



Topic: Finding Local Healthcare Resources

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This monthly publication is designed to inform you of resources the NLLIC has to offer on a chosen topic. Please feel free to distribute to those who may find this useful. We also welcome your comments and topic suggestions! Contact us via e-mail at library@amputee-coalition.org.

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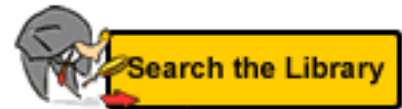
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Library OPAC

http://www.amputee-coalition.org/nllic_library.html



Find other related resources by searching the NLLIC OPAC. Note that this is just a sampling of items found in the OPAC.

Books

Disability Services and Supports Directory: East Tennessee. 1998-. Nashville: Tennessee Disability Information and Referral Office, 1998-. This directory contains information on state and national agencies, and agencies by county. It also contains an alphabetical index to all agencies, with phone numbers. The actual listings for the agencies contain addresses, phone and fax numbers, e-mail addresses, and contact persons. Similar titles include Disability Services and Supports Directories for Middle Tennessee and West Tennessee. **There are similar directories in every state.** Contact your local library or Disability Resource Office (to locate, see Web site for NICHCY below.)

Detwiler's Directory of Health and Medical Resources, 2001-2002 / Susan M. Detwiler, editor. 8th ed. [Medford, NJ]: Information Today, Inc., c2001. ISBN 1-57387-119-2. A listing of more than 2,100 health and medical care organizations, including 1,825 Web sites, 1,596 e-mail addresses, and 814 toll-free numbers.

Health Groups in Washington: A Directory. New York, NY: National Health Council. ISSN 0278-5323. This directory helps the reader locate major, nongovernmental health and health-related organizations in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area.

Orthotics and Prosthetics Registry & Reference Guide / American Board for Certification in Orthotics & Prosthetics, Inc. Alexandria, VA: The Board, 2006 edition. A directory of the names of orthotic and/or prosthetic caregivers who are ABC-certified. Also included are the names of patient management facilities conforming to established standards of excellence in patient care. Search directory online at <http://www.abcop.org>

Pocket Guide to Minority Health Resources. Rockville, MD: U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, Office of Public Health and Science, Office of Minority Health, 2003. A guide to minority health resources that includes: PHS minority health liaisons, state minority health liaisons, federal health information centers and clearinghouses, national minority organizations, sources of health materials, and colleges and universities.

Senior Step: A Guide for Adapting to Limb Loss. A publication of the National Limb Loss Information Center. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America, 2004. A resource guide to support and educate older amputees, their caregivers and their health care and social service providers.

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MedlinePlus® Features

MedlinePlus: Directory. Bethesda, MD: U.S. National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health, [200-]-. Detailed directory of medical professionals, hospitals, clinics, and other healthcare facilities and services.
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/directories.html>

MedlinePlus: Go Local. Bethesda, MD: U.S. National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health, [200-]-. The Go Local links take you to information about health services in local geographic areas, including hospitals, physicians, nursing homes, support groups, health screening providers and many others. More states are being added all the time.
<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/golocal/index.html>

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Videos & CD-ROMS

AHA Guide: 2002-2003 / American Hospital Association. Chicago, IL: American Hospital Association, 2002. 1 CD-ROM. A guide to United States hospitals, healthcare systems, networks, alliances, health organizations, agencies, and providers.

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Web Sites

American Medical Association (AMA) Physician Select. Consumers can select a physician by name or specialty or can verify the credentials of a known physician that is licensed in the United States and its possessions. AMA Physician Select does not include other licensed healthcare professionals such as dentists, optometrists, chiropractors, nurses or allied health personnel.

<http://webapps.ama-assn.org/doctorfinder/home.html>

ARCH National Respite Network and Resource Center. Chapel Hill, NC: ARCH National Respite Network and Resource Center, [199-]-. The ARCH National Resource Center began in 1991, as an initiative to promote respite services for families with children. The Center's Web site includes a National Respite Locator Service, downloadable respite factsheets, a list of upcoming conferences on respite and family support, and articles and respite resources for adults and seniors.

<http://www.archrespite.org>

BenefitsCheckUp: A Service of the National Council on Aging. Washington, D.C.: The National Council on Aging, [200-]-. BenefitsCheckUp helps thousands every day to find programs for people ages 55 and over that may pay for some of their costs of prescription drugs, healthcare, utilities, and other essential items or services. It contains over 1,100 different programs from all 50 states (including the District of Columbia). On average, there are 50 to 70 programs available to individuals per state. In addition to identifying the programs that a person may be eligible to receive, BenefitsCheckUp also provides a detailed description of the programs, local contacts for additional information (typically the addresses and phone numbers of where to apply for the programs), and materials to help successfully apply for each program.

<http://www.benefitscheckup.org>

Board for Orthotist / Prosthetist Certification. Baltimore, MD: Board for Orthotist / Prosthetist Certification, [200-]-. BOC is an independent, nonprofit agency that certifies orthotists, prosthetists, and orthotic and mastectomy fitters, and accredits their

facilities. Search an online directory for BOC practitioners.

<http://www.bocusa.org/Directory/search.cfm>

Bureau of Primary Health Care. The Health Resources and Services Administration. Washington, DC: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services [200]-. Need to see a doctor? This Web site will help you find a clinic that will give you medical care, even if you have no medical insurance or money.

<http://www.ask.hrsa.gov/pc>

Eldercare Locator. U.S. Administration on Aging. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Administration on Aging, [199]-. Produced by the U.S. Administration on Aging, this locator service helps identify local services for seniors and their caregivers. Searchable by state and ZIP code, results generally include a local Information and Referral agency, the Area Agency on Aging, and State Unit on Aging. These agencies can provide further information about local services available.

<http://www.eldercare.gov>

Mental Health Services Locator. National Mental Health Information Center. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services [200]-. This locator provides you with comprehensive information about mental health services and resources and is useful for professionals, consumers and their families, and the public. Access this information in several ways by selecting a state or U.S. territory from the map or drop-down menu.

<http://www.mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/databases>

National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities (NICHCY) : State Resources. Washington, D.C.: National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities, 2001-. NICHCY compiles disability-related resources in each state, and creates State Resource Sheets. These resource sheets will help you locate organizations and agencies within your state that address disability-related issues, including: state agencies serving children and youth with disabilities, state chapters of disability organizations and parent groups, parent training and information projects, and much more, including the official state Web site, governors and U.S. senators, and other useful associations and organizations.

<http://www.nichcy.org/states.htm>

Peer Support: Support Group Listings. Knoxville, TN: Amputee Coalition of America, 1999-. This National Peer Network feature lists amputee support groups registered with the National Limb Loss Information Center. Search by state for a list of support groups in the area and contact information.

http://www.amputee-coalition.org/npn_group_list.html

SHIPtalk: State Health Insurance Assistance Programs. The State Health Insurance Assistance Program, or SHIP, is a national program that offers one-on-one

counseling and assistance to people with Medicare and their families. This site offers contact information and toll-free numbers for each state.

<http://www.shiptalk.org>

Shriners Hospitals Directory. Tampa, FL: Shriners Hospitals for Children [200]-. Locate a Shriners Hospital with this directory. All children, from birth to 18 years of age, may be eligible for care at Shriners Hospitals if, in the opinion of their doctors, the child can benefit from the specialized care provided by their hospitals. Eligibility is not dependent on financial need.

http://www.shrinershq.org/Hospitals/_Hospitals_for_Children

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