

Disabilities Studies and Services Center (DSSC)

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The Disabilities Studies and Services Center (DSSC), a department within the Academy for Educational Development, focuses on meeting the needs of children and youth with disabilities, their families, and the many professionals who work for and with them. Through its many projects, DSSC serves the disability community by providing information, referrals, linkages with other organizations and agencies, publications, training, and technical assistance.

By combining resources and experience to address disability issues at all levels, DSSC serves children, teachers, families, local and state administrators, employers, university faculty, students, and others. Drawing upon our comprehensive disability library and multiple specialized databases we are pleased to offer assistance to the disability community.

DSSC consists of:

The Federal Resource Center (FRC)

The National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities (NICHCY)

The National Transition Alliance for Youth with Disabilities (NTA)

Technical Assistance Center for Professional Development Partnerships

COACH (a database project of public transportation training programs)

Visit our home page on the Web to learn more about us and to find answers to your disability-related questions: <http://www.dssc.org>

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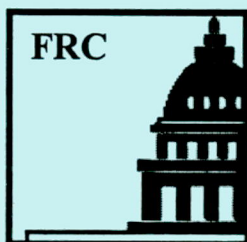
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www.nichcy.org

The National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities (NICHCY) is a national information and referral center that provides information on disabilities and disability-related issues. Our audience is families, educators, and other professionals. Our special focus is children and youth (birth to age 22).



www.dssc.org/frc

The Federal Resource Center (FRC) is part of the Regional Resource and Federal Centers Network: the RRFC Network, a national network of technical assistance projects. The RRFC Network is composed of six Regional Resource Centers (RRCs) which work with states, and the Federal Resource Center for Special Education which coordinates the RRCs and is a liaison between the Network and OSERS. The ultimate beneficiaries of the RRFC's services are infants, toddlers, children, and youth with disabilities, and the families and professionals who are associated with them.



www.dssc.org/nta

The National Transition Alliance for Youth with Disabilities (NTA) is working to create a brighter future for all youth transitioning from school to employment, postsecondary experiences and independent living, and to bridge between agencies responsible for providing transition services and the lessons learned from people in the disabilities field.



www.dssc.org/pdp

Technical Assistance Center for Professional Development Partnerships. The TA Center supports and facilitates the development of collaborative partnerships for the preparation of educational professionals.



1-888-89COACH

COACH is a fully searchable database of public transportation training programs to enable both riders and providers to use accessible public transportation services and systems. The COACH database will be available in the summer of 1997.