

OTHER HEALTH IMPAIRMENT RESOURCES, DEFINITION & CRITERIA

Local Resources

American Diabetes Association
10820 Sunset Office Drive
Suite 220
St. Louis, MO 63127
314-822-5490
www.diabetes.org

American Heart Association
460 N. Lindbergh
St. Louis, MO 63141
314-692-5635
www.americanheart.org

American Lung Association of Eastern
Missouri
1118 Hampton Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63139
314-645-5505
www.lungusa.org

Bridges Community Support Services
3114 Sutton Blvd.
Maplewood, MO 63143
314-781-7900
www.bridgescss.com
Offers interpersonal counseling; OT, PT
and speech therapies; behavior therapy
and evaluations; supported living
services, person-centered planning and
more.

Bureau of Special Health Care Needs
866-809-2400 x308
Children with Special Health Care
Needs Program provides funding for
health/medical services for children
under the age of 21 who meet medical
and financial eligibility guidelines and
need diagnostic or treatment services
from specialist physicians. Also provides
Cystic Fibrosis, Hemophilia, Head
Injury, Sickle Cell Anemia, Genetics
Services and First Steps programs.

Child Center of Our Lady/Marygrove
2705 Mullanphy Ln.
Florissant, MO 63031
314-830-6203
Provides residential treatment, day
treatment, psychotherapy, out patient,
diagnostic treatment and respite care for
children who have severe anxiety,
conduct disorders, depression, ADD,
post-traumatic stress disorders and other
problems.

Children and Adults with Attention
Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
(CHADD) Support Groups
St. Luke's Hospital, Conference room A
232 S. Woods Mill Road
St. Louis, MO 63017
314-467-0280
Offers support groups for parents and
caregivers of kids with ADHD and for
adults with ADHD.

Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America
8420 Delmar, Ste. 303
St. Louis, MO 63124
314-991-0220
www.ccfa.org

Epilepsy Foundation of the St. Louis Region
164 Crestwood Plaza
St. Louis, MO 63126
314-962-3900, 800-264-6970
www.epilepsyfoundation.org/stlouis/
Self-help groups, independent living and
employment assistance, education.

Juvenile Diabetes Foundation
225 S. Meramec, Ste. 1032T
St. Louis, MO 63105
314-726-6778
www.jdrf.org

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Leukemia Society of America
77 West port Plaza, Ste. 101
St. Louis, MO 63146
314-878-0780
www.leukemia.org

Lupus Foundation of America-MO
Chapter
8390 Delmar, Ste. 215
St. Louis, MO 63124
314-432-0008
www.lupusmo.org

Miriam School
501 Bacon Ave.
Webster Groves, MO 63119
314-968-5225
www.miriamschool.org
Offers services to children ages four to 12 with learning disabilities, behavior disorders, attention deficit disorder, speech and language disorders and fine and gross motor delays. Consultation services to schools and individual families.

St. Louis Learning Disabilities
Association (LDA)
13537 Barrett Parkway Drive, Ste 110
St. Louis, MO 63021
314-966-3088
www.ldastl.org
Phone referrals; parent groups; seminars & symposiums; newsletter; resource library; workshops for parent groups, schools and organizations.

Tourette Syndrome Association
73 Fortune Lane
St. Louis, MO 63122
314-984-9019
www.tsa-usa.org
Support group, newsletter, information packets, lending library, speakers and inservice to schools and groups.

State Resources

MPACT (Missouri Parents Act)
800-743-7634 (main)
314-542-0096
www.ptimpact.org
State-wide, non-profit, independent parent center trains and supports parents so they can effectively advocate for their children's educational rights and services. • workshops on educational rights, I.E.P. process, communication skills, etc. • resource library includes books, magazines, videos, parent information packets • support includes individual assistance, support group assistance, parent volunteer program, and parent-to-parent mentoring.

National Resources

Attention Deficit Disorder Association
(ADDA)
www.add.org
Provides information and support, advocacy, distributes publications, and provides referral. Fax-on-demand system.

ADD Info Network
www.addinfonetwork.com
Support groups and information to families, adults with ADD and professionals through a network of chapters. Publications.

Candlelighters Childhood Cancer
Foundation
www.candlelighters.org
Provides information and referrals, education, support, database searches, publications and advocacy for families.

Center for Sickle Cell Disease
Howard University
www.sicklecell.howard.edu

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CHADD (Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder)

www.chadd.org

Serves and supports people with ADD and their families on local, state and national levels. Information through newsletters and publications.

Epilepsy Foundation of America (EFA)

www.epilepsyfoundation.org

Lupus Foundation of America, Inc.

www.lupus.org

National Cancer Institute
NCI Public Inquiries Office

www.cancer.gov

The National Children's Cancer Society
One South Memorial Drive

St. Louis, MO 63102

314-241-1600

www.nationalchildrenscancersociety.com

National Children's Leukemia
Foundation

www.leukemiafoundation.org

National Kidney and Urologic Diseases
Information Clearinghouse

www.kidney.niddk.nih.gov

Tourette Syndrome Association

www.tsa-usa.org

Book Sellers/Publishers Resource Catalogs

ADD Warehouse

www.addwarehouse.com

Guilford Press

www.guilford.com

Online Resources

ADDitude Magazine

<http://www.additudemag.com/index.html>

Family Village

<http://www.familyvillage.wisc.edu>

Library (click on first letter of a specific disability in the card catalog to go to resources)

National Dissemination Center of
Children with Disabilities (NICHCY)

<http://nichcy.org>

ADHD or Gifted?

Ben Franklin, disorganized and argumentative, brimmed with endless ideas and imaginative projects.

Albert Einstein, a poor student, was distractible, socially awkward and messy, yet infinitely creative.

Winston Churchill was a bad student who couldn't concentrate, yet he achieved political prominence.

Behaviors Associated with ADHD (Barkley 1990)

1. Poorly sustained attention in almost all situations.
2. Diminished persistence on tasks not having immediate consequences.
3. Impulsivity, poor delay of gratification.
4. Impaired adherence to commands to regulate or inhibit behavior in social contexts.
5. More active, restless than normal children.
6. Difficulty adhering to rules and regulations.

Behaviors Associated with Giftedness (Webb 1993)

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1. Poor attention, boredom, daydreaming in specific situations.
2. Low tolerance for persistence on tasks that seem irrelevant.
3. Judgment lags behind development of intellect.
4. Intensity may lead to power struggles with authorities.
5. High activity level; may need less sleep.
6. Questions rules, customs and traditions.

(adapted from ADDisorder@aol.com)

DEFINITION AND ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FROM APPENDIX A OF THE MISSOURI STATE PLAN

Other Health Impairment Definition

“Other Health Impairment” means having limited strength, vitality alertness, including a heightened alertness to environmental stimuli, that results in limited alertness with respect to the educational environment that is due to chronic or acute health problems, such as asthma, attention deficit disorder or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, diabetes, epilepsy, a heart condition, hemophilia, lead poisoning, leukemia, nephritis, rheumatic fever, and sickle cell anemia, and adversely affects a child’s educational performance.

Criteria for Initial Determination of Eligibility

A child displays a Health Impairment when:

- A. A health impairment has been diagnosed by a licensed physician, licensed psychologist,

licensed professional counselor, or licensed clinical social worker;

B. The health impairment adversely affects the child's educational performance.