# Children's Services in Indiana County

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# DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES

•Armstrong-Indiana-Clarion Drug and Alcohol Commission (AICDAC) – www.aicdac.org PH: 724-354-2746 Alcohol, tobacco, other drugs and gambling prevention education and awareness programs available for youth, schools and the community; Programs can be tailored to your needs.

• ARIN Intermediate Unit 28 – www.iu28.org Underage Users Group

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Armstrong Indiana CrisisFamily A.C.T.S., Inc.-

PH: 724-463-5300, ext. 1211

PH: 877-333-2470 PH: 724-763-7600

PH: 724-397-5517

Addiction, Family Recovery, Children of Addicts, Assessments, Outpatient Counseling, Education, Support, and Gambling. Services provided on site or via telehealth. Hours: Mon thru Thurs, 8 am to 6 pm and Fri, 9 am to 3 pm (later hours by request)

#### CHILD CARE

- Early Learning Resource Center (ELRC) www.ELRC3.com PH: (724) 285-9431 Toll Free: (888) 864-1654 Region 3, based out of Butler County, serves 5 counties including Indiana County. The ELRC combines two programs: Child Care Works-formerly known as "CCIS" and Keystone STARS-PA's Quality Rating and Improvement System for certified child care providers on a regional level. THE ELRC helps parent(s) locate child care, provides free resources and referrals, and operates the child care subsidy program which helps families pay child care costs. The ELRC provides families, early learning service providers, and communities with information and access to services that support high-quality child care and early learning programs.
- <u>Compass Online Portal</u> <u>https://www.compass.state.pa.us/compass.web/ProviderSearch/Home#BasicSearch</u>
  Find Child Care and other Early Learning Programs near you. You have options when it comes to the care for your child.
  Whether you need child care or another early learning program, you can find it here.

## **CLOTHING**

• First Methodist Church of Marion Center Clothing Closet

 $Marion \ Center, \ PA; \ Open \ Tuesdays \ from \ 9:00 \ am \ to \ 12 \ noon; \ children \ and \ adult \ clothing; \ Free$ 

• Indiana County Community Action Program, Inc.

PH: 724-463-7440 pr 724-465-2657

Diapers and wipes available on a monthly basis for income eligible households with children.

Jacksonville United Presbyterian Church Clothing Closet (call to confirm hours)

PH: 724-479-8941

Kent, PA; Last Friday of the month, 3 pm to 6 pm; Last Saturday of the month, 9:00 am – 11:00 am; March thru Oct; Closed Nov, Dec, Jan and Feb; (weather permitting Mar); Free clothing & miscellaneous items for children and adults.

Life-Way Family and Pregnancy Support-

PH: 724-349-5307 or call/text 412-554-1600

https://www.lifewayfamilies.org; Free; clothing/nursery items for children birth to age 5 (as available) for program clients; intake and enrollment required

• <u>The Salvation Army</u> PH: 724-465-2530

Free; Kicks for Kids (July) Coats for Kids (Sept/Oct) and Angel Tree (Sept, Oct, for Christmas delivery)

## **COUNSELING / SUPPORT**

• <u>Alice Paul House</u> - <u>www.alicepaulhouse.org</u> PH: 724-349-4444 or 1-800-435-7249 (for outside local calling area) Trauma-informed counseling advocacy for children and their significant others. Age-appropriate evidence based and research supported counseling programs, prevention, and awareness education programs. Medical and legal advocacy for child survivors.

# • The Arc of Indiana County - www.arcindiana.org;

PH: 724-349-8230

The Arc offers resources, support and Advocacy for people with intellectual disabilities and their families. The Educational Advocacy Program (EAP) guides parents and their students through the special education process. This includes how to prepare for Individualized Education Program (IEP) meetings, and school mediation. Local Task Force (LTF) workgroup's purpose is to provide parents with advocacy, secondary transition, and special education support, training, and resources.

CARE Center of Indiana County - www.carecenterofindianaco.org

PH: 724-463-8595

Nurturing Parent Program- 12-week evidence-based parenting program offered at no cost to the community. Topics include: brain development, child development, empathy, feelings, stress and discipline. Other services: Supervised Visitation, Monitored Visitations, and Parenting Assessments. Cooperative Coparenting is offered to help separated or divorced couples communicate and make coparenting decisions in the interest of Child(ren) and avoid the destructive effects that separation and divorce can have on a family.

• Children & Youth Services - www.countyofindiana.org

PH: 724-465-3895 or 1-888-559-6355:

after 4:00 p.m. - call **911** for emergency/crisis; Childline: **1-800-932-0313** 

Free services to prevent and resolve problems of neglect, abuse, and exploitation of children

# Clarvida (Previously Family Behavioral Resources)-

PH: 724-463-3600

- •Child centered, family focused therapeutic services in client's home and/or community settings. Services are individualized, available for a variety of mental health diagnosis, behavioral concerns, and autism spectrum disorders. Ages 0-21
- •Outpatient Clinic: **724-465-0369** Psychotherapy for children, adolescents, and adults (families, couples, individuals) in a variety of treatment approaches. Cost: Call for insurance information: self-pay: medical assistance
- Community Guidance Center www.thecgc.com

PH: 724-465-5576 or 1-888-686-1991

- Mental and Behavioral Health Services for children: full-time psychiatrist, children's and adolescent partial hospitalization, family-based services, individual and group therapy, case management services, school-based outpatient therapy, early intervention, intellectual disability support coordination. Most insurances accepted. Financial assistance may be available for those who qualify.
- Early Intervention Service Coordination: Services to children, age birth to 3 with developmental delays, or at risk for developmental delays; Coordination of services which may include physical, occupational, speech, hearing, and/or vision therapists and a developmental specialist. Services provided at no cost to families.

● Family A.C.T.S., Inc. PH: 724-763-7600

Treatment in Trauma, PTSD, EMDR, Anxiety, Couples Counseling, Family Therapy, Anger Management and more. Insurances accepted: Carelon Behavioral Health, Highmark BC/BS, UPMC Health Plan and self-pay (with a sliding fee scale if needed).

• <u>Highmark Caring Place/A Center for Grieving Children</u>, <u>Adolescents</u>, <u>and Their Families</u> - www.highmarkcaringfoundation.com

 $\label{two-facilities: Downtown Pittsburgh $-1$-888-224-4673$, Warrendale $-1$-888-734-4073$ \\$ 

Free bereavement services, based on peer support. No therapy available.

Recreation/Socialization continued...

• Woodlands Foundation, Inc. - www.mywoodlands.org

PH: 724-935-5470

Year-round and age-appropriate clubs, day programs, overnight retreats, and overnight summer camps for people ages 6 and over with disabilities and chronic illness. Activities include: golf, music, archery, nature encounters, indoor pool, and adaptive zip-line with care and support from trained staff. Camperships and waiver options available.

- •For a listing of **Coalition/Councils** that work on issues affecting children in Indiana County, visit <a href="https://www.humanservices-countyofindiana.org">www.humanservices-countyofindiana.org</a> and click on Information About Human Services in Indiana County and then on Where to Turn for Help. They welcome community members to join their cause.
- •For Information on human services Dial 2-1-1 or go to www.pa211sw.org.

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Armstrong Indiana Crisis- PH: 877-333-2470

National Multiple Sclerosis Society - www.nationalmssociety.org

Email: ContactUsNMSS@mnss.org

Pediatric MS information, education, support groups and services

• Primary Health Network (PHN)- Indiana Dental Center (PH: 724-465-6100) and Jacksonville Family Medicine Center (724-726-0300)

Community Health Center that offers Family Medicine, Dental Hygiene, and Dentistry services. PHN accepts Medicare, Medicaid/CHIP, and most insurances. Sliding fee discount is available to those who qualify.

Spina Bifida Association of Western PA - www.sbawp.org

PH: 724-934-9600

PH: 1-800-344-4867

Family-School partnership consultation for school aged children; Blue Prints - Program for pre-school aged children; Cost varies - depends on the program

### PROTECTIVE SERVICES

• Children and Youth Services (see Counseling/Support)- www.indianacountypa.gov;

Childline - PH: 1-800-932-0313 to report abuse

●The CARE Center of Indiana County – www.carecenterofindianaco.org

PH: 724-463-8595

Provides forensic interviews and evaluations for children when there are allegations of sexual and physical abuse; professionals work with the family to help navigate the legal system and to obtain necessary treatment services; focus is justice and healing for victimized children; free

# RECREATION / SOCIALIZATION

Boy Scouts/Laurel Highlands Council- www.lhc-bsa.org

PH: 412-471-2927

- •Group activities for boys and girls, ages 5 to 10; and for girls/boys, ages 11 to 18; Venturing and Explorer groups for boys and girls ages 14-20; Trail Blazer Program for youth with disabilities and special needs; Camping opportunities; registration fee for 12 months; pro-rated when joining.
- 21st Century After School Club-ARIN IU#28/ Evergreen After School Club -724-463-5300, ext 1211/PH: 724-910-1323 After-school and summer programs for youth in Indiana and Armstrong Counties; serving grades K-8
- Girl Scouts Western Pennsylvania www.gswpa.org

PH: 1-800-248-3355

PH: 724-459-6077

PH: 724-248-7122

PH: 724-541-3381

PH: (724) 702-0261

PH: 724-465-8841 ext. 6

Girls gain skills and experiences that build their courage, confidence, and character to prepare them for life. Supported by their sisterhood, girls can simply be themselves. Membership fees; financial assistance available; available to all girls in grades K-12.

•Indiana County Libraries:

-Blairsville Public Library- www.blairsvillepubliclibrary.org

-Burrell Township Library- https://burrelltownshiplibrary.org/

-Homer Center Public Library- FaceBook at https://www.facebook.com/HCPlib/

-Indiana Free Library- https://www.IndianaFreeLibrary.org (Children's Dept.)

-Saltsburg Free Library - https://www.saltsburglibrary.com/

• National Multiple Sclerosis Society - www.nationalmssociety.org/camp

Offer MS Adventures Camps. Armstrong/Indiana Counties:

• Special Olympics, PA - www.specialolympicspa.org; Facebook: Special Olympics PA Armstrong Indiana Counties contact Michelle Jordan PH: 724-349-8230

Provides year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities; they offer a variety of sports at various skill levels to include all athletes; free;

● Spina Bifida Association of Western PA - www.sbawp.org

PH: 727-934-9600

Firefly Camps and Weekend Retreats provide year-round opportunities for people with Spina Bifida and related disabilities of all ages to come together for skill development, mutual support, friendship, and physical and wellness activities in an environment of acceptance and understanding. Cost: Varies by program. Campership opportunities available.

PH: 724-465-2530 The Salvation Army

SA Youth Group (7th - 12 Grade); Weds 5 pm to 7 pm; SA Troops (1st - 12th Grade); Weds & Residential and summer camp programs (June - Aug)

#### Hopeful Hearts/A Service of Concordia-IRMC VNA/Bereavement Peer Support for Children, Adolescents, and Their Families - www.hopefulheartspa.org PH: 724-463-6340

Free; child-focused peer support for children (ages 18 and under) and their families who are grieving the death of a significant person in their lives. Evening meetings every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month; light meal served.

• IUP - Center for Applied Psychology - https://www.iup.edu/cap/

PH: 724-357-6228

Psychological treatment and assessment for children, adolescents, and families. Psychotherapy is provided for problems ranging from anxiety and depression to disruptive behavior and parent-child relational issues. Evaluations are conducted to assess concerns ranging from behavior problems to academic performance to child development, including autism spectrum disorder. Fees are set according to an income-based sliding scale, self-pay and medical assistance accepted.

• JusticeWorks YouthCare- www.justiceworksyouthcare.com

PH: 724-726-6545

JusticeWorks is an in-home community-based service provider who provides a variety of supports for youth and families in Indiana County. They offer academic and truancy support, visitation, parenting education, mentoring, parent/child conflict, crisis intervention, substance abuse, and more. They also offer a county-wide independent living mentoring program where they support youth towards self-sufficiency and positive living.

Merakey - www.merakey.org

PH: 724-349-2451 or 1-888-647-0020

- Therapeutic Family Care: Place and support children with a mental health diagnosis that are referred by CYS, MH/MR, JPO, or self-referred by parents; Accepts medical assistance
- Life Sharing: Place and support children and individuals with developmental disabilities in community homes
- Permanency Services: A Statewide Adoption Network (SWAN) affiliate for Permanency Services and Post **Permanency Services**

### **EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION**

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- American Red Cross http://www.redcross.org/take-a-class PH: 1-800-733-2767 CPR and First Aid Training, Pediatric First Aid Training, Babysitter's Training, Lifeguard Training, Water Safety; Fees for PH: 724-463-5300
- ARIN Intermediate Unit 28 www.iu28.org
- Early Intervention for children ages 3-5
- Little Apples Preschool: For children ages 3-5 for students with special needs as well as typically developing students
- ELECT Program: Support services for pregnant and parenting teens
- Transition: Links school-age special needs students with community services to help the transition from school to adult life
- 21st Century After School Club
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- Evergreen After School Club/21st Century After School Club- https://wwwevergreenasc.org or www.iu28.org;

PH: 724-910-1323 or 724-463-5300

After school and summer programs in Indiana and Armstrong Counties, serving K-8

 Head Start / Early Head Start, Indiana County -PH: 724-287-2761, ext 421-Brittney Coursen or Kathy Frederick at ext 132

Provides education, health, nutrition, and social services to children, ages 0-5, and their families who are incomeeligible

Lifesteps Family Care Mobile Resource Center - www.lifesteps.net

PH: 724-283-1010 or 1-800-225-2010

Mobile resource center sharing and lending resources within a 20-mile radius of Indiana Borough. Topics and materials range and are helpful for children, adults and seniors. Complete schedule of visits posted online; free

● Life Way Family and Pregnancy Support https://www.lifewayfamilies.org

PH: 724-349-5307 or call/text 412-554-1600

Free evidence-based parenting lessons for ages newborn through school age children. Offered as in-person sessions and digital remote learning

• March of Dimes Western PA - www.modimes.org

PH: 1-888-663-4637

Merakey - www.merakey.org PH: 724-349-2451 or 1-888-647-0021

Autism Schools provide specialized placements for students with Autism Spectrum Disorders and/or emotional support needs. In the schools-specialized programs such as gender responsive programming for females with emotional disturbance as well as 18-21 year old transition services; schools located outside of Indiana County

The Salvation Army -PH: 724-465-2530

Summer Day Camp- Mon - Fri; Cost: \$50/week

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

• Spina Bifida - Gatehouse - www.sbawp.org

PH: 724-934-9600

Residential Program: provides life skills education & prevocational evaluation & support to high school grads w/Spina Bifida & related disabilities. \*Referral by OVR\*

#### **FINANCES**

• Assistance Office, Indiana County (PA Dept. of Human Services) -PH: 724-357-2900 or 1-800-742-0679 Cash Assistance, Emergency Housing Assistance, Energy Assistance, Food Stamps, Medical Assistance for dependent children: www.compass.state.pa.us

#### **FOOD**

• Indiana County Community Action Program, Inc.

PH: 724-463-7440 or 724-465-2657

Food pantries; emergency food packages; Power Pack- food for children over the weekends, distributed in schools; free Life Way Family and Pregnancy Support

Baby food, baby cereals and baby formula offered free of charge to community residents.

PH: 724-349-5307 or call/text 412-554-1600

## **HEALTH / MEDICAL CARE.**

American Cancer Society - www.cancer.org

PH: 1-800-227-2345

Free information on cancer and patient programs and services.

PH: 1-800-342-2383

Information; Advocacy and Research; Summer Camp Program for children with diabetes.

• American Heart Association - www.americanheart.org

American Diabetes Association - www.diabetes.org

PH: 412-208-3550

Information about defects and/or heart related problems

PH: 1-800-586-4872

• American Lung Association of Pennsylvania - www.lunginfo.org

Camp and health education opportunities for children and families with asthma; Teens against Tobacco use Programs; information on topics such as asthma, tobacco, lung cancer, flu, radon and air quality issues; Cost: Nominal to none

Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, Armstrong-Indiana (previously MH/MR)- www.aibdhp.org

PH: 724-548-3451 or 724-349-3350

- Early intervention Referrals: serving children from birth to 3 years of age who have or are at risk for developmental delays
- Children/Adolescent Behavioral Health Services Referrals: Intensive Behavioral Health Services (IBHS) such as mobile therapy, behavioral health technician, behavior consultation, therapeutic staff support, behavior specialist, residential treatment, community residential rehabilitation, family based, and targeted mobile therapy
- CASSP (Child & Adolescent Service System Program): a comprehensive system of care that assists children with behavioral health needs and their families gain access to needed services.

## • Breathe Pennsylvania - www.breathepa.org

PH: 724-772-1750 • The School Asthma Initiative offers programs and resources to Early Learning Centers, K-12th grade, and beyond to educate school personnel, students, and early learning practitioners about proper asthma management. Smokeless Saturday-Teen tobacco cessation and awareness program for students who have been found with tobacco on school premises.

• Community Guidance Center - www.thecgc.com

PH: 724-465-5576 or 1-888-686-1991

- Mental and Behavioral Health Services for children: full-time psychiatrist, children's and adolescent partial hospitalization, family-based services, individual and group therapy, case management services, schoolbased outpatient therapy, early intervention, intellectual disability support coordination. Most insurances accepted. Financial assistance may be available for those who qualify.
- Early Intervention Service Coordination: Services to children, age birth to 3 with developmental delays, or at risk for developmental delays; Coordination of services which may include physical, occupational, speech, hearing, and/or vision therapists and a developmental specialist. Services provided at no cost to families.
- PA Elks Home Service Program, www.paelkshomeservice.org Contact Heidi Bouch at 724-545-9150 Provides in-home medical care coordination services, advocacy, and referrals to services. Services are provided via in-person home visits or telephonically to persons of any age with developmental disabilities. Fee: No

# Health Insurance for Children/PA Program (CHIP)

1-800-986-5437

Free or low-cost health insurance to uninsured children through CHIP; Children (birth to 19) not enrolled in any other insurance and not eligible for public health insurance are eligible; must meet age, family size and income guidelines Cost: None for free programs; Premiums required for low-cost program.

- \*\*Managed Care-Southwest Counties, including Indiana County HealthChoices Program Provider Enrollment: PH: 1-800-440-3989 (TTY users call 1-800-618-4225).
- ◆ AmeriHealth Caritas PA- https://amerihealthcaritaspa.com
- Geisinger Health Plan, Inc.-. https://www. geisinger.org/health-plan/plans/ghp-family-medicaid
- ◆ Health Partners Plans- https://www. https://healthpartnersplans.com/
- ◆ Highmark Wholecare- https://highmark.com/wholecare
- ◆ UPMC for You, Inc- <a href="https://medicaid.upmchealthplan.com">https://medicaid.upmchealthplan.com</a>
- IUP-Speech, Language, and Hearing Clinic www.iup.edu/alliedpublichealth/services/speech/index.html

PH: 724-357-2451

FREE speech, language, swallowing/feeding, cognition, and voice evaluations and therapy; Hearing screening

## ●Leukemia and Lymphoma Society - www.lls.org

PH: 1-800-955-4572

PH: 1-800-572-1717

Free information on blood cancers including Leukemia, Lymphoma, Hodgkin Lymphoma, Myeloma and MDS; financial aid for those undergoing treatment or ongoing follow-up, educational programs and resources for patients and families

### • Lifesteps - www.lifesteps.net

PH: 724-283-1010 or 1-800-225-2010

Child Check: FREE Developmental screening for children from birth to age 5, including cognitive, personal-social, language, motor, speech and hearing. May include Autism screening by request for children 18 months - 3 years of age; Calendar of screenings available online.

- Medical Assistance Transportation Program (Rabbit Transit) www.rabbittransit.org/Indiana PH: 1-800-524-2766 Supports paratransit, mileage reimbursement, and fixed route reimbursement for individuals receiving medical assistance going to medical assistance providers.
- Muscular Dystrophy Association www.mda.org

Parent Support; summer camp for children (ages 6-18); equipment, no cost

My Choice Medical Clinic- www.mychoicemedicalclinic.com

PH: 1-877-223-7558 Pregnancy Testing, Options Counseling, Abortion Education, ultrasounds to determine viable pregnancy, STI testing;

FREE. 24-hour helpline at 1-800-712-4357 • National Kidney Foundation serving the Alleghenies. - www.kidney.org PH: 412-261-4115 Visit https://www.kidney.org/kidney-topics/all-about-kidneys-basics-kids and learn about kidney health and habits to keep your kidneys and the rest of your body healthy!