## What is Child Find?

Child Find is a statewide network consisting of seventeen programs that operate on behalf of children with disabilities. The Child Find network assists in identifying and providing appropriate educational help to disabled children throughout Georgia. Child Find operates through the Georgia Learning Resources System.

# Who Does it Help?

All children ages 0-21 who need special education.

All individuals who work with disabled children, including:

- \* Parents and Care Givers
- \* Regular classroom teachers
- \* Guidance Counselors
- \* Psychologists
- \* School Social Workers
- \* Private school and agency personnel
- \* Day Care Providers
- \* Community, Parent and Civic Organizations
- \* Head Start
- \* Service Agencies
- \* Paraprofessionals
- \* Assistive Technology
- \* Referral for evaluation by Georgia Center for Children with Disabilities



## What Does Child Find Do?

Child Find has four basic functions:

### Identification of Children With Disabilities

Child Find personnel work together with community agencies, local school systems and parents in locating both pre-school and school-aged children who are disabled.

## Involvement with Individualized Educational Programs for Disabled Children

Child Find personnel are available to help schools provide instructional materials, program planning and related services to meet the needs of disabled children as specified in their IEP's.

## **Direction Services**

In order to assist families, care givers, community agencies, and school personnel, Child Find maintains a statewide information network designed to match the needs of disabled children and youth with appropriate community agencies and other resources.

#### **Professional Development**

Upon request, Child Find personnel conduct training activities, professional development sessions, community awareness programs to groups involved with children and youth with disabilities, and Parent workshops.

# What is the charge for these services?

There is no charge. The Georgia Child Find project is funded by a federal grant and administered through the Georgia Department of Education, Program for Exceptional Children.



### How Do I Get More Information on Child Find?

#### CONTACT:

 Statewide Directory:

 (Parent 2 Parent of GA)

 800-229-2038

 770-451-5484 (Atlanta)

<u>State Office:</u> Babies Can't Wait 404-657-2850 888-651-8224

#### **Georgia Learning Resources System**

http://www.glrs.org

1-678-326-2361

OR

The Director of Special Education from your LOCAL school system.

Atkinson County (912) 422-7373 Clinch County (912) 487-5321

Bacon County (912) 632-7363 Coffee County (912) 389-6768

Brantley County (912) 462-6612 Pierce County (912) 449-2044

Chariton County (912) 496-2596 Ware County (912) 283-8656

