

Down Syndrome and Other Medical Diagnoses Resources

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Selected Journal Abstracts

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Complex medical needs and homelessness: A case study of the natural environment. Williams, C. S., Sawyer, G. E., & Ostrosky, M. M. (2025). *Topics in Early Childhood Special Education*, 45(1), 7-20.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/02711214251316522>

Development, education, and services in children with Down syndrome: A cohort analysis from a clinical database. Soccorso, C., Hojlo, M., Pawlowski, K., Lombardo, A., Davidson, E., Sargado, S., DePillis, R., & Baumer, N. *Frontiers in Psychology*, 15.
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Infant Mental Health Journal. Volume 47, Issue 5; September 2026

Implementation of coaching and peer learning collaboratives to support home visiting practices. McKelvey, L. M., Rau, A., Olson, T. L., Zimmerman, C., Fox, L. B., Greenwood, T., Zhang, D. & Lewis, K. N. e70107

Exploring parental mind-mindedness in the context of atypical and at-risk development: A scoping review of parental well-being, parenting, and child characteristics. Provera, A., Grumi, S., Riva, B., Ghosh, S., Belloni, S., & Provenzi, L. e70110

Barriers and pathways to engagement in a home visiting intervention: Parents' perspectives on minding the baby. Dalgaard, N. T., Heitmann, E., & Pontoppidan, M. e70111

Maternal mental health and its influence on children's early development: Evidence from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan. Hentschel, E., Hasan, A., Tahir-Chowdhry, M., Tomlinson, H., Ansari, A., Yousafzai, A., & Hussain, N. e70112

Changes in parenting representations following Circle of Security-Parenting (COS-P) at an Australian Early Parenting Center. Kuan, J., Camberis, A.-L., Johns, A., & Kohlhoff, J. e70113

Childhood maltreatment and disrupted parenting in mothers exposed to intimate partner violence: Mediation via mothers' posttraumatic stress symptoms? van den Dorpel, Willemien M., Alink, L. R. A., Schuengel, C., Rozema, L. J., Rippe, R. C. A., van der Voort, A., & van der Asdonk, S. e70114

Journal of Early Intervention. Volume 48, Issue 3; September 2026

Early intervention providers' practices for families of children with medical complexities. Williams, C. S., Daniel, J., Cuevas Dias, R., & Ostrosky, M. M. p. 211

Questions, comments, and suggestions: Breaking down reflective EI caregiver coaching conversations. Harbin, S. G., Jackson, E., & Fettig, A. p. 232

Increasing emergent literacy learning opportunities for 4-year-olds in inclusive kindergartens through professional development. Lemire, C., & Paul, M. p. 251

Validation of the Implementation Climate Scale for Early Intervention (ICS-EI). Lee, J. D., Joo, S., Terol, A. K., Jung, S., Pickard, K., Stone, W., & Locke, J. J. p. 264

Excluded early: Barriers and supports for families of infants and toddlers with disabilities. Movahedazarhouli, S., & Myers, M. p. 278

The effects of directive and responsive communication intervention strategies on autistic children's disruptive behavior. Fipp-Rosenfield, H., Levy, R., Jones, M. K., Grauzer, J., Kaat, A. J., & Roberts, M. Y. p. 298

[Continuing Professional Education Resources \(CPEs\)](#)

Broccoli boot camp: Basic training for parents of selective eaters, 2nd ed. Keith E. Williams, 2024. eBook. CPE=7

This book is a comprehensive guide for parents of children who are selective or picky eaters and can be used with children with or without special needs (e.g, autism or Down syndrome).

Caring for your baby and young child: Birth to age 5, 7th ed. Tanya Altmann, 2019. Book. CPE=23.25

This resource covers everything from preparing for childbirth to toilet training and from breastfeeding to nurturing your child's self-esteem.

Children with disabilities, 8th ed. Mark L. Batshaw, 2019. eBook. CPE=15
This book is an unparalleled compendium of information about developmental, clinical, family, education, and intervention issues, from birth through adolescence.

Children and youth with complex cerebral palsy: Care and management. 2019. Book or eBook CPE=10.25

This book explores management of the many medical comorbidities these children encounter, including orthopedic concerns, mobility and equipment needs, cognition and sensory impairment, difficult behaviors, seizures, respiratory complications and nutritional challenges, among many others.

Extreme caregiving: The moral work of raising children with special needs. Lisa Freitag, 2018. Book. CPE=6

This book collects parent narratives, personal experience, and academic research to portray the lives of parent caregivers, looking at both the trials and the triumphs inherent in raising a child with special needs.

Genetic disorder sourcebook, 8th ed. James Chambers, 2023. eBook. CPE=15

This book provides basic consumer health information about heritable disorders, including disorders resulting from abnormalities in specific genes, such as Hemophilia, Sickle Cell Disease, and Cystic Fibrosis, and chromosomal disorders, such as Down Syndrome or Fragile X Syndrome.

Interaction: Enhancing children's access to responsive interactions. 2018. Book. CPE=3

This book offers professionals and families multiple ways to implement the instruction practices across the settings in which children grow and learn.

No small matter. 2020. DVD. 74 min. CPE=1.25

This documentary explores early childhood education and how our country is raising its youngest citizens.

Occupational therapy activities for kids: 100 fun games and exercises to build skills. Heather Ajzenman, 2020. Book. CPE=2

This family-friendly guide offers concise information on how occupational therapy works and shows how to apply it in a way that benefits your child.

Off to a good start: A behaviorally based model for teaching children with Down syndrome. Book 1, Foundations for learning. Emily A. Jones, 2019. Book. CPE=4.5

This book is a starting point for parents and professionals with little or no knowledge of ABA.

Off to a good start: A behaviorally based model for teaching children with Down syndrome. Book 2, Teaching programs. Kathleen M. Feeley, 2019. Book. CPE=8

This book shows readers how to teach hundreds of essential skills using proven discrete-trial methods with prompts and reinforcement rather than the more informal ways that people typically teach children with Down syndrome.

The parent's guide to Down syndrome. Jen Jacob, 2016. Book. CPE=4
The authors of this book share their experiences and guide the reader through life as parents of children with Down syndrome.

New Book

Down syndrome parenting 101: must-have advice for making your life easier. Natalie Hale, 2023. Book. CPE=5

This book offers advice on everything from celebrating a child's unique personality and seeing him for who he is to insisting he finish his chores and ensuring he has the space to be his own person as an adult. It takes readers through every stage of growing up, highlighting the experiences and people they will encounter along the way.

New eBook

Managing chronic health needs in child care and schools: a quick reference guide, 2nd ed. Elaine A. Donoghue, 2019. eBook.

This resource helps teachers and caregivers address the challenges of caring for children with chronic health conditions and special health care needs in child care and school settings. It addresses topics with universal relevancy such as Care Plan development and implementation, medication administration, emergency planning, and handling symptoms that develop while on-site. Also available as a print book.

Selected Audiovisuals

Down syndrome: An updated look. 58 min. 2015. [Streaming](#).

Down syndrome: second opinion. 26 min. 2016. DVD or [Streaming](#).

Down syndrome for new parents: What to know during the first year. 6 minutes. 2022. [Streaming](#).

Early interventions for pediatric occupational and physical therapy — A lecture. 358 min. 2015. [Streaming](#).

Selected eBooks

Life with a superhero: Raising Michael who has Down syndrome.

Kathryn U. Hulings, 2013.

Kathryn Hulings adopted an infant with Down syndrome. She recounts the challenges and joys of parenting her son Michael.

Multimodal AAC for individuals with Down syndrome. 2021.

This volume examines the role of multimodal augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) in supporting speech, language, and communication of individuals with Down syndrome, across the lifespan.

Welcoming a newborn with Down syndrome: A new parent's guide, 2nd ed. 2025.

This book offers support and accurate, reliable information to the new parents of a baby with Down syndrome. It covers topics like breastfeeding, adjusting to a diagnosis, preparing siblings, understanding medical issues, preparing for the future, and, most importantly, it shares diverse stories about the daily lives of families whose children have Down syndrome at different ages.

Selected Websites

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\): Down Syndrome](#) provides facts about Down syndrome.

Texas has several local Down syndrome associations with websites. Please visit each website for specific information.

- B.U.D.S. Lubbock - Better Understanding of Down Syndrome: budslubbock.org
- Down By the Border: downbytheborder.org
- Down Syndrome Association of Brazos Valley: dsabv.org
- Down Syndrome Association of Central Texas: dsact.org
- Down Syndrome Coalition for El Paso: dscep.org
- Down Syndrome Association of Houston: dsah.org
- Down Syndrome Association of South Texas: dsastx.org
- Down Syndrome Guild of Dallas: downsyndromedallas.org
- Down Syndrome Partnership of North Texas: dspnt.org
- East Texas Down Syndrome Group: etdsq.net
- Galveston-Houston Families Exploring Down Syndrome: gclfeds.wildapricot.org
- Heart of Texas Down Syndrome Network: hotdsn.org
- Panhandle Down Syndrome Guild pdsq.org
- Rio Grande Valley Down Syndrome Association: rgvdsa.org

[MedlinePlus Down Syndrome](#), provided by the National Library of Medicine, offers resources about Down syndrome.

[National Down Syndrome Society](#) aims to be the national advocate for the value, acceptance, and inclusion of people with Down syndrome. The society's website is a comprehensive information resource on Down syndrome.

[National Institutes of Health: The Down Syndrome Consortium](#) encourages research on the health of people with DS and the exchange of DS information among Consortium members and members of the DS community.

[National Human Genome Research Institute](#) provides an online resource on Down syndrome.

[Texas Department of State Health Services Down Syndrome](#) provides online resources for new and expecting parents.

Useful Library Information

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