North Carolina Resources

Human Services:

• NC Department of Social Services – http://www.ncdhhs.gov

The Department is responsible for work first for families, child protection services, emergency assistance, energy assistance, and a variety of other programs. Contact your local DSS office to apply for Medicaid.

Beaufort County - 252-975-5500 Bladen County - 910-862-6800 Carteret County - 252-728-3181 Chowan County - 252-482-7717 Craven County - 252-636-4900 Dare County - 252-473-1471 Durham County - 919-560-8000 Franklin County – 919-496-5721 Granville County - 919-693-1511 Halifax County - 252-536-2511 Hertford County - 252-358-7830 Hyde County - 252-926-4199 Jones County - 252-448-2581 Lenoir County - 252-559-6400 Moore County - 910-947-2436 New Hanover County - 910-798-3400 Onslow County DSS - 910-455-4145 Pamlico County - 252-745-4086 Perquimans County - 252-426-7373 Pitt County - 252-902-1101 Sampson County - 910-592-7131 Tyrrell County - 252-796-3421 Wake County - 919-212-7000 Washington County - 252-793-4041 Wilson County - 252-206-4000

Bertie County - 252-794-5320 Brunswick County - 910-253-2077 Chatham County - 919-542-2759 Columbus County - 910-642-2800 Cumberland County - 910-323-1540 Duplin County - 910-296-2200 Edgecombe County - 252-641-7611 Gates County - 252-357-0075 Greene County - 252-747-5932 Harnett County - 910-893-7500 Hoke County - 910-875-8725 Johnston County - 919-989-5300 Lee County - 919-718-4690

Martin County - 252-789-4400 Nash County - 252-459-9818 Northampton County – 252-534-5811

Orange County - 919-245-2800 Pender County - 910-259-1240 Person County - 336-599-8361

Robeson County - 910-671-3500 Scotland County – 910-277-2500 Vance County - 252-492-5001

Warren County - 252-257-5000 Wayne County - 919-580-4034

Legal:

• Disability Rights North Carolina – http://www.cladisabilitylaw.org

North Carolina's Protection and Advocacy Agency that seeks to protect and hold the rights of people with disabilities. A non-profit legal assistance program which practices exclusively in the field of disability law. Toll free: (877) 235-4210

Legal Aid of NC - http://www.legalaidnc.org

Legal Aid of North Carolina is a statewide, nonprofit law firm that provides free legal services. Each office has lawyers, paralegals, and other staff who know how to help low-income people resolve their legal problems. 919-856-2564 (Administrative office)

NC Lawyer Referral Service – NC Bar - http://www.ncbar.org/public/lrs

The NC Find-a-Lawyer can help you locate an attorney in your area who may be able to help you with your legal matter. Although NC Find a Lawyer does not charge for this service, the attorney

may charge you up to \$30 for an initial consultation up to 30 minutes. The attorney will discuss fees beyond the initial consultation. For Referrals by phone: (800) 662-7660

Assistive Technology:

• NC Assistive Technology Project - http://www.ncatp.org

The North Carolina Assistive Technology Program (NCATP) is a state and federally funded program that provides assistive technology services statewide to people of all ages and abilities.

Raleigh and Administrative Office - 919-850-2787

Greenville - 252-830-8575 Elizabeth City - 252-338-5507 Rocky Mount - 252-446-4330 Wilmington - 910-790-3468

• NC Division of Services for the Blind - http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dsb

Provides services for those who are blind or visually impaired. Services include: Employment services, medical eye program, financial assistance, assistive technology, etc.

Administration -1-866-222-1546

Fayetteville - 1-800-422-1897

Greenville - 1-800-422-1877

Raleigh - 1-800-422-1871

Wilmington - 1-800-422-1884

Independent Living:

• NC Independent Living Services - http://dvr.dhhs.state.nc.us

IL assists individuals with disabilities in achieving independence by providing services that enable these individuals to live and function in the homes and communities of their choice. Services include: Independent living skills training, Home and vehicle modifications, Peer counseling and advocacy, adaptive aids, prosthetics, orthotics, Recreational therapy, leisure activities.

Durham – (919) 560-6815 Fayetteville - (910) 486-1717 New Bern - (252) 514-4806 Rocky Mount - (252) 446-0867

Elizabeth City - (252) 338-0175 Greenville - (252) 830-3471 Raleigh - (919) 715-0543 Wilmington - (910) 251-5810

Information and Referral:

Office of Citizen Services - http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/ocs

Guides citizens through the human service delivery system and provides consumers information on and/or referrals to human service providers in all 100 North Carolina counties through the NCDHHS Care Link Information and Referral Service. Assists with problem resolution for concerns or complaints regarding services that NCDHHS oversees or administers through the department's Ombudsman Program. You may reach the NC Care Link, Monday-Friday, except state holidays by calling 1-800-662-7030

Long Term Care:

• NC Department of Health Service Regulation - http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dhsr

Regulates medical facilities including: hospitals, long term care facilities, adult care homes, home health and hospice, mental health and group care facilities, emergency medical services, and local jails. Administrative Office: (919) 855-3750

Child Care:

• NC Division of Child Development - http://ncchildcare.dhhs.state.nc.us
The Regulatory Services Section monitors and licenses all child care programs in North Carolina. You can also review information about Centers and Homes in your area by using the Division search site. (800) 859-0829

Aging Services:

• NC Division of Aging and Adult Services - http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/aging
The Division of Aging and Adult Services supports older and disabled adults and their families through a community-based system of services including: home delivered meals, adult day care, transportation, home health, family caregiver support, etc. Administration: (919) 733-3983

Housing:

Center for Universal Design – NCSU - http://www.design.ncsu.edu/cud
 A national information center that develops and promotes accessible and universal design in housing, commercial and public facilities and outdoor environments. Publications to aid individuals, designers, builders, and government entities implement Universal Design are available in print or in PDF format. (800) 647-6777

• NC Housing Finance Agency – http://www.nchfa.org

The agency's mission is to create affordable housing opportunities in NC. The Agency provides financing through the sale of tax-exempt bonds and management of federal and state tax credit programs, the federal HOME Program, the state Housing Trust Fund, and other programs. Also provides an accessible apartment locator service. 1-800-393-0988

• Department of Housing and Urban Development – http://www.hud.gov
Provides information about homeownership, rental assistance, fair housing, section 8 housing, and discrimination. NC office is based in Greensboro and can be reached at 336-547-4001

Veteran's

• Paralyzed Veterans of America - http://www.pva.org

Assists veterans with disabilities in obtaining their benefits. Also reviews health care facilities and offers guidance through the VA claims process and legal representation for appealing denied claims. 1-800-292-9335

Veteran's Administration – http://www.va.gov

The VA can provide helpful services to veterans such as disability compensation, disability pension, vocational rehabilitation, employment services, life insurance and much more.

Durham VA Medical Center - (888) 878-6890

Fayetteville VA Medical Center - (800) 771-6106

Insurance:

• NC Department of Insurance - http://www.ncdoi.com

The Department of Insurance regulates the insurance industry, licenses insurance professionals, provides information about different types of insurance and handles consumer complaints about insurance problems and other insurance related matters. 800-546-5664

• Division of Medical Assistance - http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/dma

Oversees Medicaid and NC Health Choice for Children. You may apply for North Carolina Medicaid and/or North Carolina Health Choice for Children at your local Department of Social Services. If you receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI), you are automatically covered for Medicaid. You may apply for SSI at the nearest local Social Security Office. You can call the SSI Office at 1-800-772-1213

Mental Health:

• Division of Mental Health - http://www.dhhs.state.nc.us/mhddsas
State agency that regulates all mental health services throughout NC. Also, provides a listing of community mental health centers. Administrative Office: 919-733-7011

Employment:

• NC Division of Vocational Rehabilitation - http://dvr.dhhs.state.nc.us

VR provides employment services for people with disabilities. Services can include: assistive technology, evaluation & testing, rehabilitation engineering, job placement, on the job training, etc.

Ahoskie - (252) 332-4006 Butner - (919) 528-0227 Chapel Hill - (919) 969-7350 Clinton - (910) 592-4051 Creedmoor - (919) 528-0227 Dunn - (910) 892-7040 Elizabethtown - (910) 872 5569 Durham - (919) 560-6810 Fayetteville - (910) 486-1101 Goldsboro - (919) 778-3795 Greenville - (252) 830-8560 Henderson - (252) 492-3141 Kinston - (252) 522-5482 Jacksonville - (910) 455-1445 Laurinburg - (910) 272-4669 Louisburg - (919) 496-3124 Lumberton - (910) 618-5513 Morehead City - (252) 247-2037 Pinehurst - (910) 295-1530 New Bern - (252) 514-4727 Raleigh - (919) 733-7807 Roanoke Rapids - (252) 537-1126 Rocky Mount - (252) 977-2112 Roxboro - (336) 597-2150 Sanford - (919) 775-2247 Siler City - (919) 663-2544 Tarboro - (252) 641-7849 Smithfield - (919) 934-0525 Whiteville - (910) 642-5406 Washington - (252) 946-0051 Wilmington - (910) 251-5710 Wilson - (252) 237-7161

Travel:

• NC Department of Travel and Tourism - http://www.visitnc.com

State tourism website that provides information on accommodations, dining and activities. Also provides information about accessible recreation. 1-800-VISIT NC

Transportation:

• Department of Transportation - http://www.ncdot.org

Divisions include: DMV, Public Transportation, Rail and Ferry System, Aviation, Highways, Bicycles and Pedestrians. NC Department of Transportation can be reached at: 1-877-DOT-4YOU. Request form for handicapped placard at: http://www.ncdot.org/dmv/forms

Equipment:

- **Durable Medical Equipment:** For more information about purchasing or repairing durable medical equipment contact:
 - o Advanced Seating & Mobility at http://www.seating-mobility.com/index.html (919) 782-5110
 - o Stalls Medical, Inc. at http://www.stallsmedical.com Raleigh Office at 1-800-627-0732 or (919) 233-0732 Greenville Office at 1-800-552-9579

Miscellaneous:

- North Carolina Chamber of Commerce http://www.2chambers.com/north3.htm
 The NC Chamber of Commerce provides links to all of the local chambers in North Carolina. One of the best sources for community information is the local chambers of commerce and convention and visitor bureaus. 919-836-1400
- North Carolina Newspapers A limited list of newspapers throughout Eastern NC.

Raleigh – News and Observer - http://www.newsobserver.com

Durham – The Durham Herald-Sun - http://www.herald-sun.com

Chapel Hill - The Chapel Hill News - http://www.chapelhillnews.com

Cary – The Cary News - http://www.carynews.com

Greenville – The Daily Reflector - http://www.reflector.com

Fayetteville – The Fayetteville Observer - http://www.fayobserver.com

Wilmington – Star-News -http://www.wilmingtonstar.com

Rocky Mount - The Rocky Mount Telegram - http://www.rockymounttelegram.com

Wilson – Wilson Daily Times - http://www.wilsondaily.com

Roanoke Rapids - The Daily Herald - http://www.rrdailyherald.com

Nags Head - The Outer Banks Sentinel - http://www.womacknewspapers.com/obsentinel/

Henderson – The Daily Dispatch - http://www.hendersondispatch.com

Jacksonville – Jacksonville Daily News - http://www.jdnews.com

New Bern – Sun Journal - http://www.newbernsj.com

Goldsboro - The News-Argus - http://www.newsargus.com

Lumberton – The Robesonian - http://www.robesonian.com

Laurinburg – The Laurinburg Exchange - http://www.laurinburgexchange.com

• Our State Magazine – http://www.ourstate.com

A monthly subscription magazine that focuses on NC people, places, travel and history. (800) 948-1409