

Update

Clinical Corner



June Data

Adults

Referrals: 22
Active Clients: 171
Crisis Plan Hours: 108.5
Prevention hours: 475

Calls to Crisis Line

Information: 12
Prevention: 134
Crisis/Face to Face
Response: 24

Crisis Therapeutic Home

Emergency Bed Days: 56
Step-down Bed Days: 90
Prevention Bed Days: 29



30 Best Autism-Friendly Vacation Ideas

AppliedBehaviorAnalysisPrograms.com

Taking a family vacation can be extremely beneficial. It provides a change of scenery, time to bond as a family, and new experiences that broaden horizons and build character. But for families with children on the autism spectrum, the idea of a family vacation can be one of overwhelming stress.

For kids on the autism spectrum, many go-to destinations are just too loud, too crowded, too

Children

Referrals: 14
Active Clients: 65
Crisis Plan Hours: 7.5
Prevention Hours: 190

Calls to Crisis Line

Information: 7
Prevention: 1
Crisis/Face to Face
Response: 10

We have a new referral form!

Please replace the old form with this new form.

[Click here](#) to download it, and please share with anyone in your system that makes REACH referrals. Thank you!

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different from their normal routine.

It was for just these families that we went on the search for the very best autism-friendly vacation ideas. A destination that works for one child on the spectrum may not work for another, so we've included a variety of destinations that can be done in one afternoon or one week.

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Autism On the Road:

10 Tips for a Successful Summer Vacation

AutismAwarenessCentre.com

The best summer vacation is one where we have our own space.

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In The News

Apps



VocaliD

Over ten million people live with voicelessness.

Humanizing the voice inside any device that speaks.



Teaching Parents Of Kids With Disabilities To Fight Back

NPR: All Things Considered, Joseph Shapiro

A nationwide program helps parents of children with developmental disabilities — and people with disabilities themselves — advocate for their rights, from the school yard to Congress.

VocaliD crowdsources human speech to create custom digital voices.

[Click here](#) to learn more.

Books & Podcasts



Noggin Notes Podcast

Episode 26: Intellectual Disability, with special guest Heather Milligan.

Some mental health, neurodevelopmental, medical and physical conditions frequently co-occur in individuals with intellectual disability, including cerebral palsy, epilepsy, ADHD, autism spectrum disorder and depression and anxiety disorders.

[Click here](#) to listen.

Diversity & Inclusion

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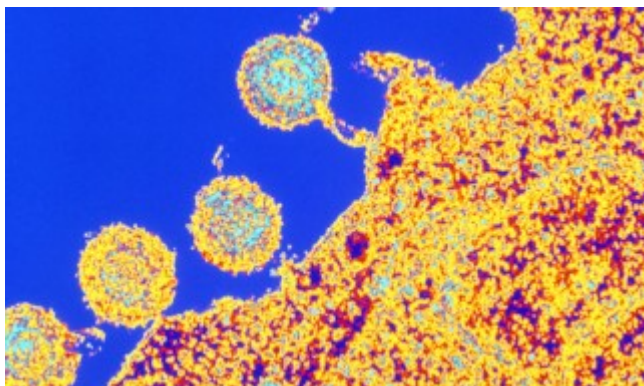
Partners in Policymaking Online courses

The goal of *Partners in Policymaking* is to educate participants to be active partners with those who make policy. They will become partners in policymaking. The idea is to develop partnerships that are based on positive relationships. In today's political climate of radical change, Partners graduates must work harder than ever to prevent the loss of basic rights for people with disabilities. Partners graduates can change the future by influencing public policy today.

Five online courses are now available to anyone who would like to increase their knowledge and skills.

[Click here](#) to learn more.

Medical News



Researchers Find Herpes Viruses In Brains Marked By



Inclusion Position Statement: The Arc

All people with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities benefit when fully included in community life.

Issue

Individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities often are not treated equally. They have been labeled by their disability and separated from the community.

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Alzheimer's Disease

NPR.org, Heard on *All Things Considered*

Two common herpes viruses appear to play a role in Alzheimer's disease.

The viruses, best known for causing a distinctive skin rash in young children, are abundant in brain tissue from people with Alzheimer's, a team of scientists reports Thursday in *Neuron*.

The team also found evidence that the viruses can interact with brain cells in ways that could accelerate the disease.

[Click here](#) to continue reading and to listen.

Opportunities and Events



**Autism Spectrum Disorder:
Accredited Webcast Series**

Complimentary!

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This six-part, accredited educational series has been developed to provide a comprehensive overview of autism spectrum disorder (ASD) with the goal of developing an understanding of the disorder and promoting optimal outcomes and compassionate care for these individuals and their families.

There are **no fees** for participating in or receiving credit for these activities.

Intended audience

This series is designed to meet the educational needs of case managers, counselors, educators, nurses, nurse practitioners, pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, PAs, physicians, psychologists, social workers, therapists and other health care professionals (HCPs) who have an interest in ASD.

[Click here](#) to learn more.



Coming Soon: New Health Coverage for Adults.

[Click here](#) for more information.

**SUMMER
PROGRAMS**

2018 Camp and Activities Guide

[Click here](#) for a printable version of this awesome summer guide.



\$1 Family fun movies playing on Tuesdays & Wednesdays for the summertime!

[Click here](#) for participating theatres near you and more information.

21st Annual Golf Classic

To Benefit Persons with Intellectual Disabilities

WHERE:

Blacksburg Country Club
1064 Clubhouse Rd.
Blacksburg VA

WHEN:

Monday, August 13, 2018

TIME:

12:00 P.M. Check in.
1:00 P.M. Tee-off
Shot Gun start

FEE:

\$75 per person (includes lunch)

For more information please contact IDA at 381-0310 or e-mail

sheila@idanrv.org



We are also in need of donations, tee sponsorships, and door prizes for this event. All proceeds support our efforts to provide services for persons with intellectual disabilities in the NRV.

NRVCS Autism Support Group

What: A monthly support group meeting for local families. Meetings are educational, parent-driven, and supportive. Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders (including those previously diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome, Pervasive Developmental Disorder, Childhood Disintegrative Disorder, Rett's Disorder), and other developmental and/or intellectual disabilities are welcomed to join.

When: Monthly

Where: NRVCS Radford Center, 401 W. Main Street, Radford, VA 24141 ([Click here](#) for Map)

Parents: Wadsworth Room (#119)*

Kids: Norwood Room (#108)

***Please sign in youth in the Norwood Room!**

[Click here](#) to subscribe to mailing list, so that you can be made aware of meeting dates/times/staff and menu!



Do you have an event that you would like to see in the newsletter? [Click here](#) to submit it!

Employment Opportunities

Come check out our job openings for REACH Region III.

[Click here](#) for the flyer.

For more information on available positions and to apply [click here](#).

Do you have an open position you would like to see in our newsletter? [Click here](#) to submit it.

DBHDS



Virginia Department of
Behavioral Health &
Developmental Services

[Click Here](#) for the website.

[Click here](#) to review - **General Memo RE: HB 1775 ID to DD Change 2017**

Resources



The Arc of Virginia

Our Mission. The Arc of Virginia promotes and protects the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and actively supports their full inclusion and participation in the community throughout their lifetimes.

Our Vision. People with intellectual and developmental disabilities are valued as classmates, coworkers, neighbors, citizens and friends.

[Click here](#) for their website.



The Virginia Tech Autism Clinic

VTAC in the Psychology Department of Virginia Tech, opened in the Fall of 2005 to provide clinical services to individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders and their families in the surrounding New River Valley.

[Click here](#) for their Blast Announcement with **Events, Research, and Monthly Group Meetings!**

[Click here](#) for their website.



NADD



Special needs require special attorneys.

The Special Needs Alliance

NADD is a not-for-profit membership association established for professionals, care providers and families to promote understanding of and services for individuals who have developmental disabilities and mental health needs. [Click here](#) for their website.



The Virginia Autism Council

This website is Virginia's clearinghouse on best practices and research-based education and training opportunities to advance personnel development and knowledge regarding autism in Virginia. [Click here](#) for more information.

The Special Needs Alliance is a national, non-profit organization committed to helping individuals with disabilities, their families and the professionals who serve them. [Click here](#) for their website.



Commonwealth Autism

[Click here](#) to view State Resources compiled by Commonwealth Autism.

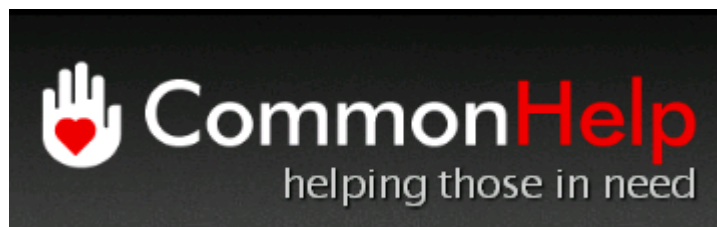
DDHSN Dental Services

[Click here](#) to download the application for dental services through DDHSN.

The forms are to be used if you are giving patients/ARs information about the DDHSN community programs that will eventually replace the RCSC clinics.

Casey Tupea is now taking referrals from Regions 1 and 3 to get clients in her system before the training center closes.

Once the programs is in place they will receive an office assignment. Casey.Tupea@dbhds.virginia.gov



Virginia CommonHelp

Apply for help with food, child care, heating and cooling bills, health care and cash assistance. [Click here](#) for their website.

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