

Vocational Rehabilitation 786-5866
 Soc. Security Admin. 800-772-1213/ 775-0893
 www.ssa.gov
 Area Resources(Aris) 800-798-1658
 www.areasresource.org
 Vt Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
 www.vcdhh.org/wp/ 802-258-9500
 Vt As Blind and Visually Impaired 775-6452
 www.vabvi.org
 Vt Children/ Youth with Deaf Blindness
 Information and supports 802-656-8554
 Special Olympics 1-802- 863-5222
 www.vtso.org
 Down Right Special 773-7343
 Camp Thorpe 247-6611
 www.campthorpe.org
 Silver Towers Camp 388-6446
 www.silvertowerscamp.org 877-417-7661
 Kids on the Move, 775-7612
 Pediatric Rehabilitation located at RAVNAH
 Maple Leaf Center 446-3601
 www.mapleleafcenter.com
 Vt Adaptive Ski and Sports 786-4991
 www.vtadaptive.org
 Vt Developmental Disabilities Council 241-2612
 www.ahs.state.vt.us/vtdc
 Vt Ctr for Independent Living 800-639-1522
 www.vcil.org
 Vt. Disability Law Project 775-0021
 Autism Support Daily 802-985-8773
 www.autismsupportdaily.com
 Autism Society of Vt 800-559-7398
 www.autism-info.org
 EPEC Rutland Autism Support Group 345-5006
 Aspergers Assoc of NE, Vt Chapter 775-5422
 www.aanevt.org
 ARCH 603-643-9772
 Autism Resources for the Community and Home
 The Blue House 483-2712
 Autism educational option, camp, Parent Group
 Prevent Child Abuse 800-244-5373/ 498-0608
 www.pcavt.org
 VSA Arts of Vermont 802- 655-7772
 www.vsavt.org
 Vermont Achievement Center (VAC) 775-2395
 Variety of supports for families www.vacvt.org

Sibshops are fun events that include games and discussions for 7-11 yr old siblings of children with special needs. Call 775-1370 or send an email to arcotlandarea@myfairpoint.net for more information and upcoming workshop dates.

Family Potlucks

3rd Tuesday of the month, 6-8, Education and Wellness Center at Rutland Mental Health. For more information contact cinna@together.net or one of the contacts listed below.

RULANDFSNET@LIST.UVM.EDU

Sign up for this list serve to connect with other families and local service providers. You can ask for general or specific information and receive responses from families and organizations. The more the merrier! To get added to the listserve **contact Lisa Lynch at 775-1370** or arcotlandarea@myfairpoint.net.

Looking for a PCA or respite provider?

We have developed a list of suggestions for you. Contact Lisa, Donna or Cindy and we will get this list to you. We post this list on the listserve periodically, too.

Rutland Family Support Network Contacts:

Debra Jaurique 773-6186 email: madifund@aol.com
 Donna Gillen 483-9473 email : donna.gillen@uvm.edu
 Cindy Smith email: cinna@together.net
 Lisa Lynch ARC 775-1370
 email :arcotlandarea@myfairpoint.net

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Rutland Family Support Network

Resource Guide



A Family Driven Network Linking Families Together with Information and Supports

ARC-Rutland Area 775-1370, Lisa Lynch, email arcrutlandarea@myfairpoint.net: Advocates for the right of each individual with mental disabilities to be regarded as a valued citizen with the same entitlements as a non-disabled individual and to support a family's effort to also succeed in this mission. Call for Self-Advocacy and Aktion Club (service club) information.

Family, Infant and Toddler Project of Rutland @ the Rutland County Parent Child Center 747-5039 or 800 974-2034: System of early intervention services for infants and toddlers who have a delay in their development or a health condition that may lead to a delay in development.

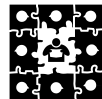
Vermont Family Network 800-800-4005 local:773-2023 Parent to Parent of Vermont and Vermont Parent Information Center have merged and are now called Vermont Family Network. The purpose of the Vermont Family Network is to empower parents, families, children and adults who have or are at risk for special needs to be effective advocates for their health, education and well-being. VFN will provide information, support, advocacy, and promote family-centered policies and practices. Check them out a www.Vermontfamilynetwork.org

RUTLAND MENTAL HEALTH 775-2381
www.rmhsccn.org
An array of Health, Human, Education and Rehabilitation Services for Adults, Children and Families including the:

Early Childhood Team/ Children's Upstream Services (CUPS) 773-4819 Serving young children (B-6) who are experiencing emotional or behavioral challenges, providing access to assessment, intervention, and referrals to community services.

Community Access Program 786-7319
Marc Carpenter, intake coordinator: Provides developmental disabilities services for individuals and families: case management, respite, residential supports, community/social supports, employment supports, and clinical supports.

"Everyone is a piece of the puzzle"



Vermont Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health 800-639-6071, Kathy Holsopple: Supports families and children who are experiencing or are at risk to experience emotional, behavioral, or mental health challenges.

Vermont I-Team 645-9135 Tammy Loomis tcloomis@yahoo.com or 483-9473 donna.gillen@uvm.edu : Assists families, educators and providers in the delivery of quality educational services to students with intensive educational needs. For information and forms regarding referrals, please visit the I-Team website: www.uvm.edu/~cdc/iteam ; 802-656-7122

Madi's Fund for Hydrocephalus & Associated Neurosurgical Research 773-6186, madifund@aol.com : Directed by parents; promotes and supports research and awareness; network of families and medical professionals ; financial assistance to families with children hospitalized with chronic medical conditions at FAHC (Fletcher Allen Health Center) and CHaD (Children Hospital at Dartmouth).

Vt Assistive Technology Program 802-241-2620
Assists in increasing access of AT to people of all ages and abilities. www.dail.state.vt.us/atp

Get AT Stuff 800-827-2714
The Assistive Technology Exchange in Vt and New England. Here you can look for or list Assistive Technology Devices for sale or for free. The goal is to help get devices that are no longer being used into the hands of the people who can use them and benefit from them.
www.getatstuff.com

Questions about a specific child who is receiving special education services are best directed to this Special Education Assistance Line. On this line, callers leave a voice mail message for a return call from a special education consultant; calls are usually returned within one business day. Reach the TA line at **802- 828-5114**

Vt State Division of Disability and Aging Services
<http://ddas.vermont.gov/> Then click "developmental disability" for lots of great information!

Can't find the resource you want? Dial 2-1-1

Children With Special Health Needs 800- 660-4427 local: 786-5852 Programs and clinics for children birth to 21 years of age, regardless of family income. Diagnostic and treatment services are available for children with a broad range of chronic illnesses or disabilities along with financial support for specialty medical care, family support, respite care and care coordination.

Vermont Psychiatric Survivors 775-6834 or 800-564-2106, Linda Corey or Karen at vpsinc@sover.net. Provides advocacy, peer support and education to people that have experienced or are experiencing mental health issues. Also provides public education to decrease stigma about mental illness. <http://www.sover.net/~vpsinc/>

PRIME Family Resources 775-2395 ext 503 or 610 Case Management to youth and their families when conflict places the person (11-22) at risk of being without shelter. Short-term shelter, assessment, mediation, support, advocacy, counseling and referral.

Marble Valley Transit In city 773-3244 800-339-3193 / Outside of city 747-3502
Authorizes, arranges, provides or reimburses for medically related trips. Prior days notice is requested.
www.thebus.com

State of VT's data base of services and "Screen Door": www.ahs.state.vt.us/services/ over 3,000 services listed for people of all ages and throughout the state.

211 An easy to remember telephone number that connects people with volunteer opportunities and community services, ranging from housing to health care to financial literacy. www.211.org or dial **211**.

The Family Village www.familyvillage.wisc.edu LOTS of disability related information!

www.rewardingwork.org A new initiative in Vt! An online list of personal care attendants and respite providers!

"Everyone is a resource"

