 Harney Street
Omaha, NE 68102

Phone: 402-444-6900

Website: <http://www.ohauthority.org/>

Legal Aid of Nebraska

Legal Aid is a statewide non-profit law firm, serving all Nebraska counties. Legal Aid offers free legal help to low-income and senior citizen (60+) clients in a full range of civil matters.

209 South 19th Street, Suite 200
Omaha, NE 68102

Phone: 402-348-1069

Legal Assistance Phone: 877-250-2016

Website: <http://www.legalaidofnebraska.org>

Mediation Centers

Mediation is a confidential process for resolving conflict in which an impartial third party – a mediator – helps people in conflict find a solution that is acceptable to everyone involved. Mediation may be used to address areas such as: divorce, parenting plans, elder issues, landlord/tenant issues, legal matters, health and medical issues, or real estate disputes. Mediation services may be provided on a sliding fee scale for those with qualifying income.

Central Mediation Center

PO Box 838
412 West 48th Street, Suite 22
Kearney, NE 68848

Phone: 308-237-4692

Toll Free: 800-203-3452

Email: info@centralmediationcenter.com

Website: <http://centralmediationcenter.com>

Mediation West

210 W. 27th Street, PO Box 427
Scottsbluff, NE 69363

Phone: 308-635-2002

Toll Free: 800-967-2115

Website: <http://mediationwest.org>

The Mediation Center

610 J Street, Suite 100
Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: 402-441-5740

Email: info@TheMediationCenter.org

Website: <http://www.themediationcenter.org>

Concord Mediation Center

4225 North 90th Street
Omaha, NE 68134

Phone: 402-345-1131

Email: contact@concord-center.com

Website: <http://concordmediationcenter.com/contact-us/>

Nebraska Mediation Center

435 North Park Avenue PO Box 1062
Fremont, NE 68026

Phone: 402-753-9415

Toll Free: 866-846-5576

Website: <http://www.nebraskamediationcenter.com/centers.html>

The Resolution Center

120 S. 5th Street
Beatrice, NE 68310

Phone: 402-223-6061

Website: <http://theresolutioncenter.org>

Munroe-Meyer Institute for Genetics and Rehabilitation

Munroe-Meyer Institute provides interdisciplinary, family-centered services for persons with disabilities and complex health care needs across the lifespan at more than 40 provider locations across the state. They work in partnership under the US Administration for Community Living with Munroe-Meyer Institute and Nebraska Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities.

985450 Nebraska Medical Center
Omaha, NE 68198-5450

Phone: 402-559-6418

Toll Free: 800-656-3937 Extension 96418

Email: munroemeyer@unmc.edu

Website: <https://www.unmc.edu/mmi/>

Nebraska Assistive Technology Partnership (ATP)

ATP provides all Nebraskans access and opportunities to better live, learn, and work. ATP provides services to explore potential funding sources for assistive technology equipment and devices, try equipment before buying, and have an assessment/consultation done by a qualified technology specialist at home, school, and work.

Phone: 402-471-0734

Toll Free: 877-713-4002

Email: atp@nebraska.gov

Website: <https://atp.nebraska.gov>

Columbus

3100 23rd Street, Suite 5
Columbus, NE 68601

Phone: 402-564-3225

Kearney

315 W. 60th Street, Suite 300
Kearney, NE 68845

Phone: 308-865-5349

Toll Free: 800-683-6699

Lincoln

3901 N. 27th Street, Suite 5
Lincoln, NE 68521

Phone: 402-471-0734

Toll Free: 877-713-4002

Omaha

1313 Farnam Street, Suite 305
Omaha, NE 68102

Phone: 402-595-1923

Toll Free: 877-201-4141

Scottsbluff

505A Broadway, Suite 500
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Phone: 308-632-1332

Nebraska Assistive Technology Partnership (Education)

Infants, toddlers, and school-aged children who have a disability or are recovering from an injury or illness are eligible for Assistive Technology Partnership (ATP) services. ATP Technology Specialists visit schools and homes at no cost and provide training, consultations, technical support, and demonstrations.

Regional Assistive Technology Specialist Service Areas: <https://atp.nebraska.gov/sites/atp.nebraska.gov/files/doc/Education-map-April.pdf>

Ainsworth

207 N. Main Street
Ainsworth, NE 69210

Phone: 402-387-1420

Cozad

1910 Meridian Avenue
Cozad, NE 69130

Phone: 308-784-4525

Ogallala

314 W. First Street
Ogallala, NE 69153

Phone: 308-284-8481

Columbus

2563 44th Avenue
Columbus, NE 68601

Phone: 402-564-0815 Ext. 1049

Fremont

2320 N. Colorado Avenue
Fremont, NE 68026

Phone: 402-720-7878

Nebraska Assistive Technology Partnership (Housing)

The Assistive Technology Partnership provides a housing listing and locator service that provides easy access to information about housing opportunities throughout Nebraska. The service allows Nebraskans to locate available housing that best fits their needs either through the web site or via a toll-free number.

Toll-Free Phone: 1-877-428-8844 TDD/TTY: 7-1-1

Website: www.housing.ne.gov

Nebraska Center for the Education of Children who are Blind or Visually Impaired

The Nebraska Center for Education of Children who are Blind or Visually Impaired serves children from infancy to age 21. The program offers the expertise and specialized skills of the center's staff to blind, visually impaired, and multi-handicapped students in residential, day, and outreach settings. Services are provided to local school districts, students, families, teachers, and other support staff upon request. A student's eligibility for services is determined through the IEP process.

824 10th Avenue, P.O. Box 129
Nebraska City, NE 68410

Toll Free: 1-800-826-4355

Website: <http://www.ncecbvi.org>

Nebraska ChildFind

As part of the Nebraska Early Development Network, Nebraska ChildFind provides information for parents, school personnel, and service providers on child development and special education for children from birth (or date of diagnosis) to age 21. ChildFind also helps parents access information on rights and resources to help them advocate for an appropriate education for their child.

PO Box 94987
Lincoln, NE 68509-4987

Phone: 402-471-1640

Toll Free: 888-806-6287

Website: <http://www.childfind.ne.gov/index.html>

Nebraska Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

In Nebraska, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) is an expansion of Medicaid as health care coverage for qualified children who are without other health insurance and who do not qualify for Medicaid. CHIP provides the same services covered under Medicaid.

In order to qualify for this benefit program, persons must be a resident of Nebraska, under 19 years of age or be a primary care giver with a child under the age of 19, not covered by health insurance (including Medicaid), and a U.S. national, citizen, legal alien, or permanent resident. The person must also have an annual household income (before taxes) that is below the prescribed amounts.

Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services Finance & Support
P.O. Box 85801
Lincoln, NE 68509-85801
Phone: 1-855-632-7633
In Lincoln: 402-473-7000
In Omaha: 402-595-1178

Websites: <https://www.benefits.gov/benefits/benefit-details/1607>
http://dhhs.ne.gov/medicaid/Pages/med_CHIP.aspx

Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

As the state vocational rehabilitation agency for the blind, the Commission provides training, counseling, and resources needed for a positive understanding of blindness and visual impairment.

Website: <https://ncbvi.nebraska.gov>

Kearney

620 E 25 Street, Suite 1
Kearney, NE 68847-4657
Phone: 308-865-5441

Lincoln

4600 Valley Road, Suite 100
Lincoln, NE 68510-4844
Phone: 402-471-2891
Toll Free: 877-809-2419

Norfolk

214 N. 7th Street, Suite 11
Norfolk, NE 68701-4083
Phone: 402-370-3508

North Platte

200 S Silber
North Platte, NE 69101-4298
Phone: 308-535-8170

Omaha

1313 Farnam on the Mall,
Third Floor
Omaha, NE 68102-1822
Phone: 402-595-2041

Scottsbluff

505 A Broadway, Suite 700
Scottsbluff, NE 69361-3515
Phone: 308-632-1304

Nebraska Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

The Nebraska Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing promotes and advocates for Nebraskans who are deaf, deaf-blind or hard of hearing. Services include providing access to specialized telecommunications equipment, hearing aid banks, media center materials, coordination of behavioral health services, assistive device loan program, and training and presentations to increase awareness and understanding of those who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Website: <https://ncdhh.nebraska.gov>

Kearney

620 E. 25th Street, Suite 1
Kearney, NE 68847

Phone: 308-865-5447

North Platte

200 South Silber, Room 35
North Platte, NE 69101

Phone: 308-535-6600

Scottsbluff

505A Broadway, Suite 1100
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Phone: 308-633-3751

Lincoln

4600 Valley Road, Suite 420
Lincoln, NE 68510

Phone: 402-471-3593

Omaha

1313 Farnam Street
Omaha, NE 68102

Phone: 800-545-6244

Nebraska Department of Education (NDE)

The Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) is a constitutional agency approved by Nebraska voters. The Department operates under the authority of an elected board of education. NDE is organized into teams that interact to operate the agency and carry out the duties assigned by state and federal statutes and the policy directions of the State Board of Education. The teams provide leadership and support for Nebraska's system of early childhood, primary, secondary and postsecondary education; direct services to clients; and internal support to the agency.

301 Centennial Mall South
P.O. Box 94987 Lincoln, NE 68509-4987

Phone: 402-471-2295

Website: www.education.ne.gov

Head Start State Collaboration Office

Serves as a resource to local Head Start agencies in their coordination and collaborative efforts.

Phone: 402-471-3501

Website: <https://www.education.ne.gov/oec/hss-co-head-start-state-collaboration-office/>

Office of Early Childhood

Provides leadership, guidance, and support to: develop high quality, inclusive programs and services for children birth-age 8; facilitate state/community partnerships to address needs of young children and families; and provide professional development, technical assistance, and resources for early childhood care and education settings.

Phone: 402-471-3184

Website: <https://www.education.ne.gov/oec/>

Office of Special Education

Provides leadership and support for Nebraska's system of special education services.

301 Centennial Mall South
P.O. Box 94987
Lincoln, NE 68509-4987

Phone: 402-471-2471

Website: <https://www.education.ne.gov/sped/>

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

The Department of Health and Human Services is a state agency, split into five divisions (Behavioral Health, Children & Family Services, Developmental Disabilities, Medicaid & Long-Term Care, and Public Health) to meet the needs of Nebraskans. For more information about DHHS: <http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/about.aspx>

Adult Protective Services

Responsible for investigation and intervention in situations of abuse/neglect of vulnerable adults.

Phone: 800-652-1999 (toll free 24-hr hotline)

Website:
http://dhhs.ne.gov/children_family_services/Pages/nea_aps_apsindex.aspx

Behavioral Health

Responsible for administration and coordination of the public behavioral health system, to address prevention and treatment of mental health and substance use disorders.

Provides funding and contract management to six behavioral health regions and ensures community-based mental health and substance use prevention and treatment services are available.

Phone: 402-471-3121

Website: http://dhhs.ne.gov/behavioral_health/Pages/behavioral_health_index.aspx

Child Protective Services

Responsible for investigation and intervention in situations of abuse/neglect of children.

Phone: 800-652-1999 (toll free 24-hr hotline)

Website:
http://dhhs.ne.gov/children_family_services/Pages/jus_jusindex.aspx

Children and Family Services

Responsible for system of child welfare, adult protective services, economic support programs and the youth rehabilitation and treatment centers.

Phone: 402-471-3121

Website:
http://dhhs.ne.gov/children_family_services/Pages/children_family_services.aspx

Division of Developmental Disabilities

Provides funding and oversight of community-based services for individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities. Also operates the Beatrice State Developmental Center (BSDC).

Phone: 402-471-8501

Toll Free: 877-667-6266

Email: dhhs.developmentaldisabilities@nebraska.gov

Website:
http://dhhs.ne.gov/developmental_disabilities/Pages/developmental_disabilities_index.aspx

Lifespan Respite

Provides information and assistance in locating and paying for respite services (a short-term break for those caring for family members with special needs).

Phone: 402-471-9188

Email: dhhs.respite@nebraska.gov

Website:
http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/hcs_services_respites.aspx

Public Health

Responsible for preventive and community health programs and services. Also responsible for regulation and licensure of health-related professions and occupations, as well as regulation and licensure of health care facilities and services.

Phone: 402-471-3121

Website:
http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/Pages/public_health_index.aspx

Economic Assistance

Administers and manages eligibility for Medicaid and Economic Assistance programs through ACCESSNebraska.

Toll Free: 800-383-4278

Website:
http://dhhs.ne.gov/Children_Family_Services/AccessNebraska/Pages/accessnebraska_index.aspx

Medicaid

Nebraska Medicaid pays for covered medical services for certain low-income persons, including those who are aged, blind, disabled, children, and others who meet eligibility requirements.

Toll Free: 855-632-7633

TTDD: 402-471-7256

Website:
http://dhhs.ne.gov/medicaid/Pages/medicaid_index.aspx

State Unit on Aging

Administers state and federal funds to the eight Area Agencies on Aging in Nebraska to support local programs and services.

Phone: 402-471-2307

Toll Free: 800-942-7930

Email: DHHS.Aging@Nebraska.gov

Website:
<http://dhhs.ne.gov/medicaid/aging/pages/aginghome.aspx>

Nebraska Early Development Network (EDN)

The Nebraska Early Development Network provides early intervention services for families with children, birth to age three, with developmental delays and/or health care needs. EDN connects families to services including developmental, educational, financial, health care, childcare, respite care, and other services to meet their needs.

Website: <https://edn.ne.gov/cms>

Toll Free Phone: 1-888-806-6287

Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission

The Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission is a neutral administrative agency whose role is to enforce the public policy of the state against discrimination. The principal function of the Commission is to receive, investigate and pass upon charges of unlawful discrimination occurring anywhere within the State of Nebraska in the areas of employment, housing, and public accommodations.

Website: <http://www.neoc.ne.gov>

Lincoln (Main Office)

Nebraska State Office Building
301 Centennial Mall South, 5th floor
PO Box 94934
Lincoln, NE 68509-4934
Phone: 402-471-2024
Toll free: 800-642-6112

Omaha

State Office Building
1313 Farnam-on-the-Mall, Suite 318
Omaha, NE 68102-1836
Phone: 402-595-2028
Toll free: 800-382-7820

Scottsbluff

Panhandle State Office Complex
505A Broadway, Suite 600
Scottsbluff, NE 69361-3515
Phone: 308-632-1340
Toll free: 800-830-8633

Nebraska Office of Public Guardian

The Office of Public Guardian is designed to serve as the guardian or conservator for an individual when no other alternative is available. Additionally, the Office provides education, training, and support for volunteer and family guardians and conservators, and recruits individuals to serve as guardians and conservators for Nebraska's vulnerable individuals.

1540 South 70th Street, Suite 202
Lincoln, NE 68506

Phone: 402-471-2862

Website: <https://supremecourt.nebraska.gov/programs-services/office-public-guardian>

Nebraska Ombudsman's Office

The Office of the Public Counsel (also known as the State Ombudsman's Office) is an independent complaint-handling office for the use of citizens who have complaints about the actions of administrative agencies of state government. The investigatory powers of the Ombudsman's Office are broad, including freedom of access to agency records and facilities, and the ability to address questions to agency officials at the highest levels.

State Capitol
P.O. Box 94604
Lincoln, NE 68509-4604

E-mail: ombud@leg.ne.gov

Website: <https://nebraskalegislature.gov/divisions/ombud-filing.php>

Nebraska Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD Council)

The Nebraska DD Council is located within the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services and works in partnership under the US Administration for Community Living with Munroe-Meyer Institute and Disability Rights Nebraska. Council members are appointed by the Governor for three-year terms, with more than 60% of members being people with developmental disabilities or family members. Priorities focus on improving the system of supports for persons with disabilities and their families. Goals concentrate on persons with a severe disability that occurs before the age of twenty-two, including persons with physical disabilities, mental/behavioral health conditions, and developmental disabilities.

The Nebraska Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities:

- Provides subawards to various agencies, organizations, and other entities to address gaps and barriers in the system.

- Identifies legislation introduced and educates policymakers on the impact of these bills on persons with developmental disabilities.
- Presents testimony at relevant hearings and follows applicable regulation development.
- Serves on committees to ensure discussions include needs of persons with developmental disabilities.

Department of Health and Human Services
 301 Centennial Mall South
 PO Box 95026
 Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-5026

Phone: 402-471-2330

Phone: 402-471-9570 (Telecommunications for the Deaf)

Email: dhhs.ddplanningcouncil@nebraska.gov

Website: http://dhhs.ne.gov/Developmental_Disabilities/Pages/ddplanning_index.aspx

Nebraska State Senators

Each senator offers a page where the public can find his or her contact information, committee assignments and news releases. Senators' pages also contain his or her biography, district map, photos and information about bills the senator introduced.

Website: https://nebraskalegislature.gov/senators/senator_list.php

Nebraska VR

Nebraska VR (also referred to Vocational Rehabilitation or Voc Rehab) is an employment program for people with a disability. VR services are provided for the purpose of helping people with disabilities prepare for, find, and/or keep a job. The program is voluntary and the services provided are specific to the individual's needs. VR serves all disability groups except for those who are blind or visually impaired, as these individuals are served by the Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

Website: <http://www.vr.nebraska.gov>

Administrative Offices

301 Centennial Mall South
 PO Box 94987
 Lincoln, NE 68509
 Phone: 402-471-3644
 Toll Free: 877-637-3422

Columbus

3100 23rd Street, Suite 5
 Columbus, NE 68601
 Phone: 402-562-8065
 Toll Free: 877-505-0866

Fremont

827 North D Street
Fremont, NE 68025

Phone: 402-727-2900

Toll Free: 888-585-5439

Hastings

2727 W. 2nd Street, Suite 326
Hastings, NE 68901-4683

Phone: 402-462-0160

Toll Free: 800-852-3382

Lincoln

3901 N 27th Street, Suite 6
Lincoln, NE 68521

Phone: 402-471-3231

Toll Free: 800-472-3382

North Platte

200 South Silber, Building 2
North Platte, NE 69101-4298

Phone: 308-535-8100

Toll Free: 800-272-3382

Omaha West

12011 Q Street
Omaha, NE 68137-3542

Phone: 402-595-1212

Toll Free: 877-240-4445

South Sioux City

510 W. 13th Street, Suite C
South Sioux City, NE 68776

Phone: 402-494-2265

Toll Free: 877-659-7899

Grand Island

203 E Stolley Park Road, Suite B
Grand Island, NE 68801

Phone: 308-385-6200

Toll Free: 800-862-3382

Kearney

315 W 60th Street, Suite 400
Kearney, NE 68845-1504

Phone: 308-865-5343

Toll Free: 800-262-3382

Norfolk

1212 W. Benjamin Avenue
Norfolk, NE 68701

Phone: 402-370-3200

Toll Free: 800-442-3382

Omaha

1313 Farnam on the Mall
Omaha, NE 68102

Phone: 402-595-2100

Toll Free: 800-554-3382

Scottsbluff

505A Broadway, Suite 500
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Phone: 308-632-1321

Toll Free: 800-292-3382

Nebraska Youth Leadership Council

The Council is a group of young leaders from across the state who want to make a difference in the lives of other students with disabilities. The Council provides young people with an opportunity to have a voice in the things that affect them and to make existing services better through their outreach efforts. Co-sponsored by Nebraska VR and Nebraska Department of Special Education, Council members are leaders and advocates with a disability. They travel the state promoting disability awareness and educating peers on transitioning to college or work.

3100 23rd Street, Suite 5
Columbus, NE 68601

Phone: 402-670-1437

Website: <http://nylc.nebraska.gov/NYLC/Welcome.html>

Parent Training and Information (PTI) Nebraska

PTI Nebraska is a statewide resource for families of children with disabilities and special health care needs. PTI Nebraska:

- Employs staff who are parent/professionals and are available to talk to parents and professionals about special education and disability specific information.
- Conducts relevant, no cost workshops statewide.
- Provides printed and electronic resources.
- Encourages and supports parents in leadership roles.

1941 S. 42nd Street, Suite 205
Omaha, NE 68105

Phone: 402-346-0525

Toll Free: 800-284-8520

Email: reception@pti-nebraska.org

Website: <http://pti-nebraska.org/>

People First of Nebraska

People First is a statewide advocacy organization run by and for people with disabilities. Their mission is to empower, train, and advance advocacy so that all people with disabilities can speak for themselves. People First chapters are located across the state, including Axtell, Beatrice, Columbus, Dawson County, Grand Island, Kearney, Lincoln, Norfolk, and Omaha.

P.O. Box 5292
Grand Island, NE 68802

Phone: 402-559-4892

Website: <http://www.peoplefirstnebraska.com/chapters.html>

E-mail: peoplefirstnebraska@outlook.com

Social Security - Nebraska Offices

In Nebraska, there are six Social Security Field offices, one Office of Disability Determination Services and one Office of Disability Adjudication and Review to provide assistance to residents with Social Security needs.

For questions regarding the Social Security Disability application process or to find out about the status of an application, contact the office in your area.

Website: <https://www.ssofficelocation.com/nebraska-social-security-offices-sos27>

Toll Free Phone: 800-772-1213

Grand Island Field Office

115 N Webb Road
Grand Island, NE 68803

Phone: 308-385-6440

Toll Free: 877-407-3441

Lincoln Office of Disability Determination Services

P.O. Box 82530
Lincoln, NE 68501-2530

Toll Free: 800-331-5616

North Platte Field Office

300 E 3rd Street, Room 204
North Platte, NE 69101

Toll Free: 866-830-0668

Lincoln Field Office

100 Centennial Mall North,
Room 240
Lincoln, NE 68508

Toll Free: 866-593-2880

Norfolk Field Office

605 Iron Horse Drive
Norfolk, NE 68701

Toll Free: 855-207-7082

Omaha Field Office

604 N 109th Court
Omaha, NE 68154

Toll Free: 866-716-8299

**Omaha Office of Disability
Adjudication and Review**

Exec Center
1000 N 90th Street, Suite 500
Omaha, NE 68114

Toll Free: 888-881-4633

Scottsbluff Field Office

415 Valley View Drive
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Toll Free: 800-297-4291

WINAHEAD

WINAHEAD is made up of 28 representatives from two and four-year colleges and universities. Members work directly with students with disabilities to ensure equal access to higher education. WIN indicates the geographic area represented: Western Iowa and Nebraska. AHEAD is the national parent organization, the Association on Higher Education and Disability.

Information regarding the services provided, a roster of member institutions and contact information is located at: <https://winahead.wordpress.com/about/>

FEDERAL RESOURCES ◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services is part of the federal Department of Health and Human Services. CMS administers programs including: Medicare, Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and the Health Insurance Marketplace.

Website: <https://www.cms.gov>

Office for Civil Rights

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office for Civil Rights enforces federal civil rights laws, conscience and religious freedom laws, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy, Security, and Breach Notification Rules, and the Patient Safety Act and Rule, which together protect citizens' fundamental rights of nondiscrimination, conscience, religious freedom, and health information privacy.

Website: <https://www.hhs.gov/ocr/index.html>

Social Security Administration

The Social Security Administration provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits. This includes Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI).

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a federal cash benefit program designed to guarantee a minimum monthly income to people who are either 65 or older, blind, or disabled and who have limited incomes.

Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) is a disability benefit for people who can't work because they have a medical condition expected to last at least one year or result in death.

Website: <http://www.ssa.gov>

U.S. Department of Education

The federal Department of Education administers programs that cover every area of education and range from preschool education through postdoctoral research. While education is primarily a State and local responsibility, the U.S. Department of Education plays a role at the federal level.

Website: <https://www.ed.gov>

