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***Down syndrome Clinics:**

- ◆ The Kennedy Krieger Institute
 - Dr. George Capone
 - To make a referral or request an initial evaluation:
Contact our Care Management Office
Toll-Free Referral: (888) 554-2080
Local Referral: (443) 923-940
 - For follow-up appointments:
Lobby Care Center
Phone: (443) 923-3292
 - Resource Finder/Search Engine
- ◆ Children's National Medical Center:
 - Dr. Rosenbaum, DC and Rockville. 202-476-2187, 301-424-1755.
- ◆ University of Maryland Hospital for Children
Department of Medical Genetics
22 South Green Street, N -1W74
Baltimore , MD 21201
410-328-3335

***National Down syndrome Organizations & Resources:**

- ◆ National Down Syndrome Society: (New York City): 800-221-4602
 - What causes Down syndrome
 - Myths about Down syndrome
- ◆ National Down Syndrome Congress (Atlanta) 800-232-NDSC
 - Recommended Reading List
 - Care for Your Newborn Baby
 - Healthcare Guidelines
 - Quick Listing of Resources for New Parents.
- ◆ International Mosaic Down Syndrome Association.
 - Focus on support, reaching out to other families
 - Less common form of Down Syndrome
 - Hope to inform people with a lack of resources about Mosaic DS –95% of people with DS have Trisomy 21, 5% have translocation (TDS) or mosaic (MDS)
 - TDS- nearly all or part of a chromosome 21 becomes attached to another chromosome in the cell
 - MDS- two or more types of cells that differ in their genetic makeup (only a percentage of cells have extra chromosome 21).
- ◆ www.downsyndrome.com



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- ◆ Centre County Down Syndrome Society. Centre County PA parent group with great Ds info, links and such.
- ◆ National Association for Down Syndrome.
- ◆ Disability Solutions: Joan Guthrie-Medlen, RD, LD
- ◆ Down Syndrome Research Foundation: Mission- "To stimulate bio-medical research that will accelerate the development of treatments to significantly improve cognition for individuals with Down Syndrome
- ◆ www.downsed.org: UK-Sue Buckley.
- ◆ Sibling Support Project:, 6512 23rd Avenue NW #213, Seattle, WA 98117, (206) 297-6368
- ◆ Dads Appreciating Down Syndrome, P.O. Box 88346, Indianapolis, IN 46208.
- ◆ Band of Angels. Brothers & Sisters forum, merchandise, professional services directory.
- ◆ Down Syndrome Advocacy Foundation. Promotes advocacy, support, community, acceptance and responsibility. Goal: to enhance lives of people with Down Syndrome
- ◆ Down's Heart Group. Deals specifically with heart issues in people with Ds.
- ◆ Growth Charts for Children with Down Syndrome - Detailed chart of where kids with Ds generally develop along the growth chart.
- ◆ New Beginnings - A Magazine for Parents of Individuals with Down Syndrome published by the Down Syndrome Guild of Greater Kansas City.

***Down Syndrome Information/Publishers/Publications:**

- ◆ Dr. Len Leshin's website
- ◆ Down Syndrome Association of Greater Cincinnati, link to request New Parent Packet, Grandparent Packet, En Espanol Packet and more.
- ◆ Woodbine House Publishers, 800-843-7323
- ◆ Paul H. Brookes, Publisher
- ◆ Blueberry Shoes Productions
- ◆ Mile High Down Syndrome Recommended Books

***Parent Groups:**

- ◆ Anne Arundel County Down Syndrome Connection, 888-279-2279
- ◆ Chesapeake Down Syndrome Parent Group, Inc: 410-321-5434.
- ◆ Down Syndrome Network of Montgomery County:
- ◆ FRIENDS, Frederick, MD
- ◆ PODS, Prince George's County
- ◆ Angel's Forever UP, Waldorf, MD
- ◆ Down Syndrome Association of Northern Virginia, 703-621-7129.
- ◆ Parent Support Resource Network: (A committee of The Arc of Howard County) 410-730-0638 x 410
- ◆ Down Syndrome Association of Delaware



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***Local Organizations/Advocacy Groups, Community Services, Schools & Resources:**

- ◆ Maryland Department of Education
Baltimore, 410-767-0100
 - Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, 410-767-0848
 - Division of Rehabilitative Services, Baltimore, 410-554-9395, 888-554-0334
- ◆ Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council
The Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council advocates for public policy and supportive practices and opportunities that promote the full inclusion of all people with developmental disabilities in community life; Baltimore, 410-333-3688 (Voice and TTY), 800-305-6441
- ◆ Maryland Disability Law Center
Protects and advocates for the rights of people with disabilities; Baltimore, 800-233-7201, 410-727-6352, 410-727-6387 (TDD)
- ◆ Family Networks Listing of disability related supports/information in Maryland
- ◆ AA County Public Schools-Partners for Success Resource Center
- ◆ Child Find: The purpose of Child Find is to locate and evaluate children who are suspected of having a disability. Related services include but not limited to SLP, OT and P/T. Division of Special Ed., AACty Public Schools #410-222-5318
 - Infants and Toddlers Program. Birth to 2 yrs., 9 Mos., Early Intervention Program. 410-222-6911.
 - EI Ages 2 yrs, 9 mos -5yrs.: Annapolis. ECI is an early childhood special education intervention that prepares preschool students w/special needs for success in school. 410-766-6662.
 - School Age Program: Ages 5 yrs- 21yrs. Contact your school administrator.
 - Private/Religious Students: Ages 5 yrs-21 yrs. 410-222-5479.
- ◆ Anne Arundel County Public Schools
 - Division of Special Education, 410-222-5410.
- ◆ Listing of Private Schools in Anne Arundel County
- ◆ Maryland Coalition for Inclusive Education
- ◆ Anne Arundel County SECAC. Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee.
- ◆ Parent's Place of Maryland
- ◆ Maryland Disability Law Center
- ◆ Mortgages and Loans for People with Disabilities
- ◆ WMATA-Access to public transportation if you have a disability
- ◆ Maryland Technology Assistance Program
- ◆ ADA Info and Information Technology:
- ◆ Yellow Pages For Kids Listing of local "experts", arranged by State.
- ◆ Anne Arundel County Network of Care. Online directory of services available to County Residents
- ◆ Abilities Network, Annapolis. Anyone who has a developmental disability; including autism, epilepsy and learning disabilities.



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- ◆ **BEST** Program (AAMC): Behavioral Emotional Support and Training. Assessment and consultation, program planning, effective mgmt. techniques, services provided free of charge**, services/training for parents, child care center staff and family child care providers. Call 410-777-2915; Latanya O'Neill-McFadden, Doreen Campbell, Candy Place - behavioral specialists.
- ◆ **Early Connections, LLC**, Annapolis. An Early Intervention service for children ages 16 mos. to 5 yrs. of age; specializing in a play based approach using speech box, talk tools, affect based language curriculum and handwriting without tears.
- ◆ **LOCATE: Child Care**: is a parent-driven service that begins when a parent calls the LOCATE line. The counselor will discuss the parent's child preferences pertaining to type of care, location, hours, environmental factors, types of child care available, provide guidelines for selecting quality child care, provide current info. Early childhood education and best child care practices and link the caller to other resources.
- ◆ Paulette P. Forbes, M.A.Ed./Evaluation, treatment, and professional workshops for your child's cognitive development, learning style, communication, motor/sensory and social skills, ages birth to 6 yrs. www.pauletteforbes@verizonnet.
- ◆ **Robert A. Pascal Youth and Family Services**, 570 H Ritchie Hwy, Severna Park. Group Programs *such as Adolescent Anger Mgmt, Adult Anger Mgmt., Substance Abuse Education, Adult DUI/DWI, Women's Empowerment, Girls Empowerment.* Individual Counseling Services for Anger, Anxiety, Communication, Depression, grief, self-esteem, stress, suicide, traumas, substance abuse, physical and sexual abuse and coping with separation and divorce.
- ◆ **TEACH: Institute and Parenting Center**. Anne Arundel Community College, 101 College Pkwy., Arnold. Provides comprehensive child care training services including certification courses, continuing education, on-site training, conferences, consultation, a speaker's bureau and advocacy. #410-777-2915.
- ◆ **University of Maryland Resource Guide**

***Funding Resources:**

- ◆ Rolling Access Funds (ask parent group)—each county has agencies
- ◆ **Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA)** DDA-Fill out application and make your child “known” to the DDA to apply for reimbursement thru rolling access etc.

***Grants/Foundations:**

- ◆ **Angel Flights**: Gives free flights to medical patients that need transportation and do not have the services in their area. This one is a national organization that offers flights everywhere. Just call the toll free number and they will put you in touch with the right office.
- ◆ **Medical Grants**: An organization that helps with medical grants if you have a major medical insurance plan such as Bluecross/Blueshield that will not fully cover medical expenses or denies your claim. They do cover up to 100% of a procedure.

***Local Recreational Programs:** For varying ages.



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- ◆ AA County Recreation & Parks Programs
- ◆ Anne Arundel County Adaptive Recreation Programs
- ◆ Chesapeake Region Accessible Boating (CRAB). Annapolis. Provides sailing opportunities to persons with disabilities and their families:
- ◆ Maryland Therapeutic Riding, Crownsville.
- ◆ My Gym, Annapolis.
- ◆ 1st Class Gym, Annapolis.
- ◆ Universal Gymnastics, Annapolis.
- ◆ Maryland Hall, Annapolis. Dance, music & art classes.
- ◆ Rebounders, Timonium. I can do it Program.
- ◆ Rolly Pollies. Severna Park
- ◆ Special Olympics, Anne Arundel County, Young Athletes Program in AA County
- ◆ Kindermusik, various locations.
- ◆ Music Together, various locations.
- ◆ Crofton Yoga; Radiant Child Program, Crofton.
- ◆ Maryland Twisters Cheerleading, Glen Burnie. Eye of the Storm (Ages 11 & up), Storm Chasers (Ages 4 & up). www.cheer4all.net.
- ◆ League of Dreams, Baltimore Baseball.
- ◆ Golf for Life

***Medical/Behavioral/Various Specialists:**

- ◆ Behavior Psychologists:
 - Nancy Grace, KKI, 443-923-7456
 - Nancy Snyder, Millersville Psychological Services, Millersville, MD 410-987-3448, x 5.
 - BEST: Behavioral assessment and consultation, program planning, effective mgmt. techniques, services provided free of charge**, services/training for parents, child care center staff and family child care providers. Call 410-777-2915;
 - Dr. Gelfand, Dr. Joyce Cooper-Kahn, Psychological Resource Association, Jumpers Hole Road in Severna Park. Anxiety, etc...

- ◆ SLP:
 - Chesapeake Speech & Language Associates – Annapolis. www.nancycsla@verizon.net
 - Cisco Center – ST, OT and other programs
 - Cypress Creek Therapy-ST, OT and PT
 - Annapolis Children's Therapy Center –ST, OT and PT
 - Loyola Program—Columbia Center / Center for Excellence for Individuals with DS / 410-617-7603
 - Private:
 - i Diane H. Bandholz, Clarksburg, MD 301-448-7878



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- ii Lori Sova 410-913-6598 (Owings Mills area)
- iii Ana Curtin
- iv Maureen Flannagan

SLP Resources:

- v Talk Tools: (Sara Rosenfeld Johnson)
- vi Love and Learning (Reading Resource)
- vii Express Train
- viii Discovery Toys, sign language for babies, etc
- ix Lake Shore Learning Store in Towson! All types of Learning Materials.
- x Super Duper Publications, All types of Learning Materials.
- xi Maryland Speech, Language and Hearing Association
- xii PROMPT:
- xiii Signing Time, Books, DVDs.
- xiv TLC Kids Company -. Educational materials for children with disabilities.
- xv

◆ Pediatricians:

- Dr. Eric Crawford
- South River Pediatrics, Edgewater, MD. Dr. Azam Baig and Dr. Tierney.
- Dr. Donald Schneider
- Dr. Wiemer, Arnold, MD.
- Dr Strahlman, Columbia, MD. Columbia Medical Plan 410-997-8500
- Dr. Hackett, Severna Park. MD.
- Dr. Brown, Bowie, MD.
- Bay Area Pediatrics, Dr. Kalliongis, Stevensville.
- Bayside Pediatrics, Annapolis, MD. Dr. Nold, McGrath and Escoboza.

◆ Orthopedists:

- Dr. Silberstein
- Dr. Sponseller—scoliosis, C-spine/AAI
- Dr. Leet—Sunya Faridi hip surgery

◆ ENT:

- Annapolis ENT & Allergy
- Dr. Tunkel, Johns Hopkins.



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- Dr. Harley, Georgetown Univ, Washington, DC. 202-444-8186. Nighttime Pediatrics, Annapolis (Wed).
- Dr. Robert Meek, Anne Arundel ENT, Annapolis.

- ◆ Audiologists:
 - Dr. Robin Robinson, Hearing Solutions Audiology Center, Odenton, MD. 410-672-1233.
 - Georgetown Audiology
 - Annapolis ENT

- ◆ AAI X-Ray:
 - Anne Arundel Diagnostics
 - Children's Hospital, Laurel and DC location.
 - Advanced Radiology, Annapolis, MD.

- ◆ Ophthalmologists/Eye Doctors:
 - Dr. Avallone, Arnold.
 - Dr. Vicente, Eye Doctors of Washington, Annapolis.
 - Baltimore Washington Eye Center
 - Dr. Elba Pacheco, Severna Park (may not accept pediatric patients)

- ◆ Cardiologists/surgeons:
 - Dr. William Ravakes at Johns Hopkins in Annapolis. 410-955-9714.
 - Dr. Telep and Dr. Cohen
 - Dr. Susan Cummings, Childrens, Eastern Shore
 - Dr. Janet Scheel, Pediatric Cardiologist, Johns Hopkins Hospital. 410-955-9714.
 - Dr. Marco Meijja adult Cardiologist, Annapolis
 - Dr. Love & Dr. Salim, University of MD 410 328 6666. Office at Shipleys Choice as well.
 - Dr. Christian Pizaro, Cardiac Surgeon, Nemours Cardiac Center, Al Dupont Hospital, Wilmington, DE.
 - Dr. Jonas, Cardio thoracic surgeon, Childrens
 - Dr. Cardarelli, Cardiac Surgeon, University of MD.
 - Dr. Frank Galioto, Dr. Stephen Shapiro, Fairfax VA, has Annapolis Hours. 800-543-4278.



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- ◆ GI:
 - Dr. Sona Seghal, Childrens, Annapolis Office.

- ◆ Endocrinologists:
 - Dr. Elizabeth Parker, Childrens, Annapolis Office.
 - Dr. David Cooke, Johns Hopkins. 410-955-6463.

- ◆ Pediatric Dentist/Orthodontists:
 - Dr. Clinton Tull and Dr. Behling, Arnold, MD. 410-7575-5437
 - Berg, Lawrence and Weng, Pediatric Dental Specialists, Bowie, MD. 301-262-0242.
 - Dr. Ginsburg, Pediatric Dentistry Group, Ellicott City, MD.
 - Dr. Barry Lyon DDS & Associates Pediatric Dentistry, Quarterfield Rd. Glen Burnie.

- ◆ Physical Therapists:
 - Annapolis Family Physical Therapy, PT and Orthoses.
 - RSI Therapy, Laurel.
 - Tricycles and Bicycles:
 - i Fisher Price Rock Roll & Ride Tricycle
 - ii Foot Pedal Attachments to secure feet to pedals www.equipmentshop.com 800-525-7681
 - iii "No Brake" bicycle with training wheels (Toys R Us, Kmart-Huffy)—seasonal
 - iv Bike with training wheels
 - v Tandem bicycle
 - vi Lose the Training Wheels
 - vii Fat Wheels, (training wheels).

- ◆ Occupational Therapists:
 - Chesapeake OT Associates, Annapolis. Pediatric O/T, Sensory Integration and Fine Motor. www.debrataylor@juno.com.
 - Cisco Center. ST, OT and PT.
 - KKI—Mary Lashno for Feeding/Sensory issues in particular; also, fine motor assessment, handwriting
 - Handwriting without Tears.

- ◆ Orthotists:
 - Orthotic Solutions, Cidny Fox, Fairfax, VA. 703-849-9200.
 - Annapolis Family Physical Therapy, Phyllis Hayden, Annapolis.



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- Jeff Brooks, OrPro, Laurel. 301-362-1560
- Dave Harris, Laurel. 301-776-5200.
- Shoes and Foot Support
 - i www.robeez.com :
 - ii www.bobuxusa.com :
 - iii Stride Rite Outlet, or Shoe Buy
 - iv Steppin Out Shoes, Columbia Mall: Walter or David 401-997-1145 Markell scaphoid pad (purchased through Steppin Out Shoes)
 - v Shoe Train, Potomac MD: Ed (hot dogs, Jump Starts); 301-299-9662, 11325 Seven Locks Rd, Potomac, MD
 - vi Jumping Jack shoes, Stride Rite cruiser and toddler Tech shoes (flexible in toe box area): shoes need to have good heel counter, flexibility in toe box area, and be lightweight; tie shoes are best (also Elefantin, ECCO, Geox)
 - vii Cascade Dafo
 - viii Sure step Orthoses

- ◆ Feeding Programs:
 - Mt Washington Pediatric Hospital
 - KKI
- ◆ Special Needs Trusts:
 - MetLife: Metdesk. Met**DESK**®, MetLife's **D**ivision of **E**state Planning for **S**pecial **K**ids is dedicated to helping families secure both lifetime care and quality of life for their children or other dependents with special needs. Met**DESK**'s mission is to help families plan for the future of their children or other dependents with special needs, including preserving government benefits and providing insurance and other financial solutions which can help provide lifetime quality care. The planning process begins with a complete review of your dependent's needs, future care plans, assessment of government benefit eligibility, and finally a review of your family's current financial and legal plans.
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***Sites/Blogs of Interest:**

- ◆ Patricia E. Bauer
- ◆ Down Syndrome Swimming Organization. Recreational activity and competitive sport, Coaching tips, competitive opportunities
- ◆ Karen Gaffney Foundation
- ◆ Disability Awareness/Advocacy Site
- ◆ Dave Hingsburger
- ◆ Ds/Autism Dual Diagnosis Listserv
- ◆ John Langdon Down Foundation-The Mexican School of Down Art News



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***Educational, Advocacy and Legal Resources:**

- ◆ General Resources for Special Education:
 - Office of Special Education Programs: (OSEP) , U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs, 330 C Street SW, Switzer Building, Room 3516, Washington, D.C. 20202-2641
 - Families and Advocates Partnership for Education (F.A.P.E.): 8161 Normandale Blvd, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55437-1044
 - National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities We serve the nation as a central source of information on: disabilities in infants, toddlers, children, and youth, IDEA: which is the law authorizing special education, No Child Left Behind (as it relates to children with disabilities), and research-based information on effective educational practices.
 - CAST: Universal Design for Learning
 - www.specialed.us/index.html
 - www.concordspedpac.org :
 - www.dredf.org/special_education/spedresources.shtml
 - parentpals.com/gossamer/pages/
 - www.iser.com/
- ◆ Information on Learning Disabilities:
 - National Center for Learning Disabilities – IEP Parent Guide Tool Kit:
 - Learning Disabilities Association of America
 - Center for Learning Differences
 - Uniquely Gifted
 - www.fetaweb.com:
 - Parents Pals – Areas of perception that affect learning
 - Learning Disabilities Online – Visual and Auditory Processing
 - www.siglobalnetwork.org/asi.html: Sensory Integration / Sensory Processing Disorders.
 - www.interdys.org: International Dyslexia Association.
- ◆ Educational Advocacy Websites:
 - Wrightslaw
 - Kids Together (inclusion)
 - TASH: TASH is devoted to promoting full inclusion of people with disabilities in all aspects of society.
 - Peers Assisting Learning Support PALS: Peers Assisting Learning Support, 3504 Sturbridge Place, Allentown, PA 18104, 800/884-0635
 - Inclusion Resource for Teachers
- ◆ Procedural Safeguards:
 - Information on Procedural Safeguards.
 - Special Needs Advocate. Prior Notice Information.
 - Learning Disability Advocates
 - Resources for Letter Writing/Prior Notice
 - TA Alliance
 - Special Children-IDEA



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- [K-8 Access Center](#)
- [Colorado Department of Education](#)
- ◆ Independent Evaluations:
 - [Wrightslaw-Steedman](#)
 - [Wrightslaw Evaluations](#)
 - www.dphilpotlaw.com/html/independent_educational_evaluations.html
 - [Margaret Kay-Education Consultant](#)
 - [Learning Disabilities Online Article](#)
- ◆ IEP:
 - [Wrightslaw Schaffer Impact](#)
 - [UPDC Modules](#)
 - [Directions for Serving](#)
 - [West Virginia Standards Based IEP's](#)
 - [NCLID Advocacy](#)
 - [FAPE Solutions Letters](#)
 - [IEP 4 U](#)
- ◆ Testing Information:
 - [FDU Psychology](#)
 - [School Psychologist Files](#)
 - i WISC-IV:
 - harcourtassessment.com/hai/Images/pdf/wisciv/WISCIVTechReport1.pdf
 - harcourtassessment.com/hai/Images/pdf/wisciv/WISCIVTechReport2.pdf
 - harcourtassessment.com/hai/Images/pdf/wisciv/WISCIVTechReport3.pdf
 - harcourtassessment.com/hai/Images/pdf/wisciv/WISCIVTechReport4.pdf
 - ii Woodcock Johnson III - Test of Achievement:
 - ASB #1: Comparative Features of the WJ III Tests of Cognitive Abilities and the Wechsler Intelligence Scales> This document includes five tables that compare the WJ III Tests of Cognitive Abilities to the Wechsler Intelligence Scales, including the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale®–Third Edition, the Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children®–Third Edition, and the Wechsler Preschool and Primary Scale of Intelligence™–Revised. These tables make comparisons along a number of different dimensions, including content features, administration features, interpretation features, technical features and more. ASB #3: Use of the WJ III Discrepancy Procedures for Learning Disabilities Identification and Diagnosis Several discrepancy procedures are available with the WJ III. This ASB provides distinctions among the various discrepancy procedures and differentiates the purposes of each for the assessment of individuals with learning disabilities. ASB #4: Calculating Ability/Achievement Discrepancies Between the Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children–Third Edition and the WJ III Tests of Achievement This bulletin outlines a step-by-step procedure for calculating ability/achievement discrepancies between the Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children–Third Edition and the WJ III Tests of Achievement. It includes a reproducible worksheet for calculating these discrepancies. The procedure is based on correlations between



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the measures obtained from a broad sample of non-referred individuals. ASB #7: Specification of the Cognitive Processes Involved in the Performance on the WJ III This bulletin integrates information on the WJ III, Cattell-Horn-Carroll (CHC) theory, and selected research in cognitive psychology. Support for a specification of the cognitive processes involved in performance on the WJ III is described in terms of CHC theory with selected classic and contemporary cognitive and neuroscience research. ASB #8: Educational Interventions Related to the WJ III Tests of Achievement This bulletin relates the WJ III Tests of Achievement to a number of evidence-based educational interventions. The Cattell-Horn-Carroll (CHC) narrow abilities and a description of the cognitive processes required for performance on each test provides the conceptual basis for the links between the WJ III and the suggested educational interventions. ASB #9: Woodcock-Johnson III/Woodcock-Johnson III Normative Update Score Differences: What the User Can Expect and Why This bulletin describes the differences between the 2000 U.S. Census projections and the 2000 U.S. Census statistics and the impact this had on the WJ III norms. It further describes how recalculation of the WJ III norms based on the final 2000 U.S. Census statistics and the use of state-of-the-art bootstrap resampling procedures resulted in the WJ III Normative Update (WJIII NU), a more current and accurate comparison of an individual's scores to the U.S. population. Finally, it provides recommendations for best practice use of the WJ III/WJ III NU scores in tracking individuals' performance across time, allowing users of the WJ III to have great confidence in the accuracy of the scores from this instrument.

- ◆ Reading Disorders/Information:
 - [Florida Center of Reading Research](#)
 - [Learning Abled Kids](#)
 - [Reading Rockets](#)
 - [Reading Frameworks:](#)
 - [Children of the Code](#)
 - [Kidsource Dyslexia](#)
 - [Reading Disorders](#)
 - [Dyslexia MTSU](#)
 - [On Track Reading](#)
 - [Special Reads for Special Needs](#), 1457 Aster Place, Cincinnati, OH 45224
Phone 513.541.7617
- ◆ Sensory Processing Disorder:
 - www.siglobalnetwork.org/asi.htm
 - [SPD Network](#)
 - [NCAPD](#)
 - [M Coleman-CP Dad](#)
- ◆ Auditory Processing Information:
 - [ESL Lab](#)
 - pages.cthome.net/cbristol/capd-Ink.html
 - [Auditory Processing](#)



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- ◆ ADD/ADHD:
 - [Additude Magazine](#)
 - [ADD/ADHD Help Guide](#)
 - [ADHD Differential Diagnosis](#)
- ◆ Speech/Language Disorders Websites
 - [Speech Language Delay Resources](#)
 - [ASHA](#)
 - [Apraxia Kids](#)
 - [PROMPT Institute](#)
 - [Soundid Ears](#)
 - [NIDCD](#)
- ◆ Autism
 - [National Autism Association](#)
 - [Autism Society of America](#)
 - [NINDS-NIH](#)
 - [Autism Speaks](#)
 - [Autism.Com](#)

***National and State Disability Organizations:**

- ◆ [The Arc of the United States](#)
Offers many services to individuals with mental retardation and their families; 301-565-3842 [The Arc of Maryland](#), 410-571-9320, [Arc of MD Resource Guide](#), [The Arc of The Central Chesapeake Region](#), 410-269-1883.
- ◆ [American Society for Deaf Children](#)
Organization of parents and families who advocate for total quality participation of children who are deaf or hard of hearing in education, the family and the community; 717-334-7922 (business voice and TTY); 800-942-ASDC (parent hotline)
- ◆ [Anxiety Disorders Association of America](#)
Promotes the prevention and cure of anxiety disorders; 240-485-1001
- ◆ [Autism Society of America](#)
Information and support; 800-3AUTISM; 301-657-0881
[Anne Arundel Chapter](#); 410-923-8800
- ◆ [Brain Injury Association of Maryland](#) Information about public benefits, rehabilitation services and support group; 410-448-2924; 800-221-6443
- ◆ [CHADD \(Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder\)](#)
Information and support; 301-306-7070; 800-233-4050
[Anne Arundel Chapter](#); 410-721-2468
- ◆ [Chesapeake-Potomac Spina Bifida Association](#)
Information and referral, publications, public awareness and support; Annapolis, 888-733-0988
- ◆ [Child and Adolescent Bipolar Foundation \(CABF\)](#)
Information, support, chat room; 847-256-8525



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- ◆ **Connections Beyond Sight and Sound**
Serves children with vision and hearing impairments, birth through age 21. Provides resources, technical assistance and consulting for families, care providers, school systems and agencies; College Park, 301-405-7915 (Voice and TTY)
- ◆ **Cure Autism Now Foundation**
Dedicated to finding effective treatments, prevention and a cure for autism and related disorders; 323-549-0500
- ◆ **Cystic Fibrosis Foundation**
Provides research information, referral and support for families of children with cystic fibrosis; Bethesda, 800-344-4823; 301-951-4492. Maryland Chapter provides assistance to children and young adults with cystic fibrosis; Hunt Valley, 800-731-2873; 410-771-9000
- ◆ **Depression and Related Affected Disorders Association (DRADA)**
Support group and educational information; 410-955-4647
- ◆ **Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA)**
Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; 410-767-5600, 800-735-2258 (MD Relay)
- ◆ **First Call for Help**
Statewide telephone referral to sources of crisis intervention, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week; United Way of Central Maryland, 800-492-0618; Baltimore, 410-685-0525, 410-685-2159 (TTY).
- ◆ **Genetic and Rare Conditions**
University of Kansas Medical Center website with a list of Internet links to advocacy, support groups, organizations and information.
- ◆ **Learning Disabilities Association of America (LDA)**
Resources for families with learning disabilities; 888-300-6710
- ◆ **LDOonline**
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- ◆ **Maryland Asperger Advocacy and Support Group (MAASG)**
Supports families and individuals with Asperger's Syndrome; 410-429-5321. Anne Arundel County chapter, 410-647-9502
- ◆ **Maryland Association of the Deaf Inc. (MDAD)**
Purpose is to safeguard, maintain and advance civic, educational and social welfare of people in Maryland who are deaf and hard of hearing.
- ◆ **Maryland Fragile X Resource Group**
Support, education and participation in activities to raise awareness about Fragile X; 301-926-0576
- ◆ **Maryland School for the Blind**
Information and support group for parents of young children who are blind, partially sighted or suspected of visual impairment; 410-444-5000 ext. 722
- ◆ **Muscular Dystrophy Association**
800-572-1717; Maryland chapter, 410-494-7106, 301-486-7686
- ◆ **National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities (NICHCY)**, P.O. Box 1492, Washington, D.C. 20013-1492, 800-695-0285
- ◆ **NAMI-National Alliance for the Mentally Ill**
800-950-NAMI



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- ◆ National Association for Parents of Children with Visual Impairment
Information, support, resources and training to parents of children who are blind or visually impaired; referral service, 800-562-6265, 617-972-7441
- ◆ National Center on Physical Activity and Disability
- ◆ National Consortium on Leadership and Disability for Youth
- ◆ The National Consortium on Leadership and Disability for Youth (NCLD/) serves as a national youth-led information, training, and resource center.
- ◆ National Center for Learning Disabilities (NCLD)
Provides information, resources and educational programs; 888-575-7373, 212-545-7510.
- ◆ National Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
Information, support and referrals for affected individuals, their families and others; 800-666-6237, 202-785-4585
- ◆ NORD: National Organization of Rare Disorders
Information and resources on rare disorders; 800-999-NORD, 203-744-0100
- ◆ Pacer Center
- ◆ The mission of PACER Center is to expand opportunities and enhance the quality of life of children and young adults with disabilities and their families, based on the concept of parents helping parents.
- ◆ Reece's Rainbow Down Syndrome Adoption Ministry: P. O. Box 2055, Dacula, GA 30019-9998
- ◆ The Obsessive-Compulsive Foundation Inc.