



## General Caregiver Networks

### **Cincinnati Children's Special Connections**

The Cincinnati Children's Special Connections Community connects families and caregivers of children with special health care needs for support and information sharing. This community is sponsored by Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, an Inspire trusted partner. Website:

<https://www.inspire.com/groups/cincinnati-childrens/>

### **Parent to Parent USA**

Parent to Parent provide programs throughout the United States. The program connects parents of children (throughout the lifespan) with disabilities or special health care needs for emotional and informational support. Go online to find a parent to parent program in your area. Website:

<http://www.p2pusa.org/>

### **Family Caregiver Alliance**

A public voice for caregivers, illuminating the daily challenges they face, offering them the assistance they so desperately need and deserve, and championing their cause through education, services, research and advocacy.

Website: <http://caregiver.org>

### **Pacer Center**

Website: <http://www.pacer.org>

PACER Center is a national parent training and information center for families of children and youth with all disabilities from birth to young adults. Parents can find publications, workshops, and other resources to help make decisions about education, vocational training, employment, and other services for their children with disabilities.

### **Sibling Support Project**

Website: <https://www.siblingsupport.org>

National program dedicated to the life-long and ever-changing concerns of millions of brothers and sisters of people with special health, developmental, and mental health concerns. Provides books for and about brothers and sisters, host online groups for teen and adult siblings, and presented workshops on sibling issues internationally and in every state. Also provides local peer support groups for schoolaged brothers and sisters of kids with special needs.

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## Support Groups by Injury

### **Brain Injury Mild Brain Injury Support Group at Drake – Hamilton County**

151 W. Galbraith Rd. Cincinnati, OH 45216

Located in Turner 1 & 2 located on 2nd floor. Meet the 1st Tuesday of every month. From 10:00am-11:30am.

Contact: Melissa Rowland, (513) 317-7019 [mrowland@planswohio.org](mailto:mrowland@planswohio.org)

### **Brain Injury Demands Guidance Education and Support (BRIDGES) – Northern Kentucky Brain Injury Support Group**

A support group for brain injured survivors their family members and caregivers. For more information on times and locations, contact 859-802-4077 or go online at [www.bridgesnky.org](http://www.bridgesnky.org)

### **Disability (Brain Injury, Stroke, Spinal Cord Injury, etc) Support Group – Montgomery County** When: Typically meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month

Time: 1:00-3:00pm

\*Must call and confirm dates and times before coming\*

Open to any age – no children at this time

Access Center for Independent Living (Look for Miami Valley Opportunity Center)

907 W Fifth St. Suite 100

Dayton OH 45404

Call Melody Burba (937) 341-5202 Ext. 1006

Email: [melody.burba@acils.com](mailto:melody.burba@acils.com)

## Stroke

### **Support Group at Drake**

151 W. Galbraith Rd. Cincinnati, OH 45216

Innovation Center (located in back of cafeteria), third Wednesday of the month from 7-9 p.m. Contact: Tracey Sanders, (513) 418-2121

## Seizures

### **Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Cincinnati** – <http://www.epilepsy-ohio.org/epilepsy-foundation-of-greater-cincinnati-and-columbus/>

Provides resources to manage epilepsy and seizures.

Programs include education of seizure recognition and First Aid, support groups, counseling, and camp, as well as, fundraisers and events in the community.

Cincinnati Office:

895 Central Avenue, Suite 550

Cincinnati, OH 45202-5757

Phone: (513) 721-2905

Toll free: (877) 804-2241 Fax:

(513) 721-0799

e-mail: [efgcc@epilepsy-ohio.org](mailto:efgcc@epilepsy-ohio.org)

## Spinal Cord Injury

### **Christopher and Dana Reeve Paralysis Resource Center - National**

Services: Educational materials, information specialists who can provide individualized support via phone/email, online community, peer mentoring program

Website: <http://paralysis.org>

Phone number: 1-800-539-7309

## Trauma

### **Trauma Survivors Network - National**

[www.traumasurvivorsnetwork.org](http://www.traumasurvivorsnetwork.org)

Peer support groups - When you have experienced a major event in your life, like being injured, it is helpful to talk with other people who are facing similar challenges.

Peer visitation - The TSN offers trauma patients an opportunity to talk with a trained peer visitor who can help the newly injured person through this difficult time and serve as a positive role model for the future.

### **Amputation Tristate Amputees – Hamilton County**

Provides amputees of any age, their families, and friends a chance to share their stories, triumphs, and tricks to individuals living with limb-loss.

Meetings are held 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 6:30pm

Church of the Savior UMC

8005 Pfeiffer Road

Montgomery, OH 45242

Call John at 513-616-4860 or Lois at 513-891-2442 for details

Email: [tristateamputees@gmail.com](mailto:tristateamputees@gmail.com)

### **Northern KY Amputee Support Group – Campbell County**

11452 Persimmon Grove Pike

California, Kentucky 41007

859-635-0162

Email: [tilly@fuse.net](mailto:tilly@fuse.net)

Website: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/NorthernKentuckyAmputeeSupportGroup/>

### **Amputee Coalition Certified Peer Visitor Program – National**

If you have had an amputation, are scheduled to have an amputation, were born with a limb difference, or are a parent, spouse, or caregiver of a person with limb loss or limb difference, you may request a peer visit from one of our Certified Peer Visitors.

Request a peer visit online: <https://www.amputee-coalition.org/support-groups-peer-support/certifiedpeer-visitor-program/>

Or call 1-888-267-5669

### **Amputee Coalition of America**

888-267-5669

<https://www.amputee-coalition.org/>

**Orthotic and Prosthetic Activities Foundation** <http://www.opfund.org/>