Community Agencies Handbook

Special Needs Adult Services

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**Day Services**

**Grace Adult Day Services - Grace Lutheran Foundation**

*2050 County Trunk I*

*Chippewa Falls, WI 54729*

715-832-8811

715-723-9341, ext. 207

Website: <http://www.graceluthfound.com/adult-day-services/>

Overview: Programs for day services for adults with special needs. Grace ADS embraces a lifelong learning approach through their University of Life and Grace Graduate programs. Facility offers bathing assistance and personal care, health monitoring, medication assistance, daily activity program, socialization, and other services in a safe, structured and supervised environment. Individualized care plans and programming with a variety of services to choose from. Balanced, warm lunch and nutritious snack served daily.

**PRIDE (Physical activity and Recreation for Individuals with Disabilities in the Eau Claire area)**

Program University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Department of Kinesiology

*McPhee Physical Education Center*

*105 Garfield Avenue*

*Eau Claire, WI 54701*

Contact: Dr. Marquell Johnson, Assistant Professor, Department of Kinesiology, UWEC Phone: 715-836-3948

Email: [johnmarq@uwec.edu](mailto:johnmarq@uwec.edu)

Website: <http://www.uwec.edu/Kin/outreach/pride.htm>

Overview: The intention of the PRIDE program is to serve children ages 5-16 years of age and individuals 16 and older with cognitive, sensory, and physical disabilities by providing them with individualized and/or group instruction in the areas of skill development, fitness, and sport/recreational activities. Individualized programming for each child will be based on initial screening, ongoing assessments, and consultation with parents, teachers, and related service personnel. Each child will receive individual instruction, attention, support, and encouragement from UWEC undergraduate students. The program will be suited for children with a wide variety of ability levels. The children participating in this program will be recruited/referred from Physical Education/Adapted Physical Education teachers, physicians, therapists, and families.

**Special Olympics**

*2023 Fairfax Street*

*Eau Claire, WI 54701*

715-833-0833

Website: <http://www.specialolympics.org>

Overview: Provides sports training and competition for nearly 10,000 athletes with cognitive disabilities in 18 different sports year-round.

**Education**

**Campus Autism Program**

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

*Department of Psychology*

*275 Hibbard Hall*

*Eau Claire, WI 54702-4004*

Contact: Kevin Klatt

Phone: 715-836-3995 Cell Phone: 715-579-9998

Email: [klattkp@uwec.edu](mailto:klattkp@uwec.edu)

Website: [www.uwec.edu/psyc](http://www.uwec.edu/psyc)

Overview: UW-Eau Claire Psychology student intern therapists pursuing professional careers in behavior analysis provide personalized treatment services in a fun teaching environment. The therapists record progress for every skill to aid in making accurate and effective treatment decisions. Caregivers view the sessions from an observation room and discuss the intervention with Dr. Klatt. Caregivers also are encouraged to read related articles provided by the autism program and carry out part of the intervention at home.

**Chippewa Valley Autism Society**

*815 W. Park Ave, #31*

*Chippewa Falls, WI 54729*

715-450-3158

Email: [bj.wagner@yahoo.com](mailto:bj.wagner@yahoo.com)

Contact: Bobbi J. Wagner

Website: <http://www.cvasw.org/>

Overview: Provide advocacy, support and information to individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders, their families, caregivers, professionals, and communities throughout the Chippewa Valley. The Chippewa Valley Autism Society of Wisconsin is a non-profit advocacy organization dedicated to children and adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders. We provide current information and support to parents, grandparents, educators, service providers, and others interested in autism.

**Employment**

**Supplemental Security Income – SSI**

**Social Security Administration- for general information and services**

*4120 Oakwood Hills Pkwy*

*Eau Claire, WI 54701*

Local: 1-866-815-2924

Website: <http://www.ssa.gov>

Overview: SSI is a needs-based program, so eligibility is based on an adult disability determination along with a consideration of income and assets. Once an individual is 18 years old, the social security administration will consider only that person’s income and assets, even if they are still living at home with their parents. Disability determination for adults is different for adults than for children because it is based on the individual’s medical disability and their ability to work. If an adult is found eligible for SSI, then they are eligible automatically for Medicaid in Wisconsin.

**Chippewa County Job Center**

*770 Scheidler Road, #2*

*Chippewa Falls, WI 54729*

715-723-2248

Website: <http://www.workforceresource.org/chippewa.html>

Overview: Chippewa County Job Center offers education in a variety of basic courses. Individuals can obtain their High School Equivalency Diploma or GED through the Center. Other areas of education include Career Planning, Resume Writing, Computer Awareness, Keyboarding, Basic English, Grammar, and Writing, Reading Comprehension, Vocabulary, Spelling, Basic Math, and Skill Preparation for College or Employment

**Health Services**

**Community Health Partnership (CHP)**

*2240 East Ridge Center*

*Eau Claire, WI 54701*

715-838-2900

Website: <http://www.communityhealthpartnership.com/>

Overview: A non-profit, contracted Medicare/ Medicaid care management organization integrating health and long-term support services for the frail elderly and adults with physical or developmental disabilities who have chronic conditions and long-term care needs

**Dove Healthcare-Aquatic Therapy**

*3656 Mall Drive*

*Eau Claire, WI 54701*

715-552-1035

Website: <http://south.dovehealthcare.com/>

Overview: Use Wisconsin’s first warm water therapy pool with a height-adjustable floor that functions as an underwater treadmill for cardiovascular, gait, and strength training. Safely enter the pool without lifts, ladders, or steps. The weightlessness of the water eases the pain of achy joints and muscles, increases mobility, and accelerates healing.

**University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, Communication Disorders Clinic**

*Human Sciences and Services 112*

*105 Garfield Avenue*

*Eau Claire, WI 54702*

Contact: Ms. Angie Sterling-Orth Director of Clinical Programs and Services 715-836-3831 (for information/questions)

Email: [sterliaj@uwec.edu](mailto:sterliaj@uwec.edu)

Website: <http://www.uwec.edu/CSD/center/clinic.htm>

Overview: Offers speech, language, and hearing services to residents of the Chippewa Valley. Clinical services are performed by students under the supervision of faculty who are certified by the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association.

**United Cerebral Palsy (UCP)**

*206 Water Street*

*Eau Claire, WI 54701*

715-832-1782

Email: ucp1ruth@sbcglobal.net

Website: [www.ucp.org](http://www.ucp.org)

Overview: United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) is a leading service provider and advocate for adults and children with disabilities, including cerebral palsy

**Independent Living**

**Center for Independent Living for Western Wisconsin (CILWW)**

*202**Eau Claire St., Suite 102*

*Eau Claire, WI 54701*

Voice/TTY: 715-514-4200, 877-577-8452

Fax: 715-514-331

Website: <http://www.cilww.com>

Overview: Chippewa is one of 10 Western Wisconsin counties served by CILWW. CILWW advocates for the full participation in society of all persons with disabilities and provides consumer-driven services at no cost. The four core services include advocacy, independent living skills training, information and referral and peer support. Most employees of CILWW are individuals with disabilities who provide a wide base of expertise for assisting consumers.

**At Home Care**

*219 N Washington Street*

*PO Box 143*

*Thorp, WI 54771-0143*

715-669-3376

Email: [office@athomecarewi.com](mailto:office@athomecarewi.com)

Overview: Client focused Personal Care Services including assistance with daily living tasks so that you can get the help you need and remain in your own home. Caregiver services are available from one hour to 24 hours per day, 7 days per week

**Gemini Cares Inc.**

*2004 Highland Ave, Suite 2B*

*Eau Claire, WI 54701*

715-830-0546

Website: <http://geminicares.com/index.php>

Overview: provides supportive home care, personal care, and respite care services to thousands of elderly and disabled individuals throughout Wisconsin.

**Chippewa County Department of Human Services - Children with Differing Abilities Division (CWDA)**

*711 N Bridge St., Room #305*

*Chippewa Falls, WI 54729*

715-726-7788

Email: [humanservices@co.chippewa.wi.us](mailto:humanservices@co.chippewa.wi.us)

Website: <http://www.co.chippewa.wi.us/>

Overview: The children’s waiver is designed to help families meet the needs of children with special needs by providing assistance in meeting the costs of specialized equipment and services. The Children’s Waiver can provide: adaptive aids, communication aids, consumer and family directed services, consumer education & training, counseling/therapeutic, daily living skills, day services, financial services, home modifications, foster/treatment foster care, respite, and many other services.

**Whole Life Services**

**ARC Eau Claire**

*The Banbury Place Bldg D02, Suite 308*

*Eau Claire, WI 54703*

715-514-1825

Email: [thearcec@clearwire.net](mailto:thearcec@clearwire.net)

Website: <http://www.thearceauclaire.com/>

Overview: Promoting the general welfare of individuals with disabilities through the provision of advocacy, family support, education, leadership and human resource

**Chippewa Valley Autism Society**

*221 W. Vine St.*

*Chippewa Falls, WI 54729*

715-723-0037

Overview: Provides information on topics concerning Autism and Pervasive Developmental Disorder; strives to develop public awareness of these diseases by providing information to public staff and medical professionals & provides parents with information on public services and strategies for intervention. Group meets 5 times a year.

**Disability Rights Wisconsin (DRW)**

Closest office is Rice Lake

715-736-1232

Website: <http://www.disabilityrightswi.org/>

Overview: A statewide protection and advocacy agency that protects the civil rights of people with disabilities of all ages who reside in Wisconsin. They serve people with developmental disabilities, people with mental illness, people with physical or sensory disabilities, and people with traumatic brain injury.

**A and J Mobility**

*3405 Truax Court, Suite B*

*Eau Claire, WI 54703*

877-833-9830

Email: [johns@aandjvans.com](mailto:johns@aandjvans.com)

Website: <http://www.aandjmobility.com/>

Overview: Offer mobility equipment and vehicle conversions.

**WISLOAN**

Assistive Technology Loan Program

Managed by: Center for Independent Living Western Wisconsin

*202 Eau Claire Street, Suite 102*

*Eau Claire, WI 54701*

Email: [cilww@cilww.com](mailto:cilww@cilww.com)

Website: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disabilities/wistech/wisloan.htm>

Overview: Provides Wisconsin residents with a disability in need of assistive technology a loan. Individuals must prove an ability to repay the loan

**Friendship Farm**

*8765 State Hwy 178*

*Chippewa Falls, WI 54729*

715-723-0627

Website: <https://www.manta.com/c/mms8z4z/carroll-s-friendship-farm-llc>

Overview: Friendship Farm offers horsemanship and riding instruction to anyone with an interest in horses. The focus is always enjoyment and safety. Instruction is private (one to one) and individualized to the student based upon personal goals and interests. We specialize in providing personalized instruction to individuals with physical, behavioral, mental health and cognitive challenges.

**Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)**

*Chippewa County Courthouse*

*711 N. Bridge Street*

*Chippewa Falls, WI 54729*

715-726-7777

Website: <http://co.eau-claire.wi.us/departments/departments-a-k/aging-disability-resource-center>

Email: [ADRC@co.chippewa.wi.us](mailto:ADRC@co.chippewa.wi.us)

Overview: The ADRC is a service center that provides a place for the public to get accurate unbiased information on all aspects of life related to aging and adults with all types of disabilities. Transition aged youth with disabilities can begin the intake process for eligibility for long-term care programs at age 17 yrs. 6 mo. The ADRC provides information and assistance and access to services including a Benefit Specialist and Options Counselors who can help transition aged youth and their families to access an array of community services, whether or not they qualify for disability related long-term care services.