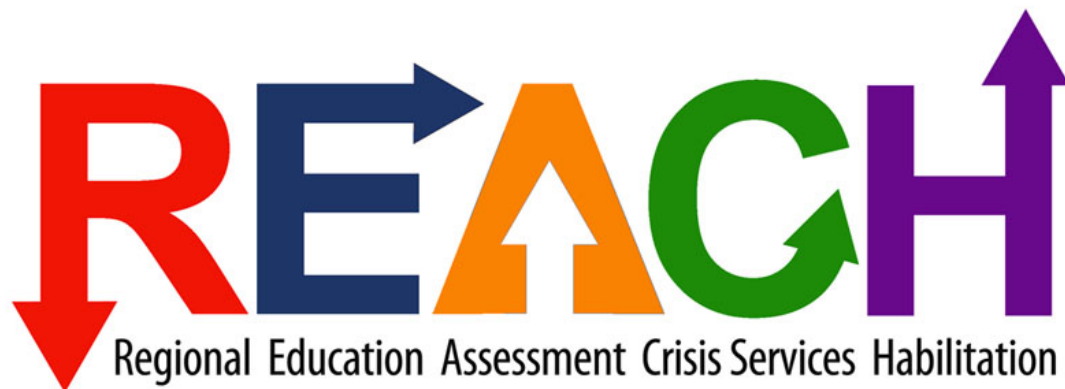


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Update

Clinical Corner



September Data

Adults

Referrals: 28
Active Clients: 91
Crisis Plan Hours: 95.07
Crisis Prevention hours:
435.58

Calls to Crisis Line

Information: 34
Crisis Prevention: 102
Crisis Face to Face



October is Disability Employment Month

Employment plays a pivotal role in adulthood. By using appropriate services and support and taking advantage of an individual's strengths and abilities, employment is attainable for most adults with IDD.

Planning for future employment should be part of

Response: 35 Face to Face + 3 Telehealth
Total Calls: 174

Average Crisis/Face to Face Response Time:
 47.43 minutes

Crisis Therapeutic Home

Emergency Bed Days: 56
 Step-down Bed Days: 60
 Prevention Bed Days: 0

Children

Referrals: 32
 Active Clients: 72
 Crisis Plan Hours: 49.82
 Crisis Prevention Hours: 312

Calls to Crisis Line

Information: 30
 Crisis Prevention: 13
 Crisis Face to Face Response: 20 Face to Face + 4 Telehealth
Total Calls: 67

Average Crisis/Face to Face Response Time:
 28.30 minutes

Our Referral Form

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

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every child's life plan and career pathways should be expected in adulthood.

[Resources: Employment - Autism Society](#)

[Competitive Integrated Employment Toolkit](#)

[Interviewing Tips for Applicants with ASD](#)



3 Types of Adaptive Costumes for Adults with Disabilities

The Comfortable Creature

You can't go wrong with a comfortable costume. Start with a sweatshirt or pajamas as your base, and dress it up from there. The possibilities are endless. If you're making a custom design, glue or sew additional details onto the fabric to create your perfect look.

Become a spooky bat with some added material under the arms or transform into a ferocious dinosaur with a few felt triangles down the back. If you aren't the DIY type, look for loose-fitting, soft materials.

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Videos



Social Story Creator & Library 4+

Touch Autism

An amazing app for easily creating, sharing and printing educational social stories, visual schedules, and beautiful memories.

[Click here](#) to learn more.



Fall Sensory Painting

YouTube.com

Mess-free painting in a bag art project for simple fall activities.

Click on video above or [click here](#) to view.

Books & Podcasts

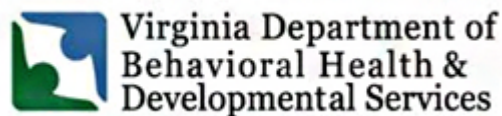


YOUR Neurodiverse Relationship with Jodi Carlton

Listen in (or be a guest) as Jodi Carlton chats with people and other professionals about specific life challenges and solutions for neurodiverse relationships.

[Click here](#) to learn more.

Health



DBHDS/Office of Integrated Health

The October Newsletter Includes:

- The Monkey Pox Virus
- App of the Month: CDC Vaccine Schedules
- ABA Snippets
- Patients Come First Podcast
- New Proposal in Congress

Diversity & Inclusion



Being Inclusive at Halloween

rockymountainada.org

Halloween is almost here! For those that celebrate and take part in Halloween traditions, here are some things to consider for an inclusive holiday.

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Employment Opportunities



Come check out our job openings for REACH Region III.

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

(Type 'REACH' in the search bar)

Opportunities and Events



Dance for Children with Autism

UCLA Researchers are looking for:

Children ages 8-12 years

Must have an autism diagnosis

Participants receive:

FREE weekly dance classes (held via Zoom)
Unique opportunity to make friends & stay active from home
\$100 cash or gift card upon completion of the study

How do classes work?

Kids are paired 1-to-1 with a teacher who will modify group classes to meet their unique needs & ability level.

What is the purpose?

This study will examine the effects of dance classes on motor skills and behavior.

Contact Us:

Phone: 310.206.1045

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Love on the Spectrum

In case you missed the UCLA Tarjan Center's Film Screening Series of Love on the Spectrum US, the recording is available online.

You can watch the panel presentation that features the Director and some of the cast members. Go to our website <https://www.semel.ucla.edu/tarjan/training> and click on UCLA Tarjan Center Film Screening Series.

EVENTS (in person)

[UVA Supporting Transformative Autism Research \(STAR\) Autism Hope Summit](#) *(free)*

Saturday, December 3

9am - 5pm

[Registration required.](#)

Darden School of Business

100 Darden Blvd

Charlottesville

EVENTS (virtual)

[Stony Brook University Center for Corporate Education: Introduction to the Science and Lived Experience of Autism](#) *(fee-based)*

In this hybrid (synchronous and asynchronous) online course, participants are required to complete a 30-minute video presentation prior to logging in for each 30-minute live session.

Each course runs for 7.5 weeks. The next one starts on October 25, 2022.

Live sessions are Tuesdays and Fridays at 12:00 pm on the following dates:

October 25 & 28

November 1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22 & 29

and December 2, 6, 9, 13, 16 & 20.

[Mental Health America: The Rural Mental Health Crisis](#) (free)

Wednesday, October 26

1pm EST

Children's Specialized Hospital: A Free Overview of Autism Spectrum Disorders and Services

[En Espanol](#)

[Ask the Therapists: Psychologist, Speech, and Occupational Therapists](#)

Thursday, October 27,

6:30 - 8pm EDT

[A Medical Overview of Autism Spectrum Disorders](#)

Thursday, November 17,

10:30am - 12:00pm EDT

[Stanford Medicine: Stanford Neurodiversity Summit 2022](#)

October 23 - 25

Real-time Spanish interpretation of the keynote presentations will be provided.

[Access Summit flier in Spanish.](#)

18 panels, 10 keynote presentations, workshops, musical performances and more.

Register today. \$20.

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Behavioral Health &
Developmental Services

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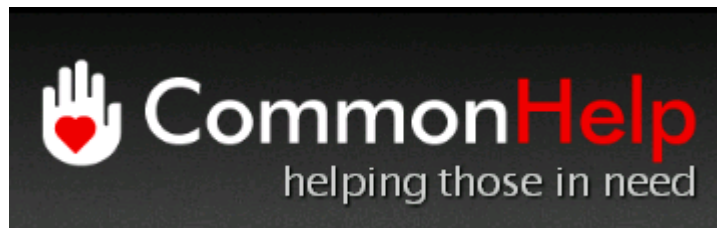
[Click Here](#) for Provider Development.

Resources

The ARC of the United States

Our Virtual Program Library for People With Disabilities Is Now Live!

[Click here](#) to view!



Virginia CommonHelp

In these difficult times, many Virginians are looking for assistance with essential services.

Virginia CommonHelp makes it easy for you to apply for multiple Department of Social Services programs using one online application.

CommonHelp partners with several government agencies to offer Virginians a fast and easy way to apply for a wide range of services:

- Help with paying for childcare
- Home energy assistance
- Help with buying food
- Low or no-cost healthcare
- Temporary cash assistance for families with children

To determine your eligibility for one or more programs, you can complete CommonHelp's [online eligibility portal](#). The portal will tell you which programs you qualify for and how to apply for them online. Visit the [CommonHelp website](#) to learn more about the programs and government agencies that they partner with.

The Employment Toolkit for Job Seekers with Autism

readyjob.org

[Click here](#) to view.



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 Events and News!

[Click here](#) for their website.



NADD

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.



Special needs require special attorneys.

The Special Needs Alliance

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 and [here](#) for **The Voice -Special Needs Alliance Newsletter**.



The Virginia Autism Council

This website is Virginia's clearinghouse on best practices and research-based education and training opportunities to advance personnel



Commonwealth Autism

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

development and knowledge regarding autism in Virginia. [Click here](#) for more information.

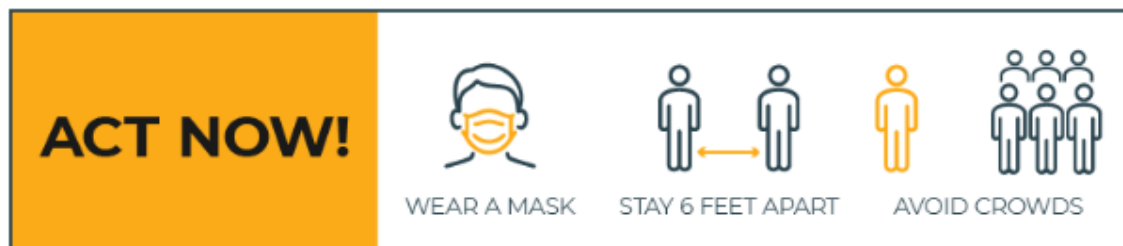


New River Valley Disability Resource Center
A Non-Profit Center for Independent Living; Serving the NRV

[Click here](#) for their website for Events and Resources.

Vaccine Information Center - Virginia Department of Health

[Click here](#) for information on VDH COVID-19 Vaccination Response.



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