

Agency/Organization:	Waiver Provider (Medicaid Waiver Website)
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Mailing Address:	P.O. Box 6842, Spring Hill, FL 34608
Street Address (if different):	Look at webpage for local services
Phone Number(s);	727-841-8943
Email Address (if applicable):	Option to email them is on website or try <a href="mailto:WaiverInfo@aol.com">WaiverInfo@aol.com</a>
Website Address (if applicable):	<a href="http://www.waiverprovider.com/">http://www.waiverprovider.com/</a>  <a href="http://www.medicaidapplication.org/">http://www.medicaidapplication.org/</a>
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Everyone that gets accepted gets a support coordinator (a form of case management)</li> <li>• Link on support coordinator page has many additional resource links</li> <li>• Help individuals and families access supports and services on their own</li> <li>• Website provides access to numerous services for a variety of interests and concerns</li> <li>• On call 24-7 with backup support services</li> <li>• Offer independent living services, community involvement, and employment options</li> <li>• Monitor performance and compliance of paid services/required documents</li> <li>• Help individuals to get Medicaid, to keep it, or to get it back</li> <li>• Message board</li> <li>• Service coordinators</li> <li>• Social networking page for young people (Florida Supports Unite)</li> <li>• Free newsletter</li> <li>• Link to waiverinfo.com for all waivers in USA, if someone is moving away</li> </ul>
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Individuals with Mental Retardation, Spina Bifida, Cerebral Palsy, Prader-Willi, and Autism are served. You will receive services that are medically necessary. There is a waiting list. Start early.
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Support coordinator available at no cost to you. Questionnaire for situational information: <a href="http://apd.myflorida.com/waiver/qs/">http://apd.myflorida.com/waiver/qs/</a>

<http://www.waiverprovider.com/>

Agency/Organization:	The Parent Academy
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Website Address (if applicable):	<a href="http://theparentacademy.dadeschools.net/">http://theparentacademy.dadeschools.net/</a>
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parent Academy Toolkit with links to many other resources</li> <li>• Helpful Resources pages: art &amp; culture, computers &amp; technology, early childhood, financial skills, health &amp; wellness, helping your child learn, languages, parenting skills, and personal growth</li> <li>• Workshop directory for parent classes</li> <li>• Newsletter for family learning events</li> </ul>
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Parents and family members of current and former students, or children under school-age have a priority. Register through Parent Academy. Most classes for adults; some are for parents and children.
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Classes are free.

<http://theparentacademy.dadeschools.net/>

Agency/Organization:	Florida Department of Children & Families
Contact Person (if applicable)	Gilda Ferradaz
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Email Address (if applicable):	<a href="mailto:Silvia.Quintana@dcf.state.fl.us">Silvia.Quintana@dcf.state.fl.us</a>  Silvia Quintana, Mental Health Program Supervisor, Program Office Information
Website Address (if applicable):	<a href="http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/regions/c11/">http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/regions/c11/</a>
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protection for children, elderly, and disabled from abuse</li> <li>• Provide foster care/permanent homes</li> <li>• Food stamps, temporary cash assistance, and determine eligibility for Medicaid</li> <li>• Promote family and personal self-determination and choice</li> <li>• Child care program</li> <li>• Domestic violence program</li> <li>• Adult protective services (18 and up)</li> <li>• ACCESS Florida provides public assistance service 24/7 through the web and automatic response system to reduce application time</li> <li>• Adoption services for special needs children</li> <li>• Mental health and medication</li> <li>• Independent living transition services for adults at 18 to exit foster care and transition to self-sufficiency</li> <li>• In-home family preservation services and healthy marriage education services</li> <li>• Homeless grant programs</li> <li>• Refugee services</li> <li>• Adult education including English language</li> <li>• Employment and employability</li> <li>• Substance abuse programs</li> </ul>
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Ages 0 and up, disabled and nondisabled and their families, any citizen or client of Children and Family Services, individuals in difficult situations
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	No cost

<http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/regions/c11/>

Agency/Organization:	The Learning Experience School
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Website Address (if applicable):	<a href="http://www.thelearningexperienceschool.org/">http://www.thelearningexperienceschool.org/</a>
Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monday-Friday 8:30-12:00</li> <li>• Low student-teacher ratio</li> <li>• Certified exceptional education teachers</li> <li>• Parent conferences two times a year</li> <li>• Written progress reports two times a year</li> <li>• Home activity sheets once a month</li> <li>• Use IEP's with long and short term goals</li> <li>• Offers birth to adulthood education</li> <li>• Age 11 by September 1 for middle school</li> <li>• Community Based Instruction</li> <li>• All school subjects</li> <li>• Age appropriate summer camp offered</li> </ul>
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Services extend from birth to adulthood, all mild to moderate developmental disabilities
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Scholarships available through John McKay program, also funded by donations

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

Agency/Organization:	Shake-a-Leg Miami
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Type(s) of services available:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to be an active member of a sailboat crew, accessible to individuals with physically limitations</li> <li>• Kid Zone on web page with activities for youth</li> <li>• Children’s art program</li> <li>• Child designed videos</li> <li>• Summer Camp</li> <li>• Hands-on experiential education</li> <li>• Natural environment and laboratory</li> <li>• History, science, and digital technology</li> <li>• Weekly newsletter</li> <li>• US Power Boating Course: (ages 12-17) coming soon</li> <li>• Youth Group Outings provided during school field trips for \$20 plus swim testing requirement by county and signed parent permission form. Registration form: <a href="mailto:watersports@shakealegmiami.org">watersports@shakealegmiami.org</a></li> <li>• Volunteer opportunities</li> </ul>
Groups/ages served (e.g., families of young children with autism, mothers with infants or toddlers with vision impairments, etc.)	Ages 8 and up, physically impaired, developmentally delayed, and able bodied individuals
Cost (e.g., free, sliding scale, accepts Medicaid/Medicare):	Most programs are \$195 to register. Learn to Sail Summer Camp is \$500 (for two weeks) with discounts and scholarships available. School trips are only \$20 and are planned by teachers.

<http://www.shakealegmiami.org/site/c.kkLUJbMQKpH/b.2521629/k.BF03/Home.htm>

## Links to Other Agencies and Information

### Local:

Good Hope Equestrian Training Center

[http://www.goodhopeequestriancenter.com/Good\\_Hope/Welcome\\_to\\_Good\\_Hope\\_Equestrian\\_Center.html](http://www.goodhopeequestriancenter.com/Good_Hope/Welcome_to_Good_Hope_Equestrian_Center.html)

For Grandparents and Special Others Parenting Children (some local contacts, mostly state)

<http://www.grandsplace.org/gp7/fl.html>

Grandparents Rights, 11580 SW 112th Avenue Rd., Miami, FL 33176, call (305)252-1471

### State:

Agency for Persons with Disabilities

<http://apd.myflorida.com/>

Hearing Loss Association of Big Bend, Tallahassee, Florida

[http://big\\_bend\\_shhh.tripod.com/](http://big_bend_shhh.tripod.com/)

Florida Alliance for Assistive Services and Technology

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

Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged

<http://www.dot.state.fl.us/ctd/>

Florida Division of Blind Services

<http://dbs.myflorida.com/>

### National:

Disability.gov

<http://www.disability.gov/>

disABILITY Information and Resources

<http://www.makoa.org/index.htm>

Disability Resources on the Internet

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

National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities

<http://www.nichcy.org/Pages/Home.aspx>