

Acronyms and Abbreviations

PHP-c38

A

A & D

Alcohol and drug

AAC

Augmentative and Alternative Communication

AAMD

American Association on Mental Deficiency

AAMR

American Association on Mental Retardation

AB

Adaptive Behavior

ABC

American Council of the Blind

ABE

Adult Basic Education

ABS

Adaptive Behavior Scale

ACB

American Council of the Blind

ACCH

Association for the Care of Children's Health

ACLD

Association for Children with Learning Disabilities

ACRES

American Council on Rural Special Education

ADA

Americans with Disabilities Act

ADD

Administration on Developmental Disabilities (Washington DC)

ADD

Attention-Deficit Disorder

ADHD

Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

ADL

Activities of Daily Living

ADR

Alternative Dispute Resolution

AED

Academy for Educational Development

AFB

American Foundation for the Blind

AFT

American Federation of Teachers

AG Bell

Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

AIDS

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

ALC

Alternative Learning Center

AMI

Alliance for the Mentally Ill

AOM

Assurance of Mastery

AOTA

American Occupational Therapy Association

APE

Adaptive Physical Education

APHB

American Printing House for the Blind

APTA

American Physical Therapy Association

ARC

Now Arc, Formerly known as Association for Retarded Citizens

ARD

Admission, Review, and Dismissal Committee

ASA

Autism Society of America

ASD

Autistic Spectrum Disorder

ASDC

American Society for Deaf Children

ASHA

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association

ASL

American Sign Language

ASR

Assessment Summary Report

AT

Assistive Technology

ATA

Alliance for Technology Access

ATRA

American Therapeutic Recreation Association

ATTIC

Assistive Technology Training and Information Center

AU

Autism

AVA

American Vocational Association

AVTI

Area Vocational Technical Institute

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B

BD

Behavior Disorders

BIA

Brain Injury Association

BIA

Bureau of Indian Affairs

BIP

Behavior Intervention Plan

BP

Behavior Problems

C

CA

Chronological Age

CAN

Child Abuse and Neglect

CAP

Community Action Program

CAP

Corrective Action Plan

CAPD

Central Auditory Processing Disorder

CARF

Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities

CASE

Council for Administrators of Special Education

CASSP

Child and Adolescent Services System Program

CCD

Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities

CD

Communication Disorder

CEC

Council for Exceptional Children

CEU

Continuing Education Units

CF

Cystic Fibrosis

CFL

(Dept. of) Children, Families and Learning

CFR

Code of Federal Regulations

CHADD

Children and Adults with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder

ChIPS

Child in Need of Protective Services

ChINS

Child in Need of Services

CIC

Clean Intermittent Catheterization

CIL

Center for Independent Living (Division of Vocational Rehabilitation)

CLE

Center for Law and Education

CM

Case Manager

CMHC

Community Mental Health Center

CMI

Chronically Mentally Ill

CO-OP

Cooperative (Special Education Cooperative)

COTA

Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant

CP

Cerebral Palsy

CPR

Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation

CPRC

Community Parent Resource Center

CPS

Child Protective Services

CR

Compliance Review

CRC

Certified Rehabilitation Counselor

CSPD

Comprehensive System of Personnel Development

CSSA

Community Social Services Act

CST

Child Study Team

CTIC

Community Transition Interagency Committee

D**DAC**

Developmental Achievement Center

D/APE

Developmental/Adapted Physical Education

DAS

Division of Assistance to States, U.S. Department of Education

D/B

Deaf-Blind

DD

Developmental Delay

DD

Developmental Disabilities

DD Act

Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act

DEC

Division of Early Childhood

DHH

Deaf and Hard of Hearing

DHHS

United States Department of Health and Human Services

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DHS

Department of Human Services

DLC

Developmental Learning Center

DMH

Division of Mental Health

DoDDS

Department of Defense Dependent Schools

DOE

Department of Education (United States or state)

DOL

Department of Labor

DREDF

Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund

DRS

Division of Rehabilitation Services

DS

Down Syndrome

DSE

Director of Special Education or Division of Special Education

DSI

Dual Sensory Impairment

DVR

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

E

EA

Educational Assistant

E/BD

Emotional/Behavior Disorders

EC

Early Childhood

ECE

Early Childhood Education

ECFE

Early Childhood Family Education

ECS

Education Commission of the States

ECSE

Early Childhood Special Education

ECSU

Educational Cooperative Service Unit

ED

Education Department

ED

Emotionally Disturbed

EDGAR

Education Department General Administrative Regulations

EE

Extended Evaluation

EEG

Electroencephalogram

EEOC

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

EH

Emotionally Handicapped

EI

Early Intervention

EKG

Electrocardiogram

EMH

Educable Mentally Handicapped

EMR

Educable Mentally Retarded

EPS

Early and Periodic Screening

EPSDT

Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment Program

ERIC

Educational Resources Information Center

ESD

Extended School Day

ESEA

Elementary and Secondary Education Act

ESL

English as a Second Language

ESY

Extended School Year

EYS

Extended Year Services

F

FAB

Functional Analysis of Behavior

FAE

Fetal Alcohol Effect

FAPE

Families and Advocates Partnership for Education

FAPE

Free and Appropriate Public Education

FAS

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome

FBA

Functional Behavioral Assessment

FC

Facilitated Communication

FERPA

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

FFCMH

Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health

FOIA

Freedom of Information Act

FRC

Federal Resource Center

FTE

Full-Time Equivalent

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G

GE

General Education

GED

General Equivalency Diploma

GJTC

Governor's Job Training Council

GLARRC

Great Lakes Area Regional Resource Center

GLD

General Learning Disability

GT

Gifted and Talented

H

HECB

Higher Education Coordinating Board

HF

House File

HHS

Health and Human Services

HI

Hearing Impairment

I

I & R

Information and Referral

IA

Instructional Assistant

IAES

Interim Alternative Educational Setting

ICC

Interagency Coordinating Council

ICF/MR

Intermediate Care Facility for Persons with Mental Retardation

IDEA

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (formerly EHA)

IDELR

Individuals with Disabilities Law Reporter

IEE

Independent Education Evaluation

IEIC

Interagency Early Intervention Committee

IEP

Individualized Education Program

IFSP

Individual Family Service Plan

IHE

Institute of Higher Education

IHP

Individualized Habilitation Plan

IIP

Individual Interagency Intervention Plan

IL

Independent Living

ILC

Independent Living Center

IPE

Individual Plan of Employment

IPP

Individual Program Plan

IQ

Intelligence Quotient

IRS

Internal Revenue Service

ISD

Independent School District

ISP

Individual Service Plan

ITP

Individual Transition Plan

IVT

Individual Vocational Training

IWRP

Individual Written Rehabilitation Plan

J

JTPA

Job Training Partnership Act

K

K-12

Kindergarten through Grade Twelve

L

LCC

Local Coordinating Committee

LD

Learning Disability

LDA

Learning Disability Association of America

LEA

Local Education Agency

LEP

Limited English Proficiency

LI

Low Incidence Handicapping Conditions

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LIA

Local Interagency Agreement

LRA

Least Restrictive Alternative

LRE

Least Restrictive Environment

LSW

Licensed Social Worker

LTSE/WA/WC Long Term Sheltered Employment/Work Activity/Work Component

LVA

Low Vision Aid

M

MA

Medical Assistance

MA

Mental Age

MBD

Minimal Brain Dysfunction

MCH

Maternal and Child Health

MCR

Multi-Categorical Resource

MCSHN

Minnesota Children with Special Health Needs

MD

Multiple Disabilities

MD

Muscular Dystrophy

MH

Mental Health

MH

Mentally Handicapped

MH

Multiple Handicap

MI

Mental Illness

MI/HI

Mentally Ill/Hearing Impaired (Persons)

MMPI

Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory

MPH

Indicates a Master's Degree in Public Health

MR

Mental Retardation

N

NAD

National Association of the Deaf

NADDC

National Association of Developmental Disabilities Councils

NAEYC

National Association for the Education of Young Children

NAMI

National Alliance for the Mentally Ill

NAPAS

National Association of Protection and Advocacy Systems
NAPVI
National Association for Parents of Children with Visual Impairments
NARIC
National Rehabilitation Information Center
NASBE
National Association of State Boards of Education
NASDSE
National Association of State Directors of Special Education
NASMRPD
National Association of State Mental Retardation Program Directors
NASNSA
National Association of Special Needs State Administrators
NAVESNP
National Association of Vocational Education Special Needs Personnel
NCA
North Central Association (of Colleges and Schools)
NCD
National Council on Disability
NCIL
National Council on Independent Living
NCLD
National Center for Learning Disabilities
NCPIE
National Coalition for Parent Involvement in Education
NDSC
National Down Syndrome Congress
NDSS
National Down Syndrome Society
NDT
Neurodevelopmental Treatment
NEA
National Education Association
NET
National Environment Training (State Services for the Blind)
NFB
National Federation for the Blind
NICHCY
National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities
NICWA
National Indian Child Welfare Association
NIDRR
National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research
NIMH
National Institute of Mental Health
NMHA
National Mental Health Association
NOAH

National Organization of Albinism and Hypopigmentation

NOPBC

National Organization of Parents of Blind Children

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NORD

National Organization for Rare Diseases

NPND

National Parent Network on Disabilities

NPPSIS

National Parent to Parent Support and Information System

NPRM

Notice of Proposed Rule Making

O

O & M

Orientation and Mobility (State Services for the Blind)

OCD

Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder

OCR

Office for Civil Rights

ODD

Oppositional Defiant Disorder

OE

Open Enrollment

OFSS

Office of Family and Social Services

OHI

Other Health Impaired

OI

Orthopedic Impairment

OJT

On-the-Job Training

OMB

Office of Management and Budget

OSEP

Office of Special Education Programs

OSERS

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (Federal)

OT

Occupational Therapy

P

P & A

Protection and Advocacy

PAC

Parent Advisory Council

PAC

Placement Advisory Committee

PACER

Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights

PASS

Plan for Achieving Self-Support

PASS

Program Analysis of Service Systems

PBS

Positive Behavioral Supports

PCA

Personal Care Assistance

PCMR

President's Committee on Mental Retardation

PCP

Person Centered Planning

PD

Physical Disability

PDD

Pervasive Developmental Disorder

PER

Planning, Evaluation and Reporting

PH

Physically Handicapped

PI

Physically Impaired

PIC

Private Industry Council (of Job Training Partnership Act)

PIRC

Parent Information and Resource Center

P.L.

Public Law

PLEP

Present Level of Educational Performance

PMR

Profoundly Mentally Retarded (Person)

POHI

Physically and Other Health Impaired (Persons)

PP

Paraprofessional

PSS

Preschool Screening Program

PT

Physical Therapy

PTA

Parent Teacher Association

PTI

Parent Training and Information Center

PTO

Parent Teacher Organization

PTSA

Parents, Teachers, Students Association

PVE

Pre-Vocational Education

PWI

Projects with Industry

PY

Planning Year

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R

R & T

Research and Training Centers

RFP

Request for Proposal

ROM

Range of Motion

RP

Retinitis Pigmentosa

RRC

Regional Resource Center

RSA

Rehabilitative Services Agency

RSC

Regional Service Center (for Hearing Impaired Persons)

RSS

Regional Services Specialist (Developmental Disabilities Division)

RTB

Radio Talking Book Network (State Services for the Blind)

S

SAT

Standardized Achievement Test

SB

Spina Bifida

SBAA

Spina Bifida Association of America

SBVTE

State Board for Vocational-Technical Education

SE

Special Education

SEA

State Education Agency
SEAC
Special Education Advisory Committee
SED
Serious Emotional Disturbance
SF
Senate File
SI
Sensory Integration
SIB
Self-Injurious Behavior
SIG
State Improvement Grant
SIL
Semi-Independent Living (Facility)
SILS
Semi-Independent Living Services
SLA
Supported Living Arrangements
SLF
Supervised Living Facility
SMH
Severe Mental Handicap
SMHRCY
State Mental Health Representatives for Children and Youth
SNF
Skilled Nursing Facility
SOP/SSP
State Operated Program/State Supported Program
SPA
State Planning Agency
SPOA
Specific Power of Attorney
SS
Social Services
SSB
State Services for the Blind and Visually Handicapped
SSDI
Social Security Disability Insurance
SSI
Supplemental Security Income
SSN
Social Security Number
SST
Student Study Team
SST
Student Support Team
STIC

State Transition Interagency Committee

SVE

Secondary Vocational Education

T

TBI

Traumatic Brain Injury

TDD

Telecommunication Device for the Deaf

TEFRA

Tax Equalization Fiscal Responsibility Act

TMR

Trainable Mentally Retarded (Persons)

TS

Tourette Syndrome

TSA

Tourette Syndrome Association, Inc.

TSES

Total Special Education System

TTY

Teletypewriter

TWWIA

Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act

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U

UAF

University Affiliated Facility (under Developmental Disabilities Act)

UAP

University Affiliated Program

UCP

United Cerebral Palsy Associations

UFARS

Uniform Financial Accounting and Reporting System

USC

United States Code

USOE

United States Office of Education

V

VA

Visual Acuity

VA

Vulnerable Adult

VE

Vocational Education

VH

Visually Handicapped (Persons)

VI

Visual Impairment

Voc Ed

Vocational Education

VR

Vocational Rehabilitation

VSA

Very Special Arts

VTI

Vocational Technical Institute

W

WA

Work Activity

WAC

Work Activity Center

WAT

Work Adjustment Training

WC

Workforce Center

WE

Work Evaluation

WECEP

Work-Experience Career Exploration Program

WED

Work-Experience Disadvantaged Program

WEH

Work-Experience Handicapped Program

WEP

Work Experience Program

WIC

Program for Women, Infants and Children (Nutrition, Education and Food)

WIN

Work Incentive Program

WISC

Intelligence Scale for Children

WRAT

Wide Range Achievement Test

WS

Waivered Services

XYZ

YES

Youth Employment Services