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Who:	What:	How to Reach:	Ages Supported:
Family Support Network™ of High Country	Provides free support, caring connections, information and hope to families with children with disabilities, mental health challenges and special healthcare needs.	https://parent2parent.appstate.edu/ Phone: 828-262-6089	0-22
Family Support Network™ of North Carolina	Statewide network of agencies that provide families with free support, leadership opportunities, educational opportunities, support groups and more.	<u>Fsnnc.org</u> Phone: 1-800-852-0042	0-26
Grupo Poder y Esperanza	We are building a statewide Support Group for parents of people with medical conditions and with different abilities where we learn how to advocate for the rights of our loved ones within Society. We have a reliable environment to express themselves and learn about the needs and resources within the community. It is a place where families can share, support and help find options and ways to deal with difficulties that arise.	Grupo Poder y Esperanza Jessica Aguilar, Parent Advocate <u>Grupopoderyesperanza@gmail.com</u> 704-726-3156	0-100+
The Arc of NC	Statewide agency providing care management, housing, supported employment, housing, advocacy and more.	Arcnc.org Phone: 919-782-4632	
Vaya Health	Public managed care organization providing whole person healthcare for members and recipients. Managing Medicaid, federal, state, and local funds for people with disabilities in Western NC	https://www.vayahealth.com/ 24/7 Phone: 800-849-6127	0-100+
CDSA of the Blue Ridge	CDSA BR is a state agency serving children from birth to 3 years with suspected or diagnosed developmental disabilities. CDSA staff provides multidisciplinary assessments and works with parents, health care providers in developing an understanding of the child's specific needs. CDSA will provide services or referrals to address those needs.	https://beearly.nc.gov/index.php/con tact/cdsa Phone: 828-265-5391 Counties Served: Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Mitchell, Watauga, Wilkes, Yancey	0-3

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Leadership Alliance for Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LAND)	The Leadership Alliance for Neurodevelopmental disabilities (LAND) is an advocacy organization made up of family members of those with I/DD ("lived experience") and other professionals dedicated to improve the lives of those with I/DD and their families throughout the lifespan. LAND is a program of the 501c3 noprofit, Mental Health Transformation Alliance. LAND is forwarding <i>Meet the Need</i> <i>NC: Changing the I/DD Landscape across the state</i> , a project funded by the NC Council on Developmental Disabilities.	https://mentalhealthtransformationa lli.godaddysites.com/land Beth.Field.LAND@gmail.com	0-100+
CDSA of the Blue Ridge First in Families	<ul> <li>CDSA BR is a state agency serving children from birth to</li> <li>3 years with suspected or diagnosed developmental</li> <li>disabilities. CDSA staff provides multidisciplinary</li> <li>assessments and works with parents, health care providers</li> <li>in developing an understanding of the child's specific needs.</li> <li>CDSA will provide services or referrals to address those</li> <li>needs.</li> <li>FiF supports individuals and families in a variety of ways,</li> <li>including to meet current goals and plan for the future,</li> <li>acquire needed goods and services, and find opportunities</li> <li>to give back to others.</li> </ul>	https://beearly.nc.gov/index.php/con tact/cdsa Phone: 828-265-5391 Counties Served: Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Mitchell, Watauga, Wilkes, Yancey Fifnc.org Phone: 919-251-8368	0-3
North Carolina Council on Developmental Disabilities	NCCDD has 40 members appointed by the Governor of which 60 percent are required to be people with intellectual or other developmental disabilities (I/DD) or family members. Others members include state legislators, top state agency officials and representatives of Local Management Entities/Managed Care Organizations (LME/MCO) and service providers.	Nccdd.org Phone: 1-800-357-6916 984-920-8200 (Office/TTY)	
Meet the Need NC	Meet the Need NC: Changing the I/DD Landscape across the state, is an initiative funded by the NC Council on Developmental Disabilities, and forwarded by the Leadership Alliance for Neurodevelomental Disabilities (LAND). The	Meet the Need NC Beth Field, Program Director hello@MeetTheNeedNC.org #MeetTheNeedNC	0-100+

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	initiative recognizes systemic change for I/DD community		
Covenant Case Management	systems and supports requires a common agenda. Covenant Case Management provides state funded (B3) services, Innovations waiver services, supported employment, alternative family living, and contracted interpreters.	CovenantToServe.com Ccms.info@covenantcms.com	0-100+
Parents of Adult Children with Intellectual Disabilities (PACID)	PACID is a grassroots organization of over 180 families of adult children who have I/DD. This group seeks to move their adult child into a space of their own in the coming months and years.	https://www.pacidnc.org/ Membership is free for families and the service or advocacy community anywhere in the state or country. Send a simple request to join or any comments to Carol Conway, Chair, at <u>Carol.Ann.Conway@gmail.com</u>	18+
Disability Rights North Carolina	DRNC is the federally designated protection and advocacy agency for the State of North Carolina <u>https://disabilityrightsnc.org/resources/how-to-register-to-vote/</u> <u>https://disabilityrightsnc.org/resources/assistance-for-voters-with-disabilities/</u>	DisabilityRightsNC.org 1-877-235-4210 TTY: 1-888-268-5535	0-100+
Autism Society of North Carolina	Improves the lives of individuals with autism, supports their families, and educates communities.	www.autismsociety-nc.org 1-800-442-2762	0-100+
North Carolina Waiver Action Team	Advocacy organization working to reduce the waitlist for people with I/DD on the Registry of Unmet Needs.	NcWaiverActionTeam.com	0-100+
North Carolina Down Syndrome Alliance	Working to empower, connect, and support the lifespan of individuals with Down syndrome, their families, and the community through outreach, advocacy, and education.	https://www.ncdsalliance.org/ 984-200-1193	0-100+

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#### BOONE, NC & SURROUNDING AREAS

Exceptional Children's Assistance Center (ECAC)	Providing information, support, training and resources to assist families caring for children with special needs from birth-26.	www.ecac-arentcenter.org 800-962-6817	0-26 years
Rethinking Guardianship	Working to promote less restrictive alternatives to guardianship and effect long-term changes in NC.	http://RethinkingGuardianshipNC.org rethinkingguardianshipnc@email.unc .edu	0-100+
NC ABLE	Helps North Carolinians with disabilities save for qualified disability expenses without the risk of losing their benefits from assistance programs.	<u>NCAble.nc.gov</u> 888-627-7503, Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-5:00 pm	0-100+
Scholars with Diverse Abilities (SDAP)	SDAP offers an inclusive and immersive college experience for individuals with intellectual disabilities through Appalachian State University.	https://sdap.appstate.edu/program Sdap@appstate.edu	18+
North Carolina Postsecondary Alliance	Working to expand postsecondary education options for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in NC.	http://www.cidd.unc.edu/psea/ Anna.ward@cidd.unc.edu	18+
Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC)	Community-based advisory groups in each county who work together to make sure that all families know about early intervention services. LICCs are made up of providers and parents of children with disabilities.	https://beearly.nc.gov/index.php/icc/ licc 919-707-5523	0-5
Youth Villages	<b>Youth Villages</b> is a private nonprofit organization dedicated to helping emotionally and behaviorally troubled children and their families live successfully.	https://youthvillages.org	13-21

**The DSP NC Workgroup:** A grassroots group of I/DD parents, family members, and self-advocates with support from LME/MCO members, providers, DHHS, NC System and Medicaid policy experts who see the need for consistent, quality long term Direct Support Professionals (DSPs) for the NC Innovation Waiver recipients

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