

Support Groups for Specific Interests - In Kane County

Group Name	Town/Area	Contact	Phone	Purpose of Group	Meeting Info
AboutFace USA www.aboutfaceUSA.org	Batavia	Rickie Anderson AboutFaceUS@aol.com	888-486-1209	A parent and patient support program to assist all persons with facial differences to have a positive self-image and self-esteem so that they can participate fully in their communities.	AboutFace provides contacts for Parents of the new baby who need information, emotional support, and the opportunity to link with an experienced parent.
Kane County Autism Information & Support Group	Aurora	kanecountyautism@hotmail.com Karen Lotito 630-299-7932 Rhonda Crowder 630-443-0468		Education and support to parents and families affected by autism	Dates and times vary Please call or email for more info
Epilepsy Parent Support Group http://www.epilepsyfoundation.org/chicago/groups.cfm	Geneva	Debbie Flader dflader@epilepsyichicago.org	312/939-8622 For other regional groups go to: http://www.epilepsyfoundation.org/chicago/groups.cfm Some Hispanic groups	Foundation support groups are facilitated by trained volunteers and attended by professional staff and speakers. All times and dates are subject to change. Prior to attending your first group, please call 312-939-8622 . 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Delnor Community Hospital 300 Randall Rd., Geneva	7 PM, 3rd Thursday every month Rush-Copley Medical Center Healthplex Conference Room 103 1800 Ogden Ave, Aurora
MUMS http://spot4kids.com/mumsguide/support.html	Southern Fox Valley	Candice Hadley	630-554-8989 Or chadley222@earthlink.net	Mostly moms of special needs school age children meeting third Tuesday of the month for fellowship, friendship and discussions of disability-related issues.	Third Tuesday monthly

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Asperger's Syndrome Parent Support Group	Rolling Meadows	Susie Smith by e-mail at chrisandsusie@juno.com	847-255-5465	This group is for parents of children with AS. It offers monthly meetings (with speakers on various topics such as occupational therapy, relationship development interventions), a sibling workshop, a chance to talk with other parents of children with AS.	first Tuesday of each month from 7-9pm. Cardinal Drive Church of Christ 2300 Cardinal Drive Rolling Meadows, IL 60008	
Naperville Asperger's Support Group	Naperville	Jill Holman at jholman@wideopenwest.com	630-904-4110	This group is open to parents, professionals and adults with Asperger's. Meetings are offered and we are adding speakers this season. Social "play" groups are forming in different age groups	Meetings are held the first Thursday of every other month at 7:00 pm at Knox Presbyterian Church, 1105 Catalpa Lane, Naperville. The next meeting will be Nov. 7 (Meeting times are subject to change)	
Parent support group for children with Speech and language disorders website: http://www.csld.org	Elmhurst	Center for Speech and Language Disorders 195 W. Spangle Suite B Elmhurst, IL 60126	630-530-8551 ext.104 or e-mail: info@csld.org	This support group is a way for families to gather with people who really understand what they are experiencing and gain thought provoking information while brainstorming with experts on new ideas and various topics.	Third Tuesday of each month from 6:45 to 8:45 p.m Seating is limited, Please call to sign-up	Free and open to the public
Parent support through the National Association for Down Syndrome http://www.nads.org	Oakbrook	National Association for Down Syndrome P.O. Box 4542 Oak Brook, IL 60522-4542	630-325-9112	Parent Support Program provides trained volunteer to assist and guide parents of newly diagnosed infants with Down Syndrome. Volunteers are all parents of children with Down Syndrome. They provide support, up-to-date information on Down Syndrome, local service information and introduction to community support groups.	Trained volunteer will visit parents with Down Syndrome children in the hospital, home, or wherever the new parents and the volunteer agree to meet. Telephone support offered as needed.	None

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<p>Siblings of Special Needs Children</p> <p>Super Sibs (ages 5 -10)</p>	Naperville	<p>Naperville Pediatric Psychology & Development</p> <p>http://www.napervilleppd.com</p>	630-548-9237	<p>Super Sibs are kids who have a brother or sister with Special Needs.</p> <p>Sibling relationships can be uniquely "special" when one sibling has a disability or chronic health condition. We meet <i>once monthly</i> to talk about and explore experiences that kids may have in common and those that may be unique. This is a structured, therapy-based group incorporating games, crafts and discussion to help children develop a better understanding of what it means to be a Super Sib!</p>	<p>Day: 1st Saturday of each month Time: 9:00 – 11:00 am Dates: 2010- June 5th, July 10th (due to holiday), August 7th</p> <p>Location: Naperville Pediatric Psychology & Development 1220 Hobson Road, Suite 21 Naperville, IL 60540 To register your child for group, please call our office: 630-548-9237</p>	<p>Cost is \$45 per child. 10% sibling discount. Some insurance plans reimburse for group.</p>