

Helpful Hints on how to use the Resource Locator

Keyword And Keyword Type:

Keyword field has an auto suggest feature similar to Google search. As you start typing in the box you will see a list of keywords which exist in the database. There is a keyword type selection which gives your choice to look for Service, Diagnosis or Organization type of keywords. Diagnosis keywords are based off the Diagnosis served by that organization. IMPORTANT! When you use Diagnosis search, only diagnosis-specific resources will be listed. To view ALL resources that may serve your needs please use the drop-down categories on the left WITHOUT using a keyword.

Service Categories:

On the left side there is an extensive list of categories and subcategories of services. Click on the  to expand the category. When you bring mouse to the blue icon  next to each category it shows a brief description of what that category consists.

Filters:

When you select a category or search a keyword, you will see a gray panel along with the search results which helps you narrow your search results by age group that the service provider serve or by the location of the service provider.

You can also filter your search results by County, look for the county selection box above the keyword fields. We based the county search on the area serviced by that organization not their physical location.

Using Combination of Search Parameters:

You can use multiple search criteria simultaneously to narrow your search and quickly find the relevant resources from hundreds of resources in our database. Let's say if you are looking for Autism related occupational therapy centers in Baltimore County for a 5 year old child; you can use the following criteria:

County – Baltimore

Keyword Type – Diagnosis

Keyword – Autism

Left side Category - expand Therapeutic Services and select Occupational Therapy

Gray Filter box – select age group Preschool 3-6

Search Results:

Once you make your selections the search result displays the number of service provider found for that search criteria. With each service provider you will find a website link, brief description of their services, direct links to their website pages to the specific areas if the organization provides multiple services and the contact information.

The search results are displayed in alphabetical order. Maryland based service providers appear at the top of the list and then the other neighboring states such as DC, Delaware, Virginia, and Pennsylvania. The national or

online resources are listed at the bottom. You can also use the location filter criteria to narrow your search results.

If the service provider has a permanent address the Google map shows the exact location pin. However please remember that if the service provider has multiple locations or has P.O.Box address or if it is an online resource, the map will not have an address pin.

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Please remember that one page displays 10 results at a time. Click on the   Previous and Next button to browse through all the search results.

Sort and Narrow Your Search Results:

You can sort your search results by alphabetical order using these radio buttons. A to Z Z to A

You can also narrow your search results using City Dropdown Select City:

Interactive Map:

The map you see with each service provider is powered by Google Maps. The map shows the exact location of the provider with a pin. You can zoom in and zoom out in the map box or can see a satellite version.

To get the directions from your location to the service provider, click on the Get Directions Link. It will open a new window with google maps and have a destination address of the service provider. Please fill in your address to get the directions.

Please remember that if the service provider has multiple locations or has P.O.Box address or if they are only an Online resource, the map will not have an address pin.

Reset:

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Reset button clears all the selection criteria you selected such as County, Categories, Keywords and filter criteria enabling you to start a fresh search.

Print:



Print helps you print the search results. It prints one page a time. To print multiple pages click on the

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previous and next button to navigate pages and print each page separately.

Language Translation:

On the left side you will see this  language selection box please click on the down arrow to select your language. This translates the entire content on the page.

When you open the service provider's website link the content on those websites are not translated since they are external links and content.

The translation is done via Google translation services and DHMH is not responsible for the accuracy of the grammar or sentence construction of all the content in all the languages.

More Info:

Parents, please check our Fact Sheet section for more info on different topics.

Please check other Resource Navigators for specialized or regional resources.

Service Providers, if you do not see your organization listed in our database, please fill in the contact form by clicking on the left side link 'Tell Us About Your Organization' and help us improve our database.

We have also provided links to the external websites with searchable databases for special needs.

Additional Assistance:

For any additional assistance on the database, you can email us at dhmh.cyshcn@maryland.gov or call us on 1800-638-8864.