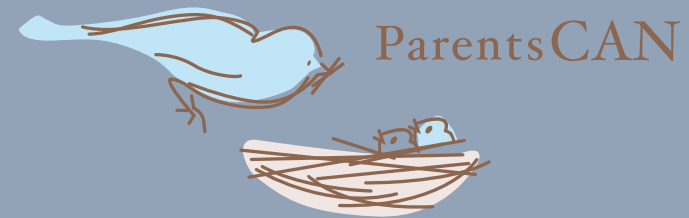




# ParentsCAN

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Your investment helps more than 2,100 Napa County families every year find hope and a nurturing environment where they can learn what they need to know to meet their child's needs and strengthen and support their entire family.

A Center For Families of Children with Special Needs



In the U.S., about 18% of all children have a developmental or behavioral disability.

Unfortunately, less than half of these children are identified before they enter school.

Research shows that children's brains are the most flexible during the first years of life. A child's early development and physical health provide the foundation upon which cognitive and language skills develop. Over time, these become increasingly more difficult to change. Intervention services are more effective and less costly when provided earlier in life.

# About ParentsCAN

Parents are never prepared for a child's life-changing disability, and it devastates the whole family. All of our program staff and volunteers have a child with special needs and understand how to help. Our vision is that all individuals with disabilities and their families have access to services and supports to reach their full potential.

ParentsCAN provides hope, information, and resources to families of children and young adults, ages birth through 26 years, who are suspected of, or diagnosed with, one or more of the following special needs:

## *Developmental Disability*

Includes but is not limited to Autism, Down Syndrome, Intellectual Disability, Speech and Language Delays

## *Medical/Health Issue*

Includes but is not limited to Cerebral Palsy, Asthma, Diabetes, and Premature Birth

## *Behavioral Need*

Includes but is not limited to ADD/ADHD, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, Sensory Disintegration

## *Mental Health Condition*

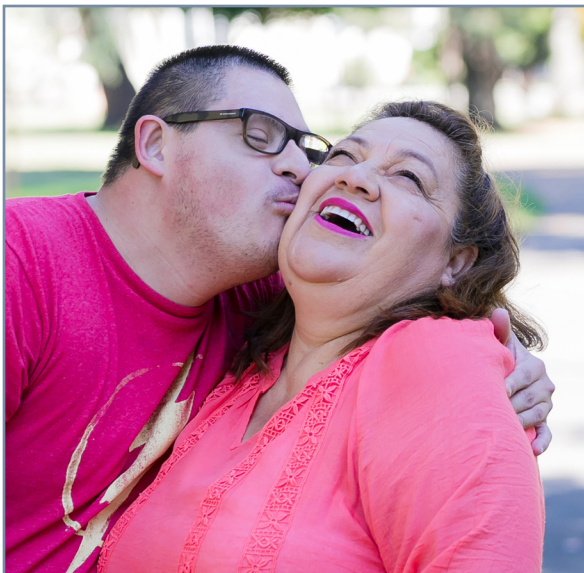
Includes but is not limited to Depression, Anxiety, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, Bipolar Disorder, Schizophrenia, and Tourette Syndrome

## *Learning Disability*

Includes but is not limited to Dyslexia, Auditory Processing Disorder, Non Verbal Language Processing Disorder

## *Physical Impairment*

Includes but is not limited to Spina Bifida, Visual Impairments, Blindness, Deafness



At ParentsCAN we want to make sure that children with special needs get the best start possible in life and school. ParentsCAN is often the first call parents make, and the first place professionals refer to when there is a concern regarding a child's development.

We offer social, emotional and developmental screenings for young children. Screening information helps us work with parents to identify any needs as early as possible and get their children the intervention services and resources they need at the time they are most effective.

# About ParentsCAN

Parents typically come to us for help with issues such as...

- My toddler is not walking/talking, what should I do?
- Something is not right with my child, where should we go?
- My child has a medical condition, where can I get more information?
- How do other parents cope with these challenges?
- My child was denied services, what are my rights?
- My child is having trouble in school, what can I do to help?
- My child's behavior is a problem, what are my options?
- Can the school suspend/expel my special needs child?
- The school and I don't agree on services. What can I do?
- What will happen after high school?

By working with us parents can...

- Increase their knowledge of their child's condition or disability
- Learn about services available in the community that meet their child's special needs
- Connect with other parents who have children with special needs and who understand their feelings of fear and isolation
- Understand and meet their child's developmental needs
- Communicate clearly and effectively with professionals
- Enhance their parenting skills
- Understand their child's behavior and how to implement positive behavior interventions
- Effect positive change in our community for children and adults with special needs

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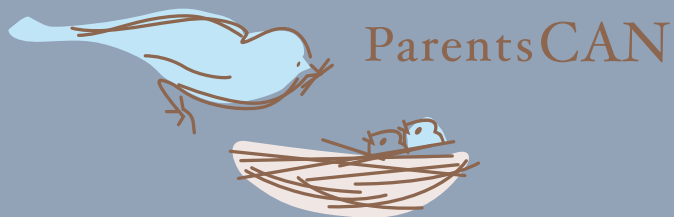
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ParentsCAN is the only Family Resource Center in Napa County dedicated to serving families of children with learning, mental, emotional, physical or developmental special needs.

Call now to see how we can help!



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