

Advocacy, History, Education and Support

American with Disabilities Act Technical Assistance

Information, guidance and training on the Americans with Disabilities Act

www.adata.org

ARC of Virginia

The Arc of Virginia promotes and protects the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and actively supports their full inclusion and participation in the community throughout their lifetimes.

www.thearcofva.org

Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities

A coalition of national disability organizations working together to advocate for national public policy that ensures the self-determination, independence, empowerment, integration and inclusion of children and adults with disabilities in all aspects of society.

www.c-c-d.org

Disability History Museum

The Disability History Museum hosts a Library of virtual artifacts, Education curricula, and Museum exhibits.

www.disabilitymuseum.org

Easter Seals

Providing services and advocacy in the North Carolina and Virginia areas to create opportunities, promote individual choice, and change the lives of children and adults with disabilities by maximizing their individual potential to live, learn, work and play in their communities.

www.easterseals.com/NCVA/

National Down Syndrome Society

The NDSS National Advocacy & Public Policy Center supports the mission of NDSS to be the leading human rights organization for all individuals with Down syndrome by advocating for federal, state and local policies that positively impact people with Down syndrome across the country.

www.ndss.org

National Organization on Disability

The National Organization on Disability (NOD) is a private, non-profit organization that promotes the full participation and contributions of America's 57 million people with disabilities in all aspects of life. NOD focuses on increasing employment opportunities for the 80-percent of working-age Americans with disabilities who are not employed.

www.nod.org

Parent to Parent (P2P)

Provides emotional & informational support for families of children who have special needs.

www.p2pusa.org

TASH

TASH advocates for human rights and inclusion for people with significant disabilities and support needs – those most vulnerable to segregation, abuse, neglect and institutionalization. TASH works to advance inclusive communities through advocacy, research, professional development, policy, and information and resources for parents, families and self-advocates.

www.tash.org

VCU's Center for Family Involvement

The Center for Family Involvement works with families to increase their skills as advocates, mentors and leaders so that families, children and young adults with disabilities can lead the lives they want.

www.centerforfamilyinvolvement.vcu.edu

Assistive Technology

Assistive Loan Fund Authority

The Assistive Technology Loan Fund Authority (ATLFA) is a Commonwealth of Virginia State Authority created with public funds to help Virginians with disabilities obtain assistive technology.

www.atlfa.org

Center on Technology and Disability

The Center on Technology and Disability provides a wealth of free resources – personal and professional development (PPD) webinars, articles, guides, training materials and more.

www.ctdinstitute.org

Children's Assistive Technology Service (CATS)

The mission of CATS is to improve the lives of children with disabilities through assistive technology reuse. Families help families by passing on gently used pediatric adaptive devices and mobility equipment to meet immediate needs at no cost.

<https://www.atdevicesforkids.org/>

Virginia Assistive Technology System

The mission of the Virginia Assistive Technology System (VATS) is to ensure that Virginians of all ages and abilities can acquire the appropriate, affordable assistive and information technologies and services they need to participate in society as active citizens.

www.vats.org

Health Portals

Centers for Disease Control (CDC)

CDC works to protect America from health, safety and security threats, both foreign and in the U.S.

www.cdc.gov

HealthFinder.gov

Easy-to-read, actionable, and evidence-based health information available on many health related topics.

www.healthfinder.gov

Health.gov

Prevention and wellness information including guidelines.

www.health.gov

Medline Plus

MedlinePlus is the National Institutes of Health's Web site for the public and is the world's largest medical library bringing you information about diseases, conditions, and wellness issues in language you can understand.

<http://medlineplus.gov>