

Agency/Organization:	Early Steps Program
Contact Person (if applicable)	Joan Holcomb 786-268-2639 or 786-268-2611
Mailing Address:	Miami Children's Hospital, 3100 S.W. 62 Ave., Miami, FL 33155
Street Address (if different):	17615 SW 97th Avenue, Palmetto Bay, FL 33157
Phone Number(s);	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 305-666-6511</li> <li>• Toll Free 1-800-432-6837 Physician</li> <li>• Referral 1-888-MCH-DOCS</li> </ul>
Email Address (if applicable):	<a href="mailto:tipho@med.miami.edu">tipho@med.miami.edu</a> Tina Pipho, Debbie School Case Manager, 305-243-6188
Website Address (if applicable):	<a href="http://www.mch.com/page/EN/2023/Medical-Services/Early-Steps-Southernmost-Coast.aspx">http://www.mch.com/page/EN/2023/Medical-Services/Early-Steps-Southernmost-Coast.aspx</a>  <a href="http://debbieschool.med.miami.edu/x7.xml">http://debbieschool.med.miami.edu/x7.xml</a> children are referred through Early Steps, University of Miami, Debbie Institute, 1601 Northwest 12 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Miami, Florida 33136  <a href="http://www.mailmancenter.org/default.htm">http://www.mailmancenter.org/default.htm</a> children are referred through University of Miami, Miller School of Medicine
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Help with writing of IFSP</li> <li>• hearing tests, aids and related services</li> <li>• movement aids, self-help activities</li> <li>• early intervention therapy/family training</li> <li>• information for families</li> <li>• home visits/information: learning activities</li> <li>• health, educational and nursing services</li> <li>• information on eating needs</li> <li>• family counseling, behavioral, or mental health counseling</li> <li>• information about support organizations</li> <li>• meetings are held at Miami Children's Palmetto Bay Center at 17615 SW 97th Avenue, Palmetto Bay</li> </ul>
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Families of children from birth to age three with special needs
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Funded by Part C of the IDEA

<http://www.mch.com/page/EN/2023/Medical-Services/Early-Steps-Southernmost-Coast.aspx>

Agency/Organization:	The Children's Trust
Contact Person (if applicable)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yurena Driggs, Receptionist, ext. 301</li> <li>• <a href="mailto:yurena@thechildrenstrust.org">yurena@thechildrenstrust.org</a></li> </ul>
Mailing Address:	3150 SW 3rd Avenue (Coral Way), Miami FL 33129
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (305) 571-5700</li> <li>• 305-857-9034 Fax</li> <li>• Helpline Dial 211 (English, Spanish, Creole)</li> </ul>
Email Address (if applicable):	<a href="mailto:info@thechildrenstrust.org">info@thechildrenstrust.org</a>
Website Address (if applicable):	<a href="http://www.thechildrenstrust.org/">http://www.thechildrenstrust.org/</a>  <a href="http://teachmorelovemore.org/">http://teachmorelovemore.org/</a>
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early learning</li> <li>• Parenting skills</li> <li>• Awareness of health and safety issues</li> <li>• Education regarding needs of children with disabilities</li> <li>• Help prevent violence, child abuse and neglect, and substance abuse</li> <li>• List of immunization sites</li> <li>• Resource networks</li> <li>• Links to insurance access and financial planning resources</li> </ul>
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	All ages
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Trust funded

<http://www.thechildrenstrust.org/>

Agency/Organization:	Parent to Parent of Miami, Inc.
Contact Person (if applicable)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Personal Friends on the Board of Trustees: Jill Brookner and Janet Bell Taylor (former president)</li> <li>• Anabel Espinosa or Jackie Ruisanchez 305-749-8626 for Nurturing Parent Program</li> </ul>
Mailing Address:	7990 SW 117th Avenue Suite 201, Miami, FL 33183
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	(305) 271-9797 Local and (305) 271-6628 Fax
Email Address (if applicable):	Email through website
Website Address (if applicable):	<a href="http://www.ptopmiami.org/">http://www.ptopmiami.org/</a> homepage <a href="http://www.ptopmiami.org/documents/familycounseling.pdf">http://www.ptopmiami.org/documents/familycounseling.pdf</a> Nurturing Parent Program Information Letter
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• increase knowledge of child's condition or disability</li> <li>• increase knowledge of available community services</li> <li>• network of parents of children with special needs</li> <li>• mentoring for parents who want to establish similar support systems</li> <li>• learn more about IDEA and education</li> <li>• information on home environment for children with disabilities</li> <li>• gain awareness of advocacy in action for policy and legislative issues</li> <li>• emergency assistance</li> <li>• English, Spanish, and Creole</li> <li>• Community wide program</li> </ul>
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	All ages, all disabilities, families and children
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	All parents of children with disabilities have universal access to information, training, and advocacy support, no cost 24 week parent training class at home through Nurturing Parent Program for ages 0-4

<http://www.ptopmiami.org/>

Agency/Organization:	Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC), South Florida, Project Thrive
Contact Person (if applicable)	Vickie Burley
Mailing Address:	5555 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, FL 33137
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 305-759-8500 ext 149 (Vickie)</li> <li>• Phone (305) 759-8500 (Office)</li> <li>• Fax # (305) 754-9223</li> </ul>
Email Address (if applicable):	<a href="mailto:VickieB@arcsofla.org">VickieB@arcsofla.org</a> <a href="mailto:ARCSOFLA@AOL.COM">ARCSOFLA@AOL.COM</a> Local Chapter
Website Address (if applicable):	<a href="http://www.arcsofla.org/index.html">http://www.arcsofla.org/index.html</a>
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Educational techniques</li> <li>• Specialized therapies</li> <li>• Transportation if necessary</li> <li>• Project Thrive-Homestead provides services to those too young or fragile to travel</li> <li>• Services continue after graduation for related services</li> </ul>
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Birth to 5 years with developmental disabilities
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outreach services provide physical, occupational, and speech therapies at a reasonable cost at 11025 SW 84<sup>th</sup> Street, Cottage 7, Kendall or 756 W. Palm Drive, Florida City</li> <li>• Parent and Community workshops free</li> </ul>

<http://www.arcsofla.org/index.html>

Agency/Organization:	Easter Seals
Contact Person (if applicable)	Ms Luanne K. Welch, President/CEO
Mailing Address:	1475 NW 14th Avenue, Miami, FL 33125
Street Address (if different):	same
Phone Number(s);	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 305-325-0470 (voice)</li> <li>• 305-325-0578 (fax)</li> <li>• 312-726-4258 (tty) for deaf</li> </ul>
Email Address (if applicable):	<a href="mailto:info@sfl.easterseals.com">info@sfl.easterseals.com</a>
Website Address (if applicable):	<a href="http://southflorida.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=FLDA_homepage">http://southflorida.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=FLDA_homepage</a>
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early intervention</li> <li>• Occupational therapy</li> <li>• Speech-language pathology/therapy</li> <li>• Physical therapy</li> <li>• Aquatic therapy</li> <li>• Large well equipped outdoor and indoor play area</li> <li>• Degreed staff</li> <li>• HighScope Curriculum</li> <li>• Child enrichment center serves disabled and nondisabled together</li> </ul>
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Birth to school age
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	<p>Various funding resources available (state pays for services in IFSP Plan):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contracts with Miami Dade Public Schools</li> <li>• Early Steps</li> <li>• Subsidized day care through Miami Dade County Child Development Services</li> <li>• Florida Child Scholarships</li> <li>• Universal Voluntary Pre-K (VPK)</li> <li>• Private tuition</li> <li>• Scholarship Funds</li> </ul>

[http://southflorida.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=FLDA\\_homepage](http://southflorida.easterseals.com/site/PageServer?pagename=FLDA_homepage)

Agency/Organization:	United Cerebral Palsy of South Florida
Contact Person (if applicable)	Leigh Kapps, Ph.D., UCP of Miami
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Phone Number(s);	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (305) 325-1529</li> <li>• (305) 325-1080</li> </ul>
Email Address (if applicable):	<a href="mailto:info@ucpsouthflorida.org">info@ucpsouthflorida.org</a>
Website Address (if applicable):	<a href="http://www.ucpsouthflorida.org/">http://www.ucpsouthflorida.org/</a>
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early intervention</li> <li>• Early childhood education</li> <li>• Homebound</li> <li>• Physical therapy</li> <li>• Occupational therapy</li> <li>• Speech therapy</li> <li>• Music therapy</li> <li>• Individual and family support, education, and counseling</li> </ul>
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Infants (3 mos.) and children with disabilities
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Funded by Children's Trust

<http://www.ucpsouthflorida.org/>

## Links to Other Agencies

### State of Florida

Florida Department of Health, Healthy Start

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/family/mch/hs/hs.html>

Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), Nutrition Program

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/family/wic/>

March of Dimes, Florida Chapter

<http://www.marchofdimes.com/florida/>

### National

National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities

<http://www.nichcy.org/babies/overview/Pages/default.aspx>

National link for information about law

<http://www.fape.org/>

National Resource for Parents

<http://www.zerotothree.org/>

Pacer Center, Minnesota Parent Training and Information Center

Funded by U.S. Department of Education

Families and children from birth through adult

National links for a variety of topics

<http://www.pacer.org/index.asp>

Technical Assistance Alliance, Parent Centers

<http://www.taalliance.org/>

Technology for Children

<http://www.kidsmartearlylearning.org/>