# EASTERN REGION

# Advocacy

# Accessible Nova Scotia

1 (866) 696-7536 (toll free) info@accessiblens.ca www.accessiblens.ca

A group of individuals, businesses, government representatives, and organizations who share a common vision of Nova Scotia as an accessible destination for both residents and visitors.

### Cape Breton Family Place Resource Centre

902-562-5616 Fax: 902-562-8528.

www.familyplace.ca Click on 'Counties' and select the county to find a program or service provided in your area. Offered in all four counties of Cape Breton.

### Deafness Advocacy Association of Nova Scotia

1660 Hollis Street, Suite 803 Halifax, NS B3J 1V7 425-0240 TTY/videophone: 425-0119 Fax: 429-9312 daans@ns.sympatico.ca

*Promotes rights, needs, and equal access for deaf and hard of hearing Nova Scotians.* 

# Early Intervention Nova Scotia

www.earlyintervention.net: Click 'Resources' tab on top menu and then click 'Your Area' to find a program near you. There are 21 early intervention programs throughout Nova Scotia.

# Equal Education Association of Nova Scotia

860-1759 info@eeans.com www.eeans.com

Non-profit association that advocates educational rights on behalf of all children with learning disabilities in Nova Scotia.

### Nova Scotia Disabled Persons Commission

Dartmouth Professional Centre 277 Pleasant Street, Suite 104 Dartmouth, NS B2Y 4B7 424-8280 1 (800) 565-8280 (toll free within Nova Scotia) www.gov.ns.ca/disa

Gives people with disabilities a way to participate in the provincial government policy-making process, and advises policy-makers and program-developers about the needs of people with disabilities and the issues and concerns that affect the lives of people with disabilities.

# SpeciaLink: The National Centre for Child Care Inclusion

76 Cottage Road PO Box 775 Sydney, NS B1P 6G9 562-1662 1 (866) 902-6333 (toll free) Fax: 539-9117 www.specialinkcanada.org

Increases quality and quantity of opportunities for young children with disabilities to fully participate in community programs.

#### Sydney Nova Scotia Child Daycare Providers

www.daycarecanada.com/directory/ canada/novascotia/sydney/c6393. aspx

To view child daycare providers in Sydney, select one of the centres.

# Child Development

# Child Care Connection Nova Scotia

1200 Tower Road, Suite 100 Halifax, NS B3H 4 6 423-8199 1 (800) 565-8199 (toll free) Fax: 492-8106 info@cccns.org www.cccns.org

Resource library and referrals based on specific child-care issues. Website allows search of facilities by region.

### Harbourvie ontessori

290 Murphy Road Sydney, NS B1R 1W8 Mailing address: 69 enwood Drive Sydney, NS B1S 1T7 539-8884 Fax: 539-8884 admin@harbourviewmontessori.ca www.harbourviewmontessori.ca

*Children's House program for ages three to six years. Elementary education for ages 6 to 12 years.* 

# La Centre pr scolaire de La Picasse

3435 Route 206 Petit de Grat, NS BOE 2L0 226-3319 Fax: 226-0549 Alvina Berthier, directrice-@ducatrice, prescolaire@lapicasse.ca *French-language day-care centre*.

# St Peter s/Isle adame Daycare Centre Administration Office

3250 Highway 320 PO Box 494 D'Escousse, NS BOE 1 0 226-2481

> St. Peter's Early Childhood Education Centre 9366 Pepperall Street St. Peter's, NS BOE 3B0 535-3446

Isle Madame Daycare Centre 3250 Highway 320 D'Escousse, NS BOE 1 0 226-0399

Provides subsidized spaces.

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#### To n Daycare Centre

15 Second Street Glace Bay, NS B1A 4E9 849-6086 Fax: 842-0655 Integrated day-care facility.

# Education

### APSEA Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority

5940 South Street Halifax, NS B3H 1S6 424-8500 Fax: 424-0543 www.apsea.ca

Serves children and youth who are deaf, hard of hearing, deafblind, blind, or visually impaired.

APSEA—Services for students who are blind or visually impaired. John McConnell, director, mcconnellj@apsea.ca

APSEA—Services for students who are deaf or hard of hearing. Joan Skinner, director, skinnerj@ apsea.ca

#### Cape Breton Victoria Regional School Board

275 George Street Sydney, NS B1P 1J7 564-8293 Fax: 564-0123 www.cbv.ns.ca

# Conseil Scolaire Acadien Provincial Acadian Provincial School Board

CP 88 Saulnierville, NE BOW 2 0 9248 Route 1, La Butte Meteghan River, NE BOW 2L0 769-5458 1 (888) 533-2727 (toll free) Fax: 769-5459 www.csap.ednet.ns.ca

School board responsible for administration of French Acadian schools in the province.

# Equal Education Association of Nova Scotia

860-1759 info@eeans.com www.eeans.com

Non-profit association that advocates educational rights on behalf of all children with learning disabilities in Nova Scotia.

#### Strait Regional School Board

16 Cemetery Road Post Hastings, NS B9A 1 6 625-2191 1 (800) 650-4448 Fax: 625-2281 srsb@srsb.ca www.srsb.ca

# **Financial Services**

#### Canada Revenue Agency Sydney District Office

47 Dorchester Street PO Box 1300 Sydney, NS B1P 6 3 1 (800) 387-1193 (toll free) Fax: 564-3095 www.cra-arc.gc.ca Provides information on child and family tax benefits.

#### Nova Scotia Department of Community Services Income Assistance

PO Box 2561 Halifax, NS B3J 3N5 1 (877) 424-1177 (toll free) 424-4150 Fax: 424-0578 www.gov.ns.ca/coms: Select Employment Support Financial Assistance and then Income Assistance from the Programs section. *Provides income assistance to those in need*.

# Government Agencies and Departments

#### Access Nova Scotia Port Ha kesbury

Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations Provincial Building 218 MacSween Street, Suite 22 Port Hawkesbury, NS B9A 2J9 1 (800) 670-4357 (toll free) askus@gov.ns.ca www.gov.ns.ca/snsmr

Provides hands-on information, forms, applications, and various services, which vary from centre to centre.

#### Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada

1 (800) 567-9604 infopubs@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca

# i kmaq Family Children s Services of Nova Scotia

76 Logan Drive PO Box 7142 Eskasoni, NS B1W 1A2 1 (800) 565-8300 (toll free)

# unicipality of the County of Inverness

PO Box 179 Municipal Building 375 Main Street Port Hood, NS BOE 2W0 787-2274 Fax: 787-3110 ate Beaton, chief administrative officer kate.beaton@invernesscounty.ca www.invernesscounty.ca

#### Nova Scotia Department of Community Services Adoption Disclosure Service Program Halifa District Office

6009 uinpool Road, Suite 701 Halifax, NS B3 5J7 424-2755 Fax: 424-9424 www.gov.ns.ca/coms Select Support for Children, Youth Families, then Adoption, and then Adoption Disclosure.

Maintains a Passive Adoption Registry and conducts searches for adoptees and birth families. Assists with issues related to Adoption Information Act.

#### Nova Scotia Department of Community Services Direct Family Support

5675 Spring Garden Road PO Box 696 Halifax, NS B3J 2T7 424-0932 Fax: 424-0708 www.gov.ns.ca/coms/disabilities/

Provides support and services to both children and adults with disabilities who live at home with their families.

#### Nova Scotia Department of Community Services Eastern Regional Office

Provincial Building 360 Prince Street Sydney, NS, B1P 5L1 563-3302 F: 563-5693 www.gov.ns.ca/coms/ Select the region from the map to find your district office.

# Nova Scotia Department of Community Services Family and Community Supports Division

Nelson Place 5675 Spring Garden Road, 5th Floor PO Box 696 Halifax, NS B3J 2T7 1 (866) 259-7780 (toll-free number for Nova Scotia Adoption Information Line) 424-4279 Fax: 424-0708 www.gov.ns.ca/coms

#### Nova Scotia Department of Community Services lace Bay District Office

Senator's Place, 3rd Floor 633 Main Street Glace Bay, NS B1A 6J3 842-4000 Fax: 842-4067 www.gov.ns.ca/coms

#### Nova Scotia Department of Community Services North Sydney District Office

Parsons Building 184 Commercial Street North Sydney, NS B2A 3Y7 794-5110 Fax: 794-5171 www.gov.ns.ca/coms

#### Nova Scotia Department of Community Services Port Ha kesbury District Office

Provincial Building 218 MacSween Street, Unit 3 Port Hawkesbury, NS B9A 2J9 625-0660 Fax: 625-4021 www.gov.ns.ca/coms

#### Nova Scotia Department of Community Services Sydney District Office

Provincial Building 360 Prince Street, Suite 25 Sydney, NS B1P 5L1 563-3300 Fax: 563-0516 www.gov.ns.ca/coms

# Nova Scotia Dept of Community Services Regional Resources Eastern Region

360 Prince Street, Suite 25 Sydney, NS B1P 5L1 563-5736 macdoaj@gov.ns.ca

Using PRIDE core in-service Modules, the program provides competency based training to foster and adoptive resource families designed to strengthen foster and adoptive care. PRIDE Core builds upon competencies learned in PRIDE Pre-service training. For more info on Module descriptions, topics, key concepts, and registration please visit www. gov.ns.ca/coms/families/fostercare/ ; PRIDE training schedule.

#### Nova Scotia Office of the Ombudsman

5670 Spring Garden Road, Suite 700 PO Box 2152 Halifax, NS B3J 3B7 424-6780 1 (800) 670-1111 (toll free) Fax: 424-6675 ombudsman@gov.ns.ca www.gov.ns.ca/ombu

Handles complaints against provincial and municipal government agencies and departments.

#### **Richmond County**

2357 Highway 206 PO Box 120 Arichat, NS BOE 1A0 226-2400 Fax: 226-1510 www.richmondcounty.ca

#### Service Canada Call Centre

1 (800) O CANADA (622-6232) (toll free) TTY: 1 (800) 926-9105 (toll free) Fax: (613) 941-1827 www.canada.ca

Primary access point to find information on federal government services.

#### Service Canada lace Bay Office

Senator's Place 633 Main Street, Suite 101 Glace Bay, NS B1A 6J3 842-2414 TTY: 1 (800) 622-6232 (toll free) Fax: 842-2655 EI Fax: 564-7837 www.servicecanada.gc.ca

*Provides financial benefits, jobrelated services, and Social Insurance Number applications.* 

#### Service Canada Inverness Office

15926 Central Avenue PO Box 520 Inverness, NS BOE 1N0 258-2301 TTY: 1 (800) 622-6232 (toll free) Fax: 258-3036 www.servicecanada.gc.ca

*Provides financial benefits, job-related services, and Social Insurance Number applications.* 

#### Service Canada North Sydney Office

105 ing Street North Sydney, NS B2A 3S1 794-5715 TTY: 1 (800) 622-6232 (toll free) Fax: 794-5724 www.servicecanada.gc.ca Provides financial benefits, jobrelated services, and Social Insurance Number applications.

#### Service Canada Port Ha kesbury Office

Shediac Shopping Centre 811 Reeves Street, Unit 8 Port Hawkesbury, NS B9A 2S4 625-4115 TTY: 1 (800) 622-6232 (toll free) Fax: 625-4137 www.servicecanada.gc.ca Provides financial benefits, jobrelated services, and Social Insurance Number applications.

# Service Canada Sydney Office

15 Dorchester Street PO Box 850 Sydney, NS B1P 6J3 564-2570 TTY: 1 (800) 622-6232 (toll free) Fax: 564-7104

*Provides financial benefits, jobrelated services, and Social Insurance Number applications.* 

#### Service Nova Scotia and unicipal Relations Public Enquiries

Mailroom, 8 South, Maritime Centre 1505 Barrington Street Halifax, NS B3J 3 5 424-5200 1 (800) 670-4357 (toll free) Fax: 424-0720 askus@gov.ns.ca www.gov.ns.ca/snsmr/secure/contact/Default.asp bhcp 1

#### EASTERN REGION INTERNATIONAL SERVICES

Information on provincial government programs, policies, and initiatives.

#### To n of ulgrave

457 MacLeod Street PO Box 129 Mulgrave, NS BOE 2G0 747-2243 Fax: 747-2585 www.townofmulgrave.ca

#### To n of Port Ha kesbury

606 Reeves Street, Unit 1 Port Hawkesbury, NS B9A 2R7 625-0116 Fax: 625-0040 www.townofporthawkesbury.ca

#### Victoria County

495 Chebucto Street PO Box 370 Baddeck, NS BOE 1B0 295-3659 Fax: 295-3331 www.countyvictoria.ns.ca

#### Village of St Peter s

60 Deny Street PO Box 452 St. Peter's, NS BOE 3B0 535-2155 Fax: 535-2330

# **International Services**

#### **Children of Choice Consulting**

42 Pine Haven Drive Beaver Bank, NS B4G 1A7 422-9881 Specializes in international adoptions.

#### Citi enship and Immigration Canada Canada Immigration Centre

International Adoption Information 1 (888) 242-2100 (toll free) TTY: 1 (888) 576-8502 (toll free) www.cic.gc.ca: Enter into language of choice and then click on International Adoption under Visas and Immigration.

#### Families ith Children from China Nova Scotia

arn Nichols or Judy Anderson 479-2442 fccns@eastlink.ca

Volunteer organization that arranges activities to celebrate major Chinese holidays and runs a Chinese culture program for those who have adopted children from China or other Asian countries, or are in the process of doing so.

#### Family Foundations Consulting

P.O. Box 28042 Dartmouth, NS B2W 6E2 456-5053 also Port Hood Office Donelda MacDonald, social work practitioner Provides post placement reports and post-adoption support with respect to adjustment and attachment issues.

# ulticultural Association of Nova Scotia

1113 Marginal Road Halifax, NS B3H 4P7 423-6534 Fax: 422-0881 admin@mans.ns.ca www.mans.ns.ca

Information and advocacy for multicultural groups within Nova Scotia.

#### Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission Sydney Office

Provincial Building 360 Prince Street Sydney, NS B1P 5L1 563-2140 1 (877) 269-7699 (toll free) TTY: 424-3139 Fax: 563-5613 hrcinquiries@gov.ns.ca www.gov.ns.ca/humanrights Addresses complaints of

discrimination and provides cultural diversity training.

# Legal Services

#### Legal Information Society of Nova Scotia

Lawyer Referral Service— Dial-A-Law—Legal Info Line 5523B Young Street Halifax, NS B3 1 7 455-3135 (legal information and lawyer referral service) 1 (800) 665-9779 (toll-free number for the above services) 454-2198 (administration, publications, and projects) 420-1888 (Dial-A-Law) Fax: 455-3105 lisns@legalinfo.org www.legalinfo.org

Services for people looking for lawyers or legal information in specific areas of law.

# Nova Scotia Barristers Society

Cogswell Tower, Suite 800 2000 Barrington Street Halifax, NS B3J 3 1 422-1491 Fax: 429-4869 www.nsbs.org

Handles complaints against lawyers, and provides information to the public.

#### Nova Scotia Legal Aid Commission Head Office

Office of the Executive Director 137 Chain Lake Drive, Suite 102 Halifax, NS B3S 1B3 420-6578 1 (877) 420-6578 (toll free) Fax: 420-3471 nsla.exec@ns.sympatico.ca

#### Nova Scotia Legal Aid Sydney

Commerce Tower 15 Dorchester Street, 4th Floor PO Box 1373 Sydney, NS B1P 6 3 563-2295 1 (877) 563-2295 (toll free) Fax: 539-0489 *Provides legal assistance to those who qualify*.

# Port Ha kesbury ustice Centre

15 ennedy Street, Suite 201 Port Hawkesbury, NS B9A 2Y1 625-4793 Fax: 625-4084 www.courts.ns.ca *Family Court.* 

#### Sydney ustice Centre

Harbour Place 136 Charlotte Street, Suite 6 Sydney, NS B1P 1C3 563-3510 Fax: 563-3421 www.courts.ns.ca *Family Court.* 

# Mental Health

#### Canadian ental Health Association Cape Breton Branch 1482 George Street

Sydney, NS B1P 1P3 567-7735 Fax: 567-7905 cmhacbrh@cbdha.nshealth.ca www.cmha.ca: Select CMHA Locations and then Nova Scotia.

Mental health promotion agency. Does not offer counselling services.

#### Cape Breton District Health Authority ental Health Services Baddeck Child and Adolescent Clinician

Victoria County Memorial Hospital 30 Old Margaree Road PO Box 220 Baddeck, NS BOE 1B0 567-7731 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Mental Health Services from menu on left.

Provides general and specialized mental health services to children, youth, and their families. Referral from a physician may be required for certain services.

#### Cape Breton District Health Authority ental Health Services Child and Adolescent Services

Cape Breton Regional Hospital, main level 1482 George Street Sydney, NS B1P 1P3 567-7731 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Mental Health Services from menu on left.

Provides general and specialized mental health services to children, youth, and their families. Referral from a physician may be required for certain services.

#### Cape Breton District Health Authority ental Health Services lace Bay Clinic

121 Union Street Glace Bay, NS B1A 2P8 849-4413 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Mental Health Services from menu on left.

Provides general and specialized mental health services to children, youth, and their families. Referral from a physician may be required for certain services.

#### Cape Breton District Health Authority ental Health Services Inverness ental Health Clinic

Inverness Consolidated Memorial Hospital 39 James Street PO Box 610 Inverness, NS BOE 1N0 258-1911 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Mental Health Services from menu on left.

Provides general and specialized mental health services to children, youth, and their families. Referral from a physician may be required for certain services. Satellite services available for Cheticamp.

Cape Breton District Health Authority ental Health Services Neil s Harbour Child and Adolescent Clinician Buchanan Memorial Community Health Centre 32610 Cabot Trail Neil's Harbour, NS BOC 1N0 567-7731 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Mental Health Services from menu on left.

Provides general and specialized mental health services to children, youth, and their families. Referral from a physician may be required for certain services.

#### Cape Breton District Health Authority ental Health Services Ne Waterford Clinic

New Waterford Consolidated Hospital 716 ing Street New Waterford, NS B1H 3 5 862-7195 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Mental Health Services from menu on left.

Provides general and specialized mental health services to children, youth, and their families. Referral from a physician may be required for certain services.

#### Cape Breton District Health Authority ental Health Services North Sydney Clinic

Northside General Hospital 520 Purves Street PO Box 399 North Sydney, NS B2A 3M4 794-8551 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Mental Health Services from menu on left.

Provides general and specialized mental health services to children, youth, and their families. Referral from a physician may be required for certain services.

#### Cape Breton District Health Authority ental Health Services Sydney ental Health Clinic

Cape Breton Regional Hospital 1482 George Street Sydney, NS B1P 1P3 567-7730 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Mental Health Services from menu on left.

Provides general and specialized mental health services to children, youth, and their families. Referral from a physician may be required for certain services.

# Physical Health

#### Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada

620 Colborne Street, Suite 301 London, ON N6B 3R9 1 (519) 642-7755 1 (800) 265-5106 (toll free) Fax: 1 (519) 642-7192 braintumour@braintumour.ca www.braintumour.ca

#### Brain tumour support group Buchanan emorial Community Health Centre

32610 Cabot Trail Neil's Harbour, NS BOC 1N0 336-2200 (switchboard) Fax: 336-2399 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Click on Hospitals/Facilities from the menu on the left side and then select the name of the hospital.

Contains emergency department.

# Canadian Red Cross

www.redcross.ca

Select 'Contact Us' and scroll down to Atlantic Zone Office. Click on 'Offices within Atlantic Canada' and scroll down to Nova Scotia Region where you will find an office near you.

#### **Cape Breton Regional Hospital**

1482 George Street Sydney, NS B1P 1P3 567-8000 Fax: 567-7921 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Hospitals/Facilities from the menu on the left side and then se-

lect the name of the hospital.

It is the major referral Centre for Cape Breton Island. Also contains the emergency department, Cape Breton Cancer Centre, Cape Breton Chest clinic, and the Cape Breton Function Clinic.

### Capital Health Ell Health Sciences Centre

Halifax Infirmary Building 1796 Summer Street Halifax, NS B3H 3A7 473-2700 www.cdha.nshealth.ca: Select Hospitals/Health Centres on left menu and then ueen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre.

*The largest health sciences centre in Atlantic Canada.* 

#### Directory of Family Physicians Accepting Ne Patients

www.gov.ns.ca/health/physicians/ physicians.asp 424-3047

### Directory of French Speaking Primary Health Care Providers

www.gov.ns.ca/health/frhcp/

#### **Doctors Nova Scotia**

25 Spectacle Lake Drive Dartmouth, NS B3B 1 7 468-1866 Fax: 468-6578 info@ doctorsns.com www.doctorsns.com *Professional association of Nova Scotia's doctors.* 

### lace Bay Health Care Facility

300 South Street Glace Bay, NS B1A 1W5 849-5511 Fax: 842-2851 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Hospitals/Facilities from the menu on the left side and then select the name of the hospital.

#### Health Canada

Maritime Centre 1505 Barrington Street, Suite 1525 Halifax, NS B3J 3Y6 426-2038 1 (866) 225-0709 (toll-free general inquiry line) Fax: 426-3768 info@hc-sc.gc.ca www.hc-sc.gc.ca

Deals with any matter within the jurisdiction of Health Canada.

#### Health Promotion Clearinghouse Nova Scotia

City Centre Atlantic 1535 Dresden Row, Suite 209 Halifax, NS B3J 3T1 494-1917 1 (877) 890-5094 (toll free) Fax: 494-3594

Caroline Ploem, manager, hpc@dal.ca www.hpclearinghouse.ca

Links people and organizations involved in health promotion in Nova Scotia to community resources and expertise.

### Inverness Consolidated emorial Hospital

39 James Street PO Box 610 Inverness, NS BOE 1N0 258-2100 Fax: 258-3025 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Hospitals/Facilities from the menu on the left side and then select the name of the hospital.

# IW Health Centre

5850/5980 University Avenue PO Box 9700 Halifax, NS B3 6R8 470-8888 (switchboard) Fax: 470-6790 feedback@iwk.nshealth.ca (general inquiries only) www.iwk.nshealth.ca

*Provides care to children, youth, women, and families.* 

### IW Health Centre Child Safety Link

5850/5980 University Avenue PO Box 9700 Halifax, NS B3 6R8 470-6496 1 (866) 288-1388 (toll free outside Halifax) Fax: 470-6774 childsafetylink@iwk.nshealth.ca www.childsafetylink.ca

Poison prevention information and other injury prevention information.

# IW Regional Poison Centre

5850 University Avenue
PO Box 9700
Halifax, NS B3 6R8
FOR ALL POISON EMERGENCIES, DIAL 911 AND ASK TO SPEAK TO THE
POISON CENTRE.
470-8161 (Halifax-only emergency line)
1 (800) 565-8161 (toll-free emergency line for rest of Nova Scotia)
Fax: 470-7213
Toll-free, 24-hour poison information

service.

### Lung Association of Nova Scotia Asthma Action Helpline

1 (800) 668-7682 (toll free in Nova Scotia) info@ns.lung.ca

A toll-free helpline. Certified asthma educators are available weekdays during business hours to answer questions and provide advice on asthma.

#### Lung Association of Nova Scotia Provincial Office

6331 Lady Hammond Road Halifax, NS B3 2S2 443-8141 Fax: 445-2573 info@ns.lung.ca www.ns.lung.ca *Telephone service for people with asthma. Provides information. Not an emergency number.* 

# edical Services Insurance SI

Physical location: 230 Brownlow Ave Dartmouth, NS Mailing address: PO Box 500 Halifax, NS B3J 2S1 496-7008 1 (800) 563-8880 Fax: 481-3160 (registration) msienquiry@medavie.bluecross.ca www.gov.ns.ca/health/msi.htm Provides eligible residents with coverage for medically required health services.

### Ne Waterford Consolidated Hospital

716 ing Street New Waterford, NS B1H 3 5 862-6411 Fax: 862-8277 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Hospital/Facility from the menu on the left side and then select the name of the hospital.

Contains emergency department.

#### Northside eneral Hospital

520 Purves Street PO Box 399 North Sydney, NS B2A 3M4 794-8521 Fax: 794-3355 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Hospital/Facility from the menu on the left side and then select the name of the hospital.

### Nova Scotia Department of Health and Wellness

PO Box 488 Halifax, NS T: 902-424-5818 Toll Free in NS: 1-800-387-6665 TTY/TDD: 1 -800-670-8888 www.gov.ns.ca/dhwl

#### Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Centre

1341 Summer Street Halifax, NS B3H 1 1 473-2700 (main switchboard to all hospitals you will have to tell the operator which department or doctor you wish to speak with) www.cdha.nshealth.ca: Click Hospitals/Health Centres on left, then

ueen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre. Click Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Centre under Victoria General site buildings on right side of centre of page.

Cross-disability rehabilitation facility.

### Ronald cDonald House Atlantic Canada

Friends of Children (Atlantic) Association 1133 Tower Road Halifax, NS B3H 2Y7 429-4044 Fax: 429-8650 info@rmhatlantic.ca www.rmhatlantic.ca

#### Sacred Heart Community Health Centre

15102 Cabot Trail PO Box 129 Cheticamp, NS BOE 1H0 224-1500 Fax: 224-2903 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Hospital/Facility from the menu on the left side and then select the name of the hospital.

Contains emergency department.

# **Strait Richmond Hospital**

138 Hospital Road Evanston, NS BOE 1J0 625-3100 Fax: 625-3804 Andrea Boyd-White, facility manager, andrea.boyd-white@gasha. nshealth.ns.ca www.erhb.ns.ca/facilities/ strait\_richmond/default.htm

# Victoria County emorial Hospital

30 Old Margaree Road PO Box 220 Baddeck, NS BOE 1B0 295-2112 Fax: 295-3432 www.cbdha.nshealth.ca: Select Hospital/Facility from the menu on the left side and then select the name of the hospital.

# Psychological Services

#### Association of Psychologists of Nova Scotia

1657 Barrington Street, Suite 417 Halifax, NS B3J 2A1 422-9183 Fax: 462-9801 apns@apns.ca www.apns.ca

Provides a directory of psychologists registered with the association, as well as a guide to choosing a psychologist. Psychologists cannot be reached directly through this phone number or email address; the association provides referrals to private practice psychologists.

#### Dr ohn ainer and Associates

207 Alexandra Street Sydney, NS B1S 2E8 539-1235 Fax: 567-7926 jgainer@ns.sympatico.ca *Provides psychological services*.

#### Dr Reginald Landry Dr ulie acDonald

25 Charlotte Street Sydney, NS B1P 1B5 564-4477 Fax: 539-0567 psychology@ns.sympatico.ca www.cbpsychology.net Specializing in children, adolescents, and families.

#### Family Service of Eastern Nova Scotia

Toll free: 1-866-330-5952 fsinfo@fsens.ns.ca www.fsens.ns.ca

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Reclaim Therapy and Counseling Physical location: 37 Water Street Pictou, NS Mailing Address: 1023 Meadowville Road, Scotsburn, NS B0 1R0 485-1735

Provides Theraplay, Children and Adolescents Counselling, Individual Therapy, Parent-Child Therapy, Family and Marital Counselling. Common areas addressed in therapy are attachment, anxiety, depression, grief, parenting, trauma, divorce, behaviour problems of children.

# **Recreation Services**

# Bayple Recreation Centre

151 Lower North Street Glace Bay, NS B1A 6B4 849-6066 Fax: 842-9232 www.bayplex.ca Offers recreation programs and activities.

# Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cape Breton County

700 Victoria Road Sydney, NS B1P 5E1 564-5437 Fax: 564-9971 mentoring4kids@aol.com www.bigbrothersbigsisters.ca

#### Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cape Breton County

Causeway Shopping Centre 201-634 Reeves Street Port Hawkesbury, NS B9A 2R7 902-625-1634 www.bigbrothersbigsisters.ca

Provides the opportunity for a one-to-one relationship between children and adult volunteers. The aim is to enhance the development and sense of self-worth of children who are primarily from singleparent families. Carefully screened adult volunteers are matched with children who are in need of leadership, guidance, friendship, or role modelling. In-school mentor program as well.

### Boys and irls Clubs of Canada National Office

2005 Sheppard Ave. East Suite 400 Toronto, Ontario 1 (905) 477-7272 Fax: 1 (416) 640-5331 info@bgccan.com www.bgccan.com: Select Find a Club to find a club in your area, and click Go. Clubs available in Dartmouth, Cole Harbour, Preston, Spryfield, Sackville, Truro/Colchester, and Yarmouth.

#### **Centennial Comple**

320 Esplanade Sydney, NS B1P 7B9 563-5535 Fax: 564-0481 www.cbrm.ns.ca: Select A uick Link on top right corner of page and choose Facilities from dropdown menu.

Note that the arena is physically located at 205 Hospital Street.

#### Centre

481 George Street PO Box 1510 Sydney, NS B1P 6R7 564-2200 Fax: 539-4598 www.centre200.ca

*Multipurpose convention and recreation centre.* 

#### **County Arena**

320 Esplanade Sydney, NS B1P 7B9 562-6728 www.cbrm.ns.ca: Select A uick Link on top right corner of page, select Facilities, and then scroll down to arena site.

Note that the arena is physically located at 305 Keltic Drive in Coxheath.

#### Dominion District Community Centre

142 ings Road Dominion, NS B1G 1H6 849-6933 Fax: 849-6983 www.cbrm.ns.ca: Select A uick Link on top right corner of page, select Facilities, and then scroll down to arena site.

Sports facility.

#### Dan Stevens emorial Arena 26 Arena Road

Eskasoni, NS B1W 1A1 379-2344

www.cbrm.ns.ca: Select A uick Link on top right corner of page, select Facilities, and then scroll down to arena site.

*Recreational centre for First Nations people.* 

# irl uides of Canada Nova Scotia Council

423-3735 1 (800) 565-8111 (toll free) Fax: 423-5347 ggcns@girlguides.ns.ca www.girlguides.ns.ca

Activities for girls ages 5 to 17 years, as well as women ages 18 and over.

#### idsport Nova Scotia

5516 Spring Garden Road, 4th Floor Halifax, NS B3J 1G6, 902-425-5454 ext. 350 Fax: 902-425-5606 kidsport@sportnovascotia.ca www.sportnovascotia.ca/kidsport

Ne Waterford District Community Centre Victoria Avenue PO Box 146

#### EASTERN REGION RECREATION SERVICES

New Waterford, NS B1H 4 4 862-6031 www.cbrm.ns.ca: Select A uick Link on top right corner of page, select Facilities, and then scroll down to arena site.

#### Parks Canada Atlantic Service Centre

1869 Upper Water Street, 2nd Floor, Pontac House Halifax, NS B3J 1S9 426-9805 Fax: 426-7012 www.pc.gc.ca

#### Parks Canada National Office

25 Eddy Street Gatineau, C 1A 0M5 1 (888) 773-8888 (toll free) information@pc.gc.ca www.pc.gc.ca Oversees all national parks in Canada.

#### **Recreation Nova Scotia**

5516 Spring Garden Road, Suite 309 Halifax, NS B3J 1G6 425-1128 Fax: 422-8201 info@recreationns.ns.ca www.recreationns.ns.ca Advocates on behalf of all Nova Scotians for high-quality recreation and leisure opportunities.

#### **Scouts Canada**

84 Thorne Ave Dartmouth, NS B3B 1Y5 423-9227 1 (800) 557-7268 (toll free) Fax: 423-7989 nsoffice@scouts.ca www.ns.scouts.ca

*Educational and recreation programs for youth.* 

#### **Sport Nova Scotia**

5516 Spring Garden Road, 4th Floor Halifax, NS B3J 1G6 425-5450 Fax: 425-5606 sportns@sportnovascotia.ca www.sportnovascotia.ca

Promotes the benefits of health, personal development, and achievement for all participants. Works to increase public awareness of the benefits of amateur sport.

#### Whitney Pier Youth Club

111 West Street PO Box 806 Sydney, NS B1P 6J1 567-0240 Fax: 567-0853 wpyc@ns.sympatico.ca www.whitneypieryouthclub.ca

Non-profit youth club with nonstructured and structured programs for all ages.

#### Y CA of Cape Breton Port Ha kesbury

606 Reeves Street Port Hawkesbury, NS B9A 2R7 625-4600 1 (866) 562-9622 (toll free) Fax: 625-0083 www.cbymca.com *Provides a range of recreational activities.* 

# Y CA of Cape Breton lace Bay

106 Reeves Street Glace Bay, NS B1A 4W5 1 (866)562-9622 (toll free) *Provides a range of recreational activities.* 

# Y CA of Cape Breton Sydney

399 Charlotte Street Sydney, NS B1P 1E3 562-9622 1 (866) 562-9622 (toll free) www.cbymca.com *Provides a range of recreational activities* 

# Special Needs

# Abilities Foundation of Nova Scotia

3670 empt Road Halifax, NS B3 4 8 453-6000 Fax: 454-6121 admin@abilitiesfoundation.ns.ca www.abilitiesfoundation.ns.ca

Services for children and adults who have physical disabilities. Offers Camp Tidnish for children ages eight years and older.

# Accessible Nova Scotia

1 (866) 696-7536 (toll free) info@accessiblens.ca www.accessiblens.ca A group of individuals, businesses, government representatives, and organizations who share a common vision of Nova Scotia as an accessible destination for both residents and visitors.

# APSEA Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority

5940 South Street Halifax, NS B3H 1S6 424-8500 Fax: 424-0543 www.apsea.ca

Serves children and youth who are deaf, hard of hearing, deafblind, blind, or visually impaired.

# Attention Deficit Association of Nova Scotia

506 Sackville Drive Lower Sackville, NS B4C 2R8 869-1117 Fax: 869-3836

Provides education, support, and research assistance for people who are affected by attention deficit hyperactivity disorder.

# **Bell Aliant IP Relay**

To communicate with an IP Relay user, call: 1-877-855-7851 For Help and Support for IP Relay: 1-800-694-9313 (Voice) 711 (TTY) This new service uses a chat based application to make communication easier for people who are deaf or hard of hearing and those with speech disabilities. No change to place calls within Canada/U.S. Operators are available 24/7.

#### Brain In ury Association of Nova Scotia

13th Floor, Victoria Building VG Site, EII Health Sciences Centre Halifax, NS 473-7301 Fax: 473-7302 bians1@ns.sympatico.ca www3.ns.sympatico.ca/bians1/

*Provides support for brain-injured people and their families.* 

#### Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Cape Breton Island Chapter

Sydney, Nova Scotia 902-539-5246 1 (800) 378-2233 (national toll-free number) bob.fortier@gmail.com

*Provides information and support to people affected by cystic fibrosis.* 

#### Canadian Diabetes Association Cape Breton Branch

42 Coxheath Road Sydney, NS B1R 1R3 902-564-6461 Toll Free: 1 (800)326-7712 Fax: 902-564-5354 www.diabetes.ca

Provides information and resources to people with diabetes and their families. Summer camps for children.

# Nova Scotia Do n Syndrome Society

902-477-6252 mail@novascotiadownsyndrome.com www.novascotiadownsyndrome society.com Parent based contacts in Halifax, Annapolis Valley, Pictou, Cape Breton, and Antigonish.

#### Canadian National Institute for the Blind

Sydney, NS B1P 1V7 564-5711 1 (800) 563-2642 (toll-free number for national office) Fax: 562-9802 www.cnib.ca

Offers rehabilitation services to those who are blind or visually impaired. This office serves residents of Cape Breton and eastern Nova Scotia up to Pictou County.

#### Canadian Paraplegic Association Nova Scotia

1 (800) 889-1889 (toll free in Nova Scotia) sydney@canparaplegic.org www.thespine.ca

Helps people with spinal cord injuries and other physical disabilities to achieve independence, self-reliance, and full community participation.

# Deaf Literacy Nova Scotia

c/o Society of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Nova Scotians 1657 Barrington Street, Suite 117 Halifax, NS B3J 2A1 423-3353 422-7130 (voice, videophone, TTY) Fax: 492-3864 dlns@ns.sympatico.ca www.dlns.ca Promotes and supports literacy and learning of deaf adults through self-development, literacy, and American Sign Language/Maritime Sign Language literacy.

# Disability Ta Credit/ Child Disability Benefit

1 (800) 959-8281 www.cra.gc.ca: Enter into language of preference, then select Persons with disabilities from Information For column on the left.

Information on both the Disability Tax Credit and Child Disability Benefit, either of which may be available to parents who support a child or children who have a severe and prolonged mental or physical impairment.

# Epilepsy Association of Nova Scotia

5880 Spring Garden Road, Suite 306 Halifax, NS B3H 1Y1 429-2633 1 (866) EPILEPSY (374-5377) Fax: 425-0821 info@epilepsyns.com www.epilepsyns.com

Provides information and resources to people with epilepsy and their families.

# Equal Education Association of Nova Scotia

860-1759 info@eeans.com www.eeans.com

Non-profit association that advocates educational rights on

behalf of all children with learning disabilities in Nova Scotia.

### Learning Disabilities Association of Nova Scotia

2 Dartmouth Road Bedford, NS B4A 2 7 423-2850 1 (877) 238-5322 (toll free) Fax: 423-2834 info@ldans.ca www.ldans.ca

Offers advocacy, support, and referral services to children, parents, adults, and others dealing with learning disabilities.

# Ne born Hearing Screening Program IW

5850/5980 University Avenue PO Box 3070 Halifax, NS B3J 3G9 470-7146 Fax: 470-7950 nshgrace@nshsc.ns.ca www.nshsc.ns.ca

Provides early detection and treatment of hearing disorders.

#### Nova Scotia Hearing and Speech Provincial Centre

www.nshsc.ns.ca Select 'Find Us' and then click on the area you would like to learn more about.

Located in 24 communities throughout Nova Scotia.

#### Nova Scotia Disabled Persons Commission

Dartmouth Professional Centre 277 Pleasant Street, Suite 104 Dartmouth, NS B2Y 4B7 424-8280 1 (800) 565-8280 (toll free within Nova Scotia) www.gov.ns.ca/disa

Gives people with disabilities a way to participate in the provincial government policy-making process, and advises policy-makers and program-developers about the needs of people with disabilities and the issues and concerns that affect the lives of people with disabilities.

#### Presidents Choice Children s Charity Atlantic Region

1 President's Choice Circle Brampton, Ontario L6Y 5S5 1-877-525-4762 Fax: 902-861-2307 PCCharity@Loblaw.ca

Committed to providing assistance to children with special needs, childhood nutrition programs as well as supporting the Boys and Girls Club of Canada.

# **Provincial Autism Centre**

1456 Brenton Street Halifax, NS B3J 2 7 446-4995 1 (877) 544-4495 (toll free) Fax: 446-4997 info@autismns.ca www.autismnovascotia.ca

Provides programs and services to the autism community while helping

families and professionals access resources and information about autism.

#### reachAbility

3845 Joseph Howe Drive, Suite 201 Halifax, NS B3L 4H9 429-5878 Toll Free/TTY: 1-866-429-5878 Fax: 429-5858 info@reachability.org www.reachability.org

A non-profit organization in Nova Scotia that works to improve access to justice, equality, and human rights for people living with disabilities and for those within their support system.

#### Society for Treatment of Autism

541 Charlotte Street PO Box 392 Sydney, NS B1P 6H2 567-6441 Fax: 567-0425 autism@ns.sympatico.ca www.nsnet.org/autismns

Information and resources for individuals and families affected by autism spectrum disorders; also provides respite care.

# Society of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Nova Scotians

762 Victoria Road Sydney, NS B1N 1J6 564-0003 (voice, videophone, fax) TTY: 564-0486 1 (888) 770-8555 (toll free within Nova Scotia) cbdeaf@ns.sympatico.ca www.sdhhns.org Provides services to people who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as hearing parents of children who are deaf.

# Special Olympics Nova Scotia

5516 Spring Garden Road, Suite 305 Halifax, NS B3J 1G6 1 (866) 299-2019 (toll free) Fax: 425-5606 www.sons.ca

Non-profit organization dedicated to providing year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with an intellectual disability.

# Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus Association of Nova Scotia

15 Laura Drive RR4, Eastern Passage, NS, B3G 1 31 1 (800) 304-0450 (toll free) Fax: 679-1124 info@sbhans.ca www.sbhans.ca

Provides services to individuals with spina bifida and hydrocephalus and their families.

# The Children s Wish Foundation of Canada Nova Scotia Chapter

105-238 Brownlow Ave Dartmouth, NS B3B 2B4 Veronica Marsman, president vmarsman@me.com Fax: 902-492-1908 NS@childrenswish.ca www.childrenswish.ca

# Other Informational Resources

# 1 1 System

By dialing 211 or visiting the 211 website, users can easily and quickly connect to the social, health, and community services they need, anywhere in the province, regardless of where they are located.

# Adopt Assistance Information Support

www.adopting.org American website with useful articles and information.

# Adoption Council of Canada

1 (888) 542-3678 (toll free) www.adoption.ca Website with useful articles and information.

# Adoptive Families Association of BC

www.bcadoption.com/default.asp Website with useful articles and information

# Association of Black Social Workers

6414 Coburg Road Halifax, NS B3H 3J5 Veronica Marsman, president vmarsman@me.com www.nsasw.org: *Follow the ABSW link*.

#### Black Cultural Centre for Nova Scotia

1149 Main St Dartmouth, NS B2 1A8 434-6223 Fax: 434-2306 contact@ bccns.com www.bccns.com

*Is dedicated to the preservation and promotion of Canadian Black Culture.* 

### Cape Breton Family Resource Coalition

106 Townsend Street Sydney, NS B1P 5E1 562-5616 Fax: 562-8528 www.nscouncilfamily.org: Select Parenting Directory from top menu, then Centres on left menu, and click on Cape Breton Family Resource Coalition from list of centres. Various programs and services for families.

# **Cape Breton Regional Library**

50 Falmouth Street Sydney, NS B1P 6 9 562-3279 Fax: 564-0765 inssc@nssc.library.ns.ca www.cbrl.ca

# Caregivers Nova Scotia

3433 Dutch Village Road Halifax, NS B3N 2S7 421-7390 Fax: 421-7338 info@caregiversns.org www.caregiversnovascotiablog.word press.com Provides information and support to caregivers of those with disabilities and chronic illness.

#### Community Access Program c p

1 (800) 575-9200 (toll free) http://cap.ic.gc.ca Sites with free access to computers and the Internet.

# Eastern Counties Regional Library

www.ecrl.library.ns.ca Go to Locations to find a library in your area.

### Eastern Regional Help Line

1482 George Street Sydney, NS B1P 1P3 567-0330 (office line) 562-4357 (crisis line) 1 (800) 957-9995 (toll-free crisis line) Fax: 567-0330 ERHL@hotmail.com

Telephone referral and crisis intervention service. Provides direction, information, and emotional support. Crisis line open from 6 pm to midnight, seven days a week.

# Eskasoni Health Centre

44 Spencer's Lane PO Box 7745 Eskasoni, NS B1W 1B3 379-3200 Fax: 379-2875

#### Federation of Foster Families of Nova Scotia

99 Wyse Road, Suite 350 Dartmouth, NS B3A 4S5 424-3071 1 (888) 845-1555 (toll free) Fax: 424-5199 Carol Cole, administrative assistant operations, colecf@gov.ns.ca www.fosterfamilies.ns.ca

Provides support for foster families.

### Halifa and Regional ilitary Family Resource Centre Sydney Site

1 Desbarres Street Victoria Park Sydney, NS B1P 62 info@halifaxmfrc.ca www.halifaxmfrc.ca/sydney-location Operates a part time office in the garrison at Victoria Park

# ids Help Phone

457-4779 (regional office) 1 (800) 668-6868 (toll-free helpline) Fax: 457-1074 atlantic@kidshelpphone.ca www.kidshelpphone.ca

Canada's only toll-free, 24-hour, bilingual, and anonymous phone and web counselling, referral, and information service for children and youth.

# North American Council on Adoptable Children

www.nacac.org Website with resources and articles of interest American organization but with Canadian board members.

### Nova Scotia Association of Social Workers

Plaza 1881, 1891 Brunswick Street, Suite 106 Halifax, NS B3J 2G8 429-7799 Fax: 429-7650 nsasw@nsasw.org www.nsasw.org

Promotes and regulates the practice of social work and helps its members to offer a high standard of service that respects diversity, promotes social justice, and enhances the worth, self-determination, and potential of individuals, families, and communities.

# Nova Scotia Community Organi ation Net ork NSNET

PO Box 128 Waterville, NS BOP 1V0 538-3103, ext. 112 Fax: 538-7022 trc@nsnet.org www.nsnet.org

*Provides links to websites of Nova Scotian community organizations.* 

#### Nova Scotia Council for the Family

Parenting Resource Centres in Nova Scotia

www.nscouncilfamily.org Select 'Parenting Directory' from top menu and click on the resource center in the preferred area.

#### Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission Sydney Office

Provincial Building 360 Prince Street Sydney, NS B1P 5L1 563-2140 1 (877) 269-7699 (toll free) TTY: 424-3139 Fax: 563-5613 hrcinquiries@gov.ns.ca www.gov.ns.ca/humanrights

Addresses complaints of discrimination and provides cultural diversity training.

### Nova Scotia League for Equal Opportunities

5251 Duke Street, Suite 1211 Halifax, NS B3J 1P3 455-6942 1 (866) 696-7536 (toll free) Fax: 454-4781 nsleo@eastlink.ca www.novascotialeo.org *Advocacy organization working on* 

behalf of people with disabilities.

# Parenting ourney Program 902-454-2036

A program that offers free in home support to families of children aged 3 to 16 who are facing challenging times. Program is voluntary and is funded by Department of Community Services. There are 11 programs around the province.

# Passport Canada Halifa Office

1505 Barrington Street, Suite 1508 Halifax, NS B3J 3 5 1 (800) 567-6868 (toll free) Fax: 426-4620

### St ohn Ambulance Cape Breton Regional Office

479 George Street Sydney, NS 564-4189 1 (888) 633-1115 (toll free) Fax: 539-2730 cbinfo@stjohnambulance.ns.ca www.sja.ca Provides first aid training and supplies.