

Directory of *Services* for Women & Families in South Carolina



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South Carolina Department of Health
and Environmental Control

DORCHESTER

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Services provided by DHEC (the public health department), DAODAS (Department of Drug and Alcohol Abuse), DSS (Department of Social Services), and DMH (Department of Mental Health) are listed on Page 4.

Services provided by Social Security, the Employment Commission, Vocational Rehab, the Housing Authority, and DDSN (Department of Disabilities and Special Needs) are listed on Page 5.

ADOPTION SERVICES

See toll-free number on Page 8

Dept. of Social Services, Region III
Orangeburg DSS
2570 St. Matthews Rd.
Orangeburg, SC 29116-1087
(803) 515-1846

Child Support Enforcement Regional III

3346 Rivers Ave. - Suite E
North Charleston, SC 29405
(843) 953-9700
Fax: (843) 953-9155
www.state.sc.us/dss/csed

Covering: Allendale, Beaufort,
Berkeley, Calhoun, Charleston,
Colleton, Dorchester, Hampton, Jasper,
Orangeburg

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

ELG: Anyone who has dependent
children under 18 years old

Fee: Refer to Agency

Helps locate a parent who has
abandoned a child, whether that person
has or has not provided financial
support. Helps track down the parent,
who is then made legally responsible
for ongoing support. Will also establish
paternity of child. Service available in
Spanish.

PUBLIC CHILD CARE / DAY CARE SERVICES

Summerville Learning Center
Early Headstart
1325 Boonehill Rd., Suite
A Summerville, SC, 29483
(843) 821-4462
Fax: (843) 821-4462

First Baptist Head Start Center
124 Presley Ave
Summerville, SC, 29483
(843) 821-4442
Fax: (843) 821-4425

**Harleyville-Ridgville Elementary
School-EHS**
1650 East Main St
Dorchester, SC, 29437
(843) 614-7505
Fax: (843) 462-7647

Williams Memorial Elementary-EHS
290 South Metts Street
St George, SC, 29477
(843) 614-7498
Fax: (843) 563-5929

Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

ELG: Underprivileged preschool and
disadvantaged children in the Tri-
county area. Also pregnant women and
children birth-3 yrs.

Fee: NONE

Provides education, social services,
parent involvement; health, disability
programs; and nutrition, visual, dental
and counseling services. Field trips
for children. Classes for children
ages 3 and 4. Hours 8 a.m. - 2 p.m..
Offers 11-month program for birth to
3 yrs. from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Also offers
extended day-care hours. Contact main
and satellite offices for locations and
applications

First Steps
760 Travelers Blvd., Suite A
P.O. Box 606
Summerville, SC 29484
Phone: (843) 873-3507

COUNSELING & MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Mental Health Center, Dorchester County

Charleston/Dorchester MHC
106 Springview Ln.
Summerville, SC 29485
(843) 873-5063 Adult intake
(843) 414-2350 Mobile Crisis
(843) 871-4030 Child, adolescent,
family
1-800-768-2936 Toll-free
1-800-647-2066 TDD
Fax: (843) 851-2110

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

ELG: Anyone in Dorchester County

Fee: Refer to Agency

Prevention, diagnosis and treatment
of mental and emotional disorders.
Provides individual and group
counseling, after care programs,
crisis counseling, referrals to other
community agencies. Child and
adolescent services are available.
Medicaid and Medicare are accepted.
Services available to indigent
consumers. Services available for
hearing-impaired. Spanish-speaking
interpreters available.

TeenLine

P.O. Box 71583
N. Charleston, SC 29415-1583
(843) 747-TEEN (8336)
1-800-273-TALK (8255)
Fax: (843) 744-4377
www.charlestonteenline.org

Hours: M-F 4 - 8 p.m.

ELG: Middle and high school students

Fee: NONE

Trained teens provide general, confidential phone counseling, listening support and crisis intervention on any issue. Information and referral for services in Berkeley, Charleston and Dorchester counties. Volunteer training held three times a year. Please call for more information.

CRISIS/EMERGENCY SERVICES

See hospitals listed under Health Care

CRISIS PREGNANCY SERVICES & ADOPTION CHOICES

See toll-free numbers on Page 9

Lowcountry Pregnancy Center
2810 Ashley Phosphate Rd.
Suite B-12
North Charleston, SC 29418
(843) 553 - 3505

Florence Crittenton - South Carolina
(843) 722-7526
19 St. Margaret Street
Charleston, SC 29403

Alpha Pregnancy Center
345 Farmington Rd.
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 875-5623

Hours: 24 hours a day; Hotline after 4 p.m.
ELG: Anyone
Fee: NONE
An anti-abortion organization that provides free pregnancy testing, education on pregnancy and alternatives to abortion, and childbirth classes. Assists mother and baby with clothing, housing and furnishings. Offers classes on single-parenting and breastfeeding. Counseling and referral for adoption, foster care, medical care and legal assistance.

CRISIS PREGNANCY TERMINATION

See toll free numbers on Page 9

Atlanta Women's Medical Center
(Atlanta, GA)
1-800-877-6332

Family Reproductive Health
(Charlotte, NC)
1-800-952-9034

Greenville Women's Clinic
(Greenville, SC)
1-800-776-0082

Preferred Women's Health Center
(Augusta, GA)
1-800-562-7415

Charleston's Women's Medical Center, LLC
1312 Ashley River Road
Charleston, SC 29407
(843) 571-5161

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Adult Reading Literacy Program
(Dorchester County)
1325-A Boone Hill Rd.
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 832-7851 ext. 12
Fax: (843) 821-3982

Hours: M-Th 8 a.m. - 4p.m., Fri. 8a.m.-3:30p.m.
ELG: Any Adult
Fee: Refer to Agency
Provides assistance to adults who cannot read or who read poorly. Offers English as a Second Language (ESL) also.

Dorchester School District Four
500 Ridge St.
St. George, SC 29477
(843) 563-4535
Fax: (803) 563-9269
www.dorchester4.k12.sc.us

Hours: M-Th 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.;
F 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
ELG: Anyone
Fee: NONE

Main office for Dorchester School District Four. Coordinates K-12 and adult educational programs.

Dorchester School District Two
102 Greenwave Blvd.
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 873-2901
Fax: (843) 873-4053
www.dorchester2.k12.sc.us

Hours: M-Th 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
F 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
ELG: Anyone
Fee: NONE
Coordinates K-12 and adult education programs. Office houses all department heads.

Educational Opportunity Center
(Trident Tech.)
66 Columbus St.
Charleston, SC 29423-8067
(843) 722-5509 (843) 574-6132
(843) 899-8020 (843) 574-6291
Fax: (843) 722-5551
www.tridenttech.edu/eoc

Hours: M-Th 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.,
F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Anyone 19 years and older
Fee: NONE
EOC Education specialists offer assistance and information to help adults enroll in a college of their choice; comprehensive career counseling; assistance with financial aid; admissions applications; and GED counseling and referral.

GED-General Educational Preparation
Trident Technical College
P.O. Box 118067
N. Charleston, SC 29423-8067
(843) 574-6022
Fax: (843) 572-6310
www.tridenttech.edu

Hours: TuTh 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
ELG: Ages 19 and up or high school dropout with principal's recommendation
Fee: \$60 + Text (\$18.75)
Application and courses for preparation of GED exam. Call (843) 574-6152 to register.

Trident Literacy Association
5416-B Rivers Ave., 2nd Floor
N. Charleston, SC 29406
(843) 747-2223 N. Charleston
(843) 553-3448 Goose Creek
(843) 761-6033 Moncks Corner
Fax: (843) 744-2970

www.tridentliteracy.org
Hours: M-Th 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
ELG: Anyone desiring to upgrade their basic skills who is at least 16 and not in school
Fee: One-time \$20 materials fee
Basic reading and math classes, GED preparation, English as a Second Language (ESL) classes and basic computer classes. All classes are open to the public. Call association for times and locations. Volunteers needed as tutors. Please call 747-2223 to register for training.

Wando Community Education Program

1000 Warrior Way
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29466
(843) 881-8272
Fax: (843) 881-8225
www.charlestoncoce.org

Hours: Refer to Agency
ELG: Anyone
Fee: Refer to Agency
Extended Day after-school program in public schools (grades K-5). Personal enrichment classes for children. Adult personal enrichment classes offered in the evening. Computer education classes also offered. Afternoon enrichment classes for senior citizens (55 and over). Refer to agency for dates and times.

GED-Adult Educational
Berkeley - (843) 899-8635
Charleston - (843) 937-6325 or
(843) 937-6407
Dorchester - (843) 873-7372
Trident (843) 574-1800

EMPLOYMENT RESOURCES

Goodwill Industries
2150 Eagle Drive
N. Charleston, SC 29406
(843) 566-0072
Fax: (843) 566-0062
www.palmettogoodwill.org

Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Handicapped persons over age 18
Fee: NONE
Employment for people with barriers to employment. Clothing, furniture and household items sold at a reasonable price to the general public. Fee-based computer training; free jobsearch assistance, resume preparation and career counseling.

Job Lines

174 East Bay Street
Charleston S.C. 29403
(843) 724-7388
Fax: (843) 724-7358
City of Charleston (843) 720-3907
County of Charleston (843) 958-4719
Chas. County Library (843) 805-6811
MUSC (843) 792-7180
Trident Tech. (843) 572-6262 ext. 9029
Trident Med. (843) 727-1306

ELG: Anyone
Fee: NONE
A listing of job positions currently available. Included is the job description, eligibility, etc.

Job Service of Summerville

2885 West 5th North Street;
P.O. Box 1868
Summerville, SC 29484
(843) 821-0695
Fax: (843) 871-1446

Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Ages 16 & up (unless company policy is 14 & up)
Fee: NONE
Provides job placement, job development services, testing and counseling services. Recruits, screens and refers applicants to training programs in the area. Special services for veterans offered. Services available in Spanish.

Trident One-Stop Career Center
1930 Hanahan Rd., Suite 200
N. Charleston, SC 29406
(843) 574-1800 1-888-226-1606
Fax: (843) 574-1808

Hours: M-F 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
ELG: Anyone
Fee: NONE
Services to bring employment, employment training, community education, business training, and human services agencies under one roof.

Houses such agencies as the SC Employment Security Commission, Charleston County Employment Administration, Trident Tech College office, Goodwill Industries, Charleston County Human Services Commission, Charleston/Berkeley County School Districts Adult and Continuing Education, Charleston Area Senior Citizens, Job Corps, CARTA Bus Pass, Chas. and Berk. DSS, Telemon Corp. and SC Vocational Rehabilitation. Services available in Spanish. Also disability access. 1-800-735-2905

Trident One Stop Career Center

1930 Hanahan Rd.
N. Charleston, SC 29405
(843) 574-1800

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Anyone; some screening required
Fee: Refer to agency
Provides skill training and on-the-job training. Matches aptitude with employment in the community and helps individuals find employment. Aptitude, IQ and academic tests given.

Vocational Rehabilitation (Berkeley/Dorchester)

2954 S. Live Oak Dr.
Moncks Corner, SC 29461
1-866-297-6808 (843) 761-6036
Fax: (843) 761-5810 (843) 761-5819

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Must have physical or mental condition which is an impediment to employment
Fee: NONE
Vocational assessment and counseling. Assistance with training and job placement.

FAMILY PLANNING/BIRTH CONTROL SERVICES

Ambulatory Women's Health Services (MUSC)

135 Cannon St.
Charleston, SC 29425
(843) 792-5300
Fax: (843) 953-8950

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Anyone
Fee: Refer to Agency
Complete OB/GYN services. Family planning clinic.

Public Health Department
(Dorchester County)
500 N. Main St. , Suite 9
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 832-0041
Fax: (843) 851-9735

Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
ELG: Anyone in Dorchester County or in SC
Fee: Refer to Agency
Provides counseling, pregnancy tests and birth control information. TB skin tests, AIDS counseling, sexually transmitted disease clinic, prenatal nutrition counseling. Public health education, social work services, WIC services, well child exams, immunizations. Spanish translation service available.

St. George Clinic (Family Planning Only)
201 Gavin St.
St. George , SC 29477
(843) 563-0107 (843) 832-0107
Fax: (843) 563-0147

Hours: Fri. 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
ELG: Residents of Dorchester County
Fee: Refer to Agency
Family Planning only.

FINANCIAL, FOOD, CLOTHING & HOUSING

Berkeley/Dorchester Economic Development Corp.
P.O. Box 609
N. Hwy. 52
Moncks Corner, SC 29430
(843) 761-8244

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Residents of Berkeley and Dorchester County
Fee: NONE
Food pantry, aid with utilities, rent, medical bills, weatherization, etc. Temporary shelter, transitional housing program. Job training, Head Start for entire Tri-county area, job program for youth and adult offenders, child development programs through DSS. Project SHARE helps needy customers pay fuel bills between October 31 - March 31. Elderly, handicapped and low income customers can receive assistance during heating season.

Housing Authority
(covers Dorchester County)
State Office
300-C Outlet Pointe Blvd.
Columbia, SC 29210
Main Phone: (803) 896-9001
1-866-701-0314

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Dorchester County residents.
Provides help in obtaining housing for low income families, elderly, handicapped and those with notes from the city inspector stating their house has been condemned.

Charleston County Human Services Commission
Post Office Box 20968
Charleston, SC 29413
Phone: (843) 723-9285
Fax: (843) 724-6787
(Serving Charleston, Berkeley and Dorchester Counties)

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Residents of Berkeley and Dorchester counties
Fee: NONE
Food pantry, aid with utilities, rent, medical bills, weatherization, etc. Temporary shelter, transitional housing program. Job training, Head Start for entire Tri-county area, job program for youth and adult offenders, child development programs through DSS. Project SHARE helps needy customers pay fuel bills. Distributed October 31 - March 31. Elderly, handicapped and low income customers can receive assistance during heating season.

Crisis Ministries
573 Meeting St.
Charleston, SC 29403
(843) 723-9477
Fax: (843) 723-7563

Hours: M-F 8a.m. - 5p.m. office hours; program hours listed in description
ELG: Anyone (must be sober)
Fee: NONE
Soup kitchen seven days a week, M-Sa 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Su 11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m. Homeless Services:
Men's shelter opens at 6 p.m.. Must be out by 7 a.m. next day. Family Center: open 24 hrs. Both shelters provide evening and breakfast meals. Showers available during p.m. shelter hours for people there.

During office hours, social work, mental health, medical clinic and substance abuse services provided for anyone who is homeless. Will help find permanent shelter. From Sept-May, Wednesdays, 6 - 8 p.m., MUSC holds primary care clinic for anyone.

DSS (Dorch Co/St. George) Aid to Families w/ Dependent Children
903 Duke St.
St. George, SC 29477
(843) 563-4299
Fax: (843) 563-5587

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Residents of Dorchester County in St. George area
Fee: NONE
Money and Medicaid to families in which the children are deprived of the care and support of at least one parent. Some services available in Spanish.
www.state.sc.us/dss/

Medicaid
(Dorchester County-St. George)
201 Johnston St., Bldg. 17
St. George , SC 29477
(843) 563-9524 (843) 832-0112
(843) 563-4337
Fax: (843) 563-9982

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Refer to Agency
Fee: NONE
The Medical Assistance Program, also known as MEDICAID, is a program that pays some medical bills for eligible people with low incomes.

DHHS
Post Office Box 13748
201 Johnson St. Building 17
St. George, SC 29477
(843) 563-4299

DHHS - Summerville Office
Post Office Box 13748
216 Orangeburg Road
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 821-0444

The Benefit Bank at the SC Office of Rural Health
1-800-726-8774

www.thebenefitbank.com

Connects low- to moderate-income families to work supports, tax credits, public benefits, and student financial aid. Completes applications online for several programs simultaneously. Provides a Quick Check which can be performed online to screen for potential program eligibility.

Nehemiah Ministries

4144 O'Hara Ave.
N. Charleston, SC 29405
(843) 566-1691 On-call 24hrs/day
(843) 813-0640 Night-time emergency

Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
ELG: Women in need of temp. housing or assistance
Fee: Refer to Agency
Christian-based program assisting women and children in need with temporary housing, employment and school. No time limit as long as they are working towards independence.

Salvation Army Service Unit
(Dorchester County)

131 S. Main St.
Summerville, SC 29484
(843) 851-2368
Fax: (843) 851-7636

Hours: M-F 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
ELG: Referrals for emergencies only
Fee: NONE
Assistance for utilities, rental assistance, food, clothing, and disaster relief. Furniture for fire victims and individuals moving from a shelter to permanent housing. Distribution of meals for needy families at Thanksgiving and distribution of toys and food for needy families at Christmas. Limited one-time assistance with prescriptions.

Trident United Way (Dorchester County)

117 S. Main St.
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 821-5000
1-800-882-0676 Toll-free
Fax: (843) 851-4152
www.tuw.org

Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
ELG: Refer to agency
Fee: NONE
Involved in fundraising, comprehensive planning and development, public education and awareness, services for the aging, information and referral.

Houses many agencies on-site to serve the community.

WIC (Women Infants & Children)

Summerville Office
500 N. Main Street, Ste. 9
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 832-0041
Toll free: 1-888-553-6844
Fax: (843) 851-9735
www.scdhec.gov

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Income eligibility requirement
Fee: NONE
Provides vouchers for food to pregnant and breastfeeding women or women with children under 5. Program for low income families to insure that children have an adequate diet, to improve birth weight of babies and to provide nutritional education programs. Service in Spanish available.

HEALTH CARE SERVICES

Bon Secours - St. Francis Hospital

CareAlliance Health Services
2095 Henry Tecklenburg Dr.
Charleston, SC 29414-0001
(843) 402-1000
(843) 402-CARE (2273) HealthLine
www.carealliance.com

Hours: 24 hours a day
ELG: Anyone
Fee: Refer to Agency
A 141-bed state-of-the-art acute care facility with the only full-service, fully accredited emergency department West of the Ashley. Services include Women's, Infants' & Children's Services, Digestive Health & Continence Center, the Spine & Sports Medicine Center and Diabetes Treatment Center. Other services include pain management and biofeedback, ambulatory surgery, a speech and hearing clinic and the only Clinical Pastoral Education program in the Low country.

Charleston Memorial Hospital

326 Calhoun St.
Charleston, SC 29401
(843) 792-2300
www.musc.edu/cmh
Hours: 24 hours a day
ELG: Anyone
Fee: Refer to Agency

Provides general hospital services including an emergency room and clinics. Provides to community, free of charge, a variety of seminars, workshops and special needs projects related to health issues and community needs through MUSC. Pastoral care, vocational rehabilitation and pharmacy available. With DSS, MIAP, Medicaid, and financial counseling available. Some service available in Spanish.

Public Health Department
(Dorchester County)

500 N. Main St., Suite 9
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 832-0041
Fax: (843) 851-9735

Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Anyone in Dorchester County or in SC
Fee: Refer to Agency
Provides counseling, pregnancy tests and birth control information. TB skin tests, AIDS counseling, sexually transmitted disease clinic, prenatal nutrition counseling. Public health education, social work services, WIC services, well child exams, immunizations. Spanish translation service available.

Public Health Department
(St. George)

201 Gavin St.
St. George, SC 29477
(843) 563-0107 (843) 832-0107
Fax: (843) 563-0147

Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
ELG: Residents of Dorchester County
Fee: Refer to Agency
Provides child health/EPSTD, children rehabilitative services, birth control, health education, health promotion, HIV/AIDS, immunizations, nutrition, sexually transmitted disease control, social work, vital statistics, WIC (Women, Infants & Children), breastfeeding promotion and Medicaid information. TB screens and counseling.
Environmental health: (843) 821-9524.
Home health: (843) 875-8510.
Service available in Spanish.

HealthLine (CareAlliance)

- St. Francis Hospital
 CareAlliance Health Services
 20 Teckleburg Drive
 Charleston, SC 29414
 (843) 402-2273 or 402-1000
 Fax: (843) 750-5761
 www.carealliance.com

Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

ELG: Anyone

Fee: NONE

Provides information on different health topics, physician referral, support group information and information on various classes offered at Roper and Bon Secours - St. Francis Hospitals.

MUSC Hospital

169 Ashley Avenue
 Charleston, SC 29425
 (843) 792-2300

www.musc.edu/medcenter/muschosp.html

Hours: 24 hours a day

ELG: Anyone

Fee: Refer to Agency

General hospital services, trauma center and clinics. Interpreters available for many languages.

Nurse-Midwifery Services

MUSC Family Medicine Center
 295 Calhoun Street
 Charleston, SC 29425
 (843) 792-3451 Appointments
 (843) 792-1788 Nurse Midwifery office
 Fax: (843) 792-1207

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

ELG: Women needing health care for childbearing or gynecological needs. Infant and children, birth to 18 years.
 Fee: Refer to Agency. Free pregnancy test, prenatal care including labor, delivery and postpartum management, annual physical, Pap smears, high school and college physicals, birth control/family planning (Norplant, birth control shot, birth control pills, Diaphragms, IUD's). Treatment of STD's, immunizations, well-baby and child check-ups, sick child check-ups and treatment, counseling of children, counseling on behavior and coping issues, and referrals given to pediatric specialists in the community. Certification required for eligibility for family planning. Labwork on-site. Breastfeeding and lactation consultant services.

Roper Hospital

CareAlliance Health Services
 316 Calhoun St.
 Charleston, SC 29401
 (843) 789-1751
 (843) 402-CARE (402-2273) for info about services
 www.carealliance.com

Hours: 24 hours a day

ELG: Anyone

Fee: Refer to agency

A 453-bed acute care facility and regional referral center located in downtown Charleston, offering the latest technology and treatment at Roper Heart Center, Roper Cancer Center, Roper Neuroscience Center and through Women's, Infants' & Children's Services. Additional services include Orthopedic care and the Joint Replacement Center, Bloodless Medicine and Surgery program, Sleep-Wake Disorders Center, Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy, ambulatory surgery and a 24-hour emergency room.

Trident Medical Center

9330 Medical Plaza Dr.
 Charleston, SC 29406-9195
 (843) 797-7000
 1-866-TRI-DENT
 (874-9962) -- Toll-free

Hours: 24 hours a day

ELG: Anyone

Fee: Refer to Agency

Hospitals and Medical Centers:
 Daniel Island Medical Center 216-5072
 Moncks Corner Medical Center 761-8721
 Summerville Medical Center 832-5000
 Trident Medical Center 797-7000
 For information concerning programs and support groups (see list below) dial 797-FIND (3463), M-Sa 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

SPECIAL NEEDS**Children's Rehabilitative Services (CRS) Medical University of SC**

19 Hagood Ave.
 Charleston, SC 29425
 (843) 792-3561
 Fax: (843) 792-4695

BabyNet

MUSC, c/o CRS
 19 Hagood Ave.
 Charleston, SC 29425
 (843) 792-3561
 Fax: (843) 792-4695

DDSN

(843) 871-1285

Family Connections

1-800-578-8750

Federation of Families

1-866-779-0402

Child and Parent Support - for children w/ mental health needs

LEGAL AID**Family Court (Dorchester County)**

P.O. Box 1885
 Summerville, SC 29484-1885
 (843) 832-0360 Summerville
 (843) 832-0160 St. George
 Fax: (843) 832-0359

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

ELG: Refer to Agency

Fee: Refer to Agency

Original and exclusive jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to children under 17 years old where the child is dealt with as a delinquent. Must have attorney and must go through the Department of Juvenile Justice. Hears divorce, custody, support, adoption and domestic abuse (restraining order) cases

Guardian Ad Litem Program, Governors Office (Dorc.)

310 North Gum Street
 Summerville, SC 29483
 (843) 875-9842
 Fax: (843) 875-6679

Hours: M-F 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

ELG: Children involved in DSS cases

Fee: NONE

Appoints volunteers to act as special advocates for children involved in Family Court DSS cases. Guardians investigate, oversee child's care and services, and represent the child in court.

Lawyer Referral Service, SC

950 Taylor St.
 Columbia, SC 29202
 1-800-868-2284 (803) 733-7100
 www.scbarr.org/public.asp

Hours: M-F 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

ELG: Anyone

Fee: \$25 consultation fee for 30 minutes. Referral to a lawyer who will see client for 1/2 hour for a low fee. Further services and fees are subject to discussion and agreement between the attorney and the client.

Office of Ombudsman

Governor's Division
1205 Pendelton St. Room 447
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 734-5049
(803) 734-0285
Client Assistance Program (CAP)
(803) 734-1147 TDD
Fax: (803) 734-0546
www.myscgov.com

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Anyone
Fee: NONE

Investigates complaints involving public agencies and organizations, provides information regarding community resources and assists constituents in obtaining benefits and services entitled to them, refers constituents for various health and human services needs, and provides general information in reference to our state and the First Family. Also offers the Client Assistance Program (CAP) which provides information and advocacy for clients or applicants of the South Carolina Vocational Rehabilitation Department, Commission for the Blind, or Independent Living Program.

Probate Court (Dorchester County)

101 Ridge St.
St. George, SC 29477
(843) 563-0105
Fax: (843) 563-0245

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Mental and drug and alcohol commitments. Must have referral from another agency.
Fee: Refer to Agency
Involuntary psychiatric commitment to state hospital. Involuntary commitment for drug and alcohol abuse treatment. Appoints guardians and conservator for those persons who are incapacitated and are no longer capable of handling his/her assets or making important decisions. Minor settlements

Victim Assistance
(Dorchester Solicitor's Office)
140 N. Main St., Suite 102
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 871-2640
Fax: (843) 871-2643

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Any victims of crime in Dorchester County -- general sessions court only
Fee: NONE

Advocacy for victims of violent and misdemeanor (general sessions) crimes. Victim is notified of progress from crime to court -- notification of progress may go to police first and process may take four to eight weeks after crime. Assists victims in filling out compensation forms, supplying information and providing courtroom escort and advocacy.

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE
SUPPORT & TREATMENT
PROGRAMS**

Alcoholics Anonymous

Tri-county Intergroup Office
3005 W. Montague Ave.
Charleston, SC 29418
(843) 554-2998
(843) 723-9633 Hotline
Fax: (843) 554-7835
www.charleston.net/org/aa/

Hours: 24 hours a day
ELG: Anyone
Fee: NONE
Help for people with alcohol problems. Answering service will have an AA member return the call and arrange to meet with and take the caller to an AA meeting. Will give meeting time for a signer for the hearing impaired. Sale of AA literature. Provides an AA reading room.

**Center for Drug and Alcohol
Programs (CDAP)**

MUSC Department of Psychiatry
29 Leinbach Drive
Charleston, SC 29407
(843) 792-5200 Intensive Outpatient
(843) 792-9888 Inpatient Admission
(843) 792-8162 Outpatient Counseling
Fax: (843) 792-5750

Hours: See program description.
ELG: Anyone

Fee: Insurance, Medicaid/care
Substance abuse/dual diagnosis treatment center. Services include: diagnostic assessment, inpatient and outpatient detoxification and treatment, medical detox and rehab, acupuncture, day treatment, intensive outpatient treatment, adolescent dual diagnosis program. In-patient - 24 hours a day. Intensive outpatient, evening groups. Intensive out patient: M, Tu, Th, F, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. plus individual counseling, medication management.

Outpatient appointments are variable throughout the week. For CDAP research opportunities, call 792-2727 and speak with Kenna or Sarah. Active suicidality is NOT a prerequisite for clinical treatment.

**Dorchester Alcohol and Drug
Commission**

500 N. Main St., Suite 4
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 871-4790
Fax: (843) 871-8579
www.dadc.org

Hours: M-Th 8:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.
F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Anyone in Tri-county area
Fee: Refer to Agency
Dedicated to providing area residents with high quality, yet affordable, evaluation, treatment and prevention services for alcohol and drug problems, as well as other personal or family issues that require counseling. Intensive outpatient therapy, domestic violence programs for victims and perpetrators. Offers ADSAP program for DUI offenders.

Narcotics Anonymous (NA)

P.O. Box 60877
Charleston, SC 29406
(843) 852-3001 Helpline
(843) 720-8031
(843) 875-1130 Electronic Meeting List
http://www.cma.org

Hours: 24 hours a day
ELG: Anyone with drug-related problems
Fee: NONE
Anonymous support group for drug abusers. Refer to agency for meeting times and locations. Uses the 12-step approach to addictions.

New Life Program
Charleston Center
5 Charleston Center Dr.
Charleston, SC 29401
(843) 722-0100
Fax: (843) 958-3518

Hours: 24 hours a day
ELG: Substance-dependent pregnant or postpartum women with children ages 0-5.

Fee: Refer to Agency
Substance abuse treatment program for pregnant and parenting women and their children age birth thru 5 yrs old. Services include education, life-skills, group and individual counseling, parenting classes, relapse prevention, and mental health services. Residential situation with average stay of six weeks. Therapeutic child care is a part of the New Life Program.

Step Ahead

Charleston Center
5 Charleston Center Drive
Charleston, SC 29401
(843) 722-0100 or (843) 958-3542
Fax: (843) 958-3554

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Women ages 17+ and a maximum of 2 children, birth to 8 years of age from the Tri-county area

Fee: Refer to Agency
An intervention program for women with serious alcohol and drug problems. Provides transitional housing to women in need of a safe recovery environment while undergoing intensive treatment on site. Services include group therapy, individual counseling, family counseling, therapeutic child care, plus education, health, life skills and vocational training and awareness. Contact Lola King at (843) 958-3548 for intake information.

Youth Programs

Charleston Center
5 Charleston Center Dr.
Charleston, SC 29401
(843) 722-0100
Fax: (843) 958-3313

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Substance abusing adolescents and their families, children of addicted parents

Fee: Refer to Agency
Intensive outpatient, outpatient, alcohol and drug awareness (ADA), SciP (school program). Agencies available in Dorchester (843) 871-8579 and Berkeley (843) 577-9181 counties.

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

BCD - Rural Transportation

Management Association
305 Heatley St.
Moncks Corner, SC 29461
(843) 899-4096 1-800-966-6631
Fax: (843) 899-6553

Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Tri-county residents
Fee: Call for information
Provides affordable public transportation through the Tri-county area.

Medicaid Transportation

Access 2 Care
1-855-777-1255

Non-Medicaid Transportation

Dept. of Social Services
(843) 832-0112

**VIOLENCE, NEGLECT
& ABUSE RELATED
RESOURCES**

Domestic Abuse Shelter

My Sister's House
P.O. Box 71171
N. Charleston, SC 29406
(843) 225-9311
1-800-273-HOPE 4673
Fax: (843) 747-6592
www.charleston.net/org/mysister

Hours: Call for information
ELG: Battered women
Fee: NONE
Support groups for women dealing with domestic abuse issues. Groups sponsored by My Sister's House. Meetings held in Summerville, Goose Creek, Charleston, N. Charleston and Moncks Corner. Service available in Spanish by appointment.

DSS (Dorchester County) Adult

Protective Services
216 Orangeburg Rd.
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 821-0444 (843) 563-9524
Fax: (843) 563-9982

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Anyone in Dorchester County
Fee: NONE

Takes reports of elderly abuse or neglect. Caseworker will investigate abuse and neglect from all parties (relative, neighbor, etc.) Reports are kept absolutely confidential. Services available in Spanish

DSS (Dorchester County) Child

Protective Services
216 Orangeburg Rd.
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 821-0444
(843) 563-9524 St. George
Fax: (843) 875-8528
www.state.sc.us/dss/

Hours: 24 hours a day
ELG: Anyone in Dorchester County
Fee: NONE

Takes report of child abuse or neglect. Caseworkers will investigate abuse and neglect reports from all parties (relative, neighbor, etc.). Reports are kept absolutely confidential. Service available in Spanish.

Family Violence Treatment Center

3175 W. Montague Ave.
N. Charleston, SC 29405
(843) 745-9111
Fax: (843) 747-2657
www.familyviolence.com

Hours: Call for information
ELG: Residents of the Tri-county area
Fee: Refer to Agency
Provides specialized psychotherapeutic services for perpetrators of physical, sexual and emotional abuse through nationally trained professionals and certified programs. Has programs set up to address anger management, domestic violence and sexual abuse.

For the Victims

Family Services
4925 LaCross Dr., Suite 215
Charleston, SC 29406
(843) 744-1348
Fax: (843) 744-2886
www.familyserviceschassc.com

Hours: M-F 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Anyone
Fee: NONE
Educational group for victims of abusive relationships. Also offers anger management.

**Lowcountry Children's Center,
The Dee Norton**

1061 King St.
Charleston, SC 29403
(843) 723-3600
Fax: (843) 720-7106

www.lowcountrychildrenscenter.org

Hours: M-F 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Abused and victimized children in tri-county area
Fee: Sliding scale
Provides a safe, supportive child-focused environment for the delivery of services to children who are abused. Also can assess children when abuse is suspected. Parent support offered. Medical exams and treatment provided. Services available in Spanish.

People Against Rape (PAR)

2154 N. Center Street, Ste. 302-C
N. Charleston, SC 29406
(843) 745-0144
1-800-241-7273 (24 hours)
Fax: (843) 745-0119

www.peopleagainstrape.org

Hours: M-F 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
ELG: Victims and anyone concerned about rape, past or present
Fee: NONE
PAR is the rape crisis center for the Tri-county. Crisis counseling, advocacy, Information & Referral for recent and past victims of sexual assault and sexual abuse. Provides same services for family members and friends of rape victims. Staffs a 24 hour crisis line and accompanies victims to a local hospital for medical exam. PAR offers confidential support groups for rape survivors and adult survivors of childhood sexual assault. PAR educates the community about sexual assault by speaking to community organizations and local schools. Service available in limited Spanish.

Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner

(S.A.N.E. Dorch. County)
Trident Medical Center
9330 Medical Plaza Drive
N. Charleston, SC 29406
(843) 797-8860 ER
Fax: (843) 797-4972

Hours: 24 hours a day
ELG: Anyone in Dorchester County who has been sexually assaulted
Fee: NONE
The SANE unit is designed for sexual assault examinations to provide care in a non-threatening environment for Dorchester County. Facility uses Language Line - by phone, over 140 languages