

Resources Recommended by Melissa, Jason, and others

Local Resources in Kansas

Douglas County Infant-Toddler Coordinating Council (Tiny 'K') :

<http://www.dcicc.org/>

The Douglas County Infant-Toddler Coordinating Council provides a comprehensive delivery and support system for all children and families in the Douglas County Area, with special emphasis on young children, birth to three years of age, who have special needs.

Douglas County ICC
2619 W 6th Street, Suite B
Lawrence, KS 66046
Phone: (785) 843-3059; Fax: (785) 843-3562
E-mail: tinykdena@sunflower.com

Down Syndrome Guild of Greater Kansas City

<http://www.kcdsg.org/>

The Down Syndrome Guild is a non-profit volunteer organization whose mission is to provide support and resources for individuals with Down syndrome and their families. The Guild provides new parents a 'New Beginnings Magazine' and a complimentary copy of the book *Babies with Down Syndrome: A New parents' Guide*.

Down Syndrome Guild of Greater Kansas City
10200 W. 75th Street, Suite 281
Shawnee Mission, KS 66204
Phone: 913-384-4848; Fax: 913-384-4949
913-384-9898 (24-hour Phone Information Line)
Email: kcdsg@sbcglobal.net

First Downs for Down Syndrome (FDFDS)

<http://www.kcbuddywalk.org/index.php>

First Downs for Down Syndrome is an organization that teams with the Kansas City Chiefs Offensive Line to raise money for Down syndrome organizations locally and nationally, to increase awareness of Down syndrome, and to create positive images of those with Down syndrome.

First Downs for Down Syndrome
10000 W 75th St., Suite 220
Shawnee Mission, KS 66204
Phone: 913.722.2499; Fax: 913.722.2466

Down Syndrome Clinic – The Children's Mercy Hospital

<http://www.childrens-mercy.org/mso/dept/docu/other/view.asp?dept=19&docu=20>

The Down Syndrome Clinic serves as a consultative service and screening mechanism for children with Down syndrome from birth through adolescence. A team of professionals works together to problem solve and to improve the quality of life for both the child and the family.

Down Syndrome Clinic
The Children's Mercy Hospital
2401 Gillham Road
Kansas City, MO 64108
(816) 234-3290

Internet

The National Fathers Network

<http://www.fathersnetwork.org/>

The Fathers Network focuses on supporting fathers and families of children with special health care needs and developmental disabilities. All information is in both English and Spanish. The network offers resources, events calendar, and family stories and photos.

Down Syndrome:

Below is a list of various informational resources on Down syndrome.

Down Syndrome: Health issues

<http://www.ds-health.com/>

This site provides articles related to health issues of people with Down syndrome.

Down Syndrome: For new parents

<http://www.downsyn.com/>

The website was opened by a parent of child with Down syndrome. It provides general information on Down syndrome as well as recommendations for relatives and recommended books and DVDs.

Down Syndrome Quarterly

<http://www.denison.edu/collaborations/dsq/>

Down Syndrome Quarterly is an interdisciplinary journal devoted to advancing the state of knowledge on Down syndrome.

National Down Syndrome Society

<http://www.ndss.org/>

This website is an information source on Down syndrome. It provides recent research, health information, educational information for people with Down syndrome and their families

National Association for Down Syndrome

<http://www.nads.org/>

This website primary serves people in the Chicago area, but it provides resource lists and fact sheets. Discussion board is available as well.

National Down Syndrome Congress

<http://www.ndscenter.org/>

The purpose of the NDSC is to promote the interests of people with Down syndrome and their families through advocacy, public awareness, and information dissemination on all aspects of Down syndrome. It provides resources for families and newsletters.

Books

Stray-Gundersen, K. (Eds.). (1995). *Babies with Down syndrome: A new parent's guide* (2nd ed.). Bethesda: Woodbine House.

Stallings, G., & Cook, S. (1997). *Another season: A coach's story of raising an exceptional son*. New York: Little, Brown and Company.