

KEY ASSOCIATIONS AND AGENCIES

NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS	STATE ASSOCIATIONS
ASHA National organization supporting speech-language pathologists, audiologists, students, research, advocacy, and professional development	ISHA association supporting Illinois speech-language pathologists and audiologists through advocacy and education.
National Aphasia Association Provides education, resources, support, and advocacy for people living with aphasia and their families.	ILGA.GOV Official Illinois government website providing state services, information, and resources.
National Stuttering Association Offers support groups, education, and advocacy for people who stutter.	Literacy Chicago Provides adult literacy, English language learning, and educational support programs.
American Academy of Private Practice in Speech Pathology and Audiology Supports private practitioners through networking, education, advocacy, and business resources.	Everyone Reading Illinois, Support Dyslexia Awareness Promotes dyslexia awareness, literacy support, and educator training.
Dysphagia Research Society Promotes research, education, and evidence-based practices for swallowing disorders.	Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services healthcare coverage and family support programs for Illinois residents.
Council for Exceptional Children Provides education and advocacy for children with disabilities.	Illinois State Board of Education public education policies and student services in Illinois.
Academy of Neurologic Communication Disorders and Sciences	Early Intervention (Provider Connections, Central Billing, Clearinghouse)

Promotes evidence-based practice for neurologic communication and swallowing disorders.	Connects families to early intervention services for infants and toddlers with developmental delays.
Autism Professional Learning and Universal Supports Provides training, resources, and supports for professionals serving autistic individuals.	Health and Family Services (HFS) Provides healthcare assistance and family support programs across Illinois.
Apraxia Kids Offers education, support, and resources for childhood apraxia of speech.	illinois.gov Illinois government services, agencies, and public information.
DLD and Me Provides information and support for individuals with developmental language disorder.	Illinois Alliance of Administrators of Special Education (IAASE) Supports special education administrators through leadership, advocacy, and professional development.
Identify the Signs Educates about communication disorders and early identification.	Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) Licenses and regulates professionals and businesses in Illinois.
American Stroke Association Provides stroke prevention, recovery resources, education, and advocacy.	IL School for the Deaf Statewide resource for birth-21. Many virtual resources
International Literacy Association Helps promote literacy through research, professional development, and advocacy.	

Literacy Research Association • Supports literacy research and promotes evidence-based literacy education practices.	
The Hanen Centre • Programs to support children's communication and language development.	
Child Neurology Foundation • Connects families with resources, education, and support for neurological conditions.	
Aphasia Institute • Offers aphasia resources, education, and communication support strategies.	
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke • Conducts and supports research on neurological disorders and strokes	
Alzheimer's Association • Provides education, support, care resources, and research funding for Alzheimer's disease.	
Autistic Self Advocacy Network • Advocacy organization led by autistic individuals promoting rights, inclusion, and self-determination.	
US Dept of Education	

• Oversees education policy, programs, and student support services.	
<u>OSEP</u> • Supports special education programs and services for children and youth with disabilities.	