

## **RESOURCES**

The resource guide may be used to contact agencies and organizations for useful information, such as child care, health, safety, nutrition, early intervention, health insurance, general information for parents, services for children with disabilities, and families. Local or toll free telephone numbers are listed, along with the website for each agency and organization.

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Alabama Early Intervention Child Find

Referrals to services for children with disabilities from birth to age 3

1-800-543-3098

[www.rehab.state.al.us/](http://www.rehab.state.al.us/)

Alabama Department of Children's Affairs/

Office of School Readiness

Coordinates services for children throughout Alabama;

Developed Alabama Pre-K standards for 4year olds; funds Pre-K sites across the state

334-223-0502

Fax: 334-240-3054

[www.dca.state.al.us](http://www.dca.state.al.us)

Alabama Department of Education

Provides developmental opportunities for all children, youth, and adults

334-242-9700

[www.alsde.edu](http://www.alsde.edu)

Alabama Department of Human Resources

Monitors and licenses child care centers; administers the child care subsidy program and quality initiatives

1-866-528-1694

[www.dhr.alabama.gov](http://www.dhr.alabama.gov)

Alabama Department of Public Health

Provides caring, high quality and professional services for the improvement and protection of the public's health

334-206-5300

[www.adph.org](http://www.adph.org)

Alabama Child Care Foundation

Low cost health insurance for children

1-800-726-2289

[www.adph.org/chip](http://www.adph.org/chip)

## Alabama Immunization Program

Immunization resources

1-800-469-4599

[www.adph.org](http://www.adph.org)

## All Kids

Free or low-cost health insurance for eligible children to age 18

1-888-373-5437

[www.adph.org](http://www.adph.org)

## Healthy Beginning/WIC

Maternal and child health and nutrition/WIC

1-800-654-1385

[www.adph.org/wic](http://www.adph.org/wic)

## Alabama Head Start State Collaboration Office

A federal program that promotes collaboration between Head Start, state government initiatives and agencies, and others concerned with early care and education in Alabama

334-223-0502

[www.dca.state.al.us](http://www.dca.state.al.us)

## Alabama Medicaid

Information on applying for Medicaid and children's insurance

1-800-362-1504

[www.medicaid.alabama.gov](http://www.medicaid.alabama.gov)

## American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

Provides general information for parents of children from birth through age 21

National Headquarters

847-434-4000

Washington, D.C.

202-347-8600

[www.aap.org](http://www.aap.org)

## Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The forefront of public health efforts to prevent and control infectious and chronic diseases, injuries, workplace hazards, disabilities, and environmental health threats

1-800-311-3435

[www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

## Childhelp Hotline

Addresses child abuse prevention and reporting

1-800-422-4453

[www.childhelpusa.org](http://www.childhelpusa.org)

Children's Connection Line  
Information on children's health and safety; referrals to doctors  
1-800-504-9768  
[www.chsys.org](http://www.chsys.org)

Children's Defense Fund  
Advocacy for children  
1-800-233-1200  
[www.childrensdefense.org](http://www.childrensdefense.org)

Council for Professional Recognition (CDA)  
Created to improve the professional status of early childhood care providers  
1-800-424-4310  
202-265-9090  
[www.cdacouncil.org](http://www.cdacouncil.org)

FDA Center for Food Safety  
and Nutrition  
Food safety and nutrition resources  
1-888-723-3366  
1-888-safefood  
[www.cfsan.fda.gov](http://www.cfsan.fda.gov)

Head Start Bureau  
Comprehensive child development programs that serve children from birth to five, pregnant  
women, and their families  
202-401-9215  
Fax: 202-205-9688  
[www.acf.dhhs.gov](http://www.acf.dhhs.gov)

I Am Your Child  
Website on child care and development  
202-238-4878  
Fax: 202-986-2539  
[www.iamyourchild.org](http://www.iamyourchild.org)

NAEYC (National Association for the Education  
of Young Children)  
Child care and early childhood  
1-800-242-2460  
(202) 232-8777  
[www.naeyc.org](http://www.naeyc.org)

### Kids Health

Website on children's health

(302)- 651-4046

[www.kidshealth.org](http://www.kidshealth.org)

### National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC)

Provides technical assistance to family child care associations

(801)-269-9338

Fax 801-268-9507

E-mail [NAFCC@NAFCC.org](mailto:NAFCC@NAFCC.org)

[www.nafcc.org](http://www.nafcc.org)

### National Child Care Information Center (NCCIC)

National clearinghouse and technical assistance center that links parents, providers, policy makers, researchers, and the public to early care and education information

1-800-616-2242

TTY 800-516-2242

Fax 800-716-2242

E-mail [info@nccic.org](mailto:info@nccic.org)

[www.nccic.org](http://www.nccic.org)

### National Head Start Association

A private not-for-profit membership organization dedicated exclusively to meeting the needs of Head Start children and their families

703-739-0875

Fax: 703-739-0878

[www.nhsa.org](http://www.nhsa.org)

### National Immunization Hotline

Immunization guidelines and local resources

1-800-232-2522

800-232-4636

TTY: 888-232-6348

[www.cdc.gov/nip](http://www.cdc.gov/nip)

### National Parent Information Network

Parenting and parent involvement in education

**NO NUMBER LISTED**

[www.npin.org](http://www.npin.org)

### NICHCY (National Center for Handicapped Children and Youth)

Website of disability resources

1-800-695-0285

Fax: 202-884-8441

[www.nichcy.org](http://www.nichcy.org)

PAL - Parenting Assistance Line

[The University of Alabama](#)

Child Development Resources

P.O. Box 870157

Tuscaloosa, AL 35487

Phone: 1-866-962-3030

Poison Control

Emergency help for victims of poisoning

1-800-222-1222 or 1-800-462-0800

[www.alapoissoncenter.org](http://www.alapoissoncenter.org)

Safe Kids

Website on child safety

202-393-2072

[www.safekids.org](http://www.safekids.org)

SIDS Alliance

Support and information on Sudden Infant Death Syndrome

1-800-221-7437 or 410-653-8226

[www.sidsalliance.org](http://www.sidsalliance.org)

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Food and Nutrition Service (FNS)

FNS provides children and needy families better access to food and a more healthful diet

301-504-6409

Fax:301-505-6409

[www.fns.usda.gov/fns/](http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/)

Zero to Three

Website on early childhood

1-800-899-4301

[www.zerotothree.org](http://www.zerotothree.org)