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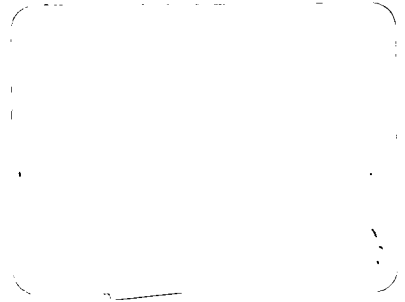
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Description:

Established in 1977, the Academy of Dispensing Audiologists (ADA) is a national organization that fosters and supports the professional dispensing of hearing aids by qualified audiologists in rehabilitative practice, encourages audiology training programs to include pertinent aspects of hearing aid dispensing in their curricula, supports research in relevant areas of aural rehabilitation, works cooperatively with individuals and organizations in improving hearing aid dispensing services, and provides guidance for audiologists interested in dispensing hearing aids as part of their rehabilitative practice.

Publications:

Journal, directory, brochures, pamphlets.

Meeting Information:

Annual Convention, October 8-11, 1998, Monterrey, CA.

2. **Academy of Rehabilitative Audiology (ARA)**

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The Academy of Rehabilitative Audiology (ARA) was founded in 1966 as a forum for the exchange of ideas, knowledge, and experience related to rehabilitative aspects of audiology and associated disciplines. Membership in ARA is open to professionals holding a graduate degree in audiology or speech-language pathology or in the education of persons with hearing impairment. Associate and student memberships are also available.

Publications:

Journal of the Academy of Rehabilitative Audiology, annual directory, professional books, other professional materials.

Meeting Information:

Annual summer institute (meeting/seminars) in June; contact ARA for date and location.

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Description:

The Acoustic Neuroma Association (ANA) is a patient-organized information and mutual-aid group incorporated as a nonprofit organization. ANA provides information and support to patients who have experienced an acoustic neuroma or other benign problems affecting the cranial nerves. ANA also educates the public regarding symptoms suggestive of acoustic neuroma and promotes early diagnosis and successful treatment.

Publications:

Notes (quarterly consumer newsletter), brochures, audiovisuals.

Meeting Information:

Biennial symposium, June 18-20, 1999, Milwaukee, WI.

4. Acoustical Society of America

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Description:

The Acoustical Society of America is an organization whose goal is to increase and diffuse the knowledge of acoustics and to promote its practical applications.

Publications:

Professional journal, newsletter, directory, monographs.

Meeting Information:

October 12–16, 1998, Norfolk, VA.

5. ADARA: Professional Networking for Excellence in Service Delivery with Individuals Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

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Description:

ADARA (formerly the Professional Workers with the Adult Deaf and the American Deafness and Rehabilitation Association) is a membership organization. ADARA's mission is to facilitate excellence in human service delivery with individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing. This mission is accomplished by enhancing the professional competencies of the membership, expanding opportunities for networking among ADARA colleagues, and supporting positive public policies for individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing.

In achieving this mission, ADARA members are committed to full access for members to all aspects of the organization's business; recognizing and affirming the ethnic, racial, and cultural diversity of the membership; and fostering an inclusive language community through the use of American Sign Language, signed communication, and other communication strategies by all members at ADARA events in order to strive for barrier-free communication.

Publications:

JADARA: A Journal for Professionals Networking for Excellence in Service Delivery with Individuals Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing, *ADARA Update* (newsletter), professional books.

Meeting Information:

Biannual convention, June 1999, Washington, DC.

6. **Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf (A.G. Bell)**

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Description:

The Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf (A.G. Bell) is a private, nonprofit organization with three sections for oral, deaf adults; parents; and professionals. A.G. Bell serves as an information resource, advocates, publishes books and periodicals, organizes conferences, and provides scholarships, financial aid, and parent-infant awards. A.G. Bell is dedicated to empowering people who are deaf or hard of hearing to function independently by promoting universal rights and optimal opportunities to learn to use and maintain verbal communication.

Publications:

Volta Review (professional journal), *Volta Voices* (professional/consumer magazine), Professional/consumer brochures, books, computer software/computer-assisted education. Some materials available in Spanish.

Meeting Information:

Biennial convention, June 2000, Philadelphia, PA.

7. **American Academy of Audiology (AAA)**

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Description:

The American Academy of Audiology (AAA) is a professional membership organization of individuals dedicated to providing high-quality hearing care to the public. AAA enhances the ability of its members to achieve career and practice objectives through professional development, education, research, and increased public awareness of hearing disorders and audiologic services.

Publications:

Audiology Today (bimonthly professional newsletter), *Journal of the American Academy of Audiology* (bimonthly professional journal), directory, informational materials.

Meeting Information:

Annual Convention and Exposition, March 1999,
Miami Beach, FL.

8. **American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Inc. (AAFPRS)**

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Description:

The American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (AAFPRS) is the world's largest association of facial plastic surgeons-physicians performing cosmetic and reconstructive surgery of the face, head, and neck, and performing most of the nasal plastic surgery in the Nation. The Academy's bylaws provide that AAFPRS fellows be board-certified surgeons with training and experience in facial plastic surgery and be fellows of the American College of Surgeons or the Royal College of Surgeons. People contemplating facial plastic surgery can receive information about such surgery and the names of AAFPRS fellows in their area who have chosen to participate in the Facial Plastic Surgery Information Service, Inc., by calling AAFPRS.

Publications:

Facial Plastic Times (monthly professional newsletter),

Facial Plastic Surgery Today (quarterly consumer newsletter),

Directory, consumer brochures, fact sheets, professional books, brochures, audiovisuals. Some materials available in Spanish.

Meeting Information:

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Description:

The American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery (AAO-HNS) promotes the art and science of medicine related to care of the ears, nose, throat, and head and neck region. The AAO-HNS sponsors research and continuing medical education for physicians. It also helps its physician members by serving as their advocate in legislative, health, and public policy issues that affect their practice of medicine. The AAO-HNS makes leaflets and geographic lists of physicians available without charge to the public.

Publications:

Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery (professional journal), *The Bulletin* (professional news magazine), directory, consumer brochures and audiovisuals, professional audiovisuals, books, computer software/computer-assisted education. Some materials available in Spanish.

Meeting Information:

Annual meeting, September 13-16, 1998, San Antonio, TX;
September 26-29, 1999, New Orleans, LA.

10. **American Association of the Deaf-Blind (AADB)**

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Description:

The American Association of the Deaf-Blind (AADB) is a nonprofit society of people with deaf-blindness and other concerned individuals. It was organized for the purpose of advancing the economic, educational, and social welfare of individuals with deaf-blindness and improving their morale.

Publications:

Deaf-Blind American (quarterly).

Meeting Information:

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11. **American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Disability Initiative**

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Description:

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) is the Nation's leading organization for people age 50 and older. It serves their needs and interests through information and education, advocacy, and community services provided by a network of local chapters and experienced

volunteers throughout the country. The organization also offers members a wide range of special benefits and services. The Disability Initiative raises awareness of the needs of older people with disabilities and disseminates information to people with disabilities and their families, as well as to interested professionals.

Publications:

Consumer fact sheets, brochures, audiovisuals, *Modern Maturity* magazine, monthly *Bulletin*.

Meeting Information:

Contact Association for date and location of biennial meeting.

12. **American Auditory Society (AAS)**

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Description:

The purpose of the American Auditory Society (AAS) is to increase the knowledge and understanding of the ear, hearing, and balance; their disorders and how these may be prevented; and habilitation and rehabilitation of individuals with hearing and balance dysfunction.

Publications:

Ear and Hearing (bimonthly professional journal), *Bulletin of the American Auditory Society* (professional newsletter).

Meeting Information:

Annual meeting, April 1999, Miami, FL.

13. American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association (ACPA) and Cleft Palate Foundation (CPF)

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Description:

The purpose of the American Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Association (ACPA) is to encourage the improvement of scientific clinical services to people with cleft lip/palate and associated craniofacial anomalies. The Cleft Palate Foundation is the public service arm of ACPA. Its primary purpose is to educate and assist the public regarding cleft lip and palate and other craniofacial anomalies and to encourage research in the field.

Publications:

Cleft Palate-Craniofacial Journal (professional journal), directory, professional/consumer fact sheets and brochures. Some materials available in Spanish.

Meeting Information:

Annual convention, April 12-17, 1999, Scottsdale, AZ.

14. American Hearing Research Foundation (AHRF)

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Description:

The goal of the American Hearing Research Foundation (AHRF) is to help raise the hearing function of people with hearing disabilities to normal levels. The foundation supports medical research into the causes, prevention, and cure of deafness, impaired hearing, and balance disorders. It also aids the hearing-impaired community by promoting hearing health education.

Publications:

Newsletter.

Meeting Information:

None.

15. **American Laryngeal Papilloma Foundation (ALPF)**

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Description:

The purpose of the American Laryngeal Papilloma Foundation (ALPF) (formerly the Christina Lazar Foundation) is to increase public awareness of laryngeal papillomatosis, raise funds to help defray costs associated with medical treatment, promote the health and welfare and form a national register of individuals with laryngeal papillomatosis, and provide funds to reputable organizations engaged in research for the prevention and cure of laryngeal papillomatosis. The foundation loans TTY equipment and helps those who are in need with emergency funds (stipends).

Publications:

Professional news report (annual), professional brochures, factual medical information on laryngeal papilloma.

Meeting Information:

Quarterly board meeting.

16. American Laryngological Association (ALA)

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Description:

The American Laryngological Association (ALA) is a professional medical society of otorhinolaryngologists established to advance research, medicine, and surgery with emphasis on the upper aerodigestive tract. ALA also sponsors competitions, bestows awards, and maintains biographical archives.

Publications:

Transactions of the ALA (annual).

Meeting Information:

Annual convention, May 1999, Palm Desert, CA.

17. American Laryngological, Rhinological and Otological Society (ALROS)

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The American Laryngological, Rhinological and Otolological Society (also known as the Triological Society) is a national society of otolaryngologists and head and neck surgeons. The purpose of the society is to provide continuing educational opportunities for its members through its meetings. Four section meetings and an annual meeting are held each year.

Publications:

The Laryngoscope (monthly professional journal),
Triologicals (triquarterly professional newsletter).

Meeting Information:

Annual meeting, April 24–May 1, 1999, Palm Desert, CA.

18. American Neurotology Society (ANS)

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Description:

The American Neurotology Society (ANS) is a society of medical doctors engaged in the treatment, surgery, and research involving otologic disorders of the ear.

Publications:

None.

Meeting Information:

Contact ANS for date and location of spring and fall annual meetings.

19. American Otolological Society (AOS)

President: Gregory J. Matz, M.D.

Secretary-Treasurer: Horst R. Konrad, M.D.

Address: Southern Illinois University School of Medicine,
P.O. Box 19230, Springfield, IL 62794–1618

Voice: (217) 785–3833

FAX: (217) 524-0253

Internet: <http://itsa.ucsf.edu/~ajo/aos/aos.html>

Description:

The American Otological Society (AOS) is a professional organization whose mission is to advance and promote medical and surgical otology, including the rehabilitation of individuals who are hearing impaired, and to encourage and promote research in otology and related disciplines.

Publications:

American Journal of Otology, Transactions of the AOS.

Meeting Information:

Annual meeting, April 24–30, 1999, Palm Desert, CA.

20. **American Physical Therapy Association (APTA)**

Chief Executive Officer: Frank Mallon, Esq.

Public Information Contact: Alexis Waters, Director
Public Relations; or APTA Service Center

Address: 1111 N. Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

Voice: (703) 684–2782

Toll Free: (800) 999–2782, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., eastern time

TTY: (703) 684–6748

FAX: (703) 684–7343

Internet: <http://www.apta.org>

Description:

The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) is a national professional organization representing more than 75,000 members throughout the United States. Its goals are to serve its members and the public by increasing the understanding of the physical therapist's role in the health care system and by fostering improvements in physical therapy education, practice, and research. Physical therapists are involved in the evaluation and treatment of postural deficits and balance disorders.

Publications:

Physical Therapy Journal (monthly professional journal),
PT Magazine (monthly professional magazine), directory,
professional audiovisuals, books, reports, professional/
consumer fact sheets and brochures.

Meeting Information:

Annual conference, June 4–9, 1999, Washington, DC.

21. **American Society for Deaf Children (ASDC)**

Executive Director: Sandra Harvey

Address: 1820 Tribute Road, Suite A,
Sacramento, CA 95815

Voice/TTY: (916) 641–6084

Toll Free: (800) 942–ASDC, 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m., pacific time

FAX: (916) 641–6085

E-mail: ASDC1@aol.com

Internet: <http://www.deafchildren.org>

Description:

The American Society for Deaf Children (ASDC) is a membership organization that provides information and support to parents and families with children who are deaf or hard of hearing. The ASDC promotes parents' rights regarding communication choices for their children and promotes quality education to improve the children's life-long achievements and well-being.

Publications:

The Endeavor (quarterly professional/consumer newsletter),
professional/consumer brochures.

Meeting Information:

Contact ASDC for date and location of biannual convention, 2000.

22. **American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)**

Executive Director: Frederick T. Spahr, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Charles C. Diggs, Ph.D.,
Director, Consumer Affairs

Address: 10801 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852

Voice/TTY: (301) 897-5700

Toll Free: (800) 638-8255, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (301) 571-0457

E-mail: actioncenter@asha.org

Internet: <http://www.asha.org>

Description:

The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) is the national professional, scientific, and credentialing association for more than 93,000 audiologists; speech-language pathologists; and speech, language, and hearing scientists. ASHA publishes a number of materials for professionals, including five journals, and makes a series of brochures, fact sheets, and information packets available to the general public at no cost. A computerized referral database of audiology and speech-language pathology programs is available to meet individual consumer needs.

Publications:

ASHA (quarterly professional journal); *Journal of Speech, Language, and Hearing Research* (bimonthly professional journal); *Language, Speech, and Hearing Services in Schools* (quarterly professional journal); *American Journal of Speech-Language Pathology* (quarterly professional journal); *American Journal of Audiology* (professional journal, three issues per year).

Meeting Information:

Annual convention, November 19-22, 1998, San Antonio, TX; November 17-21, 1999, San Francisco, CA.

23. American Speech-Language-Hearing Foundation (ASH Foundation)

Executive Director: Nancy J. Minghetti

Address: 10801 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852

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FAX: (301) 571-0457

E-mail: Foundation@asha

Internet: <http://microsoft.saltmine.com/ashfoundation>

Description:

The mission of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Foundation (ASHF) is to support the advancement of knowledge and improvement of practice in serving children and adults with speech, language, or hearing disorders. ASHF supports research, graduate scholarships, and special projects that facilitate innovative directions for the field of communication sciences and disorders. It is a private organization supported, in part, by the tax-deductible contributions of individuals, corporations, and organizations.

Publications:

News magazine, informational materials, funding guidelines.

Meeting Information:

ASHA convention (see entry above).

24. American Tinnitus Association (ATA)

Executive Director: Gloria E. Reich, Ph.D.

Address: P.O. Box 5, Portland, OR 97207

Voice: (503) 248-9985, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., pacific time

Toll Free: (800) 634-8978

FAX: (503) 248-0024

E-mail: tinnitus@ata.org

Internet: <http://www.ata.org>

Description:

The American Tinnitus Association (ATA) is a nonprofit, voluntary, human health and welfare agency dedicated to the support of scientific research leading to the elimination of tinnitus as a health problem. It also provides education, information, self-help, and hearing-health referrals to millions of Americans who have tinnitus.

Publications:

Tinnitus Today (quarterly journal).

Meeting Information:

Contact ATA for dates and locations.

25. Association of Academic Departments of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery (AADO-HNS)

President: Horst R. Konrad, M.D.

Secretary/Treasurer: Robert Osoff, M.D.

Address: Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Department of Otolaryngology, S-2100, Nashville, TN 37232

Voice: (615) 322-7267

FAX: (615) 343-7604

Description:

The Association of Academic Departments of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery (AADO-HNS) represents all academic departments of otolaryngology-head and neck surgery at medical schools in the United States and Canada. The academic chairpersons develop educational materials for academic otolaryngology and review academic departmental issues in otolaryngology-head and neck surgery.

Publications:

None.

Meeting Information:

Spring annual meeting, 1999; contact association for date and location.

26. Association for Chemoreception Sciences (AChemS)

Executive Chair: Thomas R. Scott, Ph.D.

Chair, Public Affairs and Information Committee:
Robert J. O'Connell, Ph.D.

Address: c/o Panacea Associates, 744 Duparc Circle,
Tallahassee, FL 32312

Voice/FAX: (850) 531-0854

E-mail: trscott@udel.edu

Internet: <http://neuro.fsu.edu/achems>

Description:

The Association for Chemoreception Sciences (AChemS) is composed of academic, clinical, and industrial researchers whose work focuses on the senses of smell and taste. The purpose of the Association is to advance the understanding of chemosensory mechanisms through the application of basic, clinical, and applied research techniques. The Association seeks to promote a broad public appreciation of the need for chemosensory research and for the impact it has on society. The group represents a major source of information on smell and taste in the United States.

Publications:

Chemical Senses (professional journal), professional newsletter, directory.

Meeting Information:

Annual meeting, April 14-18, 1999, Sarasota, FL.

27. Association of Late-Deafened Adults (ALDA)

President: Mary Clark

Public Information Contact: Robin Titterington

Address: 10310 Main Street, Box 274, Fairfax, VA 22030

Voice: (708) 524-0025

TTY: (404) 289-1596 (the ALDA Hotline)

FAX: (404) 284-6862

E-mail: Robin12ltr@aol.com

Description:

The Association of Late-Deafened Adults (ALDA) serves as a resource center providing information and referral, self-help, and support groups for people deafened as adults. ALDA works to increase public awareness of the special needs of deafened adults.

Publications:

ALDA News, *ALDA Biz*, proceedings of conventions, *ALDA Reader*, *Leader Letter*.

Meeting Information:

ALDAcon, September 1998, Chicago, IL.

28. **Association for Research in Otolaryngology (ARO)**

President: Edwin W. Rubel, Ph.D.

Executive Director: Susan Whitehouse

Address: 19 Mantua Road, Mt. Royal, NJ 08061

Voice: (609) 423-0041

FAX: (609) 423-3420

E-mail: headquarters@aro.org

Internet: <http://www.aro.org>

Description:

The Association for Research in Otolaryngology (ARO) is a scientific society of researchers who investigate basic science and clinical problems associated with hearing, speech, balance, smell, taste, and diseases of the head and neck. Among the ARO's goals are to encourage and promote research, both basic and clinical, in the broad field of otolaryngology and related areas, and to foster friendly assembly and stimulate scientific interest among its members.

Publications:

ARO News (professional newsletter), directory, professional brochures.

Meeting Information:

Midwinter meeting, February 14-18, 1999, St. Petersburg Beach, FL.

29. **Auditory-Verbal International (AVI)**

Executive Director: Renee Levinson

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Alexandria, VA 22314

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TTY: (703) 739-0874

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E-mail: Avi@auditory-verbal.org

Internet: <http://www.auditory-verbal.org>

Description:

Auditory-Verbal International, Inc. (AVI) is a private, nonprofit international organization serving children with hearing impairment, their families, and the professional community. AVI provides the choice of listening and speaking for children who are deaf or hard of hearing through education, advocacy, and family support. AVI provides a quarterly newsletter, membership directory, and educational scholarship opportunities for members. Educational workshops are conducted for the lay and professional communities, and auditory-verbal certification is provided once a year.

Publications:

Professional/consumer newsletter, directory, fact sheets, brochures.

Meeting Information:

None.

30. **Autism Network for Hearing and Visually Impaired Persons**

Chairpersons: Dolores and Alan Bartel

Address: 7510 Ocean Front Avenue,
Virginia Beach, VA 23451

Voice: (757) 428-9036

FAX: (757) 428-0019

Description:

The Network comprises more than 775 members, representing families and professionals, with membership in more than 15 countries. The ages of the people represented all age ranges. The Network works with parents and professionals to share experiences, advice on education, services, and management problems, and connects parents with parents, or parents with professionals. One long-term goal is the establishment of regional resource and evaluation centers for people with autism and hearing and visual disabilities.

Publications:

Newsletter, brochures through the Autism Society of America.

Meetings:

Autism Society of America (ASA) National Conference, July 6–10, 1999, Kansas City, MO.

31. Beginnings for Parents of Hearing Impaired Children, Inc. (Beginnings)

Executive Director: Ms. Jo-Ann S. Bernardo

Public Information Contact: Ms. Lauren Edwards,
Secretary

Address: 3900 Barrett Drive, Suite 100,
Raleigh, NC 27609

Voice/TTY: (919) 571-4843, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., eastern time

Toll Free: (800) 541-4327

FAX: (919) 571-4846

Description:

Beginnings provides support to parents of deaf and hard-of-hearing children in an unbiased, family-centered atmosphere. It also provides impartial information on communication options, placement, and educational programs; workshops for professional personnel who work with deaf and hard-of-hearing children; and advocacy and support for young people from birth to age 21.

Publications:

Professional and consumer newsletter, fact sheets, brochures, audiovisuals.

Meeting Information:

None.

32. **Better Hearing Institute (BHI)**

Executive Director: Michele D. Hartlove

Address: 5021-B Backlick Road, Annandale, VA 22003

Voice/TTY: (703) 642-0580

Toll Free Voice/TTY: (800) EAR-WELL, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (703) 750-9302

E-mail: mail@betterhearing.org

Internet: <http://www.betterhearing.org>

Description:

The Better Hearing Institute (BHI) is a nonprofit, educational organization that implements national public information programs on hearing loss and available medical, surgical, hearing aid, and rehabilitation assistance for millions of Americans with uncorrected hearing problems. Its award-winning series of television, radio, and print media public service messages include many celebrities who overcame hearing loss. BHI maintains a toll-free "Hearing Helpline" that provides information on hearing loss and hearing information to callers in the United States and Canada.

Publications:

Better Hearing News (quarterly newsletter), informational materials.

Meeting Information:

None.

33. **Boys Town National Research Hospital**

Director: Patrick E. Brookhauser, M.D.

Address: 555 North 30th Street, Omaha, NE 68131

Voice: (402) 498-6511, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., central time

TTY: (402) 498-6543

FAX: (402) 498-6638

E-mail: CHLIC@boystown.org

Internet: <http://www.boystown.org/chlc>

Description:

The Boys Town Research Registry for Hereditary Hearing Loss (the Registry) matches families and individuals with a hearing loss with collaborating research projects involving hereditary deafness. Participants provide demographic, genetic, audiologic, and medical information to assist making that match. Information is kept confidential. The Registry's publication, *Hereditary Deafness Newsletter of America*, has articles on topics regarding heredity, deafness, and research written for families and nongenetic clinical and research professionals. The website has previous newsletter articles and enrollment information.

Publications:

Hereditary Deafness Newsletter of America, professional and consumer fact sheets and brochures.

Meeting Information:

13th Annual Conference on Issues in Language and Deafness, October 1998, Omaha, NE; Pediatric Amplification Workshop, October 23-24, 1998, Omaha, NE.

34. **Capital Communications for the Deaf, Inc. (CapCom, Inc.)**

Executive Director: Richard F. Rosen, Ph.D.

Address: 6951 East Quiet Desert Lane, Tucson, AZ 85750

Voice/TTY: (520) 544-8911

FAX: (703) 760-9678

Description:

The Capital Communications for the Deaf, Inc.(CapCom, Inc.), offers counseling and mediation services for people with disability issues related to employment and other civil liability matters. CapCom encourages employment of people with hearing deficits and provides information on issues of deafness and the workplace, as well as sign interpreters as needed in many areas nationally and internationally.

Publications:

Fact sheets and reports.

Meeting Information:

Contact CapCom for date and location.

35. The Caption Center (CC)

Co-Directors: Lori Kay and Tom Apone

Address: 125 Western Avenue, Boston, MA 02134

Voice/TTY: (617) 492-9225

FAX: (617) 562-0590

E-mail: caption@wgbh.org

Internet: <http://www.wgbh.org/caption>

Description:

The Caption Center is a nonprofit service of the WGBH Educational Foundation and the world's first television captioning agency. It produces captions for every segment of the entertainment and advertising industries and offers clients an array of services, including off-line captions, real-time captions, open captions, captions for feature films, dual-language captions, and subtitling.

Publications:

Caption Center News (newsletter), consumer information, Series, *Tech Facts*.

Meeting Information:

None.

36. **Captioned Films/Videos Program, National Association of the Deaf**

Project Director: Bill Stark

Address: 1447 East Main Street, Spartanburg, SC 29307

Toll Free: (800) 237-6213

TTY: (800) 237-6819

FAX: (800) 538-5636

E-mail: info@cfv.org

Internet: <http://www.cfv.org>

Description:

The Captioned Films/Videos program is a film/video collection with approximately 4,000 titles. Theatrical, special-interest, and educational titles are available. All are open-captioned and are available free of charge to any American with a hearing loss, or to any hearing person involved with hearing loss, such as parents and teachers. Educational videos come complete with a free lesson guide for teachers. Funds for the CFV program are provided by the U.S. Department of Education.

Publications:

Free-Loan Captioned Films and Videos (CFV catalog), lesson guides, fact sheets/brochures.

Meeting Information:

Contact the Captioned Films/Videos Program for date and location of annual meeting.

37. **Center for Hearing and Balance**

Director: Eric Young, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Office of Public Affairs

Address: Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, 550 North Broadway, Baltimore, MD 21205

Voice: (410) 955-6680

FAX: (410) 955-4452

Internet: <http://www.bme.jhu.edu/labs/chb>

Description:

The Center for Hearing and Balance focuses on the mechanisms of hearing and balance and on developing better ways to diagnose and treat hearing and balance disorders. Studies range from the physiology of the inner ear and auditory system to the design of rehabilitation programs for patients with balance problems. The Center is one of the National Multipurpose Research and Training Centers supported by the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders.

Publications:

Professional audiovisuals, books and computer software, computer-assisted education, consumer fact sheets, brochures, and audiovisuals.

Meeting Information:

None.

38. **Center for Hearing Loss in Children (CHLIC)**

Director: Patrick E. Brookhouser, M.D.

Public Information Contact: Mary Pat Moeller, Director, Continuing Education and Information Dissemination

Address: c/o Boys Town National Research Hospital, 555 North 30th Street, Omaha, NE 68131

Voice: (402) 498-6511

TTY: (402) 498-6543

Toll Free: Boys Town Press (800) 282-6657, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., central time

FAX: (402) 498-6638

E-mail: CHLIC@boystown.org

Internet: <http://www.boystown.org/chlc>

Description:

The Center for Hearing Loss in Children unites professionals from a variety of disciplines to focus on research, research training, information dissemination, and continuing education in the area of childhood deafness. The Center, housed at Boys Town National Research Hospital, conducts research on

development of the best techniques for early identification of hearing loss, evaluation of amplification, genetics of hearing loss, studies of speech development, and critical stages in the development of hearing. The Center provides information dissemination for parents/public and continuing education for professionals. All programs are accessible to deaf persons. The Center is one of the National Multipurpose Research and Training Centers supported by the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders.

Publications:

Hereditary Deafness Newsletter (semiannual), professional/consumer fact sheets, brochures, audiovisuals, computer software/computer-assisted education.

Meeting Information:

Annual Conference on Issues in Language and Deafness, October 2-3, 1998, Creighton University, Omaha, NE.

39. **Central Institute for the Deaf (CID)**

Director: Donald W. Nielsen, Ph.D.

Publications Coordinator: Kim Readmond

Public Information Contact: Beth Fisher,
Research Administrator

Address: 818 South Euclid Avenue,
St. Louis, MO 63110-1549

Voice: (314) 977-0000

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FAX: (314) 977-0025

E-mail: bfisher@cid.wustl.edu

Description:

Central Institute for the Deaf (CID) is a private, nonprofit institute composed of research laboratories in which scientists study the normal aspects as well as the disorders of hearing, language, and speech; a school for children who

have hearing impairments; speech, language, and hearing clinics; and professional education programs in audiology, education of persons with hearing impairment, and communication sciences. CID's mission is to serve hearing-impaired people worldwide through the promotion and achievement of excellence in oral education, graduate studies, scientific research, and clinical service.

Publications:

News Notes (professional/consumer newsletter), professional brochures, computer software/computer-assisted education, speech and language tests and auditory training curriculum for use with children, consumer brochures, *Research Periodic Progress Report*.

Meeting Information:

None.

40. **Children of Deaf Adults (CODA)**

President: Trudy Schafer

Public Information Contact: Millie Brother, Founder

Address: P.O. Box 30715, Santa Barbara, CA 93130

Voice/TTY: (805) 682-0997

Internet: <http://www.gallaudet.edu/~rgpricke/coda>

Description:

Children of Deaf Adults (CODA) promotes family awareness and individual growth in hearing children of deaf parents. CODA provides educational opportunities, promotes self-help, organizes advocacy efforts, and acts as a resource for the membership and various communities.

Publications:

Newsletter, brochures, conference proceedings.

Meeting Information: Annual conference, August 1999, Brisbane, Australia.

41. Cochlear Implant Club International (CICI)

Executive Director: Peg Williams, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Peg Williams, Ph.D.

Address: 5335 Wisconsin Avenue NW, Suite 440,
Washington, DC 20015-2034

Voice: (202) 895-2781

FAX: (202) 895-2782

E-mail: webmaster@cici.org

Internet: <http://www.cici.org>

Description:

Cochlear Implant Club International (CICI) provides information and support to cochlear implant users and their families, professionals, and the general public.

Publications:

Contact (quarterly professional/consumer journal),
professional/consumer directories.

Meeting Information:

Biennial convention, July 1999, Manhattan Beach, CA.

42. Communication Aid Manufacturers Association (CAMA)

President: Peggy Locke, Ph.D.

Administrator: James Neils

Workshop Coordinator: Shana Johnson

Address: P.O. Box 1039, Evanston, IL 60204-1039

Voice: (847) 869-5691 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., central time

Toll Free: (800) 441-2262

FAX: (847) 869-5689

E-mail: cama@northshore.net

Description:

The Communication Aid Manufacturers Association (CAMA) strives to keep up with the latest augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) technology, a task that becomes an ever greater challenge as new companies are formed and more products are introduced every year.

CAMA promotes understanding of what software and hardware is most appropriate for clients and teaches functional use in a variety of speaking situations. CAMA sponsors AAC workshops, demonstrating a wide variety of products from 12 of the world's leading manufacturers of AAC technology. CAMA also distributes catalogs from members on request.

Publications:

None.

Meeting Information:

AAC Workshops; contact CAMA for dates and locations.

43. **Conference of Educational Administrators of the Schools and Programs for the Deaf**

President: Gertrude S. Galloway, Ph.D.

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P.O. Box 535, Trenton, NJ 08625-0535

Voice: (609) 530-3112

TTY: (609) 530-5150

FAX: (609) 530-5791

Executive Director: Joseph P. Finnegan, Jr.

Address: P.O. Box 1778, St. Augustine, FL 32085-1778

Voice/TTY: (904) 810-5200

FAX: (904) 810-5525

E-mail: innceasd@aug.com

Description:

The Conference of Educational Administrators of the Schools and Programs for the Deaf is an organization committed to improving educational programs for individuals with hearing impairments in the United States and Canada; promoting the efficient management and operation of schools, programs, program service centers, local education agencies, and governmental units serving people who are deaf; and encouraging broader educational opportunities, with the support of local, State, and Federal Government agencies, for individuals who are deaf.

Publications:

American Annals of the Deaf (professional journal).

Meeting Information:

Annual convention, May 1-4, 1999 Pittsburgh, PA.

44. Connecticut Chemosensory Clinical Research Center (CCCRC)

Program Director: Marion Frank, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Taste and Smell Clinic

Address: University of Connecticut Health Center Taste & Smell Center, 263 Farmington Avenue, Farmington, CT 06030-3705

Voice: (860) 679-2459

FAX: (860) 679-2910

E-mail: taste@cortex.uhc.edu

Internet: <http://cortex.uhc.edu/~taste>

Description:

The Connecticut Chemosensory Clinical Research Center (CCCRC) conducts basic and clinical research on chemosensory systems. At the heart of CCCRC is the Taste and Smell Clinic (TASC) run by a multidisciplinary team of clinicians dedicated to developing ways of evaluating and treating patients with chemosensory disorders. Data from the thorough TASC evaluation enables the CCCRC to maintain an extensive research database on chemosensory problems. The CCCRC receives support from the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders.

Publications:

Professional/patient fact sheets and books.

Meeting Information:

None.

45. **Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf (CAID)**

President: Harvey J. Corson

Address: P.O. Box 377, Bedford, TX 76095-0377

Voice/TTY: (817) 354-8414

Description:

The Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf (CAID) is an organization that promotes professional development, communication, and information among educators of people who are deaf or hard of hearing and other interested individuals.

Publications:

American Annals of the Deaf (professional journal),
News 'n Notes (newsletter).

Meeting Information:

Biennial convention, June 1999, Los Angeles, CA.

46. **Council for Accreditation in Occupational Hearing Conservation (CAOHC)**

Executive Director: Janet Hayes

Public Information Contact: Barbara Lechner

Address: 611 E. Wells Street, Milwaukee, WI 53202-3816

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Internet: <http://www.globaldialog.com/~caohc>

Description:

The Council for accreditation in Occupational Hearing Conservation (CAOHC) seeks to prevent unnecessary hearing loss by providing education, information, and guidance to industry and those serving industry regarding the successful implementation of an occupational hearing conservation program. CAOHC has developed standardized training guidelines for course directors and occupational hearing conservationists.

Publications:

Newsletter, directory, and brochures.

Meeting Information:

Over 500 annual courses; contact CAOHC for locations and dates.

**47. Council on Education of the Deaf
(CED)**

Professor/Department Chair: Lawrence R. Fleischer, Ed.D.

Address: Deaf Studies Department, California State University, Northridge, 18111 Nordhoff Street, Northridge, CA 91330-8265

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E-mail: lawrence.fleisher@csun.edu

Internet: http://www.csun.edu/~sch_educ/dfst/dfst.html

Description:

The Council on Education of the Deaf (CED) serves as the primary national body approving teacher education programs in the area of deafness; provides certification to individual teachers and other professionals in the area of deafness; and advocates for the quality of education to people who are deaf. The CED supports the view that it is inappropriate to label or categorize deaf learners as having a communication disorder.

Publications:

None.

Meeting Information:

Deafestival, April 1999, Los Angeles, CA.

48. **Council of Graduate Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CGPCSD)**

President: Rosalind R. Scudder

Executive Administrator: Mary Ambroe

Address: P.O. Box 26532, Minneapolis, MN 55426

Voice: (612) 920-0966

FAX: (612) 920-6098

E-mail: cgp@incnet.com

Internet: <http://www.cgpcsd.org>

Description:

The Council of Graduate Programs in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CGPCSD) is an organization of university programs in speech-language pathology, audiology, and speech and/or hearing science. It represents over 2,000 faculty and administrators from universities in the United States, Puerto Rico, and Canada. CGPCSD advocates for academic programs in communication sciences and disorders, facilitates information exchange among programs, promotes self-improvement activities for programs and personnel, and serves as an advisory group for professional associations, legislative bodies, and government agencies.

Publications:

Quarterly Status Report (professional newsletter), directory, national survey of graduate education in communication sciences and disorders, annual conference proceedings.

Meeting Information:

Annual Conference, April 1999, Jacksonville, FL.

49. **Deafness Research Foundation (DRF)**

President and CEO: John Wheeler

Public Information Contact: Fazia Amin

Address: 575 5th Avenue, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10017

Voice/TTY: (212) 599-0027

Toll Free: (800) 535-DEAF, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (212) 599-0039

E-mail: drf@drf.org

Internet: www.drf.org

Description:

The Deafness Research Foundation (DRF) carries out its mission to conquer deafness through two operating arms. The National Hearing Research Grant Center provides the largest source of private funds for innovative, clinical research projects and fellowships that investigate the causes, treatment, and prevention of sensorineural deafness and other ear disorders, including speech and balance ailments. The National Hearing Education and Advocacy Support Center promotes the habit of diligent hearing care, builds coalitions among related organizations to better coordinate hearing advocacy programs, advocates for the concerns of the deaf community, and campaigns for increases in private and public funding of otologic research.

Publications:

Annual report, *The Hearing Advocate* (newsletter), research information, consumer brochures.

Meeting Information:

Biannual Board of Directors meeting, June and December.

50. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), Audiology and Speech Pathology Services

Director, Audiology and Speech Pathology Services:

Lucille B. Beck, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Judy D. Schafer, Ph.D.,
Audiologist, Audiology and Speech Pathology Service

Address: 50 Irving Street, NW, Washington, DC 20422

Voice: (202) 745-8578

TTY: (202) 745-8270

FAX: (202) 745-8579

Description:

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) provides services for veterans who have hearing, speech, language, or balance problems.

Publications:

None.

Meeting Information:

None.

51. EAR Foundation (EF)

Chief Executive Officer: Eddie Thompson, Ed.D.

Public Information Contact: Melinda Magyar,
Director of Development

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Voice: (615) 329-7807

Toll Free: (800) 545-HEAR, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., eastern time

TTY: (615) 329-7849

FAX: (615) 329-7935

E-mail: FYIEAR@aol.com

Internet: <http://www.theearfound.org>

Description:

The goal of The EAR Foundation is to integrate people who have hearing impairments into the mainstream of society through public awareness and medical education. The Foundation administers the Meniere's Network, a national network of patient support groups that provides people with the opportunity to share experiences and coping strategies.

Publications:

Steady (Meniere's Network newsletter),

The Otoscope (EAR Foundation consumer/professional newsletter), professional/consumer brochures.

Meeting Information:

Contact the Foundation for information on support group meetings.

52. **ERIC Clearinghouse on Disabilities and Gifted Education**

Interim Director: Bruce Ramirez

Public Information Contact: User Services

Address: 1920 Association Drive, Reston, VA 20191-1589

Toll Free/TTY: (800) 328-0272

FAX: (703) 620-2521

E-mail: ericec@cec.sped.org/[ericec.org](http://www.cec.sped.org/ericec.org)

Internet: <http://www.cec.sped.org/ericec.htm>

Description:

The Educational Resources Information Center Clearinghouse on Disabilities and Gifted Education (ERIC/EC) is one of 16 ERIC Clearinghouses that specialize in different areas of education. Located in Reston, Virginia, and operated by the Council for Exceptional Children, ERIC/EC addresses prevention, identification and assessment, intervention, and enrichment, both in special settings and within the mainstream.

Publications:

ERIC Digests, information packets, customized searches.

Meeting Information:

None.

53. **The Foundation Fighting Blindness**

Chief Executive Officer: Robert Gray

Public Information Contact: Information and Referral Coordinator

Address: Executive Plaza 1, Suite 800,
1350 McCormick Road, Hunt Valley, MD 21031-1014

Voice: (410) 785-1414

Toll Free Voice: (888) 394-3937, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.,
eastern time

Toll Free TTY: (800) 683-5551

FAX: (410) 771-9470

Internet: <http://www.blindness.org>

Description:

The Foundation Fighting Blindness provides information and referral services and support networks for individuals with retinitis pigmentosa and their families. The main focus of the Foundation is to fund research on the causes, cures, and prevention of retinitis pigmentosa, Usher syndrome, and related retinal degenerations. Volunteer affiliates are located throughout the United States to promote public awareness, raise funds, and provide opportunity for those who have retinitis pigmentosa, Usher syndrome, and macular degeneration to interact.

Publications:

Comprehensive information kits on retinitis pigmentosa (RP), macular degeneration, and Usher syndrome.
Fighting Blindness News (quarterly professional newsletter),
Update (newsletter on age-related macular degeneration).

Meeting Information:

Contact Foundation for dates and locations of annual conference, VISIONS, 1999.

54. **Foundation for Fluency (FFF)**

President: Herbert G. Goldberg

Address: 9242 Gross Point Road, Number 305,
Skokie, IL 60077

Voice: (847) 677-8280

E-mail: hg2468@aol.com

Description:

The Foundation for Fluency is a nonprofit organization that establishes support groups and referral services for people who stutter.

Publications:

Consumer/professional journal, fact sheets, brochures.

Meeting Information:

Combined meetings with the National Stuttering Project, Speak Easy, and the National Council on Stuttering; contact FFF for meeting dates and location and for information on support group meetings.

55. Friends of Libraries for Deaf Action-USA (FOLDA-USA)

President: Kenneth Samson

Secretary: Alice Lougee Hagemeyer

Address: 814 Thayer Avenue,
Silver Spring, MD 20910-4500

TTY: (301) 572-5168

FAX: (301) 572-4152

E-mail: alhagemeyer@juno.com

Description:

Friends of Libraries for Deaf Action-USA (FOLDA-USA) is a section of the National Association of the Deaf. The goal of FOLDA-USA is to promote literacy and lifelong learning of the public about hearing losses, sign language, history, and existing library services. FOLDA-USA coordinates deaf awareness activities that take place at public libraries, creates deaf awareness materials, and provides leads to friends of the library for enhancing local deaf resources.

Publications:

Articles under "FOLDA-USA" in the *NAD Broadcaster* (membership publication of the National Association of the Deaf).

Meeting Information:

Biennial meeting in conjunction with the National Association of the Deaf, July 2000.

56. Friends of the NIDCD

Executive Director: Robin R. Smith

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Alexandria, VA 22314-3137

Voice: (703) 684-9055

FAX: (703) 684-6048

E-mail: rsmith@clarionmr.com

Description:

Friends of the NIDCD is an organization that promotes public awareness of disorders of hearing, balance, smell, taste, voice, speech, and language as well as expanded

development of research and training for the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders. It provides public education about issues before Congress and promotes exchange of information among members. Contact groups include physicians, researchers, practitioners, parents, the elderly, schools for individuals with hearing impairments, educators, organizations, volunteers, professionals in the communication disorders field, and individuals with communication disorders.

Publications:

Friends of the NIDCD, Charitable Fund (annual newsletter).

Meeting Information:

Communication Awareness Day; contact Friends of the NIDCD for date and location.

57. **Gallaudet University (GU)**

President: I. King Jordan, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Loraine DiPietro, Director,
National Information Center on Deafness
(see separate entry)

Address: 800 Florida Avenue, NE,
Washington, DC 20002-3695

Voice/TTY: (202) 651-5000

FAX: (202) 651-5054

E-mail: publicrel@gallua.gallaudet.edu

Internet: <http://www.gallaudet.edu>

Description:

Gallaudet University is the world's only university for students who are deaf or hard of hearing. Gallaudet, established in 1864 by an act of Congress, offers more than 50 undergraduate and graduate degree programs and numerous continuing education and summer courses. Through such units as the Gallaudet Research Institute, the College for Continuing Education, Pre-College National Mission Programs, the Gallaudet University Press, the Gallaudet University Bookstore, and the National Information Center on Deafness, Gallaudet develops and disseminates a variety of publications and information. The Gallaudet Press is a leading publisher of

books related to deafness. The staff of the National Information Center on Deafness will refer callers to the appropriate Gallaudet University office for specific information.

Publications:

Professional/consumer journal, newsletter, brochures, books, audiovisuals, computer-assisted education materials.

Meeting Information:

Contact the National Information Center on Deafness (see entry #86).

58. Hard of Hearing Advocates (HOHA)

Executive Director: Warren T. Hanna

Address: 245 Prospect Street, Framingham, MA 01701

Voice: (508) 875-8662

FAX: (508) 875-0145

E-mail: whanna@hohadvocates.org

Internet: hohadvocates.org

Description:

The goal of Hard of Hearing Advocates (HOHA) is to create and implement programs/solutions in areas where people who are hard of hearing have undue problems. HOHA identifies specific problem areas, develops solutions, and seeks support to implement these solutions. The hospital program assists in the identification of patients who are hard of hearing; a Hospital Awareness Kit is used to provide labels for patient records and ID bracelets and to prepare instructions to assist hospital staff in developing positive modes of communication with patients who are hard of hearing.

Publications:

Consumer brochure and awareness kit for hospitals.

Meeting Information:

None.

59. HEAR NOW

President/Founder: M. Bernice Dinner, Ph.D.

Executive Director: Jerome G. Alpiner, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Jan Hawley,
Director of Development and PR

Address: 9745 E. Hampden Avenue, Suite 300,
Denver, CO 80231

Voice/TTY: (303) 695-7797

Toll Free: (800) 648-4327, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., mountain time

FAX: (303) 695-7789

E-mail: 107737.1272@compuserve.com

Internet: <http://www.leisurelan.com/~hearnow>

Description:

HEAR NOW provides hearing aids and cochlear implants for individuals with limited financial resources. The organization accepts hearing aid donations from people all over the country. HEAR NOW is also involved in increasing public awareness of the need for available and affordable assistive technology for people with hearing impairments.

Publications:

Professional/consumer newsletter (biannual), professional/consumer fact sheets, brochures.

Meeting Information:

None.

60. Hearing Education and Awareness for Rockers (H.E.A.R.)

Executive Director: Kathy Peck

Address: 50 Oak Street, Suite 101,
San Francisco, CA 94102

Voice: (415) 431-3277

TTY: (415) 476-7600

24-Hour Hot-Line: (415) 773-9590

FAX: (415) 552-4296

E-mail: hear@hearnet.com

Internet: <http://www.hearnet.com>

Description:

Hearing Education and Awareness for Rockers, (H.E.A.R.) is a nonprofit, grassroots, volunteer-based, public-benefit health organization. It is dedicated to raising awareness about the dangers of debilitating and often irreversible hearing loss and tinnitus caused by exposure to excessively loud sound levels in music. H.E.A.R. provides services to musicians, music industry professionals, and music fans (especially young people); offers information and conducts research on hearing loss, hyperacusis, and tinnitus; and provides custom musician's hearing protection, ear monitors, and hearing testing services. H.E.A.R. also maintains a 24-hour information hotline, as well as an award-winning website where users can locate H.E.A.R. affiliate audiologists, ear doctors, and hearing protection manufacturers throughout North America and in some foreign countries. As part of H.E.A.R.'s mission to increase public awareness, it conducts educational outreach in schools and at music industry events and produces public service announcements for radio, print, and television featuring prominent musicians who speak openly about hearing loss.

Publications:

Directory, consumer fact sheets, brochures, "Can't Hear You Knocking" video program, and an enhanced compilation CD entitled, "Wear Your Damn Ear Plugs!"

Meeting Information:

None.

61. Hearing Industries Association (HIA)

President: Carole M. Rogin

Address: 515 King Street, Suite 420,
Alexandria, VA 22314

Voice: (703) 684-5744

FAX: (703) 684-6048

Description:

The Hearing Industries Association (HIA) is the trade association that represents firms that manufacture or distribute hearing aids, hearing health care products, and compo-

nents. HIA was established to increase the appropriate use of hearing aids by individuals with hearing losses who can benefit from amplification; to expand public knowledge of the role of hearing aids in improving the quality of life for the millions of Americans who have hearing impairments; to work constructively with government, consumer leaders, and professional organizations to improve the health care system; and to conduct research and complete statistics reflecting the growth of the hearing aid industry.

Publications:

Informational materials, hearing aid sales statistics.

Meeting Information:

Contact Association for dates and location for the annual meeting.

62. Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults (HKNC)

Executive Director: Joseph J. McNulty

Address: 111 Middle Neck Road, Sands Point, NY 11050

Voice: (516) 944-8900

TTY: (516) 944-8637

FAX: (516) 944-7302

E-mail: HKNC DIR@aol.com

Internet: <http://www.helenkeller.org/national>

Description:

The mission of the Helen Keller National Center (HKNC) is to enable all people who are deaf-blind to live and work in the community of their choice. HKNC provides comprehensive vocational rehabilitation training and assistance to students for jobs and residential placements. Services in the field include 10 regional offices, 40 affiliated agencies, a National Training Team, Older Adult Program, National Technical Assistance Consortium for Children and Young Adults, and D-B Link. The HKNC serves all Americans who are deaf-blind or severely vision- and hearing-impaired.

Publications:

The Nat-Cent News (three issues per year),
The National Family Association for Deaf-Blind Newsletter
(three issues per year), directory of services.

Meeting Information:

None.

63. Holley Ear Institute

President: Ardis J. Gardella

Address: 22101 Moross Road, MOB Suite 102,
Detroit, MI 48236-2172

Voice: (313) 343-7487

TTY: (313) 343-9789

FAX: (313) 343-7487

Internet: <http://www.stjohn.org/hei/index.html>

Description:

The Holley Ear Institute, a nonprofit organization founded in 1993, is a consortium of volunteers, doctors, speech pathologists, audiologists, and other volunteer professionals. It shares a close relationship with St. John Hospital and Medical Center and with otologists in the community. The mission of the Institute is to assist people who are deaf and hearing-challenged and provide services and programs aimed at improving their quality of life.

Publications:

Newsletter, brochures, audiovisual materials.

Meeting Information:

None.

64. **House Ear Institute (HEI)**

Chief Executive Officer: James D. Boswell

Public Information Contact: Dilys Jones,

Director of Communications

Address: 2100 West Third Street, Fifth Floor,

Los Angeles, CA 90057

Voice: (213) 483-4431

TTY: (213) 484-2642

Toll Free: 800-287-4763 (CA) or 800-352-8888
(Outside CA)

FAX: (213) 483-8789

E-mail: webmaster@hei.org

Internet: <http://www.hei.org>

Description:

Through research and education, the House Ear Institute (HEI) aims to improve the quality of life of those with a hearing or balance disorder. The Children's Auditory Research and Evaluation (CARE) Center offers a full range of pediatric hearing tests, otologic and audiologic evaluation and treatment rehabilitation, hearing aid dispensing, and cochlear implant services. Outreach programs focus on families with hearing-impaired children, and Lead Line (see entry #69) provides a nationwide information and referral service.

Publications:

The Review (newsletter, three issues per year), professional/consumer brochures.

Meeting Information:

Cell & Molecular Symposium, Spring 1999; contact Institute for date and location.

65. **Hyperacusis Network**

President/Founder/Editor: Dan Malcore

Address: 444 Edgewood Drive, Green Bay, WI 54302

Voice: (920) 468-4667

E-mail: hyacusis@netnet.net

Internet: <http://www.visi.com/~minuet/hearing/hyperacusis>

Description:

The Hyperacusis Network is an international support group established to care for individuals with collapsed tolerance to sound (hyperacusis and recruitment). The network helps educate the medical community and families about this rare auditory disorder by sharing ways to cope, providing advice on how to secure disability assistance, and reporting on current research and/or treatment options. Membership in the network is free.

Publications:

Hyperacusis Network (quarterly newsletter), professional/consumer fact sheets, brochures.

Meeting Information:

None.

66. International Deaf/Tek, Inc.

President: Brenda Monene, R.N., M.Ed.

Address: P.O. Box 2431, Framingham, MA 01703

Voice/TTY: (508) 620-1777

FAX: (508) 626-0270

E-mail: brenda.monene@deaftek.sprint.com

Internet: <http://www.deaftek.org>

Description:

International Deaf/Tek, Inc., provides the international electronic mail service, Deaftek.USA. This service is dedicated to communities that are deaf or hard of hearing and is used by individuals, organizations, agencies, schools, colleges and universities, service providers, and professionals in the field of deafness. Deaftek.USA provides specialized bulletin boards on, for example, employment. Additional services, such as fax (send only) and interconnections with other networks, such as Internet and Bitnet, are also available. Deaftek.USA resides on SprintNet, and local telephone access is available in most areas.

Publications:

Professional/consumer brochures.

Meeting Information:

None.

67. International Hearing Society (IHS)

Executive Director: Robin Holm, BC-HIS

Public Information Contact: Alice C. Markey, Executive Assistant for Consumer Affairs

Address: 16880 Middlebelt Road, #4, Livonia, MI 48154

Voice: (248) 478-2610

Toll Free: (800) 521-5247, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (248) 478-4520

Internet: <http://www.ihshearing.org>

Description:

The International Hearing Society (IHS) was formed in 1951 as a professional organization of hearing instrument specialists, the professionals who test hearing and select, fit, and dispense hearing instruments. The society conducts programs of competence qualification, education, and training and promotes specialty-level accreditation. The IHS sponsors a national toll-free Hearing Aid Helpline, which provides consumer information and referrals to hearing instrument specialists.

Publications:

Audicibel (bi-monthly professional journal), consumer brochures.

Meeting Information:

Annual convention and exhibition, October 13-17, 1999, Philadelphia, PA.

68. John Tracy Clinic

Executive Director: Dr. James H. Garrity

Public Information Contact: Maura Martindale, Director,
Correspondence Education

Address: 806 West Adams Boulevard,
Los Angeles, CA 90007

Toll Free: (800) 522-4582

Voice: (213) 748-5481, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., pacific time

TTY: (213) 749-4582

FAX: (213) 749-1651

E-mail: jtclinic@aol.com

Internet: <http://www.johntracyclinic.org>

Description:

John Tracy Clinic provides worldwide parent-centered services without charge to young children with hearing loss, offering families hope, guidance, and encouragement. Services include correspondence courses and videotapes for parents of children who are deaf or have hearing impairments. The courses are available in both English and Spanish.

Publications:

Newsletter, brochures, journal, directory, fact sheets, audiovisuals (available in Spanish).

Meetings:

None.

69. Lead Line

Lead Line Coordinator: Barbara Lincoln

Address: House Ear Institute, 2100 West Third Street,
Fifth Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90057

Toll Free Voice/TTY: (800) 352-8888 (national) or
(800) 287-4763 (TTY in California only), 9 a.m.-4 p.m.,
Monday-Thursday, pacific time; voice mail available
other days

FAX: (213) 483-8789

E-mail: blincoln@hei.org

Internet: <http://www.hei.org>

Description:

Lead Line is a service of House Ear Institute, dedicated to providing support and services for deaf and hard-of-hearing individuals and their families. Lead Line offers national outreach through a toll-free information and referral service for anyone with concerns about rearing and educating children who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Publications:

None.

Meeting Information:

None.

70. **League for the Hard of Hearing**

Executive Director: Keith D. Muller, A.C.S.W.

Public Information Contact: Joseph Brown,
Director of Development

Address: 71 West 23rd Street, New York, NY 10010

Voice: (212) 741-7650

TTY: (212) 255-1932

FAX: (212) 255-4413

E-mail: Postmaster@lhh.org

Internet: <http://www.lhh.org>

Description:

The League offers people who are hard of hearing or deaf access to diagnostic, rehabilitation, counseling, and education programs. The mission of this not-for-profit agency is to improve the quality of life for people with all degrees of hearing loss and to offer comprehensive services regardless of age or mode of communication. Established in 1910, the League provides services to more than 18,000 individuals and their families annually. Services include: hearing assessment, hearing aid fitting and dispensing; speech-language and auditory evaluation and therapy; cochlear implant evaluation and training; assistive devices center, parent education, and support; psychiatric, psychological, and educational evaluation and counseling; otology; career development and job placement services; research projects; social and recreational groups. Outreach and public education programs include the Museum of Hearing, a library, the

Center for Health Care Access, a.b.c. (Advocates for Better Communication), the Noise Center, and a speakers' bureau.

Publications:

Books, videotapes, curriculum kits, newsletter, fact sheets, pamphlets, *Hearing Rehabilitation Quarterly* (journal for professionals/consumers).

Meeting Information:

None.

71. **Monell Chemical Senses Center**

Director/President: Gary K. Beauchamp, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Leslie J. Stein, Ph.D.

Address: 3500 Market Street,
Philadelphia, PA 19104-3308

Voice: (215) 898-6666

FAX: (215) 898-2084

E-mail: info@monell.org

Internet: <http://www.monell.org>

Description:

The Monell Chemical Senses Center is the world's only nonprofit basic research institute studying taste, smell, and chemical irritation. Its NIH-funded Chemosensory Clinical Research Center, in collaboration with Thomas Jefferson Hospital, evaluates individuals with chemosensory disorders. Monell has an active education and training program for senior scientists and postdoctoral and graduate students and is a resource for information about the chemical senses for medical professionals, the media, and academia.

Publications:

Professional/consumer newsletter, brochures, professional books.

Meeting Information:

None.

72. **National Aphasia Association (NAA)**

Executive Director: Karen Klein

President: Martha Taylor Sarno, M.A.

Public Information Contact: Penny Montgomery,
Response Manager

Address: 156 Fifth Avenue, Suite 707, New York, NY
10010

Toll Free: (800) 922-4622; 24-hour answering machine

FAX: (212) 989-7777

E-mail: klein@aphasia.org

Internet: <http://www.aphasia.org>

Description:

The National Aphasia Association (NAA) is dedicated to promoting the care and rehabilitation of people with aphasia through public education, encouragement of the nationwide Aphasia Community Group network, and research support. NAA's resources include educational materials about aphasia, help in finding professional assistance, and a national network of health professionals who volunteer to counsel families about local resources.

Publications:

NAA Newsletter, consumer brochures, fact sheets, books, audiovisual materials. Some materials available in Spanish.

Meeting Information:

National Convention- contact NAA for dates and information; National Aphasia Awareness Week, June 6-12, 1999.

73. **National Association of the Deaf (NAD)**

Executive Director: Nancy J. Bloch

Public Information Contact: Anita B. Farb, Associate
Executive Director-Administration

Address: 814 Thayer Avenue,
Silver Spring, MD 20910-4500

Voice: (301) 587-1788

TTY: (301) 587-1789

FAX: (301) 587-1791

E-mail: NADHQ@juno.com

Internet: <http://www.nad.org>

Description:

Established in 1880, the National Association of the Deaf (NAD) safeguards the accessibility and civil rights of 28 million deaf and hard-of-hearing Americans in education, employment, health care, rehabilitation, and telecommunications. A federation of 51 State association affiliates, the NAD focuses on grassroots advocacy and empowerment, captioned media, deafness-related information and publications, legal assistance, policy development and research, public awareness, and youth leadership development through its Junior NAD and Youth Leadership Camp programs. The American Sign Language Teachers Association (ASLTA), a professional organization under the NAD, certifies sign language and deaf history instructors.

Publications:

NAD Broadcaster (monthly professional/consumer/newsletter), *Deaf American Monograph* (annual), professional/consumer fact sheets.

Meeting Information:

Biennial convention, 1998, San Antonio, TX; 2000, Norfolk, VA.

74. **National Association of Physicians for the Environment (NAPE)**

Executive Vice President: John T. Grupenhoff, Ph.D.

Address: 6410 Rockledge Drive, Suite 412,
Bethesda, MD 20817

Voice: (301) 571-9790

FAX: (301) 530-8910

E-mail: nape@ix.netcom.com

Internet: <http://www.intr.net/napenet>

Description:

The National Association of Physicians for the Environment (NAPE) is an organization dedicated to involving medical organizations in environmental health activities. A major interest is the impact of air pollution, noise pollution, etc.,

on the ears, nose, throat, taste and smell, voice, and hearing, as well as all organs and systems of the body. Individual memberships are also accepted.

Publications:

Newsletter, informational materials.

Meeting Information:

None.

75. National Black Association for Speech-Language and Hearing (NBASLH)

Executive Director: M. Eugene Wiggins, M.S.

Address: P.O. Box 50605, Washington, DC 20091

Voice: (202) 274-6162, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (202) 274-6350

E-mail: NBASLH@aol.com

Description:

The National Black Association for Speech-Language and Hearing is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting the sharing of information about communication impairments and differences among Black people; professional development of Black speech-language pathologists, audiologists, and students; and advocacy of quality service delivery to the Black community.

Publications:

Professional magazine, directory, brochures.

Meeting Information:

Review course in preparation for the National Exam in SLP, October 1999, Arlington, VA.

76. National Board for Certification in Hearing Instrument Sciences (NBC-HIS)

Chairman: Jon Durkin

Administrator: Brenda Cole

Public Information Contact: Linda Jackson,
Administrator Assistant

Address: 16880 Middlebelt, Suite 4, Livonia, MI 48154

Voice: (734) 522-2900

FAX: (734) 522-0900

E-mail: bchiscole@aol.com

Internet: <http://www.hearingnbc.org>

Description:

The National Board for Certification in Hearing Instrument Sciences (NBC-HIS) is an independent, not-for-profit corporation established to develop and promulgate standards for eligibility of applicants for certification; develop, process, administer, and score a certification examination(s) based on research; and award certification, based on designated criteria, to successful applicants who shall then be designated "Board Certified in Hearing Instrument Sciences" by NBC-HIS.

Publications:

Professional newsletter, directory, brochures.

Meeting Information:

None.

77. National Captioning Institute (NCI)

Chief Executive Officer: Myron P. Curzan

Public Information Contact: Mary Presswood,
Corporate Secretary

Address: 1900 Gallows Road, Suite 3000,
Vienna, VA 22182

Voice/TTY: (703) 917-7600

FAX: (703) 917-9878

E-mail: nci@ncicap.org

Internet: <http://www.us.net/nci>

Description:

The National Captioning Institute (NCI) is a nonprofit organization that provides closed-captioning service for television networks, program producers, cable-casters, producers of home entertainment videocassettes, advertisers, and other organizations in the Federal and private sectors.

Publications:

Caption (annual newsletter).

Meeting Information:

None.

78. National Center for Neurogenic Communication Disorders

Director: Thomas Hixon, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Kathryn Bayles, Ph.D.,
Associate Director

Address: Speech and Hearing Sciences, Building 71,
The University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721

Voice: (520) 621-1472

FAX: (520) 621-2226

E-mail: center@cnet.shs.arizona.edu

Internet: <http://w3.arizona.edu/~cnet/homepage.html>

Description:

The National Center for Neurogenic Communication Disorders is one of the National Multipurpose Research and Training Centers sponsored by the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders. Center personnel conduct research and provide training related to speech and language disorders caused by disease and injury to the nervous system. The Center sponsors continuing education programs for professionals and disseminates information to the public on topics related to culture and rehabilitation and the latest on treatment and prevention of neurogenic communication disorders.

Publications:

Tres cosas lindas hay en la vida (fotonovela concerning stroke, available in Spanish only), professional newsletter, brochures, series of videotapes on neurogenic communication disorders, series of videos on cultural diversity.

Meeting Information:

None.

79. National Center for Stuttering (NCS)

Executive Director: Martin F. Schwartz, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Martin F. Schwartz, Ph.D.

Address: 200 East 33rd Street, New York, NY 10016

Voice: (212) 532-1460

Toll Free: (800) 221-2483, 10:00 a.m.-5 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (212) 683-1372

E-mail: mfs3@nyu.edu

Internet: <http://www.stuttering.com>

Description:

The National Center for Stuttering provides information to the public, in an easy-to-read format, about the latest research findings in the field. The Center also provides continuing education programs for speech pathologists, and maintains a national stutterers hotline.

Publications:

Professional fact sheets, brochures, books; consumer newsletter.

Meeting Information:

None.

80. **National Center for Voice and Speech (NCVS)**

Director: Ingo R. Titze, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Julie Ostrem, Program Associate

Address: University of Iowa, 330 WJSHC,
Iowa City, IA 52242

Voice: (319) 335-6600

FAX: (319) 335-8851

E-mail: ingo-itze@uiowa.edu

Internet: http://www.shc.uiowa.edu/ncvs_home.html

Description:

The National Center for Voice and Speech (NCVS) is a consortium of institutions: The University of Iowa, Denver Center for Performing Arts, the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and the University of Utah. NCVS research focuses on a better understanding of neurophysiological, biomechanic, anatomic, aerodynamic, and acoustic processes involved in speech and voice production. The organization is also dedicated to the training of scientists interested in careers in communications research, continuing education for clinicians, and dissemination of information to the general public. NCVS is one of the National Multipurpose Research and Training Centers supported by the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders.

Publications:

Professional brochures, computer software/computer-assisted education, reports; consumer brochures. Some materials available in Spanish.

Meeting Information:

Biennial phonosurgery conferences in July 2000, Madison, WI.

81. National Coalition on Deafness and HIV/AIDS (NCDH)

Chair: Scot Pott, M.P.H.

Public Information Contact: John Patrick Sullivan,
C.S.W., Secretary

Address: 1183 Monroe Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620

TTY: (716) 256-7762

FAX: (716) 256-7510

E-mail: JPSully@aol.com

Description:

The mission of the National Coalition on Deafness and HIV/AIDS (NCDH) is to stop the HIV pandemic within deaf, hard-of-hearing, and deaf-blind communities. Through conferences, retreats, and networking, the NCDH aims to affect public policy and decision making to empower members of the hearing-disabled population affected by HIV/AIDS.

Publications:

Professional/consumer newsletter.

Meeting Information:

None.

82. National Council on Stuttering (NCS)

Professional Liaison: Constance Dugan, M.A., CCC-SLP

Address: Counseling Center, 1200 W. Harrison Street,
Suite 2010, MIC 333, Chicago, IL 60607-7110

Voice: (312) 996-3132

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Description:

The National Council on Stuttering (NCS) provides information to the public about the latest research findings in the field. The center also provides continuing education programs for speech pathologists and maintains a national stuttering hotline.

Publications:

None.

Meeting Information:

Annual convention, October 10, 1998, Chicago, IL.

83. **National Cued Speech Association (NCSA)**

President: Catherine S. Quenin, Ph.D., CCC-SLP
Information Services Coordinator: Pamela H. Beck

Address: Nazareth College, 4245 East Avenue,
Rochester, NY 14618

Voice/TTY: (716) 389-2776

Toll Free Voice/TTY: (800) 459-3529

(Bookstore/Information Services)

FAX: (716) 586-2452

E-mail: NCSA@naz.edu

E-mail: CuedSpDisc@aol.com (Bookstore/Information Services)

Description:

The National Cued Speech Association (NCSA) was established in 1982 to provide awareness and education, through instructional programs, publications, exhibits, and conferences, regarding the use of Cued Speech; quality assurance through certification of instructors; and service through information and support for people with speech, hearing, and language needs, their families and associates, and the professionals who serve them.

Publications:

Cued Speech Journal (annual), *On Cue Newsflash* (bimonthly newsletter), *Cued Speech Resource Book for Parents of Deaf Children*.

Meeting Information:

None.

84. **National Family Association for Deaf-Blind (NFADB)**

President: Ralph Warner

Regional Director: Clara Berg

Address: 111 Middle Neck Road, Sands Point, NY 11050

Toll Free: (800) 255-0411, ext. 275, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., eastern time

TTY: (516) 944-8637

FAX: (516) 944-7302

E-mail: claritab@junjo.com

Description:

The National Family Association for the Deaf-Blind (NFADB) is founded on the belief that individuals who are deaf-blind are valued members of society and are entitled to the same opportunities and choices as other members of the community. NFADB advocates for all people who are deaf-blind of any age and cognitive ability, supports national policy to benefit people who are deaf-blind, encourages the founding and strengthening of family organizations in each state, shares information related to deaf-blindness, provides resources and referrals, collaborates with professionals, and assists in the development of materials and training seminars that benefit family members. NFADB is a national nonprofit membership organization actively involved in national projects for the deaf-blind community to ensure consumer and family representation and keeps abreast of current trends in service delivery.

Publications:

Brochure, *News from Advocates for Deaf-Blind* (triannual membership newsletter).

Meeting Information:

General Membership Business Meeting; contact NFADB for date and location.

85. **National Hearing Conservation Association (NHCA)**

President: Merlyn Lubiens

Executive Director: Karen Wojdyla

Address: 9101 East Kenyon Avenue, Suite 3000,
Denver, CO 80237

Voice: (303) 224-9022

FAX: (303) 770-1812

E-mail: nhca@gwami.com

Description:

The National Hearing Conservation Association (NHCA), an association of hearing conservation professionals, is dedicated to preventing hearing loss caused by noise and other environmental factors in all sectors of society. NHCA's objectives are to provide professional development by improving its members' skills, practices, and services, and to provide education and

encourage research in noise and hearing conservation; to stimulate information exchange, disseminate information, and provide a resource center; to promote development of improved and more effective occupational hearing conservation programs; and to develop guidelines and monitor and participate in standards, regulatory, and legislative activity at local, national, and international levels.

Publications:

Spectrum (quarterly newsletter), directories, professional brochures, audiovisuals.

Meeting Information:

Annual conference, February 1999, Atlanta, GA.

86. National Information Center on Deafness (NICD), Gallaudet University

Director: Loraine DiPietro

Address: Gallaudet University, 800 Florida Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002-3695

Voice: (202) 651-5051

TTY: (202) 651-5052

FAX: (202) 651-5054

E-mail: nicd@gallux.gallaudet.edu

Internet: <http://www.gallaudet.edu/~nicd>

Description:

The National Information Center on Deafness (NICD) collects, develops, and disseminates information about all aspects of hearing loss and services available to people who are deaf or hard of hearing across the Nation. NICD makes referrals to other organizations and provides information about Gallaudet University.

Publications:

Directory, professional/consumer fact sheets, brochures. Some materials available in Spanish and French.

Meeting Information:

None.

87. **National Information Clearinghouse on Children Who Are Deaf-Blind (DB-LINK)**

Director: John Reiman, Ph.D.

Address: 345 North Monmouth Avenue,
Monmouth, OR 97361

Toll Free Voice: (800) 438-9376, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.,
eastern time

Toll Free TTY: (800) 854-7013, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.,
eastern time

FAX: (503) 838-8150

E-mail: dblink@fstr.wou.edu

Internet: <http://www.tr.wou.edu/dblink>

Description:

The National Information Clearinghouse on Children Who Are Deaf-Blind (DB-LINK) provides free information for families and professionals serving children and youth who are deaf-blind. DB-LINK identifies, organizes, and disseminates information related specifically to children who are deaf-blind. DB-LINK includes the following among its topical areas: early intervention, special education, general education, medicine, health, social services, recreational services, legal issues, employment, independent living, and postsecondary education. DB-LINK is a collaborative effort of the Helen Keller National Center, Perkins School for the Blind, St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital, and Teaching Research.

Publications:

Directory, professional/consumer newsletter, fact sheets, brochures.

Meeting Information:

None.

88. **National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)**

Director: James F. Battey, Jr., M.D., Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Marin P. Allen, Ph.D., Chief, Office of Policy, Planning, Health Communication and Public Liaison

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TTY: (301) 402-0252

FAX: (301) 402-0018

E-mail: marin_allen@nih.gov

Internet: <http://www.nih.gov/nidcd>

Description:

The National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD) is one of the institutes of the National Institutes of Health. NIDCD supports and conducts research and research training on normal and disordered mechanisms affecting hearing, balance, smell, taste, voice, speech, and language. NIDCD supports research efforts for the development of therapeutic interventions and devices that will enhance the quality of life for those individuals who have communication impairments or disorders. NIDCD provides information and disseminates materials to educate the public and health professionals about these seven research areas in human communication.

Publications:

Professional/consumer fact sheets, brochures, monographs, and reports.

Meeting Information:

National Deafness and Other Communication Disorders Advisory Council (3 times per year), Board of Scientific Counselors (2 times per year), Program Advisory Committee (2 times per year).

89. **National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD) Information Clearinghouse**

Project Officer: Patricia Blessing

Project Manager: Mia Esserman

Public Information Contact: Information Specialist

Address: 1 Communication Avenue,
Bethesda, MD 20892-3456

Toll Free Voice: (800) 241-1044, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.,
eastern time

Toll Free TTY: (800) 241-1055

FAX: (301) 907-8830

E-mail: nidcdinfo@nidcd.nih.gov

Internet: <http://www.nih.gov/nidcd>

Description:

The National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD) Information Clearinghouse, a service of NIDCD, is a national resource center for health information about hearing, balance, smell, taste, voice, speech, and language for health professionals, patients, industry, and the public. The clearinghouse collects and disseminates information through an information service; a computerized database on the Combined Health Information Database (CHID), which may be searched at <http://chid.nih.gov>, and the development and distribution of publications on the normal and disordered processes of human communication.

Publications:

Inside the NIDCD Information Clearinghouse (biannual newsletter), directory, professional/consumer fact sheets, brochures, information packets, reports.

Meeting Information:

None.

90. **National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD) National Temporal Bone, Hearing and Balance Pathology Resource Registry**

Principal Investigator: Joseph B. Nadol, Jr., M.D.

Coordinator: Sumiko M. Goldbaum

Address: Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary,
243 Charles Street, Boston, MA 02114

Voice: (617) 573-3711

TTY: (617) 573-3888

Toll Free: (800) 822-1327, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (617) 573-3838

E-mail: tbregistry@meei.harvard.edu

Internet: <http://www.tbregistry.org/home1.html>

Description:

The NIDCD National Temporal Bone, Hearing and Balance Pathology Resource Registry (the Registry) promotes research of hearing and balance disorders through the study of the temporal bone and related brain structures. The Registry maintains a computer database of all U.S. temporal bone collections, disseminates information on temporal bone donation, enrolls individuals with hearing/balance disorders as temporal bone donors, educates professionals about temporal bone research, and conserves at-risk collections. Free searches of the Registry's database are available to interested otopathologic researchers. The Registry is sponsored by the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders.

Publications:

The Registry (semiannual consumer/professional newsletter), consumer brochures.

Meeting Information:

None.

91. National Organization for the Advancement of the Deaf, Inc. (NOAD)

President: Michael Bienenstock

Address: 18719 Set Point Lane, Humble, TX 77346

Voice: (409) 880-8170

TTY: (409) 880-2322

FAX: (409) 880-2265

E-mail: mbeury@aol.com

Description:

The National Organization for the Advancement of the Deaf, Inc. (NOAD), is dedicated to facilitating communication on issues related to the deaf and to providing technical assistance for professionals and parents working with deaf and hard-of-hearing children, adolescents, and adults.

Publications:

The Communicator (professional newsletter; six issues per year).

Meeting Information:

None.

92. National Organization for Hearing Research (NOHR)

President: Geraldine Dietz Fox

Address: 225 Haverford Avenue, Suite 1,
Narberth, PA 19072-2234

Voice: (610) 664-3135/3260, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., eastern time

TTY: (610) 664-3135

FAX: (610) 668-1428

Description:

The National Organization for Hearing Research (NOHR) is a nonprofit private foundation. Each year NOHR seeks to fund exceptional researchers with \$10,000 seed money grants. NOHR grant proposals target innovative auditory projects and are reviewed by members of NOHR's Scientific Review Committee. The most important review criteria for

research proposals are scientific value and potential to yield significant new insights into the field of auditory science. NOHR's main objective is to expand research to increase understanding of normal and diseased hearing and deafness. Research into the regeneration of sensory hair cells of the inner ear continues to be emphasized, but all qualified research into the prevention, causes, treatments, and cures of hearing loss and deafness is supported.

Publications:

Consumer fact sheets, pamphlets.

Meeting Information:

None.

93. **National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD)**

President: Abbey Meyers

Public Information Contact: Information Services Department

Address: 100 Rt. 37, P.O. Box 8923,
New Fairfield, CT 06812-8923

Voice: (203) 746-6518

TTY: (203) 746-6927

Toll Free: (800) 999-NORD, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (203) 746-6481

E-mail: orphan@nord-rdb.com

Internet: <http://www.NORD-RDB.com/~orphan>

Description:

The National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD) is a nonprofit, voluntary health agency that acts as a clearinghouse for information on rare disorders. A rare disorder is a disease or condition that affects fewer than 200,000 Americans.

Cumulatively, there are more than 5,000 rare diseases affecting more than 20 million Americans. NORD is committed to the identification, treatment, and cure of rare diseases through programs of education, advocacy, research, and service. NORD's networking program seeks to link individuals with the same or similar rare health conditions. Rare diseases include neurofibromatosis, Niemann-Pick disease, and Usher syndrome Type 2.

Publications:

Newsletter (three issues per year), *Physicians Guide to Rare Diseases* (book), reports on rare disorders.

Meeting Information:

Annual patient-family conference, October 9–12, 1998, Memphis, TN.

94. National Service Dog Center

President/CEO: Linda M. Hines

Public Information Contact: Susan Duncan, R.N., NSDC
Coordinator

Address: Delta Society, 289 Perimeter Road East,
Renton, WA 98055–1329

Voice: (800) 869–6898

FAX: (425) 235–1076

E-mail: NSDC@compuserve.com

Internet: <http://www.deltasociety.org>

Description:

The National Service Dog Center, a department of the Delta Society, provides information about the selection, training, stewardship, and roles of service dogs; referral to service dog training programs and related resources; education to businesses, health care professionals, and the general public regarding service dog issues; research assistance through a resource library and network of professional experts; and advocacy on behalf of people with service dogs.

Publications:

Professional/consumer newsletter, directory, fact sheets, brochures, free catalog of products and services.

Meeting Information:

Delta Society annual conference, October 1998, Seattle, WA.

95. **National Spasmodic Dysphonia Association, Inc. (NSDA)**

President: John Hunsinger, Jr.

Executive Director: Dr. Valerie F. Levitan

Address: One E. Wacker Drive, Suite 2430,
Chicago, IL 60601-1905

Toll Free: (800) 795-NSDA

FAX: (312) 803-0138

E-mail: NSDA@aol.com

Description:

The primary purposes of the National Spasmodic Dysphonia Association (NSDA) are to increase public awareness of spasmodic dysphonia and to promote the care, welfare, and rehabilitation of those with spasmodic dysphonia through education and support of research. NSDA promotes education about spasmodic dysphonia in the medical community and in the general public.

Publications:

NSDA Newsletter, professional/consumer brochures, audiovisuals.

Meeting Information:

Contact Association for dates and location of annual meeting.

96. **National Stuttering Project (NSP)**

Executive Director: Annie Bradberry

Office Manager: Tammy Flores

Address: 5100 East La Palma Avenue, Suite 208,
Anaheim Hills, CA 92807

Voice: (714) 693-7480

Toll Free: (800) 364-1677, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., pacific time

FAX: (714) 693-7554

Internet: <http://www.nspstutter.org>

E-mail: NSPmail@aol.com

Description:

The National Stuttering Project (NSP) is a national network of support groups created to meet the needs of children and adults who stutter. NSP offers information and support,

provides referrals to specialists, serves as an advocate for the stuttering community, and raises the consciousness of the general public about the disorder.

Publications:

Letting Go (monthly newsletter), professional/consumer brochures, audiovisuals, books.

Meeting Information:

Annual convention.

97. National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID)

Vice President: Robert R. Davila, Ph.D.

Manager, Marketing Communications Department:

Kathryn L. Schmitz

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Rochester, NY 14623-5604

Voice/TTY: (716) 475-6824

FAX: (716) 475-6500

E-mail: NTIDMC@RIT.EDU

Internet: <http://www.rit.edu/NTID>

Description:

The primary mission of the National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID) is to provide deaf and hard-of-hearing students with outstanding state-of-the-art technical and professional education programs, complemented by a strong arts and sciences curriculum, that prepare them to live and work in the mainstream of a rapidly changing global community and enhance their lifelong learning. NTID also prepares professionals to work in fields related to deafness; undertakes a program of applied research designed to enhance the social, economic, and educational accommodation of deaf people; and shares its knowledge and expertise through outreach and other information dissemination programs.

Publications:

Professional newsletter, fact sheets, brochures, reports.

Meeting Information:

None.

98. Neurofibromatosis, Inc. (NF, Inc.)

President: Michael Flamingo

Public Information Contact: Mary Ann Wilson,
Administrative Director

Address: 8855 Annapolis Road, Suite 110,
Lanham, MD 20706-2924

Voice: (301) 577-8984

Toll Free: (800) 942-6825, 24 hours

TTY: (410)461-5213

FAX: (301) 577-0016

E-mail: nfinc1@aol.com

Internet: <http://www.nfinc.org>

Description:

Neurofibromatosis, Inc. (NF, Inc.), is a national organization dedicated to all affected by the neurofibromatoses and related disorders. It supports research; promotes national, state, and local community involvement; publishes a newsletter; distributes materials on neurofibromatosis Type I (NF-1) and Type II (NF-2); has a governing board with NF-2 representatives; and provides real-time captioning at meetings. The NF, Inc., Scholar provides professional education, and the Chris Hollis Campership Fund awards scholarships for camp to youngsters who have NF. A toll-free helpline and website make peer counseling and information available 24 hours a day.

Publications:

Newsletter, directory, consumer fact sheets, brochures, audiovisuals.

Meeting Information:

None.

99. **Noise Pollution Clearinghouse (NPC)**

Coordinator: Les Blomberg

Public Information Contact: Vicki Parra, Assistant Coordinator

Address: P.O. Box 1137, Montpelier, VT 05601-1137

Voice: (802) 229-1659

Toll Free: (888) 200-8332

E-mail: npc@nonoise.org

Internet: <http://www.nonoise.org>

Description:

The mission of the Noise Pollution Clearinghouse, (NPC) is to create more civilized cities and more natural rural and wilderness areas by reducing noise pollution at the source. NPC seeks to raise awareness about noise pollution; create, collect, and distribute resources regarding noise pollution; establish networks among environmental, professional, medical, governmental, citizen, and activist groups working on noise pollution issues; and assist activists working against noise pollution.

Publications:

Fact sheets, brochures/pamphlets.

Meeting Information:

None.

100. **Postsecondary Education Programs Network (PEPNet)**

Director: Herbert W. Larson

Public Information Contact: Terri Goldstein

Address: National Center on Deafness,
1811 Nordhoff Street, Northridge, CA 91330-8267

Voice/TTY: (818) 677-2611

Toll Free: (888) 684-4695

FAX: (818) 677-4899

E-mail: wrocc@csun.edu

Internet: <http://www.pepnet.org>

Description:

The Postsecondary Education Programs Network (PEPNet) promotes opportunities for the four Regional Postsecondary Education Centers for Individuals who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing to coordinate and collaborate. The centers, supported by the U.S. Department of Education, strive to create effective technical assistance to postsecondary educational institutions that provide access and accommodations to individuals who are deaf or have hearing impairments. The regional centers are located in St. Paul, Minnesota; Rochester, New York; Knoxville, Tennessee; and Northridge, California. The PEPNet National Resource Center, located at California State University, Northridge, houses and loans information, training materials, and videotapes developed by the four regional centers.

Publications:

Informational material.

Meeting Information:

None.

101. **Recurrent Respiratory Papillomatosis Foundation (RRPF)**

Director: William Stern, M.S.

Address: P.O. Box 6643, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648-0643

Voice: (609) 530-1443

FAX: (609) 530-1912

E-mail: wfs@gfdl.gov or mstern@pucc.PRINCETON.EDU

Internet: <http://members.aol.com/rpfp/RRPF.html>

Description:

The Recurrent Respiratory Papillomatosis Foundation (RRPF) was created to provide family support, promote public awareness, and aid in the prevention, cure, and treatment of recurrent respiratory papillomatosis. The organization focuses primarily on networking within the RRP community, including patients, families, medical practitioners, and researchers. Its goal is to stimulate more RRP-related research that may lead to more effective treatments and, ultimately, a cure for this disease.

Publications:

RRP Newsletter (semiannual), RRP Medical Reference Service (semiannual), professional/consumer fact sheets.

Meeting Information:

None.

102. Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, Inc. (RID)

President: Daniel Burch, M.A., C.S.C.

Public Information Contact: Wendy Yanis,
Public Relations Coordinator

Address: 8630 Fenton Street, Suite 324,
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3803

Voice/TTY: (301) 608-0050

FAX: (301) 608-0508

E-mail: ridcmp@aol.com

Internet: <http://www.RID.ORG>

Description:

The philosophy of Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) is that excellence in the delivery of interpretation/transliteration services among people who are deaf and hard of hearing and people who are hearing will ensure effective communication. As the professional association for interpreters and transliterators, RID serves as an essential arena for its members in their pursuit of excellence. RID's mission is to provide international, national, regional, state, and local forums and an organizational structure for the continued growth and development of the profession of interpretation and transliteration of American Sign Language and English.

Publications:

Professional journal, newsletter, directory, fact sheets, brochures, reports; consumer brochures.

Meeting Information:

16th Biennial Convention, August 9-14, 1999, Boston, MA.

103. **Rehabilitation Services Administration, Deafness and Communicative Disorders Branch (RSA-DCDB)**

Commissioner: Fredric K. Schroeder, Ph.D.

Branch Chief: Victor Galloway, Ed.D.

Address: 330 C Street, SW, Room 3228,
Washington, DC 20202-2736

Voice: (202) 205-9152

TTY: (202) 205-8352

FAX: (202) 205-9340

E-mail: VICTOR_GALLOWAY@Ed.Gov

Internet: <http://www.ed.gov/OSERS/RSA/rsa.html>

Description:

The goal of the Deafness and Communicative Disorders Branch (DCDB) is the promotion of improved and expanded rehabilitation services for individuals from diverse backgrounds who are deaf, hard of hearing, late deafened, or deaf-blind. Activities involved in working toward this goal are leadership and liaison to national organizations, agencies, and institutions concerned with deafness and communicative disorders; development of policies and standards that improve state rehabilitation agencies' work with persons with hearing loss, deafness, or communicative disorders; provision of technical assistance to rehabilitation services administration staff in both central and regional offices; and dissemination of relevant information.

Publications:

American Rehabilitation (quarterly), annual report, consumer brochure.

Meeting Information:

None.

104. **Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America (RESNA)**

Executive Director: James R. Geletka
Membership Coordinator: Terry Reamer
Address: 1700 N. Moore Street, Suite 1540,
Arlington, VA 22209-1903
Voice: (703) 524-6686
TTY: (703) 524-6639
FAX: (703) 524-6630
E-mail: natloffice@resna.org
Internet: <http://www.resna.org>

Description:

RESNA is the Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America. RESNA is an interdisciplinary association for the advancement of rehabilitation and assistive technologies. Memberships range from rehabilitation professionals to providers and consumers. RESNA is dedicated to promoting the exchange of ideas and information for the advancement of assistive technology.

Publications:

Resna News (bimonthly professional newsletter),
Assistive Technology (semiannual professional journal),
professional books, audiovisuals.

Meeting Information:

Annual meeting, June 25-June 30, 1999, Long Beach, CA.

105. **Rocky Mountain Taste and Smell Center (RMTSC)**

Director: Thomas E. Finger, Ph.D.
Public Information Contact: Miriam Linschoten, Ph.D.,
Research Associate
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Denver, CO 80262
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Description:

The Rocky Mountain Taste and Smell Center brings together a group of established investigators examining the fundamental cellular processes that underlie the chemical senses, including their dysfunctions and clinical implications. The Program Project includes collaborative, multifaceted studies on the neurobiology of the senses of taste and smell in humans as well as in a variety of vertebrate animal models. Since its inception, the Center has maintained its mission as an interdisciplinary effort aimed at the elucidation of basic biological and clinical problems related to chemical senses. The Center receives support from the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders.

Publications:

Journal articles.

Meeting Information:

None.

106. Self Help for Hard of Hearing People, Inc. (SHHH)

Executive Director: Donna L. Sorokin

Address: 7910 Woodmont Avenue, Suite 1200,
Bethesda, MD 20814

Voice: (301) 657-2248

TTY: (301) 657-2249

FAX: (301) 913-9413

E-mail: national@shhh.org

Internet: <http://www.shhh.org>

Description:

Self Help for Hard of Hearing People, Inc. (SHHH) is a volunteer, international organization composed of people who are hard of hearing and their relatives and friends. It is a nonprofit, nonsectarian, educational organization devoted to the welfare and interests of those who cannot hear well but are committed to participating in the hearing world.

Publications:

Hearing Loss: The Journal of Self Help for Hard of Hearing People, informational materials.

Meeting Information:

Annual convention, June 25–28, 1999, New Orleans, LA.

107. Sertoma International

Executive Director: Gene Horn, CAE

Director of International Sponsorships: Karen Cable

Address: 1912 East Meyer Boulevard,
Kansas City, MO 64132

Voice/TTY: (816) 333–8300

Toll Free: (800) 593–5646

FAX: (816) 333–4320

E-mail: infosertoma@sertoma.org

Internet: <http://www.sertoma.org>

Description:

Sertoma International (SERvice TO MAnkind) is a volunteer service organization of 25,000 members in 800 clubs across North America. Its primary focus is communicative disorders, but its clubs also sponsor projects in national heritage, youth, and other community needs. Sertoma offers scholarships for master's candidates in audiology and speech pathology, and for deaf or hard-of-hearing students pursuing bachelor's degrees in any field.

Publications:

Sertoman Magazine, informational materials.

Meeting Information:

Annual convention, July 1999, Minneapolis, MN.

108. Silent Word Media Resources

Executive Director: Philip A. Hyssong, M.Ed.

Administrative Assistant: Julie Honz

Address: 7400 Augusta Street, River Forest, IL 60305

Voice/TTY: (708) 209–3341

Toll Free: (800) 651–8292, 7 a.m.–5 p.m., central time

FAX: (708) 209–3176

Description:

Silent Word Media Resources provides services in three areas. It makes available videotape production facilities for not-for-profit organizations; it provides captioning services for both profit and not-for-profit clients; and it provides ministry resources for people who are hard of hearing or deaf, as well as people who work with those who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Publications:

Newsletter, fact sheets, brochures, audiovisuals.

Meeting Information:

None.

109. Society for Ear, Nose and Throat Advances in Children (SENTAC)

President: Jacob Friedberg, M.D.

Public Information Contact: Andrew J. Hotaling, M.D.,
Treasurer

Address: Department of Otolaryngology,
2160 South First Avenue, Maywood, IL 60153

Voice: (708) 216-9637 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

FAX: (708) 216-4834

E-mail: swhelto@luc.edu

Description:

The Society for Ear, Nose and Throat Advances in Children (SENTAC) is an interdisciplinary professional society of health professionals who share an interest in ear, nose, and throat diseases in children, including communication disorders. The annual conference provides a forum for the presentation and exchange of ideas and information. In addition to oral presentations and scientific posters, SENTAC conducts luncheon workshops.

Publications:

Professional newsletter, directory, brochures.

Meeting Information:

Annual conference, December 1998, Portland, OR;
December 1999, Williamsburg, VA.

110. Society of Hearing Impaired Physicians (SHIP)

President: Frank Peter Hochman, M.D.

Address: 1999 Mowry Avenue, Suite L, Fremont, CA 94538

Voice: (570) 797-2939, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., pacific time

FAX: (570) 797-2939

E-mail: FPHSHIP@aol.com

Description:

The Society of Hearing Impaired Physicians (SHIP) aids and assists physicians, medical students, and prospective medical students whose hearing impairment may necessitate different tools and/or approaches to medical practice and training.

Publications:

Newsletter.

Meeting Information:

Contact Society for information.

111. Society of Otorhinolaryngology and Head-Neck Nurses, Inc. (SOHN)

Executive Director: Sandra Schwartz, M.S., R.N.,
C.O.R.L.N.

Address: 116 Canal Street, Suite A,
New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

Voice: (904) 428-1695

FAX: (904) 423-7566

Internet: <http://www.entnet.org/sohn>

Description:

The Society of Otorhinolaryngology and Head-Neck Nurses, Inc. (SOHN), is an organization of professional registered nurses organized to promote continuing education in the field of otorhinolaryngology nursing and to promote standards of clinical practice and research.

Publications:

ORL-Head and Neck Nursing (quarterly journal),
The Update (newsletter, six issues per year).

Meeting Information:

Annual congress and nursing symposium, September 25–29,
1999, New Orleans, LA.

**112. Speak Easy International Foundation,
Inc. (SEIF)**

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Description:

The Speak Easy International Foundation (SEIF) is dedicated to supporting individuals who have the speech dysfluency commonly known as stuttering. The Foundation seeks to motivate, to instill confidence, to enhance self-image, to reinforce fluency, to act as an advocacy group, to encourage family and friends of people who stutter to become cognizant of the speech-dysfluent individual's plight and problems, to educate the public, and to assist all its members in attaining a viable status in society.

Publications:

The Speak Easy Newsletter (quarterly), professional/consumer videotape.

Meeting Information:

Annual symposium on stuttering; contact SEIF for date and location.

113. State University of New York (SUNY) Clinical Olfactory Research Center

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Description:

The purpose of the Clinical Olfactory Research Center is to identify and evaluate mechanisms underlying human olfactory dysfunction. Basic and clinical research are conducted on the psychophysical and physiological evaluation of dysosmia; olfaction function following peripheral and central lesions; olfactory deficits that accompany HIV infections; histopathology of the olfactory mucosa and dysosmia; numerical and physical models of olfaction; and olfactory function following viral infections. A self-supported clinic works in conjunction with the projects described above, providing treatment and management of patients with olfactory dysfunctions. The Center receives support from the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders.

Publications:

Professional/consumer brochures, fact sheets.

Meeting Information:

None.

114. Stuttering Foundation of America (SFA)

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FAX: (901) 452-3931

E-mail: stuttersfa@aol.com

Internet: <http://www.stuttersfa.org>

Description:

The Stuttering Foundation of America is a national, non-profit organization that provides educational materials on stuttering free of charge to those who stutter, their families, speech-language pathologists, physicians, teachers, and the general public. It distributes books and videotapes free to public libraries. It also provides referrals to speech-language pathologists who specialize in stuttering and a list of support groups nationwide.

Publications:

Professional/consumer newsletter (quarterly), professional/consumer fact sheets, brochures, audiovisuals, books. Some materials available in Spanish and French.

Meeting Information:

Annual symposium for speech/language pathologists who work in schools; annual two-week workshop for speech pathologists specializing in stuttering, two workshops (5 days each) for speech/language pathologists who treat children who stutter; contact SFA for dates and locations.

115. Taking Action Against Language Disorders for Kids (T.A.L.K.)

President: Linda Newland

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Description:

Taking Action Against Language Disorders for Kids (T.A.L.K.) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing information, resources, support and advocacy to families of children with language disorders, as well as the public, medical, and educational communities. Its aims are to increase public awareness of language disorders and to serve as a voice for children with speech and language disorders, in order to ensure that the appropriate programs, services, information, and support for these children remain a priority in all communities.

Publications:

T.A.L.K. (quarterly newsletter), informational materials.

Meeting Information:

None.

116. Telecommunications for the Deaf, Inc. (TDI)

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Description:

Telecommunications for the Deaf, Inc. (TDI), is a consumer-oriented organization that is constantly working to improve technology and accessibility for all who rely on visual telecommunications. TDI develops an annual national TTY directory for TTY users; supports legislation; and advocates the use of TTYs, ASCII code, Emergency Access (911), telecaptioning, and visual-alerting systems in the public, private, and government sectors.

Publications:

GA-SK Newsletter (quarterly), *National Directory of TTY Numbers* (annual).

Meeting Information:

TDI National Expo, December 3-5, 1998, Gallaudet University, Washington, DC; TDI Conference, Summer 1999, Seattle, WA.

117. Testing, Evaluation, and Certification Unit, Inc. (TECUnit)

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Description:

The Testing, Evaluation, and Certification Unit, Inc. (TECUnit), is the national certifying body for transliterators who work primarily between spoken English and cued English. Toward this end, the TECUnit administers the Cued Language Transliterator National Certification Examination (CLTNCE). The TECUnit has also developed an assessment tool for use by state agencies. The Cued Language Transliterator state Level Assessment (CLTSLA) is administered by the agency within a given state responsible for regulating the quality of interpreting and transliterating services in keeping with state mandates (e.g., quality assurance screenings and state licensure). The TECUnit also administers standardized tests designed to access expressive and receptive cueing proficiency. Ultimately, the TECUnit is responsible for establishing, maintaining, and promulgating national standards for the profession of cued language transliteration. A working Code of Conduct, derived with regard for both educational and community settings, is central to its mission.

Publications:

Professional fact sheets and brochures.

Meetings:

None.

118. United States Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (USSAAC)

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Description:

The purposes of the United States Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (USSAAC) are to enhance the communication effectiveness of people who can benefit from augmentative and alternative communication and to support the goals of the International Society for Augmentative and Alternative Communication (ISAAC). The specific purposes of USSAAC are to assist individuals in their right to communicate, allowing full participation in society; promote public awareness; influence national and state public policy and legislation; disseminate legislative, regulatory, and funding information; facilitate high-quality service delivery; and promote transdisciplinary professional education.

Publications:

The USSAAC Newsletter (quarterly), directory.

Meeting Information:

Annual conference, 1999; contact USSAAC for date and location.

119. University of Pennsylvania Smell and Taste Center

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Philadelphia, PA 19104

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Description:

The University of Pennsylvania Smell and Taste Center was established in 1980 as the first clinical research center in the United States devoted to the senses of taste and smell. The Center has since achieved worldwide prominence for both its research and clinical activities. The Center has three primary goals: to provide clinical evaluation, treatment, and counseling for patients experiencing smell and taste disorders; to provide facilities and intellectual focus for research in basic and applied aspects of chemosensation; and to provide training for students, doctoral-level scientists, and other professionals interested in chemoreception sciences. The Center receives support from the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders.

Publications:

Professional journal, professional/consumer brochures.

Meeting Information:

None.

120. Vestibular Disorders Association (VEDA)

Executive Director: Jerry L. Underwood, Ph.D.

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Description:

The Vestibular Disorders Association (VEDA) is a nonprofit organization that provides information to people with vestibular disorders, such as labyrinthitis, BPPV, Meniere's disease, and perilymph fistula. Frequently reported symptoms of these disorders include dizziness, unsteadiness or imbalance, vertigo, nausea, and in some cases, hearing loss and/or tinnitus.

Publications:

Consumer newsletter, fact sheets, brochures, audiovisuals, and books. Some materials available in Spanish.

Meeting Information:

None.

121. The Voice Foundation

Executive Director: Cecilia Boyd

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Description:

The goal of the Voice Foundation, a not-for-profit corporation organized in 1969, is to understand the human voice, thereby improving its quality and care. This understanding is achieved through funding research, enhancing education with respect to the human voice, and disseminating this knowledge internationally.

Publications:

Journal of Voice (quarterly), newsletter (three to four issues per year).

Meeting Information:

Annual symposium, June 1999, Philadelphia, PA.

122. World Federation of the Deaf (WFD)

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Description:

The World Federation of the Deaf (WFD) is dedicated to promoting the human and social rights of deaf people, advocating their full participation in society, equalizing opportunities, strengthening the status of sign language, advancing educational opportunities for people who are deaf, promoting their access to information, and stimulating the efforts of national associations of the deaf in an effort to improve the overall situation of deaf communities in every country. WFD disseminates information, resolutions, and recommendations to its members, partners in cooperation, and concerned authorities.

Publications:

WFD News, *WFD Survey Report on Deaf People in the Developing World*, *WFD Report on the Status of Sign Language*, manual on establishing and running an organization of the deaf, video in international signs on human rights, informational materials.

Meeting Information:

World Congress, 1999, Brisbane, Australia.

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Additional Information Resources

These organizations may have information on various aspects of communication disorders. Some of these organizations offer materials such as newsletters, fact sheets, brochures, and books. Others may offer additional information resources and/or services (such as support groups, technical assistance, and other services).

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Description:

ABLEDATA is an electronic database of assistive technology and rehabilitation equipment for children and adults with sensory, cognitive, and physical disabilities available from almost 3,000 companies. The database also contains information on noncommercial prototypes, customized and one-of-a-kind products, and do-it-yourself designs.

Alliance of Genetic Support Groups (AGSG)

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Description:

The Alliance of Genetic Support Groups is a national coalition of consumers, professional, and voluntary organizations committed to promoting the interests of children, adults, and families with genetic disorders. The Alliance provides an information hotline, consultation on consumer views, technical assistance to support groups, and public and professional education.

American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), Project on Science, Technology, and Disability

Director: Virginia Stern

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Description:

The AAAS Project on Science, Technology and Disability was founded in 1975 as a project of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) to improve the entry and advancement of people with disabilities in science, math, and engineering. The Project links people with disabilities, their families, professors, teachers, and counselors with scientists, mathematicians, and engineers who have disabilities and can share their coping strategies in technical fields.

American Association of University Affiliated Programs (AAUAP)

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Description:

The American Association of University Affiliated Programs (AAUAP) is the central office representing the University Affiliated Programs (UAPs), Maternal and Child Health Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities Programs (LEND), and the Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Resource Centers (MRDDRCs), and is their representative to the Federal government and constituent organizations and agencies. The mission of AAUAP is to nurture, support, and assist member agencies in their endeavor to enhance the quality of life for people with developmental disabilities through interdisciplinary training, technical assistance, dissemination of information, and research.

American Broncho-Esophagological Association (ABEA)

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Description:

The American Broncho-Esophagological Association (ABEA) promotes knowledge of disease and injuries in the respiratory and upper digestive tracts and of borderline conditions and their diagnosis and treatment by means of direct or indirect inspection. ABEA encourages cooperation with allied specialties, fosters friendly assembly and scientific stimulation among its members, and advances the art of broncho-esophagology.

The Association for People with Severe Handicaps (TASH)

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Description:

The Association for People With Severe Handicaps (TASH) is a 23-year-old international advocacy association of people with disabilities, their family members, other advocates, and professionals. The association promotes the full participation of people with disabilities in integrated community settings that support the same quality of life available to people without disabilities.

Association of Academic Physiatrists (AAP)

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Description:

The mission of the Association of Academic Physiatrists (AAP) is to promote excellence in education, research, and the practice of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PM&R) within the academic arena. To accomplish this, the AAP will facilitate the exchange of ideas and information regarding the teaching of the art and science of PM&R. It will promote the dissemination of information and academic life skills to future physicians who will be practicing this art and science and will also encourage information exchange with other fields of medicine.

Association of Birth Defect Children, Inc. (ABDC)

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Internet: <http://www.birthdefects.org>

Description:

The Association of Birth Defect Children (ABCD) was founded in 1982 as a national clearinghouse to provide parents and professionals with information about all categories of birth defects and the services available for children with disabilities. ABCD services to families or professionals provide them with information about specific birth defects, referrals to support organizations, and information about financial and/or rehabilitative services, etc. Parents are invited to participate in ABCD's parent-matching service that connects families all over the country who have children with similar birth defects.

Brain Injury Association (BIA)

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Internet: <http://www.biausa.org>

Description:

The Brain Injury Association (BIA) is a nonprofit organization encompassing a national network of 42 State associations and hundreds of support groups. The heart of BIA's mission is to promote awareness, understanding and prevention of brain injury through education, advocacy, research, and community support services. BIA provides a toll-free information and resource helpline, sponsors educational meetings and conferences, increases public awareness through prevention programs, advocates before Congress, and developed the Brain Injury Resource Center, a multimedia stem that teaches about brain injury.

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Description:

The Center on Human Policy is a Syracuse University-based policy, research, and advocacy organization involved in the national movements to ensure the rights of people with disabilities. The center is involved in a broad range of local, state, national, and international activities, including policy studies, research, information and referral, advocacy, training and consultation, and information dissemination.

Clearinghouse on Disability Information

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TTY: (202) 205-4208

FAX: (202) 401-2608

Internet: <http://www.ed.gov/offices/osers>

Description:

The Clearinghouse provides information to people with disabilities by researching and providing documents in response to inquiries, and by referring inquirers to the appropriate sources of information about Federal funding for programs.

Connecticut Postsecondary Disability Technical Assistance Center

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Voice: (860) 486-0273, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., eastern time

TTY: (860) 486-5069

FAX: (860) 486-5037

Internet: <http://vm.uconn.edu/~wwwpcse/pedu.htm>

Description:

The Connecticut Postsecondary Disability Technical Assistance Center at the University of Connecticut educates and trains professionals to develop awareness of the educational and instructional needs of adults with disabilities. The Center promotes equal access to education and training opportunities for all adults with disabilities through consultation, collaboration, and networking.

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)

Executive Director: Nancy D. Safer

Public Information Contact: Constituent Services Unit

Address: 1920 Association Drive, Reston, VA 20191-1589

Voice: (703) 620-3660

TTY: (703) 264-9446

Toll Free: (888) CEC-SPED

FAX: (703) 264-9494

E-mail: cec@cec.sped.org

Internet: <http://www.cec.sped.org>

Description:

The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) is the largest international professional organization dedicated to improving educational outcomes for individuals with exceptionalities: students with disabilities and/or the gifted. CEC advocates for appropriate governmental policies, sets professional standards, provides continual professional development, advocates for newly and historically underserved individuals with exceptionalities, and helps professionals obtain conditions and resources necessary for effective professional practice.

Council for Learning Disabilities

President: Ed Ellis, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Kirsten McBride, Executive Secretary

Address: P.O. Box 40303, Overland Park, KS 66204

Voice: (913) 492-8755

FAX: (913) 492-2546

Internet: <http://www.winthrop.edu/cld>

Description:

The Council for Learning Disabilities is an international professional organization dedicated to improve research, advocacy, and life span development for individuals who have learning disabilities.

Cure Autism Now Foundation (CAN)

President/Cofounder: Portia Iversen

Address: 5225 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 226,
Los Angeles, CA 90036

Voice: (323) 549-0500, 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m., pacific time

FAX: (323) 549-0547

E-mail: CANrsch@primenet.com

Internet: <http://www.canfoundation.org>

Description:

The Cure Autism Now Foundation (CAN) is dedicated to promoting and funding research with direct clinical implications for treatment to reach its objectives. The foundation works to bring families, clinicians, and researchers together, thus facilitating research on a practical level. CAN disseminates the latest biological information to clinicians, scientists, and parents, and funds essential pilot research and fellowships based on the recommendations of its Scientific Advisory Board. It also works with Congress and the media to increase awareness and to encourage aggressive funding of biological research in autism.

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Entrepreneurs Council (DHHEC)

President: James MacFadden

Address: 814 Thayer Avenue, Suite 303,
Silver Spring, MD 20910-4500

TTY: (301) 587-5996, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., central time

FAX: (301) 587-5997

Internet: <http://www.dhhec.org>

Description:

The Deaf and Hard of Hearing Entrepreneurs Council (DHHEC) is an organization of deaf and hard of hearing business owners that was formed to assist such owners in the establishment, growth, and overall success of their businesses. DHHEC represents businesses of all types and sizes, has over 150 members, and conducts workshops and other events to foster networking and business discussions among the members.

Dogs for the Deaf, Inc.

President/Chief Executive Officer: Robin Dickson

Public Information Contact: Judi Rubert, Information and
Resource Coordinator

Address: 10175 Wheeler Road, Central Point, OR 97502

Voice/TTY: (541) 826-9220, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., pacific time

Toll Free: (800) 990-DOGS

FAX: (541) 826-6696

E-mail: info@dogsforthe deaf.org

Internet: <http://www.dogsforthe deaf.org>

Description:

Dogs for the Deaf, Inc., is a national nonprofit organization that rescues and professionally trains dogs to assist hard-of-hearing and deaf individuals and enhance their lives. All operating costs come from individuals, service clubs, businesses, foundations, memorial fund designations, and bequests.

The Dole Foundation

President: Paul Hearne

Public Information Contact: Valerie Baagn, Receptionist

Address: 1819 H Street, NW, Suite 340, Washington, DC 20006

Voice/TTY: (202) 457-0318

FAX: (202) 457-0473

E-mail: debracook@aol.com

Description:

The Dole Foundation for Employment of People with Disabilities is a nonpolitical, tax-exempt, nonprofit organization, and the only national foundation in the United States that focuses solely on economic independence and competitive employment for people with disabilities. The Foundation distributes funds raised from private sources to qualified nonprofit organizations operating innovative job training, placement, and career advancement programs for people with disabilities, giving preference to community-level organizations. The Foundation also raises awareness among private sector employers of the advantages of hiring people with disabilities.

Dyslexia Research Institute (DRI)

Director: Patricia K. Hardman, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: Robyn Rennick, Administrator

Address: 4745 Centerville Road, Tallahassee, FL 32308

Voice: (850) 893-2216, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (850) 853-2440

E-mail: dri@talstar.com

Internet: <http://www.dyslexia-add.org>

Description:

The goal of the Dyslexia Research Institute (DRI) is to expand the knowledge of parents and professionals (teachers, counselors, corrections officers) in the area of dyslexia and attention deficit disorders. Direct instruction is provided through a full multisensorial, structured, systematic language curriculum for both adults and children.

Educational Equity Concepts, Inc. (EEC)

Co-Directors: Merle Froschl, Barbara Sprung

Public Information Contact: Ellen Rubin, Coordinator, Disability Programs

Address: 114 East 32nd Street, Suite 701, New York, NY 10016

TTY: (212) 725-1803

FAX: (212) 725-0947

E-mail: 75507.1306@compuserve.com

Internet: <http://www.onisland.com/eec>

Description:

Educational Equity Concepts, Inc. (EEC), is a national nonprofit organization that creates programs and materials to help educators provide bias-free learning environments and activities. Its mission is to decrease discrimination in education based on gender, race/ethnicity, and disability. Beginning with preschool, EEC works directly with teachers, parents, children, administrators, and advocacy groups spanning the educational continuum.

Goodwill Industries International, Inc.

President/Chief Executive Officer: Fred Grandy

Public Information Contact: Joseph F. Bond, Jr.,
Public Relations Specialist

Address: 9200 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814

Voice: (301) 530-6500

TTY: (301) 530-9759

Toll Free: (800) 664-6577

FAX: (301) 530-1516

Internet: <http://www.goodwill.org>

Description:

Goodwill Industries is North America's largest nonprofit provider of employment and training services for people with disabilities and other barriers to employment. Goodwill's job training program is funded by revenues from Goodwill retail stores, contract services provided to community-based employers, and grants. The Goodwill network extends to virtually every corner of the United States and Canada. There are 187 autonomous Goodwill member organizations in North America, as well as 54 international associate members in 37 countries.

HEATH Resource Center (National Clearinghouse on Postsecondary Education for Individuals with Disabilities)

Director: Vickie Barr

Public Information Contact: Daniel Gardner, Information Specialist

Address: 1 Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 800,

Washington, DC 20036-7793

Voice/TTY: (202) 939-9320

Toll Free: (800) 544-3284, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (202) 833-4760

E-mail: HEATH@ace.nche.edu

Internet: <http://www.acenet.edu> or <gopher://bobcat-ace.nche.edu>

Description:

The HEATH Resource Center of the American Council on Education operates the national clearinghouse on postsecondary education and training for individuals with disabilities, their families, and the professionals who work with them. Support from the United States Department of Education enables the Center to serve as an information exchange about educational support services, policies, procedures, adaptations, and opportunities at American campuses, vocational-technical schools, and other postsecondary training entities.

Job Accommodation Network (JAN)

Project Manager: Barbara Judy

Address: 918 Chestnut Ridge Road, Suite 1, Morgantown, WV 26506

Toll Free Voice/TTY: (800) 526-7234, (800) ADA-WORK,

8 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday-Thursday; 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, eastern time; voice mail after hours

FAX: (304) 293-5407

E-mail: jan@icdi.wvu.edu

Internet: <http://janweb.icdi.wvu.edu>

Description:

Established in 1983 as a service of the President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities, the Job Accommodation Network (JAN) is an information network and consulting resource for people with disabilities. The JAN informs people with disabilities about their rights under the Americans with Disabilities Act and how they can be accommodated on the job and in the workplace.

Learning Disabilities Association of America (LDA)

Executive Director: Jean S. Peterson

Address: 4156 Library Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15234

Voice: (412) 341-1515

Toll Free: (888) 300-6710

FAX: (412) 344-0224

E-mail: ldanatl@usaor.net

Internet: <http://www.ldanatl.org>

Description:

The Learning Disabilities Association of America (LDA) is a national nonprofit organization devoted to learning disabilities. The LDA is an information and referral service for both parents and professionals (teachers, administrators, doctors, lawyers) and a membership organization. Included with the membership is a bi-monthly newsletter written in nontechnical terms.

Mainstream, Inc.

Acting Executive Director: Nancy Forest, C.R.C.

Public Information Contact: Fritz Rumpel, Editor

Address: 3 Bethesda Metro Center, Suite 830, Bethesda, MD 20814

Voice/TTY: (301) 654-2400, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (301) 654-2403

E-mail: mainstrm@aol.com

Description:

Mainstream, Inc., is a national, nonprofit organization dedicated to improving competitive employment opportunities for people with disabilities. The organization works with the disability, employer, and rehabilitation communities to identify and implement cost-effective programs and services that will benefit all three constituencies.

Med Help International (MHLI)

President: Cindy Thompson

Address: 6300 North Wickham Road, Suite 130, Box 188,
Melbourne, FL 32940

Voice: (407) 253-9048

FAX: (407) 253-1819

E-mail: CINDY@medhelp.org

Internet: <http://www.medhelp.org>

Description:

Med Help International (MHLI), a nonprofit patient advocacy organization, is the largest consumer health information network in the world. Their online Consumer Health Library contains thousands of documents describing most illnesses and diseases in lay terminology. MHLI also offers people direct access to physicians within leading medical organizations like the Cleveland Clinic Foundation and Henry Ford Health System; patients can post questions in the medical forums and receive answers from volunteer doctors in these organizations—all free of charge. A Patient Network puts people in touch with other people who may have a similar illness for the purpose of sharing information and support.

National Alliance for Autism Research

President: Karen Margulis London

Public Information Contact: David Maxson, Executive Director

Address: 414 Wall Street, Princeton, NJ 08540

Voice: (609) 430-9160

Toll Free: (888) 777-NAAR

FAX: (609) 430-9163

E-mail: naar@erols.com

Internet: <http://www.naar.org>

Description:

The National Alliance for Autism Research (NAAR) is dedicated to the prevention, treatment, and cure of the autism spectrum disorders through biomedical research. It makes research awards, up to \$60,000 over a 2-year period, for innovative proposals ranked by its Scientific Advisory Board for scientific merit and promise to autism. NAAR also conducts conferences for parents and scientific working groups on issues of importance to autism research; provides fellowships to promising young scientists; and distributes educational material.

National AMBUCS, Inc.

Executive Director: J. Joseph Copeland

Public Information Contact: Carmen Murtagh,
Scholarship Coordinator

Address: 3315 North Main Street, High Point, NC 27265

Voice: (336) 869-2166, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (336) 887-8451

E-mail: ambucs@ambucs.com

Internet: <http://www.ambucs.com>

Description:

The mission of the National AMBUCS, Inc., is to create opportunities for independence for people with disabilities. The organization meets its community service goal by providing scholarships for speech/language students, therapeutic tricycles for children with disabilities, and bathroom safety rails for elderly individuals.

National Association of State Directors of Special Education, Inc. (NASDSE)

Executive Director: Martha J. Fields, Ed.D.

Address: 1800 Diagonal Road, Suite 320, Alexandria, VA 22314

Voice: (703) 519-3800, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (703) 519-3808

E-mail: smokey@nasdse.org

Internet: <http://www.lrp.com/ed.inasdse.htm>

Description:

The National Association of State Directors of Special Education (NASDSE) operates for the purpose of providing services to State agencies to facilitate their efforts to maximize educational outcomes for individuals with disabilities. NASDSE's membership includes the State Directors of Special Education and other people employed and/or designated by the State Education Agencies (SEAs) who have specific responsibility for directing, coordinating, or supervising programs and services regarding the education of students with disabilities. NASDSE also has affiliate memberships including past SEA members, former employees of State Special Education programs, staff of local education agencies, college and university faculty and researchers, parents, advocacy group members, lawyers, teachers, and students.

National Center for Accessible Media (NCAM), CPB/WGBH

Director: Larry Goldberg

Address: WGBH Educational Foundation, 125 Western Avenue,
Boston, MA 02134

Voice: (617) 492-9258, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m, eastern time

TTY: (617) 492-9258

FAX: (617) 782-2155

E-mail: NCAM@wgbh.org

Internet: <http://www.wgbh.org/ncam>

Description:

The National Center for Accessible Media (NCAM), CPB/WGBH, is a research and development facility that helps make media accessible to underserved populations such as disabled people, minority-language users, and people with low literacy skills in schools, the workplace, the home, and the community. NCAM and its sister organizations, the Caption Center and Descriptive Video Service, make up the Media Access department of the WGBH Educational Foundation.

National Center for Disability Services (NCDS)

President/Chief Executive Officer: Edmund L. Cortez

Public Information Contact: Enes Carnesecca, Senior Director,
Special Advisor to the President

Address: 201 I.U. Willets Road, Albertson, NY 11507

Voice: (516) 747-5400, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. (Center);
9:00 a.m.–3:15 p.m. (School), eastern time

TTY: (516) 747-5355

FAX: (516) 746-3298

Internet: <http://www.ncds.org>

Description:

The National Center for Disability Services is a nonprofit agency dedicated to empowering people with disabilities to be active, independent, and self-sufficient participants in our society. Through education, training, research, leadership, and example, the Center seeks to provide the highest-quality services and to influence national attitudes, policies, and legislation in ways that will lead to the greatest benefit for the people served.

National Center for Learning Disabilities (NCLD)

Executive Director: Bonnie Kessler

Public Information Contact: Information and Referral Department

Address: 381 Park Avenue South, Suite 1401, New York, NY 10016

Voice: (212) 545-7510

Toll Free: (888) 575-7373, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (212) 545-9665

Internet: <http://www.nclد.org>

Description:

The National Center for Learning Disabilities (NCLD) is one of the foremost national, not-for-profit organizations committed to improving the lives of the millions of Americans affected by learning disabilities. NCLD provides services and programs nationwide, which benefit children and adults with learning disabilities, their families, educators, and other helping professionals. Resources and services include free national information and referral; educational programs, including national and regional summits; public outreach and communications; and legislative advocacy and public policy.

National Center for Youth with Disabilities (NCYD)

Executive Director: Marty Smith, M.A.

Public Information Contact: Elizabeth Latts, Information Specialist/Resource Coordinator

Address: Institute for Health and Disability, University of Minnesota, Box 721, 420 Delaware Street, SE, Minneapolis, MN 55455-0392

Voice: (612) 626-2825

TTY: (612) 624-3939

FAX: (612) 626-2134

E-mail: ncyd@gold.tc.umn.edu

Internet: <http://www.peds.umn.edu/centers/iهd>

Description:

The National Center for Youth with Disabilities (NCYD) is an information dissemination, policy, and resource center focusing on adolescents with chronic illnesses and disabilities and the issues

surrounding their transition to adult life. The Center's mission is to raise awareness of the needs of adolescents with chronic illnesses and disabilities; expand the knowledge and involvement of those who provide services to youth; and promote programs and strategies that enhance the ability of adolescents and young adults to grow, develop, work, and participate in community life to their fullest capacity.

National Easter Seals

President/Chief Executive Officer: James E. Williams, Jr.

Public Information Contact: Karen Vroman, Information and Referral

Address: 230 West Monroe, Suite 1800, Chicago, IL 60606

Voice: (312) 726-6200

TTY: (312) 726-4258

Toll Free: (800) 221-6827, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., central time

FAX: (312) 726-1494

E-mail: nessinfo@seals.com

Internet: <http://www.seals.com>

Description:

National Easter Seals operates 423 service sites across the United States. Services vary site to site, but may include medical and health services, services for children, vocational and adult services, respite care and daycare, residential services, assistive technology, camping and recreation, and support services.

National Fraternal Society of the Deaf (NFSD)

Grand President: Al Van Nevel

Address: 1118 South 6th Street, Springfield, IL 62703

Voice: (217) 789-7429, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., central time

TTY: (217) 789-7438

FAX: (217) 789-7489

E-mail: 104656.272@compuserve.com

Internet: <http://www.nfsd.com>

Description:

The National Fraternal Society of the Deaf (NFSD) is a fraternal life insurance organization, managed by the deaf and hard of hearing, for the deaf and hard of hearing and their families. The Society's purpose is to provide low-cost insurance and community service and recreation opportunities through its divisions.

National Industries for the Severely Handicapped (NISH)

President/Chief Executive Officer: Daniel McKinnon, Jr.

Public Information Contact: Corporate Communications

Address: 2235 Cedar Lane, Vienna, VA 22182

Voice: (703) 560-6800, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., eastern time

TTY: (703) 560-6512

FAX: (703) 849-8916

Internet: <http://www.nish.org>

Description:

Incorporated in 1974, the National Industries for the Severely Handicapped (NISH) is a national nonprofit organization that assists Community Rehabilitation Programs (CRPs) nationwide in obtaining Federal contracts through the Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD) Program. Nearly 30,000 Americans with disabilities are employed through this model federal program. NISH enhances the quality of life of people with severe disabilities by increasing employment opportunities, providing professional and technical assistance to not-for-profit CRPs, and encouraging and assisting participation in the JWOD Program or other appropriate employment or training activities.

National Information Center for Children/ Youth with Disabilities (NICHCY)

Executive Director: Suzanne Ripley

Public Information Contact: Information Specialists

Address: P.O. Box 1492, Washington, DC 20013-1492

Voice/TTY: (202) 884-8200

Toll Free: (800) 695-0285, 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (202) 884-8441

E-mail: nichcy@aed.org

Internet: <http://www.nichcy.org>

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Description:

The National Information Center for Children/Youth with Disabilities (NICHCY) is an information clearinghouse that provides information on disabilities and disability-related issues, with a special focus on children and youth with disabilities (birth to age 22).

The National Institute for Rehabilitation Engineering (NIRE)

Executive Vice President: Donald Selwyn

Address: P.O. Box T, Hewitt, NJ 07421

Voice: (973) 853-6585

Toll Free: (800) 736-2216, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., eastern time

E-mail: nire@theoffice.net

Internet: <http://www.theoffice.net/nire>

Description:

The National Institute for Rehabilitation Engineering (NIRE) provides personalized information, counseling, and referrals to people with disabilities. NIRE's personalized support services are available to people of all ages with hearing, speech, reading/writing and/or communications disabilities. Although medical advice is not given, callers receive assistance regarding functional disabilities and assistive technology.

National Parent Network on Disabilities (NPND)

Executive Director: Patricia McGill Smith

Public Information Contact: Laura Farah, Information Specialist

Address: 1200 G Street, NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20005

Voice: (202) 434-8686

FAX: (202) 638-0509

E-mail: PMCGLSMITH@aol.com

Description:

The National Parent Network on Disabilities, (NPND) is a not-for-profit organization that serves families of children with disabilities and special health care needs. Our target audience is the 5.8 million children receiving special education services. Through its organizational structure, NPND works with their parents and families. The mission of NPND is to speak as a collective voice for people of all ages

with a disability or special health care need to represent the perspectives, strengths, needs, diversity, and interests of their parents and family members. NPND includes organizations of parents of children, youth, and adults with any type of disability.

National Parent to Parent Support Group Information Systems, Inc. (NPPSIS)

Executive Director: Kathleen Judd, M.P.A.

Address: P.O. Box 907, Blue Ridge, GA 30513

Voice: (706) 632-8822

Toll Free: (800) 651-1151, 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (706) 632-8830

E-mail: Judd103w@wonder.em.cdc.gov

Internet: <http://www.nppsis.org>

Description:

National Parent to Parent Support Group Information Systems, Inc. (NPPSIS), links families nationally who have a child with a special healthcare need or a rare disorder. We provide parents and professionals with health care information, resources, and referrals that will allow them to identify appropriate services. NPPSIS encourages families to participate in local parent programs and disability organizations. It maintains a database of parents from all states and many countries. NPPSIS strengthens networking and collaboration of parent-to-parent programs and disability organizations.

National Rehabilitation Information Center (NARIC)

Project Director: Mark X. Odum

Public Information Contact: Information Specialists

Address: 8455 Colesville Road, Suite 935,

Silver Spring, MD 20910-3319

Voice: (301) 588-9284

Toll Free: (800) 346-2742, 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m., eastern time

TTY: (301) 495-4626

FAX: (301) 587-1967

Internet: <http://www.naric.com/naric>

Description:

The National Rehabilitation Information Center (NARIC) is a library and information center focusing on disability and rehabilitation research. NARIC's collection contains more than 50,000 documents, both federally funded and commercially produced. NARIC's information specialists provide quick information and referral, customized database searching, and document delivery. Internet users can access NARIC's database online at our web page, as well as calendars, bulletins, and other timely information

President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities (PCEPD)

Chairman: Tony Coelho

Public Affairs Director: Dina Dorich

Address: 1331 F Street, NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20004

Voice: (202) 376-6200

Toll Free: (800) ADA-WORK (Job Accommodation Network)

TTY: (202) 376-6205

FAX: (202) 376-6219

E-mail: info@pcepd.gov

Internet: <http://www.pcepd.gov>

Description:

The President's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities (PCEPD) is a small federal agency. The Committee's mission is to communicate, coordinate, and promote public and private efforts to enhance the employment of people with disabilities. The Committee provides information, training, and technical assistance to America's business leaders, organized labor, rehabilitation and service providers, advocacy organizations, families, and individuals with disabilities. The President's Committee reports to the President on the progress and problems of maximizing employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

Trace Research & Development Center (TRACE)

Director: Gregg C. Vanderheiden, Ph.D.

Public Information Contact: TRACE Info Line

Address: Waisman Center, 1500 Highland Avenue, S-151,
Madison, WI 53705

Voice: (608) 262-6966

TTY: (608) 263-5408

FAX: (608) 262-8848

E-mail: info@tracecenter.org

Internet: <http://tracecenter.org>

Description:

The Trace Research & Development Center (TRACE) is a research and development center that focuses on supporting industry to make off-the-shelf information and next-generation technologies that everyone can use. TRACE is funded primarily through the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR), U.S. Department of Education.

Very Special Arts, International (VSA)

President/Chief Executive Officer: John D. Kemp

Public Information Contact: Melissa Sweeney,
Public Relations Manager

Address: 1300 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 700,
Washington, DC 20036

Voice: (202) 628-2800

TTY: (202) 737-0645

Toll Free: (800) 933-8721, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., eastern time

FAX: (202) 737-0725

E-mail: infor@vsarts.org

Internet: <http://www.vsarts.org>

Description:

Very Special Arts, International (VSA) is an international nonprofit organization dedicated to artistic excellence and to providing learning opportunities through the arts for people with disabilities. Each year, the organization brings the power of the arts into the lives of over 3.5 million people worldwide.

World Institute on Disability (WID)

Executive Director: Deborah Kaplan

Public Information Contact: Lydia Stehlik

Address: 510 16th Street, Suite 100, Oakland, CA 94612

Voice: (510) 763-4100

TTY: (510) 208-9493

FAX: (510) 763-4109

E-mail: info@wid.org

Internet: <http://www.wid.org>

Description:

The World Institute on Disability (WID) is a nonprofit public policy center dedicated to the promotion of independence and full inclusion in society of people with disabilities. Founded in 1983 by leaders of the Independent Living Movement/Civil Rights Movement for people with disabilities, WID is committed to bringing policy into action.

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Deafness and Other
Communication Disorders
National Institutes of Health
U.S. Department of Health
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