This section lists a number of organisations that you may wish to refer to or ask for more information. The section is split into a number of different parts.
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9.1 General disability organisations

The United Kingdom’s Disabled People's Council (UKDPC)
Acts as a coordinating forum for organisations of disabled people.
Litchurch Plaza, Litchurch Lane, Derby DE24 8AA
Tel: 01332 295 551
Textphone: 01332 295 581
Fax: 01332 295 580
Email: general@uksdpc.org
Website: www.uksdpc.org

DIAL UK (National Association of Disablement Information and Advice Lines)
Offers a network of disability information and advice lines and gives advice on issues such as welfare benefits, community care, equipment, independent living and transport.
St Catherine’s, Tickhill Road, Doncaster DN4 8QN
Tel/textphone: 01302 310 123
Fax: 01302 310 404
Email: informationenquiries@dialuk.org.uk
Website: www.dialuk.org.uk

Disability Resource Team (DRT)
Provides information and advice, consultancy and training to individuals and organisations and a transcription service for alternative formats.
2nd Floor, 6 Park Road, Teddington, Middlesex TW11 OAA
Tel: 020 8943 0022
Fax: 020 8943 5162
Email: mauricepress@enterprise.net
Website: www.disabilityresourceteam.com

Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC)
Works to promote information and guidance on discrimination and human rights issues and provides information and legal advice on equality and human rights legislation including the DDA.
Freepost RRLL-GHUX-CTRX, Arndale House, Arndale Centre
Manchester M4 3EQ
Tel: 0845 604 6610
Textphone: 0845 604 6620
Fax: 0845 604 6630
Email: info@equalityhumanrights.com
Website: www.equalityhumanrights.com
Greater Manchester Coalition of Disabled People
*Provides information and advice for disabled people.*
Aked Close, Ardwick, Manchester M12 4AN
Tel: 0161 273 5154
Textphone: 0161 276 004
Fax: 0161 273 4164
Email: info@gmcdp.com
Website: www.gmcdp.com

Local authority services
*Consist of departments including health, housing, social services, education and transport. Your local telephone directory will list contact details under the name of your area.*

Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation (RADAR)
*Provides information and policy work on issues including access, education, employment, holidays, housing, mobility and social services.*
12 City Forum, 250 City Road, London EC1V 8AF
Tel: 020 7250 3222
Fax: 020 7250 0212
Textphone: 020 7250 4119
Email: radar@radar.org.uk
Website: www.radar.org.uk

Skill: National Bureau for Students with Disabilities
Chapter House, 18-20 Crucifix Lane, London SE1 3JW
Tel: 020 7450 0620
Information Service Tel: 0800 328 5050 (Tuesday, 11.30am–1.30pm and Thursday, 1.30–3.30pm)
Textphone: 0800 068 2422
Fax: 020 7450 0650
Email: info@skill.org.uk
Website: www.skill.org.uk
9.2 Organisations for people with specific impairments

ATTENTION DEFICIT (HYPERACTIVITY) DISORDER

ADDISS
Provides information and resources on AD(H)D
2nd Floor Premier House, 112 Station Road, Edgware
Middlesex  HA8 7BJ
Tel: 020 8952 2800
Fax: 020 895 2 2909
Email: info@addiss.co.uk
Website: www.addiss.co.uk

ADHD Alliance
Raises awareness, provides information and promotes policy and good practice.
C/o Contact a Family, 209-211 City Road, London EC1V 1JN
Tel: 020 7608 8760
Fax: 020 8770 1554
Email: info@adhdalliance.org.uk
Website: www.adhdalliance.org.uk

ARTHRITIS

Arthritis Care
Provides a range of services
18 Stephenson Way, London NW1 2HD
Tel: 020 7380 6500
Helpline: 0845 600 6868
Fax: 020 7380 6505
Email: Info@arthritiscare.org.uk
Website: www.arthritiscare.org.uk

AUTISM/ASPERGER’S SYNDROME

National Autistic Society
Provides information and advice
393 City Road, London EC1V 1NG
Tel: 020 7833 2299
Information line: 0845 070 4004 (Monday – Friday, 10am to 4pm)
Textphone: 0845 070 4003
Fax: 020 7833 9666
Email: autismhelpline@nas.org.uk
Website: www.nas.org.uk
University Students with Autism/Asperger’s Syndrome  
*Runs a useful website which includes case studies of students.*  
Website: [www.users.dircon.co.uk/~cns/index.html](http://www.users.dircon.co.uk/~cns/index.html)

**BLIND/PARTIALLY SIGHTED**

**Action for Blind People**  
*Provides a range of services*  
14-16 Verney Road, London SE16 3DZ  
Tel: 020 7635 4800  
Helpline: 0800 915 4666  
Fax: 020 7635 4900  
Email: info@afbp.org  
Website: [www.afbp.org](http://www.afbp.org)

**Association of Blind and Partially Sighted Teachers and Students (ABAPSTAS)**  
*Membership organisation for teachers and students.*  
BM Box 6727, London, WC1N 3XX  
Email: chair@abapstas.org.uk  
Website: [www.abapstas.org.uk](http://www.abapstas.org.uk)

**National Federation of the Blind (NFB)**  
*Campaigning organisation*  
Sir John Wilson House, 215 Kirkgate, Wakefield WF1 1JG  
Tel: 01924 291 313  
Fax: 01924 200 244  
Email: nfbuk@nfbuk.org  
Website: [www.nfbuk.org](http://www.nfbuk.org)

**Royal National Institute of Blind People**  
*Provides information, advice and support.*  
105 Judd Street, London WC1H 9NE  
Tel: 020 7388 1266  
Helpline: 08457 669 999  
Employment line: 0870 013 9556  
Fax: 020 7388 2034  
Email: [helpline@rnib.org.uk](mailto:helpline@rnib.org.uk) or [employmentline@rnib.org.uk](mailto:employmentline@rnib.org.uk)  
Website: [www.rnib.org.uk](http://www.rnib.org.uk)
CANCER

Cancerbackup

*Cancer information service*
3 Bath Place, Rivington Street, London EC2A 3JR
Tel/textphone: 020 7696 9003
Freephone helpline: 0808 800 1234
Fax: 020 7696 9002
Email: info@cancerbackup.org
Website: www.cancerbackup.org.uk

Macmillan Cancer Support

*Works to help improve the quality of life for people affected by cancer and their families.*
89 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7UQ
Tel: 020 7840 7840
Information line: 0808 808 2020 (Monday – Friday, 9am to 6pm)
Textphone: 0808 808 0121
Fax: 020 7840 7841
Email: cancerline@macmillan.org.uk
Website: www.macmillan.org.uk

CEREBRAL PALSY

Scope

*Offers information, advice and a range of services*
PO Box 833, Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire MK12 5NY
Helpline: 0808 800 3333
(Monday to Friday from 9am to 7pm, Saturdays from 10am to 2pm)
Fax: 01908 321 051
Email: response@scope.org.uk
Website: www.scope.org.uk

CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Cystic Fibrosis Trust

*Provides information and advice*
11 London Road, Bromley BR1 1BY
Tel: 020 8464 7211
Helpline: 0845 859 1000
Fax: 020 8313 0472
Email: enquiries@cftrust.org.uk
Website: www.cftrust.org.uk
DEAF/HARD OF HEARING

Sign Community (British Deaf Association)
National organisation run for and by deaf people
1-3 Worship Street, London EC2A 2AB
Tel: 020 7588 3520
Textphone: 020 7588 3529
Voice helpline: 0870 770 3300
Videophone: 020 7496 9539
Fax: 020 7588 3527
Email: helpline@signcommunity.org.uk
Website: www.signcommunity.org.uk

Deaf Plus
Provides information, advice, support and training
First Floor, Trinity Centre, Key Close, Whitechapel, London E1 4HG
Tel/textphone: 020 7790 6147
Fax: 020 7790 6147
Email: info@deafplus.org
Website: www.deafplus.org

Hearing Concern
Provides information, advice and support.
95 Grays Inn Road, London WC1X 8TX
Tel/Textphone: 020 7440 9871
HelpDesk: 0845 0744 600
Fax: 020 7440 9872
Email: info@hearingconcern.org.uk
Website: www.hearingconcern.org.uk

RNID (Royal National Institute for Deaf People)
Provides a wide range of services
19-23 Featherstone Street, London EC1Y 8SL
Tel: 0808 808 0123
Textphone: 0808 808 9000
Fax: 020 7296 8199
Email: informationline@rnid.org.uk
Website: www.rnid.org.uk
Council for the Advancement of Communication with Deaf People (CACDP)
Develops training and examinations in communication skills and administers a register of qualified interpreters.
Durham University Science Park, Block 4, Stockton Road
Durham DH1 3UZ
Tel/textphone: 0191 383 1155
Fax: 0191 383 7914
Email: durham@cacdp.org.uk
Website: www.cacdp.org.uk

DEAFBLIND

Deafblind UK
National Centre for Deafblindness
John and Lucille van Geest Place, Cygnet Road, Hampton
Peterborough PE7 8FD
Tel: 01733 358 100
Helpline: 0800 132 320
Textphone: 01733 358 858
Fax: 01733 358 356
Email: info@deafblind.org.uk
Website: www.deafblind.org.uk

Sense - The National Deafblind and Rubella Association
Provides a range of services
101 Pentonville Road, London N1 9LG
Tel: 0845 127 0060
Textphone: 0845 127 0062
Fax: 0845 127 0061
Email: info@sense.org.uk
Website: www.sense.org.uk

DIABETES

Diabetes UK
Provides a range of services.
Macleod House, 10 Parkway, London NW1 7AA
Tel: 020 7424 1000
Careline: 0845 120 2960
Fax: 020 7424 1001
Email: info@diabetes.org.uk
Website: www.diabetes.org.uk
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DYSLEXIA AND DYSPRAXIA

Adult Dyslexia Organisation
Provides information, checklists, and networking opportunities.
336 Brixton Road, London SW9 7AA
Tel: 020 7737 7646
Advice line: 020 7924 9559
Fax: 020 7207 7796
Email: dyslexia.hq@dial.pipex.com
Website: www.futurenet.co.uk/charity/ado/index.html

British Dyslexia Association (BDA)
Provides information and advice, including diagnostic assessments.
Unit 8 Bracknell Beeches, Old Bracknell Lane, Bracknell RG12 7BW
Tel: 0845 251 9003
Helpline: 0845 251 9002
Fax: 0845 251 9005
Email: helpline@bdadyslexia.org.uk
Website: www.bdadyslexia.org.uk

Dyslexia Action
Psychological assessments and tuition support around the country.
Park House, Wick Road, Egham, Surrey TW20 0HH
Tel: 01784 222 300
Fax: 01784 222 333
Email: info@dyslexiaaction.org.uk
Website: www.dyslexiaaction.org.uk

Dyspraxia Foundation
Provides information and advice for people with dyspraxia.
8 West Alley, Hitchin, Hertfordshire SG5 1EG
Tel/Fax: 01462 455 052
Helpline: 01462 454 986 (Monday – Friday, 10am to 2pm)
Email: dyspraxia@dyspraxiafoundation.org.uk
Website: www.dyspraxiafoundation.org.uk

EPILEPSY

Epilepsy Action
Provides information to anyone concerned about epilepsy nationwide.
Freepost LS0995, Leeds, West Yorkshire LS19 7YY
Tel: 0808 800 5050
Fax: 0808 800 5555
Email: helpline@epilepsy.org.uk
Website: www.epilepsy.org.uk

**HIV/AIDS**

**Terrence Higgins Trust**
*Delivers health promotion campaigns, national services and local services across England and Wales.*
314-320 Grays Inn Road, London WC1X 8DP
Tel: 0845 122 1200
Fax: 020 7812 1601
Email: info@tht.org.uk
Website: www.tht.org.uk

**LEARNING DISABILITIES**

**Foundation for People with Learning Disabilities**
*Carries out research into learning disability issues.*
9th Floor, Sea Containers House, 20 Upper Ground, London SE1 9QB
Tel: 020 7803 1100
Fax: 020 7803 1111
Email: fpld@fpld.org.uk
Website: www.learningdisabilities.org.uk

**Mencap**
*Offers support for people with a learning disability and their families through local networks.*
123 Golden Lane, London EC1Y 0RT
Tel: 020 7454 0454
Helpline: 0808 808 1111
Textphone: 0808 808 8181
Fax: 020 7608 3254
Email: information@mencap.org.uk
Website: www.mencap.org.uk

**People First**
*Self-advocacy and campaigning organisation run for and by people with learning difficulties.*
Hampton House, 4th Floor, 20 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7TJ
Tel: 020 7820 6655
Fax: 020 7820 6621
Email: general@peoplefirstltd.com  
Website: www.peoplefirstltd.com

ME (MYALGIC ENCEPHALOMYELITIS)

Action for ME  
*Organisation run for and by people with ME.*  
Third floor, Canningford House, 38 Victoria Street, Bristol BS1 6BY  
Tel: 0845 123 2314  
Fax: 0117 927 9552  
Email: admin@afme.org.uk  
Website: www.afme.org.uk

ME Association  
*Provides information, support and advice to people with ME, their families and professionals.*  
4 Top Angel, Buckingham Industrial Park, Buckingham MK18 1TH  
Tel: 01280 818 968  
Information line: 0870 444 1836  
Fax: 01280 821 602  
Email: meconnect@meassociation.org.uk  
Website: www.meassociation.org.uk

MENTAL HEALTH

MDF The BiPolar Organisation  
*Provides information and supports self-help groups for people affected by bipolar disorder (manic depression).*  
Castle Works, 21 St Georges Road, London SE1 6ES  
Tel: 08456 340 540  
Fax: 020 7793 2639  
Email: mdf@mdf.org.uk  
Website: www.mdf.org.uk

Mental Health Foundation  
*Undertakes research into mental health and learning disabilities.*  
9th Floor, Sea Containers House, 20 Upper Ground, London SE1 9QB  
Information line: 020 7803 1100  
Fax: 020 7803 1111  
Email: mhf@mhf.org.uk  
Website: www.mentalhealth.org.uk
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Mind (National Association for Mental Health)
Promotes better knowledge about mental health and support.
Granta House, 15-19 Broadway, Stratford, London E15 4BQ
Tel: 0845 7660 163
Fax: 020 8522 1725
Email: Contact@mind.org.uk
Website: www.mind.org.uk

Rethink
Offers information, advice and support about severe mental illness.
5th Floor, Royal London House, Finsbury Square, London EC2A 1DX
Tel: 0845 456 0455
Advice Service: 020 8974 6814
Email: advice@rethink.org
Website: www.rethink.org

Sane
Offers information and research on mental health issues.
1st Floor, Cityside House, 40 Adler Street, London E1 1EE
Tel: 020 7375 1002
Saneline: 0845 767 8000
Fax: 020 7375 2162
Email: sanemail@sane.org.uk
Website: www.sane.org.uk

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS
Multiple Sclerosis Society
Provides information and advice.
372 Edgware Rd, London NW2 6ND
Tel: 020 8438 0700
Helpline: 0808 800 8000 (Monday – Friday, 9am to 9pm)
Fax: 020 8438 0701
Email: info@mssociety.org.uk
Website: www.mssociety.org.uk

MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY/ATROPHY
Jennifer Trust for Spinal Muscular Atrophy (JTSMA)
Provides information and support.
Elta House, Birmingham Road, Stratford upon Avon
Warwickshire CV37 0AQ
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Muscular Dystrophy Campaign
*Provides information and advice about neuromuscular conditions. Has 13 MDC Care Advisers who are based in clinics around the country.*
7-11 Prescott Place, London SW4 6BS
Tel: 020 7720 8055
Fax: 020 7498 0670
Email: info@muscular-dystrophy.org
Website: www.muscular-dystrophy.org

REPETITIVE STRAIN INJURY
Repetitive Strain Injury (RSI) Association
*The RSI Association has ceased to exist, but the website is currently provided as a free service by Keytools Ltd.*
Website: www.rsi.org.uk

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE DIFFICULTIES
British Stammering Association
*Information and support on stammering.*
15 Old Ford Road, London E2 9PJ
Tel: 020 8983 1003
Helpline: 0845 603 2001
Fax: 020 8983 3591
Email: mail@stammering.org
Website: www.stammering.org

Communication Matters
*National charity concerned with alternative communication for people with complex communication needs.*
c/o The Ace Centre, 92 Windmill Road, Oxford OX3 7DR
Tel/Fax: 0845 456 8211
Email: admin@communicationmatters.org.uk
Website: www.communicationmatters.org.uk
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Speakability
Provides information and support for people with aphasia.
1 Royal Street, London SE1 7LL
Tel: 020 7261 9572
Fax: 020 7928 9542
Helpline: 0808 808 9572
Email: speakability@speakability.org.uk
Website: www.speakability.org.uk

SPINAL INJURIES
Association for Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus (ASBAH)
Provides information and advice.
42 Park Road, Peterborough PE1 2UQ
Tel: 01733 555 988
Helpline: 0845 450 7755
Fax: 01733 555 985
Email: info@asbah.org
Website: www.asbah.org

Spinal Injuries Association (SIA)
News, publications and support for people with spinal injuries.
SIA House, 2 Trueman Place, Oldbrook, Milton Keynes
Buckinghamshire MK6 2HH
Tel: 0845 678 6633
Helpline: 0800 980 0501
Email: sia@spinal.co.uk
Website: www.spinal.co.uk

STROKE
Stroke Association
Provides information and support for people affected by stroke.
240 City Road, London EC1V 2PR
Tel: 020 7566 0300
Helpline: 0845 303 3100
Fax: 020 7490 2686
Email: info@stroke.org.uk
Website: www.stroke.org.uk
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9.3 Organisations advising on specific subjects

ACCESS ISSUES

Centre for Accessible Environments
Provides information and is a forum for discussion on inclusion and the built environment.
70 South Lambeth Road, London SW8 1RL
Tel/textphone: 020 7840 0125
Fax: 020 7840 5811
Email: info@cae.org.uk
Website: www.cae.org.uk

ADVOCACY ORGANISATIONS

Advocacy Partners
Provides support and representation to those living in South West London and Surrey.
54 Cheam Common Road, Worcester Park, Surrey KT4 8RH
Tel/Fax: 020 8330 6644
Email: info@advocacypartners.org
Website: www.advocacypartners.org.uk

Advocacy Resource Exchange
Holds details of advocacy organisations across the country.
Advocacy Finder Helpline: 0845 122 8633
Email: helpline@advocacyresource.net
Website: www.advocacyresource.net

BENEFITS AND OTHER MONEY ISSUES

Benefits Enquiry Line for people with disabilities, carers and representatives
Provides benefits information and advice.
Tel: 0800 882 200
Email: Bel-Customer-Services@dwp.gsi.gov.uk

Citizens Advice Bureau
Gives free, confidential, impartial and independent advice on a range of subjects, including debt, benefits, housing, legal matters, employment, immigration and consumer issues. Find details of your nearest service in a local telephone directory.
Website: www.citizensadvice.org.uk
Disability Alliance  
*Provides information on benefits.*  
Universal House, 88-94 Wentworth Street, London E1 7SA  
Email: office.da@dial.pipex.com  
Website: www.disabilityalliance.org

**EDUCATION**

**Further and higher education institutions**  
*Details of disability officers, learning support coordinators, or equivalent, in each Further and Higher Education institution in the UK.*  
Website: www.skill.org.uk/page.aspx?c=6&p=0

**Career Development Loan Information Line**  
*Information about the career development loan.*  
Tel: 0800 585 505  
Website: www.direct.gov.uk/en/EducationAndLearning/AdultLearning/CareerDevelopmentLoans/index.htm

**Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE)**  
*Funds higher education institutions in England.*  
Northavon House, Coldharbour Lane, Bristol BS16 1QD  
Tel: 0117 931 7438  
Fax: 0117 931 7082  
Email: hefce@hefce.ac.uk  
Website: www.hefce.ac.uk

**Learning and Skills Council (LSC)**  
*Funds further education colleges in England.*  
Cheylesmore House, Quinton Road, Coventry CV1 2WT  
Tel: 0845 019 4170  
General enquiries: 0870 900 6800  
Fax: 024 7682 3675  
Email: info@lsc.gov.uk  
Website: www.lsc.gov.uk

**Local Learning and Skills Councils**  
*Find details of your local LSC by contacting the LSC.*
National Association for Tertiary Education for the Deaf (NATED)

Promotes post-16 education for deaf and hard of hearing people.
Staffordshire ASSIST, Flash Ley Resources Centre, Hawkmoor Road, Stafford ST17 9DR
Tel/SMS: 07910 340 584
Textphone: 0115 9146 456
Fax: 01785 356 841
Email: enquiries@nated.org
Website: www.nated.org

NHS BSA Student Bursaries

Funds health care students and provides information on NHS bursaries.
Hesketh House, 200-220 Broadway, Fleetwood, Lancashire FY7 8SS
Tel: 0845 358 6655
Fax: 01253 774 491
Email: enquiries@nhspa.gov.uk
Website: www.nhsstudentgrants.co.uk

Nursing and Midwifery Admissions Service (NMAS)

Admissions service for nursing and midwifery diplomas and degrees.
Rosehill, New Barn Lane, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL52 3LZ
Tel: 0870 112 2206
Fax: 01242 544 961
Email: enquiries@nmas.ac.uk
Website: www.nmas.ac.uk

NUS (National Union of Students)

Provides advice and information on all aspects of being a student.
NUS, 2nd Floor, Centro 3, Mandela Street, London NW1 ODU
Tel: 0871 221 8221
Fax: 0871 221 8222
Email: nusuk@nus.org.uk
Website: www.nusonline.co.uk

National Extension College

Provides open learning courses at GCSE and A level, and in counselling, management and creative arts.
Michael Young Centre, Purbeck Road, Cambridge CB2 8HN
For course information:
Tel: 01223 400 200
Fax: 01223 400 321
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Email: info@nec.ac.uk
Website: www.nec.ac.uk

Office of the Independent Adjudicator for Higher Education

Provides independent complaints resolution for students in HE.
Fifth floor, Thames Tower, Station Road, Reading RG1 1LX
Tel: 0118 959 9813
Email: enquiries@oiahe.org.uk
Website: www.oiahe.org.uk

The Open College of the Arts

Provides a number of open and distance learning courses.
Registration Department, OCA, Freepost SF10678,
Barnsley S75 1BR
Tel: 0800 731 2116
Textphone: 01226 205 255
Fax: 01226 730 838
Email: open.arts@ukonline.co.uk
Website: www.oca-uk.com

The Open University

Provider of open and distance learning courses.
Disabled Student Services Resources Team, Hammerwood Gate
Kent Hill, Milton Keynes K7 6BY
Tel: 01908 653 035
Textphone: 01908 655 978
Fax: 01908 655 547
Email: disabled-student-resources@open.ac.uk
Website: www.open.ac.uk

Royal National College for the Blind

Provides open learning courses for people with visual impairments.
College Road, Hereford HR1 1EB
Tel: 01432 265 725
Fax: 01432 376 628
Email: info@rncb.ac.uk
Website: www.rncb.ac.uk
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Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS)
Information and advice for students in HE in Scotland.
Tel: 0845 111 1711
Website: www.saas.gov.uk

Student Finance Direct
Information and advice for students in HE in England.
Tel: 0845 607 7577
Textphone: 0845 604 4434
Website: www.studentfinancedirect.co.uk
(NB from September 2008, this will be Student Finance England)

Student Finance Northern Ireland
Information and advice for students in HE in NI.
Tel: 0845 600 0662
Textphone: 0845 604 4434
Website: www.studentfinanceni.co.uk

Student Finance Wales
Information and advice for students in HE in Wales.
Tel: 0845 602 8845
Textphone: 0845 603 1693
Website: www.studentfinancewales.co.uk

Student Loans Company
Processes student loan applications and makes payments to students.
100 Bothwell Street, Glasgow G2 7JD
Tel: 0845 607 7577
Textphone: 0845 604 4434
Website: www.studentfinancedirect.co.uk

UCAS (Universities and Colleges Admissions Service)
Processes applications for higher education.
Rosehill, New Barn Lane, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL52 3LZ
General enquiries: 0870 112 2211
Fax: 01242 544 961
Email: enquiries@ucas.ac.uk
Website: www.ucas.ac.uk
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EMPLOYMENT

Blind in Business (BIB)
All Wingate Annexe, St. Alphage House, London EC2Y 5DA.
Tel: 020 7588 1885
Fax: 020 7588 1886
Email: info@blindinbusiness.org.uk
Website: www.blindinbusiness.org.uk

Employers’ Forum on Disability
*Focuses on disability in the workplace.*
Nutmeg House, 60 Gainsford Street, London SE1 2NY
Tel: 020 7403 3020
Textphone: 020 7403 0040
Fax: 020 7403 0404
Email: website.enquiries@employers-forum.co.uk
Website: www.employers-forum.co.uk

Employment Opportunities for people with disabilities
*Offers advice on job-seeking including writing CVs, completing application forms and producing good application letters.*
53 New Broad Street, London EC2M 1SL
Tel/textphone: 020 7448 5420
Fax: 020 7374 4913
Email: info@eopps.org
Website: www.opportunities.org.uk

Leadership Recruitment – Scope
*Provides a 12-month programme, consisting of two 6-month placements with various national employers, for disabled graduates.*
6 Market Road, London N7 9PW
Tel: 020 7619 7299
Textphone: 020 7619 7187
Fax: 020 7619 7399.
Email: graduates@scope.org.uk
Website: www.scope.org.uk/graduates

Jobability
*Provides job vacancies for disabled people looking for work.*
Website: www.jobability.com
Jobcentre Plus
Provides help for jobseekers. Your local phonebook should have details of your nearest Jobcentre Plus office.
Website: www.jobcentreplus.gov.uk

Leonard Cheshire’s Workability project
Provides disabled adults with computers and help searching for jobs.
30 Millbank, London SW1P 4QD
Tel: 020 7802 8200 Fax: 020 7802 8250
Email: info@LCDisability.org
Website: www.leonard-cheshire.org

Papworth Trust
Provides support for disabled students and graduates looking for work with centres in the south and east of England.
Bernard Sunley Centre, Papworth Everard, Cambridge CB3 8RG
Tel: 01480 357 200
Fax: 01480 357 201
Email: info@papworth.org.uk
Website: www.papworth.org.uk

Prospects
Helps people with autism or Asperger's syndrome with work preparation and support in the workplace.
National Autistic Society, 393 City Road, London ED1V 1NG
Tel: 020 7833 2299
Fax: 020 7833 9666
Email: prospects@nas.org.uk
Website: www.nas.org.uk/prospects

Shaw Trust
Offers training and placements for people with mental health difficulties.
Fox Talbot House, Greenways Business Park, Malmesbury Road, Chippenham, Wiltshire SN15 1BN
Tel: 0800 085 1001
Textphone: 0845 769 7288
Fax: 01225 716 301
Website: www.shaw-trust.org.uk
EQUIPMENT

Ability Net
Provides advice on the use of computers and communication technology for people with all types of disabilities.
PO Box 94, Warwick, Warwickshire CV34 5WS
Freephone advice line/ Textphone: 0800 269 545
Fax: 01926 407 425
Email: enquiries@abilitynet.co.uk
Website: www.abilitynet.co.uk

Aidis Trust
Provides specialised computer equipment and training to physically disabled people.
3 Gunthorpe Street, London E1 7RQ
Tel: 020 7426 2130
Fax: 020 737 5738
Email: info@aidis.org
Website: www.aidis.org

Disabled Living Foundation
Provides information on choosing, recommending and providing equipment for people with disabilities.
380-384 Harrow Road, London W9 2HU
Tel: 020 7289 6111
Textphone: 020 7432 8009
Helpline: 0870 603 9177
Helpline Textphone: 0870 603 9176
Fax: 020 7266 2922
Email: dlfinfo@dlf.org.uk
Website: www.dlf.org.uk

Remap
Designs, supplies and modifies equipment not available commercially for disabled people.
D9 Chaucer Business Park, Kemsing, TN15 6YU
Tel: 0845 130 0456
Fax: 0845 130 0789
Email: info@remap.org.uk
Website: www.remap.org.uk
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*Fundraises to provide and maintain communication aids for its members.*
3 Ploughmans Corner, Wharf Road, Ellesmere, Shropshire SY12 0EJ
Tel/fax: 01691 624 222
Website: [www.the-sequal-trust.org.uk](http://www.the-sequal-trust.org.uk)

TechDis: Technology for disabilities Information Services
*Provides a resource of technology to assist people with disabilities.*
Website: [www.techdis.ac.uk](http://www.techdis.ac.uk)

Web Accessibility Initiative
*Provides guidelines on making websites more accessible.*
Website: [www.w3.org/WAI](http://www.w3.org/WAI)

HUMAN SUPPORT

Community Service Volunteers (CSV)
*Places young people as volunteers to work as personal assistants.*
237 Pentonville Road, London N1 9NJ
Tel: 020 7278 6601
Fax: 020 7833 0149
Email: information@csv.org.uk
Website: [www.csv.org.uk](http://www.csv.org.uk)

Independent Living Funds
*Provides funding for personal or domestic care.*
PO Box 7525, Nottingham NG2 4ZT
Tel: 0845 601 8815
Fax: 0115 945 0948
Email: funds@ilf.org.uk
Website: [www.ilf.org.uk](http://www.ilf.org.uk)

National Centre for Independent Living
*Provides information about direct payments and independent living.*
4th Floor, Hampton House, 20 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7TJ
Tel: 020 7587 1663
Textphone: 020 7587 1177
Fax: 020 7582 2469
Email: info@ncil.org.uk
Website: [www.ncil.org.uk](http://www.ncil.org.uk)
See also disability-specific organisations such as RNIB and RNID who will be able to offer advice to people with certain impairments.

LEGAL ADVICE

Community Legal Service
*Provides legal advice covering education, benefits issues etc.*
Tel: 0845 345 4345
Textphone: 0845 609 6677
Website: www.clsdirect.org.uk

Disability Law Service
*Provides legal advice for disabled people.*
39-45 Cavell Street London E1 2BP
Tel: 020 7791 9800
Textphone: 020 7791 9801
Fax: 020 7790 9802
Email: advice@dls.org.uk
Website: www.dls.org.uk

Education Law Association
*Holds a list of specialist education solicitors who can provide legally aided or privately funded services.*
33 College Road, Reading RG6 1QE
Tel/fax: 0118 669 866
Email: secretary@educationlawassociation.org.uk
Website: www.educationlawassociation.org.uk

The Law Centres Federation
*Provides a free and independent professional legal service to people who live or work in their catchment areas.*
293-299 Kentish Town Road, London NW5 2TJ
Tel: 020 7428 4400
Fax: 020 7428 4401
E-mail: info@lawcentres.org.uk
Website: www.lawcentres.org.uk
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VOLUNTEERING

Do-it

*Provides information on volunteering, including details of local volunteering opportunities.*
Website: [www.do-it.org.uk](http://www.do-it.org.uk)

Volunteering England

*National organisation promoting volunteering.*
Regents Wharf, 8 All Saints Street, London N1 9RL
Tel: 0845 305 6979
Information Service: 0800 028 3304
Fax: 020 7520 8910
Email: information@volunteeringengland.org
Website: [www.volunteering.org.uk](http://www.volunteering.org.uk)
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