

## Resources for Parents/Caregivers of Children with Disabilities and Diverse Abilities

**Family Support Institute:** Families feeling high levels of stress and anxiety and who may benefit from peer to peer support can participate in phone conversations, Facetime, Zoom calls, or text messaging. These peer to peer supports provide opportunities to share, listen, learn and connect with families facing similar challenges, fears and questions.

Visit: Family Support Institute

**Inclusion BC:** provides advocacy support to BC students with intellectual disabilities and their families. This could mean connecting families with school and community resources or helping families to advocate for the services they need.

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Additional supports and resources for parents and caregivers of children with disabilities and diverse abilities may be accessed through:

- At Home Program Respite and Medical Benefits
- Child Development and Rehabilitation Resource Directory
- Children and Youth with Special Needs (CYSN)
- Community Brain Injury Program
- Mental Health Services
- Nursing Support Services
- Special Needs Child Care Subsidy

Parents and caregivers with children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) can access additional resources from:

- MCFD: Autism Funding
- Pacific Autism Family Network
- The Autism Society of BC: Autism BC
- POPARD Family-School Liaison Service

Parents and caregivers with children with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) can access additional resources from:

- POPFASD- Caregiver Resource Guide
- Children and Youth with Special Needs (CYSN)
- Key Worker and Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD)-related Supports and Services



Parents and caregivers with children who are Blind or Visually Impaired can access additional resources from:

- Blind Beginnings
- National Network for Equitable Library Service

Parents and caregivers with children who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing can access additional resources from:

- Provincial Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services
- National Network for Equitable Library Service
- POPDHH: For Families
- POPDHH: YouTube Channel

Parents and caregivers with children with Learning Disabilities can access additional resources from: Learning Disabilities Association of BC