### Early Childhood Direction Center (ECDC)

5 Washington Terrace · Newburgh, NY 12550 · (845) 565-1162 ext. 209

Early Childhood Direction Center provides free information, referrals, technical assistance as well as assistance to early childhood programs to improve options and opportunities for preschool children with developmental delays or disabilities served in typical early childhood settings. They provide ongoing community training programs for both parents and professionals in Dutchess, Orange, Sullivan and Ulster Counties. There are no income eligibility requirements to access these services.

# Hudson Valley Special Education Parent Center Westchester Institute for Human Development

(914) 493-7665 · 1-877-810-2422 · HVSEPC.ORG

The Hudson Valley Special Education Parent Center (HVSEPC) at Westchester Institute for Human Development (WIHD) provides resources and strategies to parents and guardians of students with disabilities in order to promote meaningful involvement in their children's education programs. It is critical that parents understand the special education process and engage effectively as collaborative members of their children's decision-making teams. Services are provided to families within the Hudson Valley region including Westchester, Rockland, Putnam, Dutchess, Ulster, Sullivan and Orange Counties.

# Parent to Parent of New York State Parent Matching Program

parentoparentnys.org/support/parent-matching/

Parent to parent support offers a parent of a person with a developmental disability or special health care needs the opportunity to be connected one-to-one with another parent who knows first-hand about the feelings and realities that come with having a family member with a disability or chronic illness. Through the one-to-one match the experienced support parent provides emotional support to the referral parent and assists them in finding information and resources.

### **Orange County NY DD Connection**

Angela Turk, LCSW · Director, Children's Services · 845-291-2610 www.orangecountyddconnection.com

The community's resource for news, information, activities, and events, pertaining to individuals with developmental disabilities and their families, educators, providers, and the Orange County Community. Orange County Department of Mental Health's Developmental Disability Division is responsible for planning, development and coordination of services to support people of all ages with developmental disabilities and their families. The division provides advocacy, mediation, information, outreach, education and training; it also manages the central point of access to services and supports delivered through The Developmental Disabilities Provider Network. The provider network is comprised of not-for profit agencies, state and county government all working collaboratively to provide diverse, high quality services.

# Child Care Council of Orange County

www.childcarecounciloc.org

Child care resources and referrals

## Orange Regional Medical Center

707 East Main Street · Middletown, NY 10941 · (888) 321-6762

New Mom Support Group (dads are welcome too)

# Autism Move-A-Thon of Orange County (AMOC) in partnership with Mental Health Association of Orange County

(845) 342-2400 X 1241 www.mhaorangeny.com/amoc

They have supported families affected by autism spectrum disorders for the past (15) years. They offer mini grants helping children participate in social, arts, sports and musical activities in our community. They educate and advocate for families. They also sponsor Special Olympic athletic teams, training athletes of all abilities through skills and drills and participating in competitions local and statewide. Track and Field, Basketball, Bowling, Weightlifting and Swim.

### The Center for Spectrum Services

Kingston · 4 Yankee Place · Kingston, NY 12401 · (845) 336-2616 Ellenville · 70 Kukuk Lane · Ellenville, NY 12428 · (845) 647-6464 centerforspectrumservices.org/index.php/parent-groups-and-workshops

At Spectrum Services we believe that parents must be partners in their child's educational program. For this reason we offer Parent Support and Parent Workshops free for any parent of a child with a developmental disability. Funding is provided through grants from the Office of People with Developmental Disabilities.working collaboratively to provide diverse, high quality services.

### **Family/Child Activities**

#### Sally's Dream Playground

Thomas Bull Memorial Park 186 NY 416 · Campbell Hall, NY 10919

#### **Barnes & Noble Storytime**

1245 Route 300 · Newburgh, NY 12550 Tuesday and Thursday at 11:00am

#### Kristi Babcock Memorial Park

660 Mt. Airy Road · New Windsor, Ny 12553

#### Orange County Tourism

orangecountytourism.org
Events and activities taking place
throughout orange county

#### **AMC Sensory Friendly Films**

AMC Crystal Run 16
1 Galleria Drive · Middletown NY 10940
2nd and 4th Saturday of every month
(family-friendly)

