

**Subject:** April 2018 Resources of the Month

Dear UCCCN members,

Here are your April 2018 resources of the month.

### **Brainstorming**

**Case #1**--from Toni Estrada--Spanish speaking family of 4 from Provo, 2 sons, 12 yr old severe nonverbal autism, 26 yr old on the autism spectrum, high functioning, graduated from school. This was a referral from Help Me Grow to ISP. Husband is disabled, the family receives SSI for both husband and 12 yr old; mom doesn't work. 12 yr old is severely allergic to everything, mom withdrew him from school 5 mos ago. 26 yr old hasn't gone out of the house or bathed for 2 years and won't see a doctor.

Currently there is a 3-4 month wait list to access the Spanish speaking Family Resource Facilitator (FRF) through the mental health agency. There would be a potential if eligible by the school district, that the child could be on Home-Hospital instruction but that would only allow education to come into the home once a week for 1-2 hours. There was a suggestion to call an IEP meeting with school. This could include a Utah Parent Center consultant and Utah Family Voices, particularly for the allergies issues. Family Voices can assist as well with the mental health resources until an FRF is available. Consider Connect Care telehealth or other telemedicine for the 26-yr. old to establish a relationship and trust with mental health providers and physicians. BYU also has a service organization that may be able to do a home visit. <https://yserve.byu.edu/programs>

#### [Family Support Centers/Outreach](#) Services Category

[Family Resource Facilitators](#) FRFs provide referrals to local resources and programs; advocacy for culturally appropriate services; links to information and support groups; and family wraparound facilitation. [MHP 23830](#)

#### [Telemedicine](#) Services Category

[Connect Care – Intermountain Healthcare](#) Connect Care provides another option for accessing convenient, high quality urgent care from Intermountain. Use your smartphone, tablet, or computer to connect with an Intermountain Clinician just \$49 a visit. [MHP 29260](#)

*Home-Hospital* provides temporary home instruction to students who are unable to attend school for an extended period of time (minimum three weeks) due to illness or accident. A family will need to contact their school and then a process will determine if it is the best placement or accommodation to meet the child's educational needs.

**Case #2** –from Toni – Update on a homeless mom and her son with autism: they just moved into a brand new apartment in SLC that has low income housing units, which is close to bus stops and stores. Her six year old son will now begin to receive ABA services. A huge win!

**Case # 3**--from Pat Rowe-- 6 yr old with worsening seizures, has a SAMI (Smart Activity Monitor for individuals) monitoring device, but can't afford Wifi in the apartment complex south of Ogden. Mom also needs mental health. Any ideas for funding for the monthly Wifi? Comcast and other providers offer low and reduced costs for families in need.

[Financial Assistance, Other](#) Services Category

[ABLE Differently](#) - Some financial assistance for identified need. [MHP 12791](#)

[Weber School District Foundation Board Grant](#) funding to foster independence and make education more accessible to Weber County children with special needs. [MHP 28902](#)

[Davis Education Foundation](#) provides financial support and resources to classrooms, students, and programs within Davis School District. [MHP 10459](#)

*Disclaimer: These resources come from our members as part of the meeting brainstorming session; please check with your providers to make sure they are appropriate for your patient/families.*

*You can find a custom list of these service providers that can be printed, emailed, and more, here: [April 2018 UCCCN Resources](#)*

**Presenter: Joyce Dolcourt, [Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities](#) [MHP 10153](#)**

**A sample of the legislative bills that pertain to children, youth and individuals with special needs that passed were:**

- Appropriations to DSPD-to move additional children/individuals (approximately 300) off the waiting list for disability services (Community Supports Medicaid Waiver).
- Increase for direct care staff serving children/individuals on the Waiver to help with the 94% turnover rate. This will assist in the continuity for children/individuals and their families
- Expansion of suicide prevention programs in schools.
- Children's Center received additional funding to meet the needs of young children (up to age 6) with mental/behavioral health and or ASD.
- Medically Complex Children's Waiver went from a pilot to an ongoing program. The program currently serves well over 500 children and will open up enrollment when additional slots or funding become available.
- The Carson Smith Scholarship for children with disabilities received additional funding and now includes access for children who are deaf. This funding assists children to attend specialty private schools for their disability such as the Carmen Pingree School for Autism.

***For more details, see the [Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities Legislative Wrap-up 2018 General Session](#)***

**Advocacy** – If you have issues you care about, join the Coalition. You can do it on their website: <http://lcpdut.org> They do trainings across the state. Pick your issue, determine level to address that issue. They meet on the first Thursday of the month, usually. Meet weekly during the legislative session.

Our legislature is a lay legislature. They need to hear from us. Our [State legislative website](#) is excellent, find your legislator. Most of these issues are handled by the Social Services Appropriations Committee.

## **Other**

**Eric Christensen** announced that the UDoH Bureau of Maternal Child Health is almost ready to post positions for part-time PT, OT, Speech therapist; full-time child psychologist and nurse practitioner. 22 rural clinics per year.

Our next meeting will be May 17th at the SLC (Taylorsville) USU Campus and additional USU extension campuses. Here is the link to archived meeting recording on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/QzAfhLkSepw>.

Thank you,

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