



# DOWN SYNDROME INNOVATIONS

**A lifetime of support for a  
life full of opportunities.**

Through comprehensive, community-driven services and programs, we enable brighter futures for people of all ages with Down syndrome. We're your trusted partner for every step of the journey.



## Our Promise

Down Syndrome Innovations is your trusted source for **life-changing services** for people with Down syndrome, their families, and communities. Our expert resources, comprehensive support, and partnership with families empower and enable individuals with Down syndrome to live to their **fullest potential**.

## Our Unique Approach

Our **singular focus** on building brighter futures for individuals with Down syndrome gives us a comprehensive understanding of what it takes to realize that vision. For nearly four decades, **we've pioneered best practices** that educate and support the people we serve. We are an expert resource helping communities and families better serve and create new opportunities for people with Down syndrome. **Everyone benefits.**



**Services & Support**  
for people with Down syndrome and their families



**Educational Resources**  
for educators, healthcare professionals, and community members



**Advocacy** on issues that affect the lives of people with Down syndrome

## Our Lifespan Services

Wherever you are on your journey, our expert Lifespan Service Team is with you, continually finding new ways to offer **innovative services for every age and season of life**. Our interdisciplinary therapy team includes speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, and a Board Certified Behavior Analyst. Our customized services include:

### Therapy Services

Our transformational therapeutic services equip the person with Down syndrome and his/her caregivers with skill-building strategies and individualized supports within the home and community. Opportunities range from one-time consultations to a full year of comprehensive, individualized programming.

### Expectant & New Parent Support

We offer diagnosis support and education, family support gatherings, referrals; and resources every step of the way.

### Playgroups for Young Children

Designed by our therapy team, playgroups promote the development and learning of children 6 years old and younger, and provide education to caregivers to support positive life trajectories.

### Social Programs for School-Age Children

Our programs for 6-12 year olds provide inclusive and fun opportunities to learn and practice essential social and communication skills, participate in meaningful movement activities, explore new leisure activities, and make friends.

### Educational Programs for Teens

Our programs for 12-18 year olds focus on building independence and confidence, practicing essential social skills, empowering self-advocacy and preparing for a meaningful and productive life after high school.

### Adult Services

Our programs for adults 18 years and older focus on maximizing independence, increasing productivity, integrating in the community, preparing for employment, and learning essential social skills. Opportunities range from daily and intensive education in our on-site ACE program (Adult Continuing Education), weekly evening programs, to quarterly gatherings.

\*Teletherapy and virtual options are available for many of our services. Inquire about virtual options for the services above.

## Here for you at every stage of the journey



**Expectant Parents**  
Resources and support after a diagnosis of Down syndrome



**New Parents**  
Connection & information for healthy, happy beginnings



**Childhood**  
Programs and support for developmental progress and social success



**Teen Years**  
Opportunities & guidance for building skills and reaching potential



**Adulthood**  
Community & continuing education for supported independence



**Late Adulthood**  
Resources & support for continued quality of life

Lifespan therapeutic and educational services and community connection for enhanced wellbeing



## What People Are Saying

*"It's lonely, and it's a hard journey, and they help when things are really hard.*

***They are 100% on your side, on your team, cheering you on."***

- Heather League, Mother of a 5-year old with Down syndrome and Cortical Visual Impairment

*"They have provided hope and the tools they equip us with are priceless.*

*They are patient and celebrate our successes with us. **My daughter, husband, and I walk out of our sessions a little taller...** the best investment our family has made this year."*

- Penny Postoak-Ferguson, Mother of a 10-year old with Down syndrome

*"This organization has made grandparenting even more wonderful! Each service we participate in helps us better appreciate, understand, and support our beloved granddaughter. This team has such great resources, tossing in **fantastic tips and tools that make us all feel so much more informed, confident, and connected.** Most of all, we love witnessing the great progress our beloved child is making."*

- Deborah Shouse and Ron Zoglin, grandparents of young child with Down syndrome


*"Your team is stellar. Your professionalism shines through in all interactions with the Adult Continuing Education participants. You all have the utmost level of patience when dealing with these adults, who have special needs.*

***Your expectations are high as is the level of fun.*** *Teaching these individuals how to be successful in life is an obvious goal of yours and I see them learning much while in your program."*

- Breanna Wiebe, Community Job Coach




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