

Professional Development Offer for 2017-2018

New York Deaf-Blind Collaborative



Benefits to your staff:

*Professional Development contact
hours & certificate of completion*

*Content training for educators &
related service provider*

*Topics relevant to professionals
working with children & youth
who have multiple disabilities*

All training and support is FREE!

All training and technical assistance are provided free of charge.

Dear Colleague,

The staff at the New York Deaf-Blind Collaborative (NYDBC) is currently designing our **professional development calendar** for the 2017-2018 academic year. NYDBC provides technical assistance that supports best practices for learners who are deaf-blind (i.e. combined hearing and vision loss), content which is also appropriate to supporting the needs of children and youth with multiple disabilities.

Potential topics for staff development are as follows:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduction to deaf-blindness and common etiologies | <input type="checkbox"/> Community resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Respectful touch & appropriate hand use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Identification of students with hearing & vision loss | <input type="checkbox"/> Sign language modifications & adaptations | <input type="checkbox"/> Strategies to support interaction & communication development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Understanding vision & hearing loss | <input type="checkbox"/> Interveners & intervention strategies | <input type="checkbox"/> Positive behavior supports for learners with multiple disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communication development: pre-symbolic, symbolic & language | <input type="checkbox"/> Developing functional routines and skills | <input type="checkbox"/> Orientation & mobility/safety travel techniques |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cortical visual impairment | <input type="checkbox"/> Assessment of students with combined hearing and vision loss | <input type="checkbox"/> Family engagement, parent/professional partnerships |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Access to the general education curriculum | <input type="checkbox"/> Transition planning for young adults who are deaf-blind | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation & leisure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Curriculum adaptations | <input type="checkbox"/> Positioning & handling/gross and fine motor development | <input type="checkbox"/> Collaborative teaming strategies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IEP development & goal writing | <input type="checkbox"/> Etiology-specific training (i.e. Usher Syndrome, CHARGE Syndrome, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Availability for learning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self-determination | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alternative & augmentative communication & assistive technology | | |

We look forward to a response from you at your earliest convenience, including potential dates for training and topics of interest. Please contact us by **9/31/17** at 718-997-4856 or nydbc@qc.cuny.edu. You may also fax this form back to us at 718-997-4883 and indicate which topics of interests listed above and contact information for us to reply to.

Sincerely,

Susie

Chris

Silvia

Suzanne

Eneida

Susanne Morrow
Project Director

Christopher Russell
Project Coordinator

Silvia Verga
Family Specialist

Suzanne Chen
Outreach Coordinator

Eneida Lamberty
Project Assistant



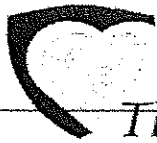
Eligibility Chart: Combinations of Vision and Hearing Loss

Degree of Vision Loss

	Normal 20/20	Acuity 20/70 – 20/200	Peripheral Fields <20 degrees	Acuity 20/200 – 20/400	Acuity 20/400 – 20/1000	Light Perception Only/No Vision
0 – 25 dB Normal		<p style="text-align: center;">At Risk - Consult with NYDBC</p> <p><i>Children/young adults with dual sensory loss as a result of congenital infections, hereditary syndromes and post-natal complications (see NYDBC Child Count Form) are at risk for compromised access to learning.</i></p>				
26 – 40 dB Mild						
41 – 55 dB Moderate						
56 – 70 dB Moderate to Severe		<p style="text-align: center;">Eligible for Services – Refer to NYDBC</p> <p><i>Children/young adults with more severe hearing & vision loss will experience difficulty accessing spoken language and the visual world around them. Accommodations must be made in order to provide adequate access to learning.</i></p>				
71 – 90 dB Severe						
> 91 dB Profound						
Cortical Visual Impairment:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase III 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase II 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase I

At Risk: Consult with NYDBC

Eligible for Services: Refer to NYDBC



The SHIELD Institute

Developing and Enriching the Lives of Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

DAY HABILITATION SERVICES

We are pleased to announce the Manhattan Shield Adult Day Habilitation program is currently accepting referrals for prospective individuals with developmental disabilities at The Shield Institute of Manhattan. To participate, in our day habilitation program, individuals must be diagnosed with a developmental disability: such as Intellectual Disability; Cerebral Palsy, and Autism. Individuals who will be referred must be 21 years old and over. A Medicaid Service Coordinator is required. Individuals must be Medicaid Waiver Enrolled, and attend a meeting with the Front Door.

Days and Hours of Day Habilitation Services

Consist of two sessions—Session One

9:45 A.M. - 3:00 P.M

Session Two:

10:45 – 5:00 p.m.

Monday – Friday

Location

Manhattan Adult Day Habilitation

110 East 107th Street

New York, NY 10029

You can submit the following documents to: Oneida Brown, LCSW at the Manhattan location by calling 212) 860-8400 Ext.4117, or fax at 212-348-9358. You can also email me at: obrown@shield.org

- LOC
- Individual Service Plan
- ISP Addendum (Please include name, days and hours of service).
- Documentation of Choices
- Current Comprehensive Psychological Evaluation
- Current comprehensive Psychosocial Evaluation
- Physical and PPD (within the past 12 months)
- Copy of the most current Medicaid Card
- Board of Education IEP



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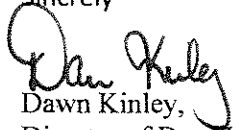
Dear Colleague:

I am sending you this letter to announce that our Day Habilitation Program in Manhattan has several openings for Full-time and Part-time Individuals. Our Manhattan Day Habilitation Program is located in the vibrant upper Manhattan community of East Harlem. It has many points of interest for our individuals to explore in the community, where, over the years, lasting connections have been made by The Shield and our program participants. Our site has a gym, a dining room, a training kitchen, an adaptive gym, and a Sensory Room, which provides for controlled multisensory experiences for our individuals. In addition, we have recently opened a satellite Article 16 clinic at this site, where we can provide speech services, occupational therapy, physical therapy, and rehabilitation counseling for those who qualify. These clinical services are complemented and supported by our other clinical staff that provide social work, nursing, and behavioral supports to our participants.

The Shield Institute uses community resources as an integral part of day to day programming. Outings outside the facility are scheduled regularly in order to provide experiences in the community where individuals can practice and utilize the skills they are currently learning. The Shield Institute places a high value on individual empowerment by viewing the community as another environment in which all individuals can become valued and contributing members of society. The Shield Institute has created an environment that promotes person centered planning and recognizes individual strengths and abilities and focuses on this on a day to day basis. We see every individual as unique and in the context of his/her talents, skills, interests, and abilities. We believe individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities should be viewed in this positive framework and not be labeled.

Please contact me if you have additional questions or if you have someone you would like to refer to our program. My e-mail address is: dkinley@shield.org. You can also email the Intake Coordinator/Social Worker at obrown@shield.org or call (212) 860-8400 Ext. 4117. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dawn Kinley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Dawn Kinley,
Director of Day Habilitation

MEDICAID SERVICE COORDINATION

To enroll at The Shield Institute, a Medicaid Service Coordinator (MSC) is required. MSC's provide advocacy, information, and case management for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. They are also able to access services and supports such as medical care, respite and community groups in order to help individuals lead meaningful lives. If you do not currently receive MSC services, please contact Dorothy Wohl for more information (contact info below).

Director of Service Coordination

Dorothy Wohl
718-269-2032



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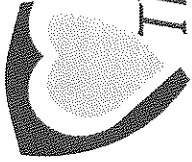
**Flushing Center
Executive Offices**
144-61 Roosevelt Avenue
Flushing, NY 11354
718-939-8700

Article 16 Clinical Services
718-939-8700 ext. 1311

Bayside Center
39-09 214th Place
Bayside, NY 11361
718-229-5757

Bronx Early Learning Center
1800 Andrews Avenue
Bronx, NY 10453
718-299-7600

Pure Vision Arts
114 West 17th Street 3rd Floor
New York, NY 10011
212-366-4263



The SHIELD Institute

**Manhattan Center
Adult Day Services**

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New York, NY 10029

Tel: 212 860 8400
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www.shield.org

Providing opportunities for
socialization, community inclu-
sion, and employment services
for adults over age 21.

Founded in 1921, The Shield Institute is one of the oldest leading providers of services to individuals with developmental disabilities in New York City. The Shield provides services to over 2500 individuals annually.

ADULT DAY SERVICES

Our facility is located at 110 East 107th Street (between Park and Lexington Aves). Services are available Monday through Friday, on a split-shift. The early shift is from 8:45 a.m. through 3:00 p.m. and the later shift from 10:45 am through 5:00 p.m. for adult ages 21 and up. Our location, is a vibrant upper Manhattan community, which has many points of interest for our individuals to explore, and make lasting connections in the neighborhood.



We have a spirited group of social individuals who are seeking peers for our expanding programs. These vocal self-advocates would like to invite individuals with similar interests and abilities to visit our program.

AT THE FACILITY

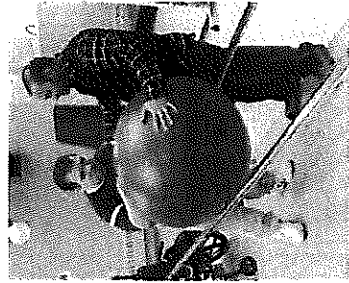


Within the facility, our individuals presently enjoy a gym, art studio, training kitchen, an innovative sensory

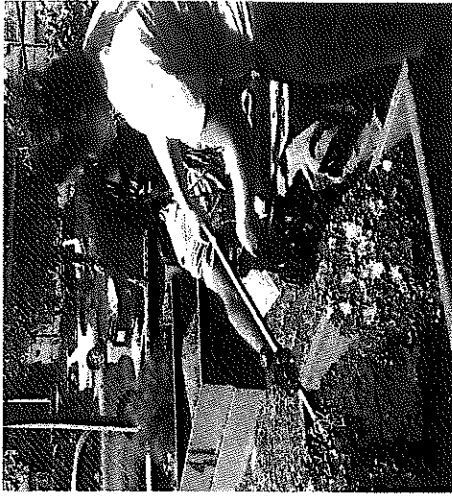
room, media room, WWE wrestling, Wii games, adaptive gym, audio equipped library, and consumer-operated store. Each person is engaged through a variety of low and high tech modalities including augmentative communication and adaptive equipment.

CLINICAL SERVICES

We offer recreation therapy, social work, nursing, and psychological services in collaboration with our Agency's Article 16 Clinic, there is Physical Therapy, Occupational, and Speech therapy for those who qualify. These services are in addition to the regularly scheduled activities and goals implemented by our direct support professionals. Our clinical staff provides creative ways to engage our individuals in the services offered.



IN THE COMMUNITY



We aspire to provide individuals with life experiences that will enhance their independence and encourage their fullest participation in the community. Previous trips have included:

- Museum of Moving Images
- Botanical Gardens
- Dave & Busters
- Juilliard
- Center of Performing Arts
- The Museum of Modern Art (MOMA)
- New Rochelle City
- Bowling
- City Island
- Bronx Zoo





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RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES: (Contact the Referral and Information Center at (212) 780-4491 or 4493 for all).

City Teens Program: Individuals aged between 12-21 who are diagnosed with ASD (Autistic Spectrum Disorder) and are NOT eligible for OPWDD services. Mostly open to teens from Brooklyn but can accommodate a few from other boroughs. Program meets Sundays during the school year in Union Square for fun adventures around the city. Please contact Sam Emsell at samuel.emsell@ahrcnyc.org

Overnight Weekend/Getaway Respite Programs (Mini Camps, Adult Hotel Respite, Kids and Teens Holiday Respite, and Bronx Escorted Vacations): Available for independent travelers and individuals that are able to self-medicate and those who enjoy trips to upstate New York from Friday evening through Sunday afternoon to discover various local attractions and seasonal activities. All individuals interested in this program must be in the HCBS Waiver. No cost, transportation provided. Please Contact Roxana Ancher at roxana.ancher@ahrcnyc.org or Sam Emsell at samuel.emsell@ahrcnyc.org

Manhattan, Staten Island, Brooklyn and Queens Saturday Recreation and Socialization Programs for Children, Teens/Young Adults and Adults: Operates Saturdays from October to May, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Transportation is provided, must be in the HCBS waiver. Current openings in both the children's program (ages 6 – 12 years) and adult program (18+). Please Contact Valerie Adolphe at valerie.adolphe@ahrcnyc.org

General Recreation Activities: Softball in Central Park, Brooklyn Basketball Program, Staten Island Restaurant Club, Bowling throughout NYC, Quarterly Dances, Super Saturday: Available to individuals who lives in New York City and NOT eligible for OPWDD services. Please contact Sam Emsell at samuel.emsell@ahrcnyc.org for more information of days and time.

Afterschool in Queens, Manhattan, Bronx and Brooklyn: (for children and teens, ages 6-21). Individual must be in the HCBS waiver and live in the borough of the program. Individuals interested in **Harlem-After School** are individuals aged between 12-21 who are diagnosed with ASD (Autistic Spectrum Disorder) and are NOT eligible for OPWDD services. Please contact Karen Cullen at karen.cullen@ahrcnyc.org

OVERNIGHT/EMERGENCY In-Home Respite Hourly Waiver Services to families residing in the boroughs of **Queens** and **Manhattan**. **Emergency respite** is temporary care of an individual with developmental disabilities provided on an emergency basis due to a family situation of extreme urgency, such as the hospitalization of a family member or unexpected travel plans. Emergency respite may be provided in individual's home or a family care home. **Overnight respite** is a service that provides relief to a caregiver who is responsible for the primary care and support of an individual with a developmental disability. When a family member or Family Care provider has to deal with such things as illness, emergency, and caregiver vacation; emergency respite services can ensure that your loved ones are safe and their needs are met. A caregiver must reside with the individual in the same household and be a primary caregiver. An eligible person should be OPWDD eligible. Eligibility must be established before a referral can be made. An eligible person should have a current Level of Care (LOC) determined and be enrolled in a HCBS Waiver program. If you believe that your families or individual(s) might benefit from Overnight or Emergency In- Home Respite, please contact, Luba Zborovskaya at 212-780-2340 and/or Yulia Yaroshevskaya, Intake Field Supervisor at 212-780-4482. **IN-HOME RESPITE:** Waiting list for people ages 3 and over in Brooklyn, Manhattan, Staten Island, the Bronx, and immediate opportunities in Queens. Require proof of developmental disability. **COMMUNITY HABILITATION:** Waiting list for people from birth (with EI Service Coordination) and up in all 5 boros. Person must meet eligibility for Medicaid Waiver. Contact the Referral and Information Center at (212) 780-4491 or 4493.

EMPLOYMENT and BUSINESS SERVICES:

TechnoStart: Program in S.I. for individuals with I/DD. 12 week pre-vocational training program. Program helps individuals 18 years and older to gain computer and office skills, and obtain certification in Microsoft Office Specialist. Job placement services and benefits assistance provided. Contact Mark Emsak or Anna Chakryan at 718-981-3452. **Pathway to Employment:** The Pathway to Employment program offers individuals already enrolled in a waiver service an opportunity to discover their employment interests and improve their skill set. Participants will experience 3-4 job roles in the community through volunteer sites, receive job readiness training and personalized vocational discovery throughout this 1 year service with the goal of transitioning to paid employment. Contact Mark Emsak or Candi Genovese at 718-981-3452. **Brooklyn Day Hab without walls:** Day Hab without walls program target towards employment. Some the of services and activities provided are: resume preparation workshops, interview preparation, personal hygiene skills, self care, socialization skills, money management, mobility training, life skills training, reading and writing, anger management, relaxation techniques, proper nutrition, healthy exercise and recreational type activities. Additionally, individuals volunteer at different sites and participate in diverse community events. Contact Christopher Michael 212-895-3376. **Staten Island Day Hab without Walls:** Day Hab without walls program explores the world of work through daily activities out in the community. Some the of services and activities provided are: resume preparation workshops, interview preparation, personal hygiene skills, self care, socialization skills, money management, mobility training, life skills training, reading and writing, anger management, relaxation techniques, proper nutrition, healthy exercise and recreational type activities. Additionally, individuals volunteer at different sites and participate in diverse community events. Contact Irina Brusilovski or Candi Genovese at 718-981-3452. **Senior Retirement Services:** Day Hab Without Walls program for individuals over age 55, must be a Bronx resident. Contact Ana Kuharik at 718 944-5099. **Bronx and Staten Island Day Hab Without Walls:** This program offers the opportunity for community activities including volunteering and social outings. The premise is to prepare people to move out of Day Hab and into employment. Contact Ana Kuharik, 718-944-5099 (Bronx) and Gina Gioe, 917-807-5142 (Staten Island). **Youth Careers Training Programs:** OSY Pre-Vocational training program for NYC residents with DD or LD and/or low

income; 18–24 years old. 15 weeks of training combines classroom instruction with internship at major NYC institutions. Upon successful completion, program enrollees will obtain nationally recognized CMI Certification in Janitorial. There are three cycles during the year. The program offers job placement and job supports after graduation. Integrated program great for developing relationships and preparing for employment.

Brooklyn: Alla Gertsik, 212-895-3310; Bronx, Cristina or Yona, 718-944-5099, Staten Island, Anna Chakryan at 718-662-1432. **Staten Island Young Adult Internship Program:** DYCD- 14 weeks of a paid internship program for young adults from 16-24 years old, who are out of school and out of work. Internship opportunities include; clerical, retail, culinary and maintenance. 350 hours of paid internship followed by job placement. Call Anna Chakryan 718-662-1432 or Natalya Sarukhanova at 718-981-3452.

HIRE - Supported Employment, placement in jobs dependent on applicant's skills and abilities

Brooklyn – Sofiya Nibelitskaya, 212-895-3325

Queens – Melissa Levin-Tormos 917-662-6496

Bronx – Wayne Thomas, 718-944-5099

Staten Island – Jaclyn Tocco (718) 981-3452

Manhattan – Isis Clark - 212-634-8673

Job Connection Center-Psycho-social Clubhouse (Brooklyn): A small innovative program, with highly trained and experienced staff, specifically designed to support individuals who are dually diagnosed (IDD/MI) in obtaining and maintaining a job. Call 212-895-3370.

ADULT DAY SERVICES: A variety of programs where individuals become valued community members in different ways, including volunteering, shopping, visiting local attractions, etc. The programs offer many life enhancing experiences in the arts, travel training, and vocational services. There are also programs that operate solely in the community, and in higher education programs in cooperation with local colleges. For more details, call Central Intake at 212-780-4493/4491.

Emergency Respite (Family Support Service): for Queens and Brooklyn residents - Emergency respite is temporary care of a person with a developmental disability provided on an emergency basis due to a family situation of extreme urgency, such as, but not limited to the hospitalization of a family member, unexpected travel plans or relief needed for the caregiver due to special circumstances. Emergency respite may be provided in the eligible person's home or an alternate location where the service of care can be provided. The person providing the service does not have to reside in the home of the person eligible for this service, nor does the service have to occur in the borough of the person's OPWDD registration. Call 212-895-3478 or 917-715-8035. **Nicosia Family Reimbursement:** The service provides the opportunity to be reimbursed for purchased services and goods, and the possibility of purchasing services and goods that are not funded through any other sources. The goods and services have been deemed appropriate to meet the needs of the person being served. Criteria for grant: Reside in the 5 Boroughs and Eligibility. Call 212-895-3478 or 917-715-8035.

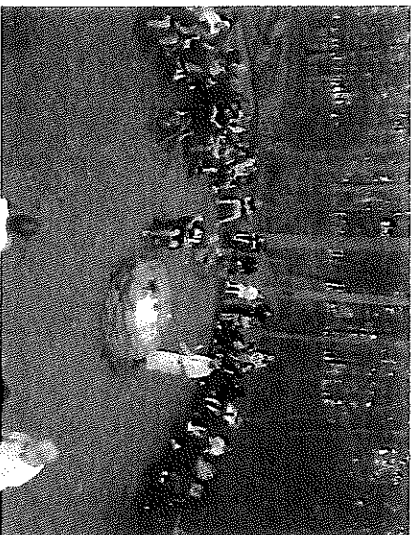
Intensive Behavioral Services Program in the Bronx which provides Intensive Behavioral Services for individuals who live in non-certified or Family Care Homes and present with substantial challenging behaviors that put them at risk of placement in a more restrictive living environment. The service involves in home behavior management evaluation and treatment by psychologists who specialize in Functional Behavioral Assessment and Intervention. For information about the application or questions, contact Lisa Adorno at 718-643-2566. **Queens Intensive Parent Training:** This family support program serves ID/DD parents who reside in Queens, who are living in the community and raising their children. This service provides education, parent training, intensive case management, and advocacy to help the parent improve their parenting skills and help keep children in the home with the parent(s). Criteria: reside in Queens County; parent must be ID/DD. Call Annette Spallino 212-780-2592. **Non-Medicaid Service Coordination:** The service includes information and referral services, outreach, parent networking and service access assistance for individuals and their families. Service Coordinator is able to make connections with diagnostic, residential, habilitative, educational, vocational, medical and recreational services. In addition, the Service Coordinator can assist with accessing benefits and entitlements, such as Medicaid and SSI. Criteria for program enrollment: - reside in the five boroughs, No Medicaid and Eligibility. Call 212-895-3478 or 917-715-8035. **Article 16 Clinic Services:** Ongoing vacancies in Manhattan for psychological and psychosocial evaluations, individual and group counseling and nutrition services. Ongoing vacancies in the Bronx for individual and group counseling, psychological, and psychosocial evaluations at the 2488 Grand Concourse Clinic. Services are available in English, Spanish, and Mandarin. Anyone interested in these programs should contact Clara Cordero at (212) 780-2387. **REHAB Services:** Immediate openings for physical, speech, and occupational therapy. Call Robin Phillips at (212) 780-2762 for more information on how to request services. **FREE Psychological/Psychosocial Evaluations:** AHRC Article 16 Clinic is offering Psychological Evaluations and Psychosocial Evaluations for individuals who are developmentally disabled that do not have Medicaid and are residents of the five boroughs of NYC. Services are available in English, Spanish, and Mandarin. For more information or to make a referral call AHRC Central Intake at 212-780-4493 or 212-780-4491.

OVERNIGHT RESPITE (out of home – NOT EMERGENCY; emergency above): Guests must be age 8 and up, and must be weight bearing if non-ambulatory. Cannot be seriously medically involved where extra nursing staff would be necessary. Staten Island is the only wheelchair accessible respite facilities. *Families should apply for respite before the need arises; the application has to be approved beforehand.* Contact the Referral and Information Center at (212) 780-4491 or 4493.

RESIDENTIAL: Anticipated and immediate openings in all boroughs. Details vary depending on the setting. **If you have any questions please contact: 212-780-4457. If you would like to make a referral, please contact 212-780-4491/4493.**

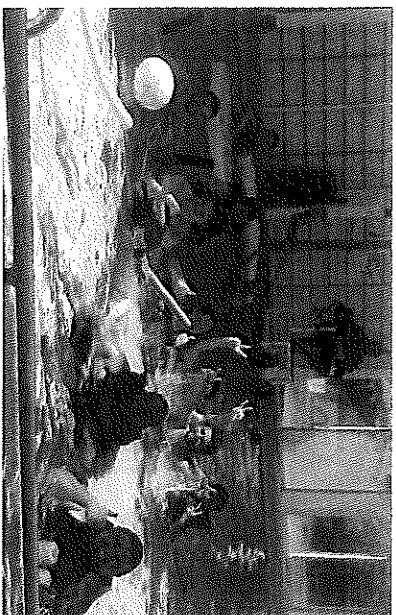
Emergency Respite Care

To inquire about 24-hour emergency respite services, please call 732-531-0215 during normal business hours M-F or 804-467-9319 nights and weekends. We ask that you give us a minimum of two hours notice so that we may schedule appropriate staff.



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CAMP OAKHURST



Staff Leadership

Robert Pacenza, Executive Director
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Lori Schenck, Assistant Director, Services
Donna Albanese, Placement Coordinator
Oscid Zakarne, Program Coordinator

CAMP OAKHURST

2017-2018

Respite Schedule

Camp Oakhurst's mission is to enhance the quality of life for children and adults with special needs, including autism and physical and intellectual disabilities, and provide respite for their families through a year round camp experience, based in Monmouth County, NJ.

Our vision is to be a preeminent resource to provide safe, accepting, and accessible service that allow its clients to gain confidence, reach their potential, and build a community of friends while enjoying all that camp has to offer.

111 Monmouth Road Oakhurst, NJ 07755

732-531-0215 (phone)
732-531-0292 (Fax)
respite@nysh.org

Traditional Adult Respite

Wed - Wed 9/27 - 10/4	7 Days	End of season pool party
Mon - Mon 10/16 - 10/23	7 Days	Fall foliage: trip to the Poconos shops & Water Gap
Wed - Wed 11/1 - 11/8	7 Days	Sadie Hawkins Dance
Fri - Fri 12/1 - 12/8	7 Days	Mount Airy trip and Theater night
Wed - Wed 12/13 - 12/20	7 Days	Winter Blitz Holiday Party
Fri - Wed 1/9 - 1/24	5 Days	Pottery making
Mon - Mon 1/29 - 2/5	7 Days	Popcorn & Movies At AMC Super Bowl Party
Wed - Wed 2/28 - 3/7	7 Days	Lantern Festival
Mon - Mon 3/12 - 3/19	7 Days	Saint Patrick's Day Party
Fri - Wed 3/23 - 3/28	5 Days	Insectropolis
Wed - Wed 4/1 - 4/18	7 Days	Cape May Zoo
Mon - Mon 4/23 - 4/30	7 Days	Arish Country
Fri - Fri 5/4 - 5/11	7 Days	Beach Trip
Wed - Wed 5/16 - 5/23	7 Days	Sandy Hook tour
Wed - Wed 5/30 - 6/6	7 Days	Homecoming Dance Pool Open

Traditional Youth Respite

Fri - Mon 10/6 - 10/19	3 Days	Pumpkin Picking
Sat - Mon 11/25 - 11/27	2 Days	Make A Thanksgiving Feast
Wed - Sat 12/27 - 12/30	3 Days	New Years Party
Fri - Mon 1/2 - 1/15	3 Days	Winterland Snowglobe Making
Fri - Fri 2/16 - 2/23	7 Days	Jenkinson's Aquarium
Mon - Fri 4/2 - 4/6	4 Days	Spring Fling



After School Respite Care

After school respite care is available for school-age children after school, on many weekends, and school breaks. Homework help is available, along with therapeutic recreational activities. Limited one-way transportation after school is available.

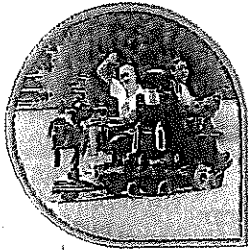
For More Information:

Email: respite@nysh.org or call 732-531-0215

Autism Respite

Fri - Mon 10/6 - 10/19	3 Days	
Fri - Sun 10/27 - 10/29	2 Days	
Fri - Sun 11/10 - 11/12	2 Days	
Fri - Sun 11/17 - 11/19	2 Days	
Sat - Mon 11/25 - 11/27	2 Days	
Wed - Sat 12/27 - 12/30	3 Days	
Fri - Sun 1/5 - 1/7	2 Days	
Fri - Mon 1/2 - 1/15	3 Days	
Mon - Fri 2/19 - 2/23	4 Days	
Fri - Sun 3/2 - 3/4	2 Days	
Fri - Su 3/16 - 3/18	2 Days	
Mon - Fri 4/2 - 4/6	4 Days	
Fri - Sun 5/18 - 5/20	2 Days	





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OUT-OF-HOME RESPITE AT CAMP OAKHURST

FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH PHYSICAL
AND/OR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Why overnight respite at Camp Oakhurst?

Families caring after a relative with disabilities in their own home need period breaks. They can get one, while their relative with disabilities enjoys a 2-12 night stay at Camp Oakhurst. Respite sessions are scheduled year-round, and in the summer take the form of a sleep away camp. On a limited basis, emergency respite care is also available.

What will happen at an overnight respite?

Clients stay in barrier-free heated and air conditioned cabins with age appropriate groups. Care and supervision provided by trained experienced staff living on-site is provided 24/7. Clients have access to a full program of adapted recreational activities, including trips off-camp.

Does my family qualify for overnight respite?

Individuals who live in New York City or New Jersey and have a physical and/or developmental disability, including autism, may qualify for state-supported respite. Even if not eligible for state-supported respite, clients may apply and attend all sessions. Registration starts with an application and includes a personal interview with a staff member.

How long are respite periods and how can I get there?

There are separate sessions for children and adults. Registered families receive a yearly calendar of scheduled respite and summer camp sessions. They vary in length from a weekend to 3, 4, 5, 7 or 12 night sessions. Some families get to and from Oakhurst on their own, others receive central site transportation from NYC in lift- equipped vehicles.

What does it cost?

There is no fee for those qualifying for state-supported respite. Others pay a fee that may be scaled according to income and family size.

When should I apply?

Applications are received throughout the year. Confirmation for a particular respite session depends on space and transportation needs. Call us or visit www.nysh.org for applications and a schedule.

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NEW YORK SERVICE FOR THE HANDICAPPED

CAMP OAKHURST

New York Service for the Handicapped provides services at Camp Oakhurst to enhance the quality of life for children and adults with special needs, including autism and physical and intellectual disabilities, and provide respite for their families through a year-round camp experience, based in Monmouth County, NJ.

Camp Oakhurst, established in 1906, is an independent nonprofit social service agency with offices in New York City and Oakhurst, New Jersey. The camp is located on a scenic 15-acre site, about one mile from the Atlantic Ocean. Clients live in barrier-free modern cabins, surrounded by tall trees, grass and fresh air, with all the counselors, support and adapted facilities it takes to make their stay at Camp Oakhurst a fun and memorable experience. Camp Oakhurst helps clients discover new abilities and new strengths, that helps foster more independence and self-confidence.

Camp Oakhurst's services include:

- Summer sleep-away camp for children and adults with physical and/or developmental disabilities
- Out-of-home overnight respite for children and adults with physical and/or developmental disabilities
- Out-of-home overnight respite and summer camp for youth diagnosed with autism
- Emergency overnight respite care for children and adults with physical and/or developmental disabilities, including autism.

For more information, please contact our NYC or Oakhurst, NJ offices:

1140 Broadway, Suite 903
New York, NY 10001
Tel. 212 533-4020
info@nysh.org

111 Monmouth Road
Oakhurst, NJ 07755
Tel. 732 531-0215
info@nysh.org



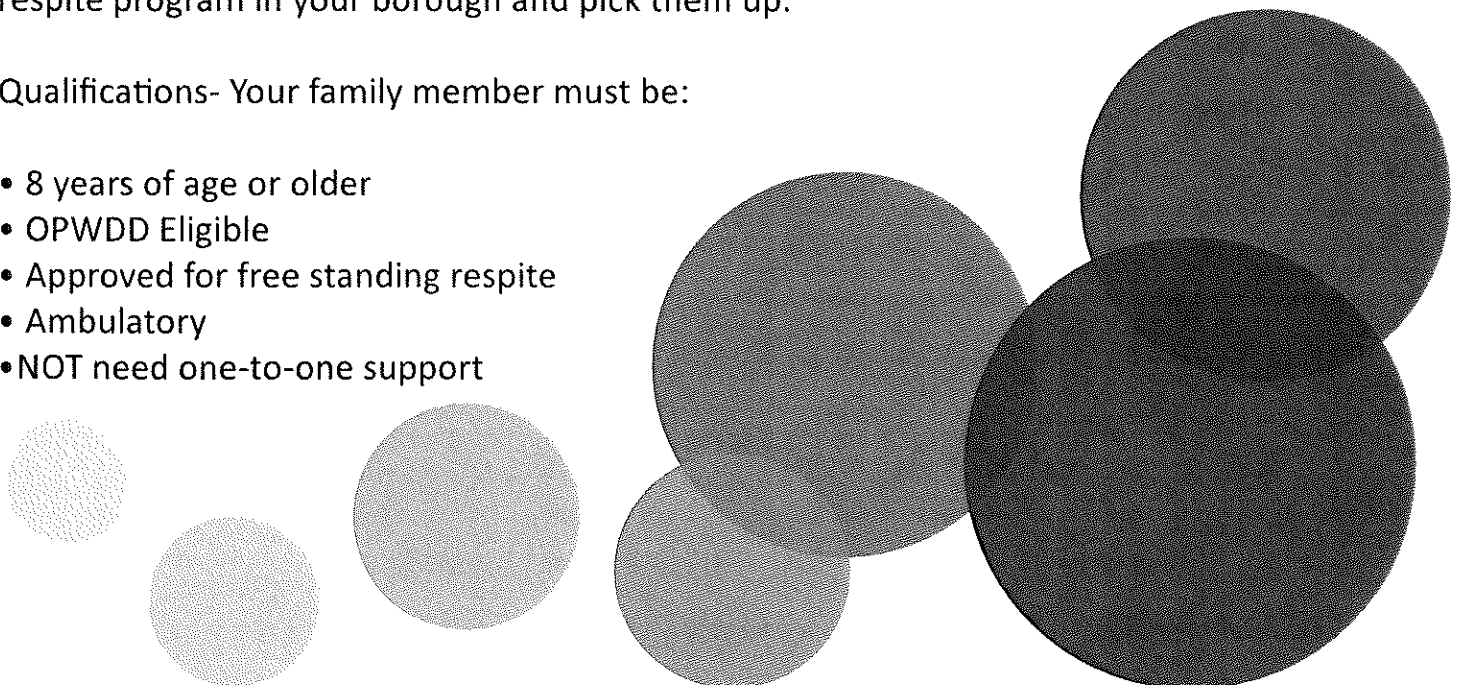
Overnight Respite Opportunities Available in All Five Boroughs

AHRC New York City has overnight respite programs in all five boroughs of New York City. If you need a break and your family member meets the qualifications listed below, please call AHRC New York City's **Referral & Information Center at 212-780-4491** to inquire about availability and how to apply for services. An application form will need to be filled out, supporting documentation will need to be provided and an interview will need to be scheduled.

Overnight respite opportunities are possible from Friday at 4PM through Monday at 9AM based upon meeting qualifications and availability. You must get your family member to the respite program in your borough and pick them up.

Qualifications- Your family member must be:

- 8 years of age or older
- OPWDD Eligible
- Approved for free standing respite
- Ambulatory
- NOT need one-to-one support





Una Red de Centros de Salud Certificados a Nivel Federal, comprometidos a la excelencia en el cuidado de pacientes de todas las edades y habilidades



Nuestros Servicios

- Atención Médica Primaria
 - Audiología
 - Clínica de Sillas de Ruedas y Equipos
 - Comunicación Aumentativa
 - Fisiatría
- Gastroenterología
 - Ginecología
 - Neurología
 - Oftalmología
 - Podología
 - Psiquiatría
- Servicios Dentales
 - Servicios de Salud Mental
 - Tecnología Asistida
 - Terapia Física
 - Terapia del Habla
 - Terapia Ocupacional

Nuestros Proveedores y Nuestro Personal

Como un Hogar Médico Centrado en la Salud del Paciente, con un Nivel 3 designado a nivel nacional, nuestros médicos, terapeutas, enfermeras y personal de apoyo son un equipo experto y compasivo de profesionales, que proporciona un ambiente cómodo al brindar todos nuestros servicios a todos nuestros pacientes.

Nuestras Asociaciones

A través de nuestras afiliaciones con centros médicos académicos como NYU/Lutheran Health System, Staten Island University Hospital, Richmond University Medical Center y Bronx Lebanon Hospital, entre otros, podemos ofrecer una continuidad completa en la atención.

Bronx

979 Cross Bronx Expressway
Bronx, NY 10460
(718) 665-7565
lu., ma., ju., vi.
8:30am - 4:30pm
mi.
8:30am - 8:00pm

Brooklyn

842A Lefferts Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11203
(718) 778-8587
lu., ma., mi., vi.
8:30am - 4:30pm
ju.
8:30am - 8:00pm

Downtown Brooklyn

(Previamente operado por HeartShare Wellness, LLC)
177 Livingston Street,
2nd Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11201
lu., vi.
8:00am - 5:00pm
ma.
8:00am - 8:00pm
mi.
8:00am - 7:00pm
sa.
10:00am - 5:00pm

Staten Island

2324 Forest Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10303
(718) 447-0200
lu., vi.
8:30am - 4:30pm
ma., mi., ju.
8:30am - 8:00pm

Queens

51-40 59th Street
Queens, NY 11377
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Para citas o referencias, por favor llame al: 1-855-MCHCNYC (855-624-2692)
Para más información, visite nuestro sitio web: mchcny.org



METRO

Community Health Centers

A Network of Federally Qualified Health Centers committed to excellence in the care of patients of all ages and abilities



Our Services

- Primary Medical Care
- Audiology
- Augmentative Communication
- Assistive Technology
- Dentistry
- Gastroenterology
- Gynecology
- Mental Health
- Neurology
- Occupational Therapy
- Ophthalmology/Optometry
- Psychiatry
- Physical Therapy
- Podiatry
- Psychiatry
- Speech Therapy
- Wheelchair Equipment Clinic

Our Providers and Staff

As a Nationally Designated Level 3 Patient Centered Medical Home, our physicians, therapists, nurses and support staff are a skilled and compassionate team of professionals who provide a comfortable atmosphere with all our services, for all our patients.

Our Partners

Through our affiliations with academic medical centers such as the NYU/Lutheran Health System, Staten Island University Hospital, Richmond University Medical Center and Bronx Lebanon Hospital among others, we are able to provide a complete continuum of care.

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Downtown Brooklyn

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Lower Level
Brooklyn, NY 11201
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T, Th 8:00am to 8:00pm
W 8:00am to 7:00pm
S 10:00am to 5:00pm

Queens

51-40 59th Street
Woodside, NY 11377
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T, F
8:30am to 4:30pm
W
8:30am to 8:00pm

Staten Island

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Staten Island, NY 10303
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For an appointment or referral, please call: 1-855-MCHCNYC (855-624-2692)

Additional information can be found on our website: mchcnyc.org

SAVE THE DATE

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6, 2017

1:00 PM

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STATE ST. AND WASHINGTON AVE
ALBANY, NY 12224

WE WANT
OUR STAFF
TO STAY,
PLEASE
RAISE THEIR
PAY

HELP US LAUNCH PHASE 2 OF OUR CAMPAIGN TO GET DSPs A LIVING WAGE!

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Caminos (Roads)

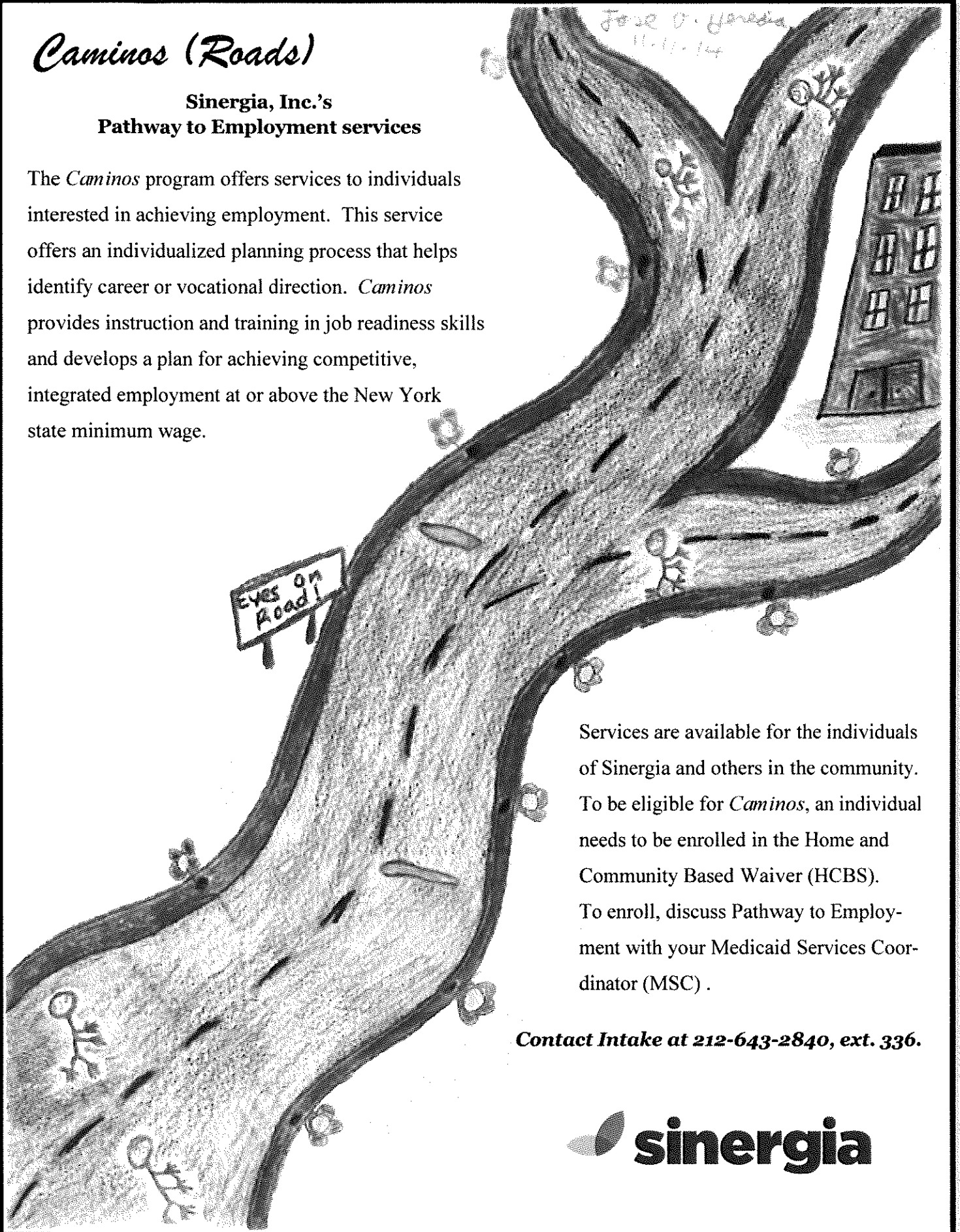
Sinergia, Inc.'s Pathway to Employment services

The *Caminos* program offers services to individuals interested in achieving employment. This service offers an individualized planning process that helps identify career or vocational direction. *Caminos* provides instruction and training in job readiness skills and develops a plan for achieving competitive, integrated employment at or above the New York state minimum wage.

Services are available for the individuals of Sinergia and others in the community. To be eligible for *Caminos*, an individual needs to be enrolled in the Home and Community Based Waiver (HCBS). To enroll, discuss Pathway to Employment with your Medicaid Services Coordinator (MSC).

Contact Intake at 212-643-2840, ext. 336.

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Providing Multicultural, Lifespan Services for People with Disabilities

Housing Advocacy

Sinergia's Housing Advocacy Program is an initiative which provides advocacy for low-income, underserved communities who are developmentally disabled in all New York City boroughs. In existence for over 25 years, our Housing Advocates work to provide information on the following:

- ◆ *Housing Court Support*
- ◆ *Monthly Workshops*
- ◆ *Housing Repairs*
- ◆ *DRIE/SCRIE Rent Freeze Applications*
- ◆ *Rental Arrears*
- ◆ *Eviction Prevention*
- ◆ *NYCHA & NYC Housing*
- ◆ *Connect Lottery Applications*



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96TH STREET-126TH STREET

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Proporcionando Multicultural, Esperanza de Vida de Servicios Para Personas con Discapacidades de Desarrollo

Programa de Abogacia de Viviendas

El programa de Abogacia de Viviendas de Sinergia es una iniciativa que provee asistencia para comunidades con discapacidades del desarrollo desatendidas, que tienen bajo ingreso, en todos los condados de Nueva York. Esta iniciativa está vigente por más de 25 años. Nuestros Abogados de Vivienda trabajan para proveer la siguiente informacion:

- ♦ *Ayuda en Corte de Vivienda*
- ♦ *Talleres Mensuales*
- ♦ *Reparaciones de Viviendas*
- ♦ *Prevención de Evacuación*
- ♦ *DRIE/SCRIE Alquiler Congelar Aplicaciones*
- ♦ *Atrasos de pago del alquiler*
- ♦ *Aplicaciones para la lotería de Vivienda de NYCHA & NYC Housing Connect*



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FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES FAMILY REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

Sinergia's Family Reimbursement Program has available funds for reimbursement for purchases, goods and services for families with persons with developmental disabilities who are OPWDD eligible, and reside in the boroughs of the **Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Queens.** Applicants must have gone through The Front Door and completed the process.

Reimbursement is available for the following:

- *Out-of-home Respite
- *In Home Respite
- *Transportation
- *Furniture
- *Short-term Housing Subsidy
- *Appliances
- *Adaptive equipment
- *Seasonal clothing
- *Camp -**there will be no camp reimbursement for the borough of Manhattan!**

For more information, please call (212) 643-2840 ext.364

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Family Reimbursement Coordinator
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Proporcionando Multicultural, Esperanza de Vida de Servicios Para Personas con Discapacidades de Desarrollo

REEMBOLSO DE FONDOS A FAMILIAS

El Programa de Reembolso Familiar de Sinergia tiene fondos disponibles Para el reembolso de las compras, bienes y servicios para familias con personas con discapacidades del desarrollo que son elegibles de la agencia de OPWDD, Y residen en los condados del **Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan y Queens**. Los solicitantes deben haber pasado por la puerta principal (The Front Door) y haber completado el proceso.

Rebolso es disponible para lo siguiente:

- *Respiro fuera de casa
- *Respiro en la casa
- *Transportación
- *Muebles
- *Asistencia para vivienda de Corto Plazo
- *Utensilios de casa
- *Equipos de adaptación
- *Ropa de temporada
- *Campamento—**El condado de Manhattan no distribuye fondos para campamento!**

Para más información, por favor llame a 212-643-2840 ext. 364.

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Attention Individuals with Disabilities and their Family Members/Advocates!

We are pleased to invite you to attend a meeting to learn more about the transition of MSC services to Care Coordination scheduled for July 1, 2018. The meetings are sponsored by your current MSC agency and CareDesign NY, the new Care Coordination Organization that your agency is affiliating with.

We are offering these meeting dates and times, so you can choose the one that works best for you. At the meeting we will do a brief presentation and allow lots of time to have all your questions answered.

Monday, November 13, 2017, 1:00pm – 3:00pm

YAI, 3353 Nostrand Ave., Brooklyn
RSVP: Sarah Mills, sarah.mills@yai.org

Tuesday, November 14, 2017, 11:00am – 1:00pm

ADAPT Community Network, 281 Port Richmond Avenue, Staten Island
RSVP: Laura Meyerson, 212-683-6700 x1277 or lmeyerson@adaptcommunitynetwork.org

Tuesday, November 28, 2017

11:00am – 1:00pm OR 6:00pm – 8:00pm

HeartShare, 159-05 Union Turnpike, Fresh Meadows, Queens
RSVP: Mary Scheulen, 718-422-3277 or mary.scheulen@heartshare.org

Wednesday, November 29, 2017, 6:00pm-8:00pm

YAI, 460 W. 34th St., 12th Floor, New York, NY
RSVP: Sarah Mills, sarah.mills@yai.org

Refreshments will be available at all locations.

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COMMUNITY NETWORK

FREE WORKSHOP • AUTISM SERIES

● **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2017**

TOPIC: SENSORY SMART™ STRATEGIES FOR REAL-LIFE CHALLENGES

PRESENTER: Lindsey Biel, M.A., OTR/L,
365 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10016
Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

● **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2017**

TOPIC 1: THE STRESS OF CARING FOR A FAMILY MEMBER WITH A DISABILITY

PRESENTER: Gary Shulman, M.S.Ed., Special Needs Consultant and Trainer

TOPIC 2: COMMUNICATING WITH KINDNESS

PRESENTER: Gary Shulman, M.S.Ed., Needs Consultant and Trainer
ADDRESS: 1200 Van Next Ave. Bronx, NY

For registration to this event please email Pangelle@montefiore.org

● **MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2017**

TOPIC: FRIENDSHIPS AND DATING IN ADOLESCENCE AND YOUNG ADULTHOOD WITH ASD

PRESENTER: Rebecca Shalev, PhD
ADDRESS: The CUNY Graduate Center
365 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10016
Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

● **MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2018**

TOPIC: WORKING WITH EMPLOYEES WITH ASD

PRESENTER: Lauren Donnelly, PhD
ADDRESS: The CUNY Graduate Center
365 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10016
Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

● **MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2018**

TOPIC: BUILDING COMMUNICATION SKILLS IN CHILDREN WITH AUTISM

PRESENTER: Rebecca Doggett, PhD
ADDRESS: The CUNY Graduate Center
365 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10016
Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

● **THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018- FAMILY CONNECT**

TOPIC 1 : WHAT IS A NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION
PRESENTER: Alanna Gold, PhD

TOPIC 2 : PROBLEM-SOLVING DAILY LIVING CHALLENGES

PRESENTER: Lindsey Biel, M.A., OTR/L
ADDRESS: New York School of Medicine
1216 Fifth Avenue at 103rd St, New York, NY 10029

● **FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2018**

TOPIC: ANXIETY & DEPRESSION IN ASD
PRESENTER: Katherine Sullivan, PhD

ADDRESS: The CUNY Graduate Center
365 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10016
Time: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED BY EMAIL:

FAMILYCONNECT@ADAPTCOMMUNITYNETWORK.ORG

BY PHONE: 718-436-7979 EXT. 704

SEATING IS LIMITED

****Childcare not available****

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Healthcare Services

Medical Services in Article 28 clinics located in Brooklyn and Bronx, serving residents of the five boroughs of New York City. Clinics are wheelchair accessible. Services include Family Medicine, Women's Health, Dental, Audiology Services, Psychiatry, Podiatry and Neurology.

Article 16 clinic offering Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy and Mental Health Counseling to adults who are OPWDD eligible.

Residential Services

Community Living Options are located in Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan and Staten Island.

- Information about accessing residential opportunities
- Must be OPWDD eligible

Bronx Overnight Respite

Serving all five boroughs. Fully accessible site

- Transportation provided in Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island
- 3yrs and older
- Must be waiver enrolled

Community Habilitation

An individualized, goal-orientated program serving Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Staten Island.

- Must be waiver enrolled
- Must be living independently or with a family member
- Should be able and willing to follow and participate in their Community Habilitation Plan.

Doorways to Independence

Housing Assistance Services/Home Modifications

Available in the Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Staten Island and Queens

- Must be Family Support eligible
- Provides housing case management services, advocacy and referrals
- NYCHA application status checks and assistance processing requests for transfers
- Housing court advocacy and Legal Aid Society referrals
- Home assessments - a developed report on possible modifications and equipment to make the home more accessible.

Home Modifications

- Funds available for eligible individuals to modify their homes for necessary accessibility e.g. Ramps, Stairlifts.

Family Reimbursement

Funds available in the Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Staten Island.

- \$500.00 limit for Brooklyn, Manhattan, Staten Island
Special Brooklyn Camp Funds available
- Manhattan Durable Medical Equipment Funds available
- Funding available to assist families in paying for an item
Medicaid or other funds will not cover
- Families can apply every 12 months

Family Connect

Family Connect Centers offer free weekly workshops, support services, and educational resources for New York City parents and families of children with disabilities. Through the Family Connect Centers, families are encouraged to learn, explore resources, and participate in improving outcomes for children with disabilities.

PROJECT CONNECT

Information and referral for supports and services offered in Brooklyn, Bronx, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island.

1-877-827-2666, Projectconnect@adaptcommunitynetwork.org

www.adaptcommunitynetwork.org

Children/Education Services

Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan and Staten Island

- On-site therapeutic services
- Preschool services
- Universal Pre-K
- Integrated programming
- School-Age Program (Brooklyn Only)
- Early Childhood Direction Center (Brooklyn Only)

After-School Program

Bronx, Brooklyn and Manhattan

- Manhattan PS 138@30
- Brooklyn PS 396 & Annex at UCP
- Bronx P721x
- Transportation is provided

Day Habilitation

Day Programs available in Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan and Staten Island. Persons served must be age 18 or older to apply.

- OPWDD eligibility
- HCBS Waiver (if living at home with family)

Supported Employment

Available for Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Staten Island residents. Employment services for adults with developmental disabilities.

Technology Resource Centers/Techworks to Go Van

As the NYC centers of the NYS Assistive Technology Act program, TechWorks is a free, public service to help minimize and overcome barriers due to disabilities. From simple utensil grasps to complex communication devices, a myriad of options can be offered to create more independence. Contact us for our device demonstrations, short term loans, trainings and information and referral service.

SHARE Lending Library

Located in Staten Island, Brooklyn, Manhattan and the Bronx. Borrow books, adaptive toys and educational materials.

ACTION DAY CAMP

Three week summer day camp experience for young people who reside in Brooklyn, ages 13-21, live with a family member.

- Must be in OPWDD waiver

SPIRIT

Saturday Recreation Programs offered in Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Staten Island.

- Individuals between the ages of 13-29, DD eligible and live with a family member who resides in Manhattan, Bronx, Brooklyn or Staten Island. Transportation is provided

EXPLORE Club Disco

Once a month, Friday nights events held in Manhattan, Brooklyn and Staten Island (SI individuals must be HCBS waiver)

- 18 yrs or older, DD eligible and live with a family member who resides in Manhattan, Bronx and Brooklyn
- Wheelchair accessible. Transportation not provided
- Dinner and refreshments served

Medicaid Service Coordination (MSC)

Services available for Manhattan, Bronx, Brooklyn and Staten Island. MSC provides ongoing support and coordination of services for individuals and their families.

- Must have Medicaid to be eligible

Individualized Supports & Services (ISS)

OPWDD Housing Subsidy administered by ADAPT Community Network to assist individuals with achieving or maintaining independent living.

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Quality Services for the Autism Community
Serving New York City and Long Island

Are you 55+ and on the autism spectrum or the aging parent of a child with autism?

QSAC'S SENIORS WITH AUTISM AND AGING CAREGIVERS PROJECT

The QSAC Aging Project focuses on issues related to aging and autism or other developmental disabilities. The project serves individuals who are 55+ and have an autism spectrum disorder (ASD) or another developmental disability with some features of autism. In addition, the program serves people who are 60+ who are the primary caregivers for individuals with autism or another developmental disability with features of autism.

Eligibility

Eligibility for insurance or services such as Medicaid, Medicare, or related services is NOT a requirement for participation in the program. The QSAC Aging Project will take referrals regardless of how many or how few services someone receives.

Assistance Provided by the Program

Participants receive assistance in areas of specific concern related to aging including:

- Consultation provided to an individual's case managers, service coordinators, and direct service providers for solutions to unique issues involved with aging and disabilities.
- Benefit and entitlement counseling (such as Medicare, Social Security, HEAP etc.).
- Housing, Community, and Transportation assessment and advocacy (environmental modifications, transportation services, barrier-free living and workplace etc.).
- Crisis intervention, short-term counseling, safety calls.
- Long-term planning guidance (Special Needs Trusts, residential planning, end-of-life planning).

For Referrals or to Join Our Resource Network

For referrals, inquiries, or to become part of our resource network for older adults with developmental disabilities, please contact:

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(718) 728-8476, ext. 1255
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This Aging Project is made possible with support from The Fan Fox and Leslie R. Samuels Foundation, The New York City Council, and The AT&T Foundation.



For information about connecting to YAI services, go to yai.org/link
or call us at 212.273.6182 - age range and eligibility requirements vary

BRONX

Day Habilitation
Parent Training: Behavior Management

MANHATTAN

Crisis Intervention
Emergency Respite Reimbursement
Family Reimbursement
Holiday Respite
In-Home Respite
In-Home Behavior Management
Parent Training: Behavior Management
Parent Training: Sexuality and Relationships
Parent Training: Parents with Special Needs
Social Skills for Children with Autism
Adult Recreation
You and I: Social and Networking Skills

STATEN ISLAND

Parent Training: Behavior Management

BROOKLYN

Ballet Yoga Group for Children on the
Autism Spectrum
Emergency Respite Reimbursement
Family Reimbursement
In-Home Behavior Management
Parent Training: Parents with Special Needs

QUEENS

Afterschool Program
Crisis Intervention
Day Habilitation
Emergency Respite Reimbursement
Family Reimbursement
In-Home Behavior Management
Non Medicaid Community Habilitation
Overnight Respite
Parent Training: Sexuality and Relationships
Parent Training: Parents with Special Needs

MULTI REGION

Free psychological, psychosocial and autism assessments - M, Bk, Qns
Free Education Workshops: For people with disabilities, caregivers and professionals
Independent Living Program
NYSTART: Crisis Prevention and Response for People with I/DD (212.273.6300) - M, Bx, Qns
Premier HealthCare: Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Dental and Ophthalmology
Skills Building: Transition to Independence for Young Adults on the Autism Spectrum
Supported Employment Services
Manhattan Star Academy: Private School
Resources and Supports Workshop: Learn about the I/DD System and Services
Residential: Contact YAI LINK for information on our residential waiting list



November 9, 2017

Sign in Sheet

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