

New York City Department of Education

Municipality List
Independent Providers of
Related Services for

School-Age Students With Disabilities

Hearing Education Services

Vision Education Services

Orientation & Mobility

Sign Language Interpreters

September 2009

OFFICE OF RELATED AND CONTRACTUAL SERVICES

Municipality List of Independent Providers of Related Services (September 2009)

In cases where the New York City Department of Education cannot provide Related Services for students identified as being in need of these services, the Municipality List of Independent Providers of Related Services was developed. The purpose of this Municipality List is to assist parents in locating New York State licensed or certified (independent) providers of Related Services who have agreed to provide these services under the specific guidelines set forth by the New York City Department of Education. This Municipality List will be used whenever the New York City Department of Education issues a Related Service Authorization, which is described as follows:

Related Service Authorization (RSA) : In cases where the New York City Department of Education are unable to provide a Related Service by school or contract agency staff, an RSA letter is issued to the parent/guardian, advising them of their right to obtain the Related Service from an independent provider of these services at public expense.

The Municipality List of Independent Providers of Related Services provides the names, addresses, telephone numbers and bilingual capacities of individuals and agencies who have expressed their interest and availability to provide these services, if needed. All individuals listed have submitted copies of their current New York State license or certificate in their respective discipline, which as since been verified by the New York City Department of Education. In addition, all individuals listed as bilingual have provided satisfactory evidence of their bilingual proficiency. Current and former employees (for one year) of the New York City Department of Education or any other New York City agency will not be included in the Municipality List unless they formally request in writing and receive a waiver from the New York City Conflict of Interest Committee.

It should be noted that this listing is by no means a definitive one. Parents/guardians are under no obligation to utilize any individual or agency on this list, and this list should not be construed as a recommendation for any particular individual or agency. The New York City Department of Education makes no guarantees or representations regarding the individuals or agencies listed other than to state that the individuals listed have been confirmed to have a current New York State license or certificate in their respective discipline. This list is also open-ended, in that individuals or agencies may be periodically added or deleted.

Please note that this listing is “discipline specific,” with the individuals and agencies listed having either previously provided services to New York City Department of Education students under the RSA procedure or having formally asked to be included as a result of a public advertisement.

Hearing Education Services

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Name of Independent Provider Or Agency	Borough(s) To Be Providing Services	Approved Providers Working in the Agency
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ACOUSTIC ACHIEVEMENTS
16 Victory Street
Ronkonkoma, NY 11779
Contact: Pamela Talbot
631-676-5769

CHILDREN'S THERAPEUTIC SERVICES 2332 Vance Street Bronx, NY 10469 Contact: Leticia Torres 646-316-7285 or 347-449-7423	Bronx	Manhattan Lee Barrone
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Neila Cohen 243 Beech Court River Edge NJ 201-986-1995	Bronx
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Linda R Coussa 107A 73 rd Street Brooklyn, NY 11209 718-836-0662	Brooklyn Staten Island
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Rosemarie Drous 97 Main Street Dobbs Ferry NY 10522 914-552-2191 or 914-591-4935	Manhattan
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Mary M Durning 100 Witherbee Avenue Pelham Manor NY 10803 914-738-5370	Bronx
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Lynda Forman 1350 East 65 th Street Brooklyn, NY 11234 718-241-6806 or 917-439-3714	Brooklyn Staten Island
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Ariella Furst 245 Grist Mill Lane Great Neck NY 11023 516-526-0838	Manhattan Bronx Brooklyn Queens
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Rochelle Goldstein 130 8 th Ave., #5E Brooklyn, NY 11215 718-783-5222	Manhattan Brooklyn
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Fran Guillman 2 Turnberry Court Monroe, NY 10950 917-749-3990	Brooklyn Queens	
Lisa Kommatea-Steyer 17206 35 th Avenue Flushing, NY 11358 718-461-9578		
Annie Lederfind 3506 Avenue L Brooklyn, NY 11210 718-692-3354	Brooklyn	
Frank LoRusso 34-51 86 th Street Jackson Heights, NY 11372 917-842-1025	Brooklyn Queens	
Jennifer McClory 325 15 th Street Brooklyn NY 11215 312-217-7617	Manhattan Brooklyn	
Dorothy Prioleau-Rahman Shareef 989 Sterling Place Brooklyn, NY 11213 917-421-6262	Brooklyn	
Gloria Sylvie 176-72 80 th Road Jamaica, NY 11432 718-380-4417	Queens Brooklyn	
THERAPY PROS 962 Manor Road Staten Island NY 10314 Contact: Margo Lichtenthal 718-982-5944	Staten Island	Tina Santiago
TINAGERO, SLP, PC 23 Whatley Ave. East Williston, NY 11596 Contact: Elizabeth Tinagero 516-746-8465	Manhattan Brooklyn Queens	Deneen Curto Judith Granger Kelliann Kieva

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Paula Ventre
50-48 193rd Street
Fresh Meadows NY 11365
718-357-7809

Vision Education Services

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Shani Cohen 41 Keystone Place Hewlett NY 11557 516-263-4067	Queens	
COMPREHENSIVE CENTER 460 Grand Street New York NY 10002 Contact: Roberta Kramer 212-539-0257	All 5 Boroughs	Shirley Lew
Eletha Duffy 105 Shale Street Staten Island, NY 10314 917-952-0063	Staten Island	
FUNCTIONAL LIFE ACHIEVEMENT, INC 161 Madison Ave., #2W New York, NY 10016 Contact: Marian Sheng 212-683-8905	All 5 Boroughs	Mi Y. Koo
HELEN KELLER SERVICES FOR THE BLIND 57 Willoughby Street Brooklyn, NY 11201 Contact: Sam Morgan 718-522-2122 ext 323	Manhattan Brooklyn Queens	Margaret McGarry Robin Basalla Irina Kocherova
Shirley Lew 80 Mulberry Street #7 New York NY 10013 917-750-8651	All 5 Boroughs	
METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT CENTER 1049 38 th Street Brooklyn, NY 11219 Contact: Shoshana Klein 718-633-3334 ext 12	Brooklyn Queens	Miriam R Husarsky
Sara Rooz 1551 49 th Street Brooklyn NY 11219 718-435-9861	Brooklyn	
Eileen A. Saqqal 78 Albion Place Staten Island, NY 10308 718-876-0783	Staten Island	

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Shirley Simon
2723 Avenue L
Brooklyn, NY 11210
718-253-3049

Brooklyn

Orientation & Mobility Services

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DEAF & HARD OF HEARING
INTERPRETING SERVICES INC
47-43 Vernon Blvd.
Long Island City, NY 11101
Contact: Joshua Finkle
718-433-1092

Melanie Girshick
Samona M James
Maria Micioni