

Early Childhood Direction Centers

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The Early Childhood Direction Centers (ECDCs) provide information about programs and services for young children, ages birth through five, who have physical, mental, or emotional disabilities and help families obtain services for their children.

The ECDCs provide information about:

- preschool programs
- transportation
- medical, educational, and social services
- evaluation and assessment services
- funding
- parent education programs and resources
- day care
- the State's early intervention system

Services include:

- matching the needs of children with available services
- assisting parents in obtaining services
- following up to ensure that children receive services
- coordination of services between agencies
- education of parents of preschool children with disabilities

Ibany (Capital District Region)

Service Area: Albany, Columbia, Fulton, Greene, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Warren, Washington Counties

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