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**(KYACA) Website Summary**

The Kentucky Advisory Council on Autism (KYACA) website is at [www.kyaca.org](http://www.kyaca.org). Below is examples of some of the information and helpful links on the website:

Each Lifespan section is at the top of the page under a tab called **Resources** (infant and toddlers, children 3-14, adolescents 14-21, adults 21+).

For example, under the **Resources for Infants & Toddlers** (<https://www.kyaca.org/resources-infants-toddlers/>) section are categories you click on for further bulleted/web-linked information.

* **Screening**
* **Assessment & Diagnosis**
* **Advocacy & Support**
* **Interventions**
* **Education**
* **Transition**
* **Health & Insurance**
* **Licensed providers**

Under **Assessment & Diagnosis** are two links that may be helpful when working with families

* [**After diagnosis to do list**](http://louisville.edu/education/kyautismtraining/families/information-for-families)
* [**Medical Diagnosis vs Educational Eligibility**](http://www.kyaca.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/ASD-draft-med-vs-ed-diagnosis-11-15acp.doc)

Under **Assessment & Diagnosis** there are also diagnostic centers listed

* [**Norton Children’s Autism Center**](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnortonchildrens.com%2Flocation%2Fpediatric-specialists%2Fnorton-childrens-autism-center%2F&data=02%7C01%7Cmrenf%40uky.edu%7C8003bd26b93f4d462e1d08d842d5f2b1%7C2b30530b69b64457b818481cb53d42ae%7C0%7C0%7C637332833962768813&sdata=ExQEY3olhAWsKMqsf8bs4YplQAOj2DMyREarkou2B5Y%3D&reserved=0)
* [**Weisskopf Child Evaluation Center**](http://www.uoflphysicians.com/weisskopf-center?tab=referral-concerns)
* [**UK Behavioral Health**](https://ukhealthcare.uky.edu/university-health-service/student-health/services/behavioral-health)
* [**UK Pediatrics**](https://ukhealthcare.uky.edu/kentucky-childrens-hospital/services/developmental-behavioral-pediatrics)
* [**Office for Children with Special Health Care Needs**](https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/ccshcn/Pages/default.aspx)
* [**Regionally Based Centers**](http://louisville.edu/education/kyautismtraining/families/regional-eval)
* [**Community Mental Health Centers**](https://dbhdid.ky.gov/ProviderDirectory/ProviderDirectory.aspx)
* [**Eastern Kentucky University Psychology Clinic**](https://psychologyclinic.eku.edu/)
* [**Murray State University Center for ASD**](https://www.murraystate.edu/academics/CollegesDepartments/CollegeOfEducationandHumanServices/coehsacademicunits/EducationalStudiesLeadershipandCounseling/cac/autismcenter.aspx)

Under **Advocacy & Support** are listings of support groups:

* [**ASD Support Groups in KY**](https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/track?uri=urn%3Aaaid%3Ascds%3AUS%3Ae7659977-8255-45fb-b2bd-28b5a3cff8a4)
* [**Interactive Map of ASD Support Groups**](http://louisville.edu/education/kyautismtraining/families/groups)

Under **Education** are several helpful links below:

* [**Child Care Aware of Kentucky**](https://www.kentuckypartnership.org/child-care-aware-of-kentucky)
* [**Kentucky Department of Education (KDE)**](https://education.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx)
* [**KDE Autism Guidance Document (Nov 2017)**](https://education.ky.gov/specialed/excep/forms/Documents/KDE_Autism_Guidance_Document.pdf)
* [**Kentucky Autism Training Center**](http://www.kyautism.org/)
* [**HDI Transportation Initiative**](https://transportation.hdiuky.org/)
* [**KY-SPIN (Kentucky Special Parent Involvement Network)**](https://www.kyspin.com/)

Under **Transition** are good links including:

* [**Transition One Stop**](http://www.transitiononestop.org/)
* [**Kentucky Disability Resources Manual**](http://www.hdi.uky.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/HDI_ResourceManual_05_2015.pdf)
* [**Transition**](http://www.autismspeaks.org/docs/family_services_docs/transition/Kentucky.pdf)
* [**Resource Guide 2014 Edition**](http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/dph/com-health/prevention/hrhs-sexuality-and-disability-resource-guide.pdf)
* [**UK HDI Resource Manual**](http://resources.hdiuk.org/)
* [**KentuckyWorks**](http://www.kentuckyworks.org/)

As you progress in the lifespan categories, the resources change. For example, under the **Resources for Adolescents** ([**https://www.kyaca.org/resources-for-teenagers/**](https://www.kyaca.org/resources-for-teenagers/)) section, under **Advocacy & Support** additional listings of support groups are added for self-advocacy:

* [**Kentuckiana Autistic Spectrum Alliance (KASA)**](https://www.facebook.com/KASALouisville/)
* [**Autistics United Kentucky (AUK)**](https://www.facebook.com/AutisticsUnitedKentucky/)
* [**Autistic Self Advocacy Network (ASAN)**](https://autisticadvocacy.org/)

Under the **Transportation** category are several links, one example is below:

* [**UK HDI Transportation Initiative**](https://transportation.hdiuky.org/)

Under **Transition** are good links including:

* [**KDE/OVR Transition Document For Families**](https://www.kentuckyworks.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Transition-Overview-for-Parents-and-Students-2019.pdf)
* [**My Choice Kentucky (Supported Decision Making)**](http://www.mychoiceky.org/)
* [**Guardianship and Alternatives to Guardianship in Kentucky by KPA**](http://nebula.wsimg.com/3499a6030dd9913b515aaef2a078e919?AccessKeyId=65CDDAA309ED09126F01&disposition=0&alloworigin=1)
* [**Guardianship Comparison Tool (pdf)**](https://www.kyaca.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Guardianship-Comparison-English-Spanish.pdf)
* [**Life Course Tools**](https://www.lifecoursetools.com/)

Soon to be added, but on **KentuckyWorks website** are one page checklist of the most important things parents and youth can do to prepare for meaningful employment and financial security at each age:

* [**https://kentuckyworks.org/bright-futures-checklists/**](https://kentuckyworks.org/bright-futures-checklists/)

In addition, **Kentucky Works** has excellent SSI resources and info encouraging those on SSI can still work:

* [**https://kentuckyworks.org/2019/05/21/ssi-101-video/**](https://kentuckyworks.org/2019/05/21/ssi-101-video/)
* [**https://kentuckyworks.org/2017/09/03/disability-benefits-101-tool/**](https://kentuckyworks.org/2017/09/03/disability-benefits-101-tool/)

Under **Employment on Adult Resource Page,** the **ISAW** (Innovative Supports for Autistic Workers) project has some excellent videos and resources geared for employers but applicable to all:

* [**ISAW Innovative Supports Employer Training and Employee Support**](http://isaw.hdiuk.org/)

Under **Helpful Links** ([**https://www.kyaca.org/helpful-links/**](https://www.kyaca.org/helpful-links/)) at the top of page, there are helpful links like:

* [**Supporting Students with ASD at Home During COVID-19**](https://sites.google.com/view/studentswithasdathome/home)

Under **About Us** or **KY Office of Autism** tabs, there is a **Multimedia** webpage at [**https://www.kyaca.org/multimedia/**](https://www.kyaca.org/multimedia/). On this page are two helpful videos:

* **Autism 101 for KYACA**
* **KYACA Overview April 2020**