


South Dakota Agencies for People with Disabilities

 <p>http://www.sd-ccd.org 800.210.0143 or 605.945.2207</p> <p>Assist people with disabilities to connect with needed services and support others to better serve people with disabilities</p>	 <p>www.csd.org 605.394.6864(V) or 605.496.0004 (VP)</p> <p>Serve and support deaf and hard of hearing in reaching their life goals and support others to better serve deaf and hard of hearing.</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">Transition Services Liaison Project</p> <p>http://www.tslp.org 605.224.5336</p> <p>Assist students, families, schools and agencies supporting students transitioning from school to adulthood.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Department of Human Services Division of Rehabilitation Services/Services to the Blind and Visually Impaired</p> <p>http://dhs.sd.gov/drs 800.265.9679 or 605.367.5330</p> <p>Assist persons with disabilities working to reach their life employment and independent living goals.</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">800.645.0673 or 605.394.6742</p> <p>Assist people with disabilities to identify technology that supports them reaching their life goals.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Aging & Disability Resource Connections</p> <p>http://dss.sd.gov/elderlyservices 605.773.3165</p> <p>Assist people over age 65 and over age 18 with physical disabilities through community based services.</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">Department of Human Services Division of Developmental Disabilities</p> <p>http://dhs.sd.gov/dd 605.773.3438 or 800.265.9684</p> <p>Serve and support persons with developmental disabilities to live and work in their communities.</p>	 <p>http://www.sdparent.org 800.640.4553</p> <p>Connect families of children with disabilities and special needs (birth to 26) with needed information, services and supports.</p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">Community Behavioral Health Services</p> <p>http://dss.sd.gov/behavioralhealth/community 605.773.3123</p> <p>Provide information on mental health services, qualified mental health professionals and more.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">SD Council on Developmental Disabilities</p> <p>http://dhs.sd.gov/dcc 800.265.9684 or 605.773.6369</p> <p>Assist people with developmental disabilities and their families in living the lives they desire.</p>
 <p>http://www.sdadvocacy.com 800.658.4782 or 605.224.8294</p> <p>Provide protection and advocacy services to individuals with disabilities.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Center for Disabilities</p> <p>www.usd.edu/cd 605.357.1439</p> <p>Work with others to create opportunities to enhance the lives of people with disabilities.</p>
<p>South Dakota Benefits Specialist Network</p> <p>tbame@tie.net 800.224.5336 or 605.224.6287</p> <p>People with disabilities who want to learn about their disability benefits, and who are already working or are ready to enter the workforce, can contact a Benefits Specialist to help you learn about benefits for you and your dependents – Medicare, Medicaid, reporting your income and anything else related to working and managing your benefits.</p>	

This resource is also available in large print and electronic versions.

Questions to Ask

Here are some sample questions that you can use to learn more about what services are available. Please don't feel limited to only asking these questions...these are only to get the conversation started.

Who...

- Who is eligible for your services?
- Who should I contact?

What...

- What type of services does your agency provide?
- What is the cost for services?
- What other agencies can you direct me to for more assistance?
- What information do I need to seek services?
- What sort of application do I need to complete?

When...

- When will services start?
- When will services end?

Where...

- Where are you located?
- Where do services take place...at an office, in my home, at your agency?

How...

- How long will it take for services to begin?
- How often do services take place...daily, weekly, monthly or as needed?

Use this log to document all contacts between you and any agencies. Your log should include telephone calls, messages, meetings, letters, and notes between you and agency staff.

Who did I talk with?	
When did we talk?	
What did I ask?	
What was I told?	
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