



WHAT DO ALL THOSE LETTERS MEAN?

When attending an LICC meeting you may hear some of the following acronyms. This is a handy guide to help with the most common ones.

LICC

Local Interagency Coordinating Council

Purpose – The Davidson County Local Interagency Coordinating Council (DC LICC) is a coalition of volunteers working to educate the community about the services, companies, and governmental programs available to families with special needs children

Web Site – www.dclicc.org

SICC

(North Carolina) State Interagency Coordinating Council

Purpose – Meets quarterly to advise and guide the North Carolina departments of Health and Human Services and Public Instruction and other agencies regarding services for children with special needs ages birth through 5 years old

Web Site – <http://www.ncei.org/ei/ncicc.html>

SSDC – Smart Start of Davidson County

Purpose – Smart Start of Davidson County, Inc. is the non-profit organization charged with implementing North Carolina's Smart Start and More at Four school readiness programs for children birth through age five. This organization has a successful record of improving the quality of child care, parenting resources, access to health care, and other support systems for Davidson County children.

Web Site – <http://www.partnershipforchildren.org/>

IEP

Individualized Education Plan

Purpose – The passage of the updated version of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA 2004) made parents of kids with special needs even more crucial members of their child's education team. Parents can now work with educators to develop a plan – the individualized education program (IEP) – to help kids succeed in school. The IEP describes the goals the team sets for a child during the school year, as well as any special support needed to help achieve them.

Web Site – <http://kidshealth.org/parent/growth/learning/iep.html>

IFSP

Individualized Family Service Plan

Purpose – An Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) documents and guides the early intervention process for children with disabilities and their families. The IFSP is the vehicle through which effective early intervention is implemented in accordance with Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). It contains information about the services necessary to facilitate a child's development and enhance the family's capacity to facilitate the child's development. Through the IFSP process, family members and service providers work as a team to plan, implement, and evaluate services tailored to the family's unique concerns, priorities, and resources.

Web Site – http://www.kidneeds.com/diagnostic_categories/articles/indivfamilyserviceplan.htm

CDSA

Children's Developmental Services Agency

Purpose – Early intervention is a term that often is used to describe specific agencies, programs, services, and resources. In North Carolina, early intervention refers to the system of services provided by many different agencies and programs for children birth to five and their families. This comprehensive, interagency system is called Together We Grow. There are two parts of Together We Grow - the [Infant-Toddler Program](#) for children birth to three and the [Preschool Program](#) for children ages three to five. The North Carolina Interagency Coordinating Council is an advisory group to both programs, and focuses on the birth to five age range.

Web Site – <http://www.ncei.org/ei/>



PAT

Parents as Teachers

Purpose – All children will learn, grow and develop to realize their full potential.

Our Mission is to provide the information, support and encouragement parents need to help their children develop optimally during the crucial early years of life.

Web Site – <http://www.parentsasteachers.org/>

LEA

Local Education Agency

Purpose – Local Education Agency (LEA) is a commonly used synonym for a [school district](#), an entity which operates local public primary and secondary schools in the [United States](#)

CSC

Child Service Coordinator

Purpose – The Child Service Coordination program is a free and voluntary case management/ care coordination program that strives to improve healthcare for families with children that are at risk for or diagnosed with developmental delays or special needs. The child service coordinator case managers are all registered nurses that are experience in working with families and children.

SRS

School Readiness Specialist

IBKF

Itty Bitty Kiddie Festival

Purpose – A family resource fair for families with children birth to age five.

Web Site – http://www.partnershipforchildren.org/calendar_events-conf.htm

ECAC

Exceptional Children's Assistance Center

Purpose – ECAC is North Carolina's Parent Center and is committed to improving the lives and education of ALL children. We hope the information you find here is helpful and that you will come back often!

Established in 1983, ECAC offers a variety of projects and services designed to meet the needs of NC parents, families, students, educators, and other professionals

Web Site – <http://www.ecac-parentcenter.org/>

CCS

Child Care Subsidy

Purpose – Using a combination of state and federal funds, North Carolina provides subsidized child care services to a large number of eligible families. This chapter provides a general profile of child care services and the Subsidized Child Care (SCC) Program

Web Site – <http://info.dhhs.state.nc.us/olm/manuals/dcd/ccs/man/>

DSS

Department of Social Services

Purpose – The Davidson County Department of Social Services is dedicated to providing opportunities, which assure personal dignity and self-sufficiency for all citizens. We assist individuals and families in reaching these goals through economic support programs, which ensure that food, shelter, medical care and other basic needs are met. Social work services promote self-determination, enhance family functioning and protect children and disabled adults from abuse, neglect and exploitation. We advocate for services that improve the quality of life for individuals and families, affirm each individual's worth, and encourage personal responsibility in decision-making. We believe that in helping others, we create a stronger community for everyone.

Web Site – http://www.co.davidson.nc.us/government/Department_Portal.aspx?cd=22%20

TPP

Teen Parent Program

Purpose – (DESCRIPTION NEEDED. Email contact@dclicc.org)

Web Site – (DESCRIPTION NEEDED. Email contact@dclicc.org)



SPECIALIZED TERMS

CP
Cerebral Palsy

OT / PT / ST
Occupational Therapy / Physical Therapy / Speech Therapy

VI & HI
Visual Impairment & Hearing Impairment