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International

National Down Syndrome Congress
NDSC is to promote the interests of people with Down syndrome and their families through advocacy, public awareness, and information dissemination on all aspects of Down syndrome.

- Website: http://ndsccenter.org/
- Phone: 800.232.NDSC (6372)

National Down Syndrome Society
NDSS is the national advocate for the value, acceptance and inclusion of people with Down syndrome

- Website: http://www.ndss.org/
- Phone: 800-221-4602

Down Syndrome International
DSI is a UK based international charity, comprising a membership of individuals and organisations from all over the world, committed to improving quality of life for people with Down syndrome worldwide and promoting their inherent right to be accepted and included as valued and equal members of their communities.

- Website: http://www.ds-int.org/
- Phone: +44 (0)20 8133 4890
National

Canadian Association for Community Living
CACL is a family-based association assisting people with intellectual disabilities and their families to lead the way in advancing inclusion in their own lives and in their communities.

- Website: http://www.cacl.ca
- Phone: 416-661-9611

People First of Canada
Supports people who have been labelled to speak for themselves and to help each other, and helps make sure that what people who have been labelled have to say is heard.

- Website: http://www.peoplefirstofcanada.ca/
- Phone: (204) 784-7362

Circle 21
As social entrepreneurs, Circle 21 aims to lead and partner internationally, using an entrepreneurial mindset that eliminates old fashioned barriers and boundaries and to make ‘think global, act local’ a reality.

- Website: http://circle21.com/
- Phone: 1-855-CIRCL21
**British Columbia**

**Persons with Disabilities Assistance**
Provides disability assistance and supplements to provide greater independence for people with disabilities, including security of income, enhanced well-being, and participation in the community.

- Website: [http://www.eia.gov.bc.ca/pwd.htm](http://www.eia.gov.bc.ca/pwd.htm)
- Phone: 1 866 866-0800 Press 1

**The Ministry of Children and Family Development, Children and Youth with Special Needs**
Funds a range of programs and services for children and youth with special needs and their families. Services and supports are intended to promote children’s healthy development, maximize quality of life, assist families in their role as primary caregivers and support full participation in community life.

- Website: [http://www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/spec_needs/](http://www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/spec_needs/)
- Phone: 1-250-952-6044

**Inclusion BC (formerly BC Association for Community Living)**
A non-profit organization working with partners to build community and to enhance the lives of children, youth and adults with developmental disabilities and their families by supporting abilities, promoting action and advancing rights, responsibilities and social justice.

- Website: [http://www.inclusionbc.org](http://www.inclusionbc.org)
- Phone: 1-800-618-1119

**Local groups in British Columbia**

**Down Syndrome Research Foundation**
Website: [http://www.dsrf.org/](http://www.dsrf.org/)

**Greater Victoria Down Syndrome Society**
Website: [http://www.gvdss.ca/](http://www.gvdss.ca/)

**Lower Mainland Down Syndrome Society**
Website: [http://lmdss.com/](http://lmdss.com/)
Alberta

Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped
Provides financial and health-related assistance to eligible adults with a disability. The disability must be permanent and substantially limit the person’s ability to earn a living. AISH clients may also be eligible to receive supplemental assistance (a child benefit and personal benefits) through the AISH program.

• Website: http://www.seniors.alberta.ca/AISH/
• Phone: 1-877-644-9992

Persons with Developmental Disabilities
Works with others to support adults with developmental disabilities to be included in community life and be as independent as possible. The program is administered and governed by six community boards. Funding is provided to support individuals in their home, work and social environments based on individual need. These services supplement the support of family, friends and community members and assist the individual to live as independently as they can in the community.

• Website: http://www.seniors.alberta.ca/pdd/
• Phone: Contact numbers differ by region. Find your number at http://humanservices.alberta.ca/services-near-you/pdd-office-locations.html

Family Services for Children with Disabilities
Uses a family-centred approach to provide parents with funding to access a range of supports and services that strengthen their ability to promote their child’s healthy growth and development. In addition, FSCD assists with some of the extraordinary costs of raising a child with a disability.

• Website: http://www.child.alberta.ca/home/591.cfm
• Phone: Contact numbers differ by region. Find your number at http://humanservices.alberta.ca/disability-services/fszd-offices-lookup.html

Alberta Association for Community Living
Is a family based, non-profit federation that advocates on behalf of children and adults with developmental disabilities and their families. As an advocacy organization it supports families and individuals in their desire to be fully included in community life.

• Website: http://www.aacl.org
• Phone: 1-800-252-7556
Local groups in Alberta

Edmonton Down Syndrome Society
  • Website: http://edss.ca/

Ups & Downs – Calgary Down Syndrome Society
  • Website: http://upsdowns.org/
Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Assured Income for Disability
Provides an income for persons with significant and long-term disabilities separate from the Saskatchewan Assistance Program (SAP).

- Website: http://www.socialservices.gov.sk.ca/SAID/
- Phone: 1-888-567-SAID (7243)

Community Living Delivery Service
Is a branch of the Income Assistance and Disability Services Division. A number of services and programs are offered.

- Website: http://www.socialservices.gov.sk.ca/community-living
- Phone: 1-866-221-5200

The Office of Disability Issues
Serves as a focal point for government initiatives on disabilities. The Office is a vehicle for collaboration and partnership with the disability community.

- Website: http://www.socialservices.gov.sk.ca/office-disability
- Phone: 1-866-221-5200

Saskatchewan Association for Community Living
Exists to ensure that citizens of Saskatchewan who have intellectual disabilities are valued, supported and included members of society and have opportunities and choices in all aspects of life.

- Website: http://www.sacl.org/
- Phone: 1-306-955-3344

Local groups in Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Down Syndrome Society
- Website: http://skdownsyndrome.ca/
Manitoba

Children’s disABILITY Services
Provides services and support to families who may need assistance with some of the extraordinary demands of caring for a child with disabilities.

- Website: [http://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/pwd/css.html](http://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/pwd/css.html)
- Phone: Contact numbers differ by region, please visit website.

Employment and Income Assistance Program
Provides financial help to Manitobans who have no other way to support themselves or their families. For people who are able to work, EIA will help them go back to work by providing supports to employment.

- Phone number differs by region, please visit website.

Income Assistance for Persons with Disabilities
Provides financial and employment assistance for adults with a disability who are enrolled in the Employment and Income Assistance program. This additional financial assistance is provided in recognition of the additional costs of person with disabilities which are associated with living in the community.

- Website: [http://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/pwd/iapd.html](http://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/pwd/iapd.html)
- Phone number differs by region, please visit website.

Community Living Manitoba
Exists to promote and support the inclusion, self-determination and empowerment of people with intellectual disabilities in Manitoba’s communities.

- Website: [http://www.aclmb.ca/](http://www.aclmb.ca/)
- Phone: 1-204-786-1607

Local groups in Manitoba

Manitoba Down Syndrome Society
Website: [http://www.manitobadowns syndromesociety.com/](http://www.manitobadowns syndromesociety.com/)
Ontario

Ontario Disability Support Program
helps people with disabilities who are in financial need pay for living expenses, like food and housing. There are two components, Income Support, and Employment Supports.

- Website: http://www.mcss.gov.on.ca/en/mcss/programs/social/odsp/

Ministry of Children and Youth Services- Developmental Disabilities
funds about 50 Infant Development Programs. These programs are designed to help children up to five years of age who have a developmental disability or who are at risk of developmental delay.

- Website: http://www.children.gov.on.ca/htdocs/English/about/regionaloffices.aspx
- Phone: Visit above website to find your regional office

The Assistive Devices Program
provides funding to Ontario residents who have long-term physical disabilities and provides access to personalized assistive devices appropriate for the individual’s basic needs.

- Phone: 1-800-268-6021

Community Living Ontario
is a non-profit, provincial association that advocates for people who have an intellectual disability to be fully included in all aspects of community life.

- Website: http://www.communitylivingontario.ca
- Phone: 1-800-278-8025
Local groups in Ontario

Down Syndrome Association of Peterborough
  • Website: http://downsyndrome peterborough.ca/

Down Syndrome Association of Brantford & District
  • Website: http://www.dsabrant.com/

Down Syndrome Association of Hamilton
  • Website: http://dsahamilton.wordpress.com/

Down Syndrome Association of Lambton County
  • Website: http://ca.groups.yahoo.com/group/DSALC/

Down Syndrome Association of Ontario
  • Website: http://www.dsa.o.ca

Down Syndrome Association of Toronto
  • Website: http://dsat.ca

Down Syndrome Association of York Region
  • Website: http://www.dsayr.on.ca/

Down Syndrome Association of Sudbury
  • Website: http://www.dsas.ca/

Durham Down Syndrome Association
  • Website: http://san453.wix.com/ddsa

Chatham-Kent Down Syndrome Association
  • Website: https://www.facebook.com/CK.Down.Syndrome

Halton Down Syndrome Association
  • Website: http://www.haltondownsyndrome.com

London Down Syndrome Association
  • Website: http://www.ldsa.ca

Nipissing Down Syndrome Society
  • Website:

Down Syndrome Association of Simcoe County
  • Website: http://www.dsasc.ca

Sault Ste. Marie Down Syndrome Society
  • Website: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Sault-Ste-Marie-Down-Syndrome-Society/253474791451028
Waterloo Regional Down Syndrome Society
  • Website: http://www.wrdss.ca/

Up About Down- The Windsor-Essex Down Syndrome Association
  • Website: http://www.upaboutdown.org/

Down Syndrome Association of Kingston
  • Website: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Down-Syndrome-Association-of-Kingston/565807466770387

Down Syndrome Awareness of Peel
  • Website: http://dsap.ca/

Grey Bruce Down Syndrome Association
  • Website: http://www.qbdsa.com/
Quebec

Association du Québec pour l'intégration sociale
Soutient les personnes présentant une déficience intellectuelle et leur famille dans leur processus d'intégration sociale et de reconnaissance de leurs droits.

The Quebec Association for Social Integration
Supports people with intellectual disabilities and their families in the process of social integration and recognition of their rights.

- Website: http://www.aquis-iqdi.qc.ca
- Phone: 1-514-725-7245

Local groups in Quebec

Regroupement pour la Trisomie 21 (RT21)
- Website: http://trisomie.qc.ca/

Association du Syndrome de Down de l’Estrie
- Website: http://www.asdet21.org/
Newfoundland and Labrador

The Department of Health and Community Services provides policy direction, funding, and operational standards to the four Regional Health Authorities who deliver programs and services to individuals with disabilities and their families.

- Website: http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/personsdisabilities/
- Phone: 1-709-729–4984

Employability Assistance for Persons with Disabilities is designed to assist individuals with a disability acquire the skills, experience and support necessary to successfully prepare for, enter or remain in the work force. Services include employment counseling and assessment, employment planning, pre-employment training, post-secondary education, skills training, technical aids and other supports to assist individuals obtain access to job opportunities and training.

- Website: http://www.aes.gov.nl.ca/disabilities/services.html
- Phone number differs by region, please visit website.

Newfoundland and Labrador Association for Community Living works with and on behalf of persons with intellectual disabilities and their families. The NLACL promotes a vision of communities where everyone belongs and have a Rightful Place; where families support a person's right to full citizenship with society.

- Website: http://www.nlacl.ca
- Phone: 1-800-701-8511

Local groups in Newfoundland and Labrador:

Newfoundland & Labrador Down Syndrome Society

- Website: http://www.nldss.com
Nova Scotia

Services for Persons with Disabilities
The Services for Persons with Disabilities (SPD) Program serves children, youth and adults with intellectual disabilities, long-term mental illness and physical disabilities in a range of community-based, residential and vocational/day programs.

• Website: http://novascotia.ca/coms/disabilities/

The Nova Scotia Association for Community Living
The Nova Scotia Association for Community Living is a province wide association of family members and others working for the benefit of persons of all ages who have an intellectual disability. NSACL works strategically with other disability rights organizations and, in particular, with Nova Scotia People First.

• Website: http://nsacl.wordpress.com/about-us/
• Phone: 1-902-469-1174

Local groups in Nova Scotia

Halifax Nova Scotia Down Syndrome Society
• Website: http://halifaxnsdss.ca/

Cape Breton Down Syndrome Society
• Website: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Cape-Breton-Down-Syndrome-Society/190571804326333
New Brunswick

Disability Support Program
Provides personalized, flexible disability supports for persons with disabilities in the development of their personal disability support plans. It allows for the provision of independent facilitation and the use of person centered approaches to planning and designing disability supports.

- Website: [http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/services/services_renderer.200972.html](http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/services/services_renderer.200972.html)
- Phone: 1-506-453-2001

Community Based Services for Children with Special Needs
Works with parents/legal guardians in providing the extra-ordinary care and support required to meet the special developmental needs of their severely disabled child.

- Website: [http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/services/services_renderer.10195.html](http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/services/services_renderer.10195.html)
- Phone: 1-506-453-2001

New Brunswick Association for Community Living
For a detailed guide on accessing more programs and services in New Brunswick, please contact the New Brunswick Association for Community Living and ask about their resource, Taking the Journey.

- Website: [http://www.nbacl.nb.ca/](http://www.nbacl.nb.ca/)
- Phone: 1-506-453-4400

Local groups in New Brunswick

Greater Moncton Down Syndrome Society Inc.
- Website: [http://gmdss.ca/](http://gmdss.ca/)

Saint John Down Syndrome Society
- Website: [http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/downsyndromesaintjohn/](http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/downsyndromesaintjohn/)

Fredericton and Area Down Syndrome Society
- Website: [http://fadss.weebly.com](http://fadss.weebly.com)
Prince Edward Island

Support for People with Disabilities provides supports and services to people with disabilities in Prince Edward Island to help them enjoy a good quality of life. The division also partners with many community organizations across the province that extend services in the areas of transportation, housing, job training and recreation.

- Phone: 1-866-594-3777

PEI Association for Community Living

- Website: [http://peiacl.ca/wordpress/](http://peiacl.ca/wordpress/)
- Phone: 1-888-360-8681
- Video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijgZJ_zBha8&feature=share](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ijgZJ_zBha8&feature=share)
Yukon

Family Support for Children with Disabilities
Provides support to Yukon families to care for their child with a disability, supports early intervention to increase a child's lifelong learning potential, provides coordinated access to supports and interventions, and promotes inclusion of children with disabilities in community life.

- Website: http://www.hss.gov.yk.ca/disabilities_children.php

The Yukon Association for Community Living
Email: yaclwhse@northwestel.net
Phone: 1-867-667-4606.

Northwest Territories

Learning Supports for Persons with Disabilities
This group helps NWT residents with disabilities achieve their learning goals.

- Website: http://nwtability.ca/Programs/LearningSupportsforPersonswithDisabilities.aspx
- Phone: 1-800-491-8885

Yellowknife Association for Community Living
This group is a non-profit organization that supports families, children, youth, and adults with intellectual and other disabilities so that they are included and are able to contribute to community life in Yellowknife.

- Website: http://www.ykacl.ca/
- Phone: Please visit http://www.ykacl.ca/content/staff-contact/ to find contact number.

Nunavut

Nunavut - Nunavummi Disabilities Makinnasuaqtiit Society (NDMS)

- Website: http://www.nuability.ca/
- Phone: 1-877-354-0916