

YOUNG CHILD WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DELAY RESOURCES, DEFINITION & CRITERIA

(Many of the resources listed are generic in nature or pertain to early childhood specifically. To find additional resources for a specific disability please refer to that section of the handbook.)

Special School District

Special School District provides Early Childhood Special Education to the following districts (for early childhood special education programs in districts not listed, contact your local school district).

Affton – 989-8376
Bayless – 989-8376
Brentwood – 962-8374
Hancock Place – 989-8376
Jennings – 989-8213
Ladue – 989-8441
Lindbergh – 989-8376
Maplewood/Richmond Hgts – 989-8374
Normandy – 989-8213
Parkway – 415-4980
Ritenour – 989-8374
Riverview Gardens – 989-8213
Valley Park – 415-4980
Webster Groves – 989-8374

Local Resources

The Belle Center
10916 Schuetz Road
St. Louis, MO 63146
314-692-8499
www.bellecenter.com

Provides educational consultation, out-reach facilitation, therapy services, computer training, parent-infant/toddler classes for birth to age 6, family support groups. Inclusion is a major focus.

Bureau of Special Health Care Needs —
866-809-2400x308
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, Cystic Fibrosis, Hemophilia, Head Injury, Sickle Cell Anemia, Genetics Services, First Steps Programs.

Center for Hearing and Speech
9512-9526 Manchester Road
St. Louis, MO 63119
314-968-4710

www.hearing-speechstlouis.org

Hearing evaluations, hearing aid consultation and assistive listening devices; speech evaluation and therapy; stuttering program.

Central Institute for the Deaf
825 South Taylor Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63110
314-997-0132

www.cid.edu

Parent-infant programs; hearing, speech, language and academic evaluations; language development class for pre-school.

Child Day Care Association
4236 Lindell Blvd., Ste 300
St. Louis, MO 63108
314-531-1412

www.childcarestl.org

Central planning, training and coordinating child day care agency provides resource and referral services, day care home support services.

Childgarden Child Development Center
4150 Laclede
St. Louis, MO 63108
314-531-8148

www.childgardencdc.org

Early intervention services that include physical, speech and occupational therapies; training for parents; daycare and preschool for

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children ages 6 weeks to 6 years of age with and without disabilities.

Delta Gamma Center for Children with Visual Impairments

1750 S. Big Bend Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63117

314-776-1300

www.dgckids.org

Provides Early Intervention Services to children birth to age 3 who are blind or have visual impairments and Family Support Services for families of children of all ages.

Family Resource Center

3309 S. Kingshighway

St. Louis, MO 63139

314-534-9350

www.frcmo.org

Therapeutic preschool for children 2 to 5 with emotional, behavioral or developmental problems that prevent them from adjusting to a regular child day care setting.

First Steps: Missouri's Early Intervention Program for Infants and Toddlers with Special Needs

1215 Fern Ridge

Parkway, Suite 101

St. Louis, MO 63141

314-453-9203

<http://www.dese.mo.gov/divspeced/FirstSteps/>

Good Shepherd School for Children

1170 Timber Run Drive

St. Louis, MO 63146

314-469-0606

www.goodss.org

Preschool services and full-time childcare for children with and without disabilities, ages 18 months to 6 years. Therapy services and special education.

Head Start

314-427-4940

www.moheadstart.org

Howard Park Center

15834 Clayton Road

Ellisville, MO 63011

636-227-2339

www.howardparkcenter.org

Therapy services and early intervention to infants, toddlers and young children with disabilities. Center- or home-based services.

Knights of Columbus Development Center

Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital

1465 Grand

St. Louis, MO 63104

314-577-5609

<http://www.cardinalglennon.com/medicalspecialties/developmental%20pediatrics/Pages/default.aspx>

Diagnostic services and therapeutic evaluations for children with disabilities, birth to age 18; training programs for parents.

Mercy Child Development Center

641 S. New Ballas Road

St. Louis, MO 63141

314-872-3345

<http://www.mercy.net/stlouismo/practice/mercy-childrens-therapy-and-development-center>

Serves infants and children with delayed development of motor, speech/language, social or learning skills, behavioral problems, attention deficit disorder or learning disabilities.

The Miriam School

501 Bacon Avenue

Webster Groves, MO 63119

314-968-5225

www.miriamschool.org

Programs for children ages 3 to 12 that include speech, language and occupational therapy; academic tutoring and consultations.

Parents as Teachers National Center (PAT)

2228 Ball Drive

St. Louis, MO 63146

314-432-4330

www.parentsasteachers.org

Family education and support program for parents with children ages birth to 5. Program covers child development and suggests

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activities that encourage language development, intellectual growth, social and motor skills, and strengthens the parent-child relationship.

Ranken Jordan
11365 Dorsett Road
Maryland Heights, MO 63043
314-872-6400

www.rankenjordan.org

Children's rehabilitation center provides skilled nursing and comprehensive therapy services for children from 2 weeks to 16 years of age with a wide variety of medical needs.

St. Joseph Institute for the Deaf
1809 Clarkson Road
Chesterfield, MO 63017
636-532-3211

www.sjid.org

Serves families and their children less than five years of age who have delayed speech and language development.

St. Louis Arc
1177 N Warson Road
St. Louis, MO 63132
314-569-2211

www.slarc.org

Agency provides support and services to adults and children with disabilities and their families. ARCH respite services; Family Organization Workshop Series; Sibshop Series; consultation and referral; early intervention services, daycare and preschool (see Childgarden).

St. Louis Children's Hospital
1 Children's Place
St. Louis, MO 63110
314-454-6154

www.stlouischildrenshospital.org

Comprehensive evaluation and therapy treatment programs in physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech/language disorders from age's birth to young adult.

St. Louis Regional Office
9900 Page, Suite 106
St. Louis, MO 63132

314-877-2711

www.dmh.mo.gov/slro/index.htm

Operated by the Missouri Department of Mental Health's Division of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities. Every person who requests services is entitled to an initial diagnostic evaluation and case management. Eligibility is determined and arrangements are made to obtain services within the available resources of the division (in such areas as therapy, family support, training, residential services and more).

St. Louis Society for the Physically Disabled
1187 Corporate Lake Drive, Ste 100
St. Louis, MO 63132
314-989-1188

www.stlsociety.org

Provides social/recreational programs, transportation, specialized orthopedic equipment, awareness programs.

St. Louis University
Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic
Department of Communication Disorders
McGannon Hall
3750 Lindell Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63108
314-977-3365

www.slu.edu/x12349.xml

Preschool program for children ages 3 to 5 who present a language disorder as the primary component of their disability.

Shriners' Hospital for Children
2001 S. Lindbergh Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63131-3597
314-432-3600

www.shrinershg.org

Medical care for children ages birth to 18 with orthopedic conditions.

Touchpoint Autism Services
1101 Olivette Executive Parkway
St. Louis, MO 63132
314-432-6200

www.touchpointautism.org/

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Provides treatment, services and support to children and adults with autism and Asperger's Syndrome and their families: clinical therapy services (communication, behavior, sensory integration, music therapies), training services, assessments, consultations, family support services, public information/community education, residential services, day services for adults, employment services, adult recreation services.

United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) Heartland
13975 Manchester Road
Manchester, MO 63011
636-227-6030

www.ucpheartland.org

Provides Parent-child Early Intervention Program with in-home and center-based developmental therapy for children birth to age 3 in city and county. Parent education assistive technology center.

State Resources

Early Childhood Special Education
Department of Elementary and Secondary
Education
573-751-0187

www.dese.mo.gov/divspced

National Resources

Council for Exceptional Children
www.dec-sped.org

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 Association for the Education of
Young Children (NAEYC)
www.naeyc.org

National Dissemination Center of Children
with Disabilities (NICHCY)
<http://nichcy.org>

National Early Childhood Technical Assistance
Center

www.nectac.org

PACER Center

www.pacer.org

Zero to Three

National Center for Clinical Infant Programs

www.zerotothree.org

Nonprofit dedicated to improving the chances for healthy physical, cognitive and social development of infants, toddlers and their families.

Online Resources

Family Village

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

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National Dissemination Center of Children
with Disabilities (NICHCY)

<http://nichcy.org>

Toy Catalogs

Childsworld/Childsplay

Division of Sunburst Visual Media

www.childsworld.com

Flaghouse-Special Populations

www.specialpopulations.com

Oppenheim Toy Portfolio

www.toyportfolio.com

Toys for Special Children/Enabling Devices

www.enablingdevices.com

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

Young Child with a Developmental Delay Definition

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“Young Child with a Developmental Delay” means a child ages 3 through 5 who is experiencing developmental delays, as measured by appropriate diagnostic instruments and procedures, in one or more of the following areas: physical development, cognitive development, communication development, social or emotional development, or adaptive development, and who need special education and related services.

Criteria for Initial Eligibility for Young Children with a Developmental Delay

A child has a developmental delay when:

For children ages 3 through 5 (not kindergarten age eligible)

A. The child’s development is at or below 1.5 standard deviations, or equivalent levels, of the mean in any TWO areas of development OR at or below 2.0 standard deviations, or equivalent levels, in any ONE area of development. Areas of development that can be used to determine eligibility include physical, cognitive, communication, social/emotional or adaptive.

B. The child needs special education and related services.

Professional Judgment

A child may also be deemed eligible when:

A. The evaluation report documents through formal and informal assessment that a significant deficit exists and a child is eligible for services even though the standard scores, or equivalent levels, do not meet the stated criterion levels in A above, or,

B. The team may determine that a child who is functioning above the stated criterion

level and because of intensive early intervention, is eligible for services based on expected regression if services were to be terminated.

For children ages 5 (kindergarten eligible)

A. Children kindergarten age eligible may continue eligibility as a Young Child with a Developmental Delay if they were identified as such prior to attaining kindergarten age eligibility.