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This chapter is concerned with agencies that work with special populations: e.g. women, children and teens, ethnic minorities, high quadriplegics, and veterans. They are arranged below by group served. Many of these agencies, although they may have a nationality in their name and work with primarily that population, will work with those from other populations as well.

ASIAN AMERICANS

Asian-Americans for Community Involvement (AACI)

408/975-2730

2400 Moorpark Ave., Suite 300

San Jose, CA 95128

- Youth center program
- DUI program
- Mental health program
- Senior health project
- Staff includes physicians, psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, marriage, family & child counselors, teachers and juvenile justice/recreation specialists

Santa Clara County Asian Law Alliance

408/287-9710

184 E. Jackson St.

San Jose, CA 95112-5153

- Offer free legal advice to people of any nationality in Santa Clara County
- Also offer legal representation in immigration, housing, domestic violence and public benefits areas for limited or non-English speaking individuals
- Translation services, as available, for individuals who speak Vietnamese, Cantonese, Chinese, Mandarin, Laotian, Korean and Japanese

Vietnamese Voluntary Foundation (VIVO)

408/532-7755

FAX: 408/532-1699

2260 Quimby Rd.

San Jose, CA 95122

- Offers four programs; help in applying for General Assistance, employment services to assist individuals from immigrant backgrounds (all nationalities) to train and find jobs, interpreting for social services (fee for service) and a youth program for at-risk kids
- English as a second language (ESL) for refugees

20. Resources for Special Populations

West Valley Japanese-American Senior Center

408/253-0458

1545 Teresita Dr.

San Jose, CA 95129

- Provides services to Japanese residents of the West Valley area who are 70 or older

CHILDREN/TEENS

California Children's Services

408/299-5891

FAX: 408/971-3538

720 Empey Way

San Jose, CA 95128

- Medical service up to age 21

Sacramento Branch:

916/653-8271

FAX: 916/653-8271

714 "P" St., Room 350

Sacramento, CA 95814

San Francisco Office:

415/904-9690

415/904-9699

FAX: 415/904-9698

185 Berry St., Lobby 6, Suite 255

San Francisco, CA 94107

Community Solutions

408/779-2113

15850 Concord Circle, Suite B

Morgan Hill, CA 95037

- Counseling, case management
- Drug and alcohol treatment
- Domestic violence shelter and counseling services

Daytop Village

650/592-0866

750 El Camino Real

Belmont, CA 94002

- Residential community for chemically dependent adolescents

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Kara

650/321-5272

457 Kingsley Ave.

Palo Alto, CA 94301

- Bereavement group for children

Kids are Special - Eastfield Ming Quong

408/364-4133

FAX: 408/364-4190

251 Llewellyn Ave.

Campbell, CA 95008-1999

- Children's and parents' groups for families with children impacted by the substance abuse of a parent or caregiver

GAY AND LESBIAN

Billy Defrank Lesbian and Gay Community Center

408/293-2429

175 Stockton Ave.

San Jose, CA 95126

- Offers a support group for physically challenged lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals

MINORITY GROUPS

Office of Minority Health Resource Center

800/444-6472

301/587-9704

FAX: 301/589-0884

P.O. Box 37337

Washington, DC 20013-7337

E-mail: info@omhrc.gov

Website: <www.omhrc.gov>

- National resource and referral center that collects and distributes information on health statistics, health promotion, preventive health services and health education resources relating to American Indian, Alaska Native, African American, Asian American, Pacific Islander and Hispanic populations

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NATIVE AMERICANS

American Indian Education Center

408/615-7008

FAX: 408/937-5265

1320 Civic Center Drive

Santa Clara, CA 95050

- Tutoring for grades K-12

Indian Health Center of Santa Clara Valley

Dental Dept: 408/445-3410

Education Dept: 408/445-3430

Human Services: 408/445-3245

Medical Dept: 408/445-3400

Women/infants/children: 408/445-3420

1333 Meridian Ave.

San Jose, CA 95125

- Provides assistance with food and clothing

PARENTS AND FAMILIES

Beach Center On Families and Disabilities

785/864-7600

University of Kansas

3111 Hayworth Hall

Lawrence, KS 66045

- Information and referral services
- Newsletter

Exceptional Children's Foundation

323/290-2000

3750 Martin Luther King Blvd.

Los Angeles, CA 90008

- Information and referral
- Support groups

Exceptional Parent Magazine

877/372-7368

P.O. Box 3000

Denville, NJ 07834

Website: <www.eparent.com>

- Provides info, support, ideas, encouragement and outreach for parents of children with disabilities (and the professionals that work with them)

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Family Caregiver Alliance

800/445-8106

415/434-3388

FAX: 415/434-3508

690 Market Street, Suite 600

San Francisco, CA 94104

Website: <www.caregiver.org>

- Organization that serves families and caregivers through education, research services and advocacy

National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities (NICHCY)

800/695-0285

FAX: 202/884-8441

Box 1492

Washington, DC 20013-1492

E-mail: nichcy@aed.org

Website: <www.nichcy.org>

- Personal responses to questions from parents and service providers, referrals to other organizations and agencies, information searches, technical assistance to parent and professional groups and a wide variety of resource guides, bibliographies and other publications
- Many publications available in Spanish

Matrix: A Parent Network and Resource Center

415/884-3535

94 Galli Drive, Suite C

Novato, CA 94949

- Information and referral
- Parent to parent support training

Parents Educational and Resource Link Services (PEARLS)

408/277-5415

408/277-5337

4 North 2nd Street

San Jose, CA 95113

- Information and referral
- Parenting courses and counseling

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Parents Helping Parents

408/727-5775

3041 Olcott Street

Santa Clara, CA 95054-3222

Website: <www.php.com>

- Support groups, parenting classes, and information and referral services for parents of children with disabilities

PORTUGUESE AMERICANS

Portugese Organization for Social Services and Opportunities (POSSO)

408/293-0877

1115 E. Santa Clara Street

San Jose, CA 95116

- Translation
- Programs for individuals over 60
- Nutrition, brown bag meals, and day trips

SPANISH SPEAKING

Adult & Child Guidance Center of Santa Clara Valley

408/288-6205

FAX: 408/288-6201

380 North First Street, Suite 200

San Jose, CA 95112

- *Comadres* women's outpatient polydrug abuse program
- *Compadres* men's outpatient polydrug abuse program

Catholic Charities Immigration Program

408/944-0691

2625 Zanker Rd., Suite 201

San Jose, CA 95134

Website: <www.csj.org>

- Consultation services
- \$25.00 non-refundable cost

Disability Assistance Advocates

408/224-6898

1425 Spruance Ct.

San Jose, CA 95128

- Offers bilingual Spanish/English representation for Social Security initial application, reconsideration appeal, and hearings. They charge a percentage of the award, and do not charge you unless you win

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Mexican American Community Services Agency (MACSA)

408/928-1122

FAX: 408/928-1169

130 N. Jackson Ave.

San Jose, CA 95116

- Adult day care for seniors and job training program
- Referrals to ESL classes

La Raza Centro Legal

415/575-3500

474 Valencia St., Suite 295

San Francisco, CA 94103

- Referrals and free legal services to low-income individuals

VENTILATOR USERS

International Ventilator Users Network (IVUN)

314/534-0475

Gazette International Networking Institute

4207 Lindell Blvd., Suite 110

St. Louis, MO 63108-2915

- Resource directory guide to health professionals, ventilator and related equipment manufacturers, service and repair facilities

WOMEN

Adult & Child Guidance Center of Santa Clara Valley

408/288-6205

FAX: 408/288-6201

380 North First St., Suite 200

San Jose, CA 95112

- *Comadres* women's outpatient polydrug abuse program
- *Compadres* men's outpatient polydrug abuse program
- Counseling services
- Domestic violence counseling

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Breast Health Access for Women with Disabilities (BHAWD)

Alta Bates Summit Medical Center

510/204-4866

FAX: 510/204-5892

2001 Dwight Way, 2nd Floor

Berkeley, CA 94704

Website: <www.bhawd.org>

- Free clinical breast exams and breast self-exam education
- Educational workshops
- Counseling services
- Referral to accessible mammography

Planned Parenthood

408/287-7526

1691 The Alameda

San Jose, CA 95126

- HIV testing
- Birth control
- Abortion and premarital appointments
- General medical appts for adults and kids

Rehab. Inst. of Chicago Health Resource For Women

312/238-1051

312/238-8003

FAX: 312/238-1205

345 East Superior Street, Room 106

Chicago, IL 60611

E-mail: jpsparkle@aol.com

- Ob-Gyn with accessible equipment
- Housing
- PCA referral
- Birth control and prenatal care
- Health and advocacy issues
- Peer support

Support Network for Battered Women

650/940-7850

Crisis Line: 800/572-2782

444 Castro Street, Suite 305

Mountain View, CA 94041

- Domestic violence counseling, help with restraining orders and shelter for women and children

20. Resources for Special Populations

UCP of the Golden Gate

510/832-7430

1970 Broadway, Suite 305

Oakland, CA 94612

Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, Marin counties

- Referrals to women's health practitioners and clinics who work with women and disabilities
- Coordination of individual and group support, primarily by women with disabilities, about women's health issues
- Lending library on women's health and disability issues and instruction in Ob-Gyn self help care workshops

Women with Disabilities Resource Center

National Women's Health Information Center

800/994-9662

202/205-2551

FAX: 703/560-6598

8550 Arlington Blvd., Suite 300

Fairfax, VA 22031

E-mail: 4woman@soza.com

Website: <www.4woman.gov>

- Offers summaries about critical health issues for a variety of disabilities
- Information on federal and state legislation and regulations pertaining to disabled individuals, news about medical research, statistical information, and information for health care professionals on what they can do to improve health care access for women with physical limitations

Women's Clinic for Women with Disabilities

Santa Clara Valley Medical Center

408/885-5920

FAX: 408/885-4728

2400 Moorpark Ave., Suite 100

San Jose, CA 95128

- Accessible exam rooms with multi-positioning exam table
- Preventative health care
- Educational materials
- Psychiatrist, nurse practitioner, and OB-GYN on staff

Women's Community Clinic

408/287-4090

696 E. Santa Clara St.

San Jose, CA 95112

- Gynecological services

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Books/Newsletters for Women

Women with Physical Disabilities: Achieving and Maintaining Health and Well-Being (1996)

Danuta M. Krotoski, Margaret A. Nosek and Margaret A. Turk

Paul H. Brookes Publishing Co.

800/638-3775

410/337-9580

FAX: 410/337-8539

E-mail: custserv@pbrookes.com

Website: <www.brookespublishing.com>

P.O. Box 10624

Baltimore, MD 21285-0624

Table Manners:

A Guide to Pelvic Examination for Disabled Women and Health Care Providers

Susan Ferreyra and Katrine Hughes

Planned Parenthood Golden Gate

815 Eddy Street, Suite 300

San Francisco, CA 94109

VETERANS

Bay Area and Western Paralyzed Veterans of America

650/855-9030

FAX: 650/855-9019

3801 Miranda Ave. Bldg. 5, Room 101C

Palo Alto, CA 94304

- Membership organization open to veterans of the armed forces with spinal cord injury or disease
- Sports programs are open to anyone who has a mobility impairment

California Department of Veterans Affairs

Cal-Vet Farm and Home Loans

800/952-5626

- State Veterans services
- Life disability coverage
- Provides information on ordering Cal-Vet loan program application packets and brochures

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San Jose Veterans Center

408/993-0729

278 North Second Street

San Jose, CA 95112

- Outpatient clinic for veterans
- Veterans readjustment counseling services and psychotherapy

U.S. Veterans Administration

800/827-1000

Department of Veterans Affairs Regional Office

1301 Clay Street, North Tower

Oakland, CA 94612-5209

- This office provides veteran benefits information

Palo Alto Veterans Administration Medical Center (PAVA)

650/493-5000

3801 Miranda Ave.

Palo Alto, CA 94304

Vets Next Step Center

650/493-5000 x2396

3801 Miranda Ave.

Palo Alto, CA 94304

- Vocational counseling and job placement

