

Statewide (California)

Resources for Including Children with Special Needs in Early Education and Child Care Programs

California Map to Inclusive Child Care

www.CAinclusivechildcare.org

The California Map to Inclusive Child Care Project operates under the Center for Child and Family Studies at WestEd. Its mission is "to provide a statewide system of support, information and resources for families and providers that will facilitate barrier-free access to inclusive child care for children birth to 21".

DIRECT LINKS TO "MAP" RESOURCES:

INCLUSIVE PRACTICE	http://www.cainclusivechildcare.org/camap/inclusion.htm
CHALLENGING BEHAVIOR	http://www.cainclusivechildcare.org/camap/behavior.htm
DISABILITY-SPECIFIC INFORMATION	http://www.cainclusivechildcare.org/camap/disability.htm
LEGAL & LICENSING ISSUES	http://www.cainclusivechildcare.org/camap/legal.htm
ORGANIZATIONS FOR FAMILIES	http://www.cainclusivechildcare.org/camap/familyorgs.htm
TRAINING & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE	http://www.cainclusivechildcare.org/camap/tta.html
REPORTS & USEFUL DOCUMENTS	http://www.cainclusivechildcare.org/camap/reports.html

Kids Included Together

www.kitonline.org

Kids Included Together (KIT), based in San Diego, CA, supports recreational, child development and youth development programs that include children with and without disabilities. KIT provides trainings statewide and publishes the easy-to-use and comprehensive resource book *Together We're Better, A Practical Guide to Including Children of ALL Abilities in Out-of-School Time Programs*.

DIRECT LINKS TO SOME "KIT" RESOURCES:

About KIT	http://www.kitonline.org/aboutkit/aboutkit.html
KIT FAQs	http://www.kitonline.org/programs/kitfaqs.html
Philosophy: Why "Inclusion"?	http://www.kitonline.org/aboutkit/philosophy.html

National Training Center on Inclusion

www.kitonline.org/ntci/home.html

Kids Included Together (KIT) established the National Training Center on Inclusion (NTCI) in 2007 to provide training to support inclusion of children nationwide. NTCI offers both live, on-site trainings and eLearning resources.

DIRECT LINKS TO SOME "NTCI" RESOURCES:

Welcome to NTCI	http://www.kitonline.org/ntci/home.html
eLearning (online courses)	http://www.kitonline.org/ntci/learning-lab/e-learning.html
Podcasts	http://www.kitonline.org/ntci/learning-lab/video.html
Accommodations for Children with Vision Disabilities	
Autism Spectrum Disorders and Ideas for Accommodations	



Nationwide (US & Canada)

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Child Care Law Center

www.childcarelaw.org

The Child Care Law Center is a legal resource for the local, state and national child care communities. The Center also engages in policy advocacy and offers training and information to parents, child care providers, policy makers and community and government agencies. It produces and distributes publications on legal issues related to child care.

USEFUL PUBLICATIONS WITH RESPECT TO CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES:

TO DOWNLOAD OR PURCHASE PUBLICATIONS: <http://www.childcarelaw.org/pubs-issue.shtml#disabilities>

Questions & Answers about the Americans with Disabilities Act: A Quick Reference (Information for Child Care Providers) (2007) (download)

Rights of Children with Disabilities in Child Care under California's Unruh Civil Rights Act: Information for Child Care Providers and Parents (2006) (download)

Questions and Answers about the IDEA and Child Care (2003) (download)

Questions and Answers for Parents about the IDEA and Preschool in California (2004) (download)

Preschool Inclusion: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. (2008) (purchase)

Caring for Children with Special Needs: The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) (2003) (purchase)

Child Care and the ADA: Highlights for Parents of Children with Disabilities (2003) (purchase)

Child Care and the ADA: Highlights for Parents of Typically Developing Children (2003) (purchase)

Circle of Inclusion

www.circleofinclusion.org

This web site offers information about effective practices of inclusive educational programs for children from birth through age eight and is a valuable resource for early childhood educators, service providers and families. It has many very useful resources available for download. The web site can be viewed in English, Spanish, Korean, Japanese or Chinese.

DIRECT LINKS TO SOME "CIRCLE OF INCLUSION" RESOURCES:

WHY INCLUSIVE SERVICES? www.circleofinclusion.org/english/overview/index.html

Sample content: Why is inclusion important?

Preschool inclusive services – Benefits, Barriers

METHODS & PRACTICES www.circleofinclusion.org/english/howto.html

Sample content: Preschool Inclusion Manual

Accommodating All Children in the Early Childhood Classrooms

ACCOMMODATION, ACCESSIBILITY, & AWARENESS www.circleofinclusion.org/english/aaa.html

Sample content: Guide for Reviewing Children's Literature That Includes People with Disabilities



Nationwide (continued)

Child Care plus +: The Center on Inclusion in Early Childhood

www.ccplus.org

This web site is an excellent source of information, materials and training on inclusion for child care providers. Many materials are available for download, including self-study courses, quarterly newsletters and Tip Sheets that provide helpful, practical information on various topics associated with caring for and educating young children, particularly young children with special needs.

DIRECT LINKS TO SOME "CHILD CARE PLUS+" RESOURCES:

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

www.ccplus.org/education.html

Sample content: Inclusion Foundations I & II: Course on Inclusion in Early Childhood
Child Care plus+ Self-Study Course on Inclusion

PRODUCTS & RESOURCES

www.ccplus.org/products.html

Sample content: Inclusion Resources: What is inclusion in child care?; Inclusion Tip Sheets
Behavior Resources: Guiding the Behavior of Young Children

NEWSLETTER BACK ISSUES

www.ccplus.org/backissues.html

Sample content: Inclusion: What It Is and What It Isn't
Behavior Basics
Nurturing Young Children's Communication

Inclusion.com

www.inclusion.com

This web site is a great source for a wide variety of materials that can be used to build and support inclusive schools and communities.

DIRECT LINKS TO SOME "INCLUSION.COM" RESOURCES:

WHAT IS INCLUSION?

www.inclusion.com/inclusion.html

INCLUSION RESOURCES

www.inclusion.com/resources.html

INCLUSION PRESS

www.inclusion.com/inclusionpress.html

Books, Videos, DVDs, Circles of Friends, Inclusive Schools, Supporting Diversity

National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center

www.nectac.org

Mission: To strengthen service systems to ensure that children with disabilities (birth through 5 years) & their families receive and benefit from high quality, culturally appropriate and family-centered supports & services.

DIRECT LINKS TO SOME NECTAC RESOURCES:

TOPICS PAGES

<http://www.nectac.org/topics/>

INCLUSION

<http://www.nectac.org/topics/inclusion/default.asp>

PRACTICES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND THEIR FAMILIES

<http://www.nectac.org/topics/ecpractices/ecpractices.asp#special>

Project Participate

www.projectparticipate.org

Project Participate has a number of resources to promote active participation of students with disabilities in school programs. CLICK on the "Handouts & Forms" link on their home page for tip sheets and training materials.