

# DISABILITY RESOURCE DIRECTORY



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CNMI**

"Offering support and resources to families and providers of children with autism in the CNMI"



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*Meeting the Communities Needs*



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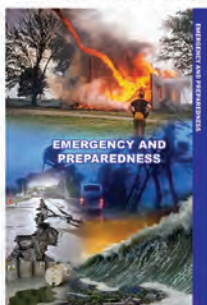
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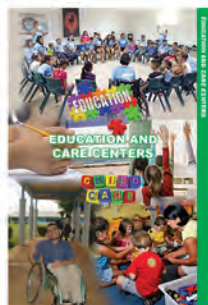
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# CNMI DISABILITY COMMUNITY INTRODUCTION

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve you and your needs. We want you to know that you are appreciated and that any contributions you make to our community is valued. Our successes in the CNMI could not be possible without collaboration and contributions of individuals with disabilities and your freedom to express your wants, needs, and expectations.

We, the CNMI Disabilities Network Partners (DNP), have worked hard to put this Resource Directory out to our people in the CNMI. Many groups were involved in putting this together including The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR), The Ayuda Network, The State Independent Living Council (SILC), The Center for Living Independently (CLI), The Independent Living Group (ILG), The Trankilu Alternative Financing Program (TAFP), The Assistive Technology Program, The Commonwealth Office of Transit Authority (COTA), The VOICES of the CNMI, and The CNMI Tri-Agencies made up of The CNMI Council on Developmental Disabilities (CDD), The University Center for Excellence on Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD), and The Northern Marianas Protection & Advocacy Systems, Inc. (NMPASI).

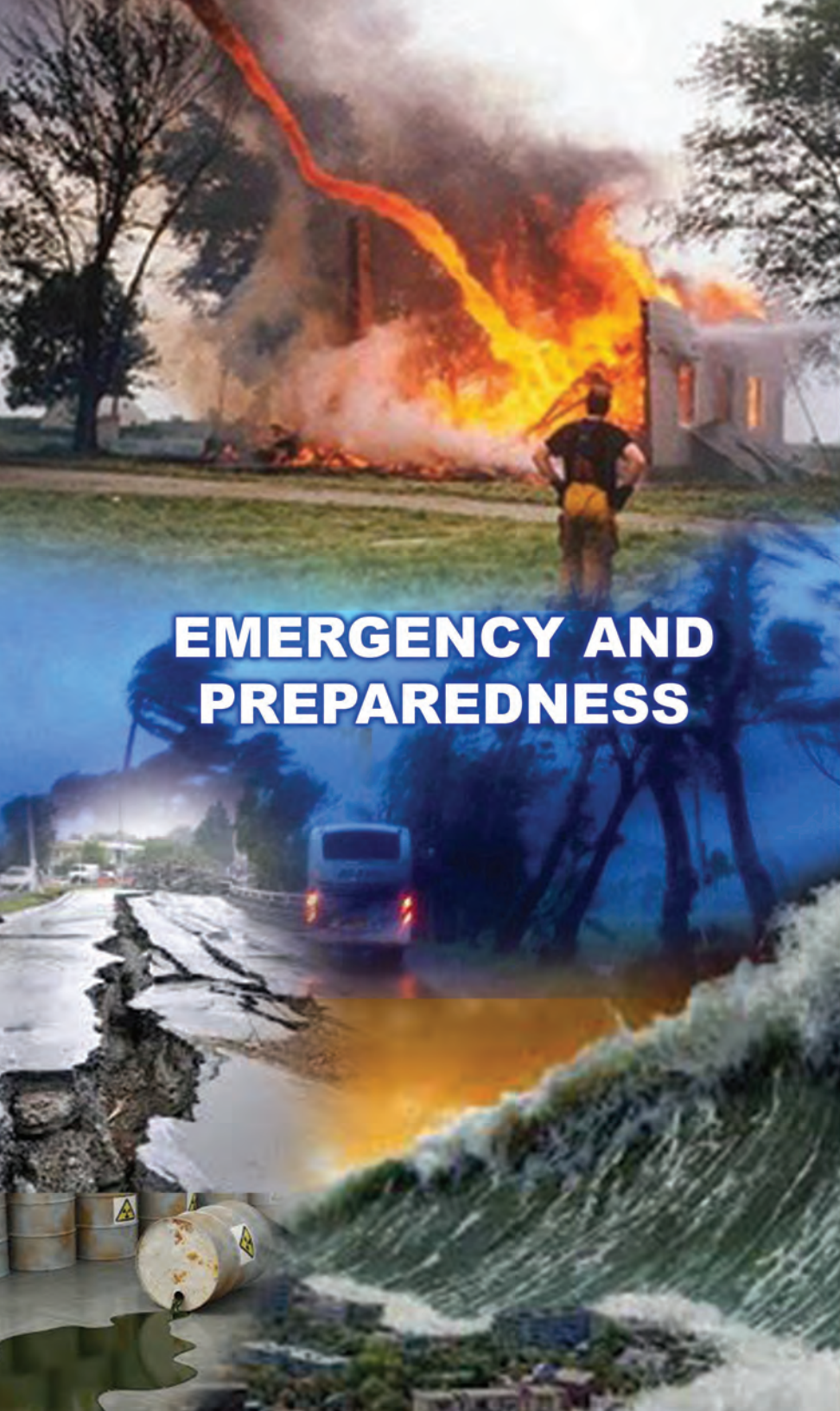
The level of collaboration amongst our agencies is at an all time high. We hope to continue this level of teamwork to help bring awareness of disabilities, and issues surrounding disabilities to our people of the commonwealth. This resource directory is testimony to this fact. The information compiled here was the result of many peoples' efforts.

Please contact us if you find anything you want to report about this resource directory to make it better for our next release.

From all of us, thank you for taking a copy, and please share this information with your friends and family. A digital copy of this directory can be found at [www.nmpasi.org](http://www.nmpasi.org), as well as our partner agencies' websites.



# EMERGENCY AND PREPAREDNESS



# CNMI's DISABILITY NETWORK PARTNERS



**EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION****FOR EMERGENCIES CALL 911****POLICE****DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (DPS)**

Saipan (Main Switchboard): 664-9000/58/59

Saipan (Emergency): 234-0911/6017

Tinian (Emergency): 433-0911

Rota (Emergency): 532-0911

CRIME STOPPERS HOTLINE: 234-7272 (PARA)

**FIRE  
DISPATCH****FIRE DISPATCH**

Fire Station I Main (Saipan): 664-9003/4 /81

EMS: 664-9135/36/37

Fire Station IV Koblerville: 664-9083

Fire Station VI San Roque: 664-9020/32

Kagman Fire Station: 664-9025

Fire Station (Rota): 532-3736

Fire Station (Tinian): 433-9030

**HOSPITAL****DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

Commonwealth Health Care Corporation: 234-8950/51

Kagman Community Health Center: 256-5242/3/7/8/0

Tinian Health Center: 433-9233/63/333

Rota Health Center: 532-9461/2/3/4

**American  
Red Cross****NMI CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS**

P.O. Box 500814, Saipan MP 96950-0814

Telephone: 234-3459

Fax: 234-3457

**OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

Homeland Security &amp; Emergency Management Office (HSEM)

Caller Box 10007, Capitol Hill, Saipan, MP 96950

**Saipan Telephones:**

322-8000; 322-9572; 322-8002; 322-9529 - Operation (Weather Information)

322-8003; 322-9528-Operation (Weather Information)

**Fax Lines:** 322-7743-Director; 322-3598-24 hours; 322-9500-24 hours**Hotlines Pre-Recorded 24 Hours:** 322-0220; or 322-0222**TINIAN Telephone:**

433-3662; or 433-8471

**ROTA Telephone:**

532-4700; or 532-4701

**Websites:** <http://www.cnmiemo.gov.mp> or [www.cnmihsem.gov.mp](http://www.cnmihsem.gov.mp)



**EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS INFORMATION**

The likelihood that you and your family will recover from an emergency tomorrow often depends on the planning and preparation done today. While each person's abilities and needs are unique, every individual can take steps to prepare for all kinds of emergencies from fires and floods to potential terrorist attacks. By evaluating your own personal needs and making an emergency plan that fits those needs, you and your loved ones can be better prepared. The following information outlines common sense measures individuals with disabilities and others with access and functional needs, and the people who assist and support them can take to start preparing for emergencies before they happen. Preparing makes sense for people with disabilities, others with access and functional needs and the whole community.

The CNMI regularly experiences natural disasters such as typhoons and earthquakes. Fires, flooding, and disasters from hazardous materials are other occurrences that may endanger you and your property.

**Prepare Basic Supplies**

In the event of an emergency, you should be prepared to be self-sufficient for up to 7 days. Preparing and maintaining an emergency supply of essential items can help you ensure that you have adequate supplies to meet you and your family's needs until help arrives.

**Basic emergency supplies include:**

- One week supply of canned and dried food items
- Drinking water – at least one gallon per person per day
- Flashlights and extra batteries
- Battery-operated radio
- First Aid kit
- Whistle
- 10 - 30 day supply of medications

- Toilet tissue and personal hygiene supplies
- Water for flushing toilet in the event water is shut off
- Trash bags, gloves, duct tape or masking tape, and plastic containers for storing items
- Chlorine bleach for sanitizing
- Propane stove and extra propane gas

### Make a Plan

Emergency preparedness also means making a plan. Your plan should:

1. Designate a place to meet if you and your family are separated from each other.
2. Pick a primary and alternate contact number for you and your family to call if you are separated from each other.
3. Establish a buddy system with other family members, friends, neighbors, or co-workers, and develop a plan on how you can help each other.
4. Share your plan and your emergency contact list with members in your buddy system.
5. Make a plan on how to secure your house in case you are not home or you are otherwise unable to secure your home.
6. Identify another place to go to in case you need to evacuate.
7. Establish your primary and alternate evacuation routes.
8. If you use mobility aids, plan on how to take them with you and how to store extra aids at your alternate shelter, if possible.

### Prepare a GO-KIT (Disaster Supply Kit)

You should prepare a bag with your most essential items which you can grab if an emergency situation occurs, and you need to evacuate right away. Be sure the bag is not too heavy for you or someone to carry.

### Your emergency go-kit should include:

- List of contact numbers
- Dried foods and bottled water

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- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Whistle
- Small portable radio and extra batteries
- Basic toiletries and sanitary items
- Medications
- Important documents, including medical information

### **It is a good idea to:**

- Place your bag near an entry or exit way so it can easily be carried out.
- Put reminder notices in your calendar or appointment book to check and replace items in your bag at least every 6 months.
- Let people in your buddy system know where your GO-KIT is located.

Yes! People with disabilities need to be more self-reliant in emergencies. Now, more than ever, individuals with disabilities need to take control of their own planning and preparation for the onset of possible emergencies. You can take small steps every day to become better able to survive an emergency. Get informed, identify your resources, make a plan and create your GO-KIT. If preparedness materials are not available in accessible format, make a request to the agency. The Americans with Disabilities Act entitles you to this accommodation.

## TYPHOON SAFETY TIPS

### **CNMI Typhoon Conditions:**

- Condition of Readiness IV: CNMI is always in Condition IV.
- A typhoon may develop and hit the island within 72 hours.
- Condition of Readiness III: A typhoon may possibly hit the island within 48 hrs.
- Condition of Readiness II: A typhoon is expected to hit the island within 24 hrs.
- Condition of Readiness I: A typhoon is expected to hit the island within 12 hrs.
- “During Condition of Readiness I, only emergency traffic should be on the roads. Closure of public transportation will begin with Condition of Readiness I.”



## Indoor Preparations

- Secure all important documents in a zip lock bag.
- Cover all beds and other items with plastic to protect from water seeping in around windows/doors.
- Pack matches (consider using child-proof lighters), toilet paper and other things you must keep dry in a zip lock bag.
- Store large items in closets.
- Roll carpets up and away from doors; arrange flashlights, lanterns, candles, and lighters in places where they can be easily found.
- When, or if the power goes out, unplug all appliances to prevent damage from a power surge.
- When power is restored, ensure all cooking stove controls are in the off position.

## Outside Preparations

- Tie down tin-covered roof extensions.
- Secure all loose items such as garbage can lids, empty drums, gardening tools, and any other materials that could become airborne during high winds.
- Take down all lawn umbrellas and temporary canopies.
- Secure plywood or typhoon shutters on windows and have extra plywood/shutters on hand; wind-thrown debris and wind pressure can break windows.
- Secure or waterproof window air conditioners.
- Fuel your car; gas stations may be closed after the storm.
- Ensure the main gas valve is shut off.
- Stay indoors until Condition Four is declared.
- Evacuation Preparations
  - Listen to/Watch the local media for news & updates.
  - Cooperate with local officials directing evacuation routes.
  - If you do not have any transportation, make arrangements with relatives, friends, or your Mayor's Office. Wear protective clothing and

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sturdy shoes.

- Gather water, food, clothing, and emergency supplies.
- Secure your house by placing boards or shutters on all windows/doors.
- Unplug appliances.
- Turn off gas valves.
- Turn off the main water valve.
- Follow recommended evacuation routes.
- Don't take shortcuts! They may be blocked.
- If you use public transportation, plan ahead. Service discontinues with the setting of Condition I. Make sure you have time to return to shelter.

## Post Typhoon Preparations

- Remain in your shelter, until informed by local authorities that it is safe to leave.
- Keep tuned to local radio or television stations for advice and instructions from the local government.
- Stay away from disaster areas. Sightseers should not interrupt crucial rescue and recovery work.
- Drive only when necessary and be especially careful. Streets will be filled with debris and downed lines/trees.
- Avoid loose or dangling power wires and report them immediately to local officials.
- Report broken sewer or water mains.
- Prevent fires. Local water pressure may be low, making fire fighting more difficult.
- Check refrigerated food for spoilage.
- Stay away from river banks until all potential flooding has passed.

## EARTHQUAKES SAFETY TIPS

### Preparations

- Repair defective electrical wiring, gas leaks, and inflexible utility connections.
- Bolt down water heaters and propane gas tanks.
- Know where and how to shut off electricity, gas, and water at main switches/valves.
- Place large or heavy objects on lower shelves.
- Securely fasten shelves to walls; brace or anchor high or top-heavy objects.
- Store bottled food, glass, china and other breakables on lower shelves.
- Anchor overhead lighting fixtures solidly in place.
- Check and repair deep plaster cracks in ceilings and foundations.
- Hold occasional earthquake drills so each member of your family knows what to do.
- Develop a family plan for reuniting after an earthquake.
- Review insurance policy to determine coverage for earthquake damage.

### What to do

During an earthquake, keep calm . . . panic can kill!

#### **If you are indoors:**

- Get under a sturdy piece of furniture (desk or table) or doorway.
- Stay clear of windows and exterior doors.

#### **If you are outside:**

- Get to an open area/space away from buildings, trees, utility wires/poles.

#### **If you are in the car:**

- Stop the car but stay inside.
- Do not stop on a bridge, under a tree, utility wires/poles, or a sign.

#### **If you are in bed:**

- Use pillow or blanket to protect head.

#### **If you are standing:**

- Drop, sit down, and cover head/neck.



### **If you are using wheelchair:**

- Go into doorway, cover head/neck.

### **If you are trapped:**

- Cover mouth, tap on wall/pipe.

## **After the earthquake**

- Stay vigilant!
- Do not enter partially collapsed or damaged buildings.
- Report structural damage to local officials.
- Avoid exposed electrical wiring (indoors or outdoors).
- Do not use candles, matches, or open flames indoors because of possible gas leaks.
- Check home for any possible fire or fire hazards.
- Turn off main gas valve if leak is suspected.
- Turn off water main valve if you see that water pipes are damaged.
- Shut off electrical power at the control box if there is any damage to your house wiring.
- Only use the phone for emergencies (injuries, fire, and trapped people).
- Check with your neighbors to see if they need assistance.
- Be prepared for aftershocks.
- Stay off the streets; if you must travel, be on the lookout for downed tree/utility poles and weakened bridges.
- Locate/have ready GO-KIT (Disaster Supply Kit).
- Cooperate with public safety officials.

## **HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENT SAFETY TIPS**

### **Shelter in Place**

- If outdoors, go inside your home or building.
- Protect yourself inside, close all windows and doors.
- Tape cracks for extra protection.
- Close all cooling vents or ventilation systems.

- Use the above systems for internal recirculation of air only.
- Move to central interior area of home or building.
- Stay inside and monitor radio and television announcements for official messages.

### Evacuation

- Immediately move to a location designated by public officials when directed.
- Take your family GO-KIT (Disaster Supply Kit).
- Take only essential items.
- Shut off water, gas, and electricity to your home.
- Do not go to your children's school, unless directed by public officials, who will coordinate special care for your children.
- Leave a sign on your door stating that your house has been evacuated.
- Keep your car windows and vents closed.

### Protect Your Breathing

- Cover your mouth and nose with a damp cloth.
- Take frequent shallow breaths.
- Stay calm-do not panic.
- Suspected Substances and Packages - If you suspect a letter or package that you have opened may contain questionable or hazardous materials, take the following actions:
  - Cover suspected packages or substances with cloth or plastic.
  - Evacuate immediate area.
  - Wash your hands with soap and water.
  - Call 911 Emergencies.
  - Do not further handle letter or package.

### TSUNAMI SAFETY TIPS

#### What to do

- If you are in school, follow the advice of teachers and other school personnel.
- If you are at home, ensure your entire family is aware of the warning.
- Evacuate your house if you live in a low-lying area.
- Follow the advice of local emergency and law enforcement authorities.
- If you are at the beach, and you feel the earth shake, move immediately to higher ground; DO NOT wait for the tsunami warning to be announced.
- Stay away from rivers that lead to the ocean.
- Do not go to the shoreline to watch for a tsunami; when you can see the wave, it is too late to escape.
- If you are on a boat, do not return to port; tsunamis can cause rapid changes in water level and unpredictable dangerous currents in harbors/ports.
- Stay away from the area until local authorities say it is safe.

**Please note:** If the roads leading to your staging area are blocked with fallen debris or power poles, seek higher ground within your village. These recommendations and suggestions are intended to improve both natural and man-made disaster preparedness, response, and recovery. The contents are meant to improve your readiness capability but do not guarantee the safety of any individual, structure, or facility in a disaster situation. Neither the disability organizations collaborating on this project, the United States, nor the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Office of Civil Defense assumes liability for any injury, death, or property damage that results from any disasters.





The background is a map of the Northern Mariana Islands. A large, semi-transparent star is centered over the map. A floral pattern, possibly a hibiscus, is overlaid on the map. The text 'CNMI GOVERNMENT' is prominently displayed in the center. Various islands and locations are labeled with their names and populations. The U.S. flag is visible in the bottom right corner.

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# COMMONWEALTH HEALTHCARE CORPORATION

Division of Public Health Services  
Maternal and Child Health Bureau



## “Healthy mothers, children, and families for a healthier CNMI.”

The MCHB, under the Division of Public Health, works with both public and private agencies and other service providers to make available and assure quality health services for mothers, children, and families in the CNMI.

### *Mission:*

To promote and improve the health and wellness of women, infants, children, including children with special health care needs, adolescents, and their families through the delivery of quality prevention programs and effective partnership.

Maternal & Child Health Program .....	(670) 236-8715
State Systems Development Initiative .....	(670) 236-8715
Healthy Outcomes for Maternal & Early-Childhood (H.O.M.E.) Visiting Program .....	(670) 236-8711
Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) .....	(670) 236-8703 ext. 8723
Early Intervention Services (EIS) .....	(670) 664-4841/(670) 664-4846 (F)
Early Hearing Detection & Intervention Program (EHDI) ..	(670) 236-8709/(670) 236-8714
Dental Clinic .....	(670) 236-8369
Family Planning .....	(670) 236-8707



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## CNMI GOVERNMENT

### OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR & LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

Location: Pagan Loop, Capitol Hill

Address: Caller Box 10007 Saipan, MP 96950

Website: <http://gov.mp>

Telephone: ..... 237-2200

Fax: ..... 664-2211

### CNMI LEGISLATURE

Location: Jesus P. Mafnas Building, Pagan Loop, Capitol Hill

Address: P.O. Box 500586 Saipan, MP 96950

Website: [www.cnmileg.gov.mp](http://www.cnmileg.gov.mp)

**SENATE** Telephone: ..... 664-8955

Fax: ..... 664-8849

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES** Telephone: ..... 664-8999

Fax: ..... 664-8919

### CNMI MAYORS OFFICES:

#### SAIPAN MAYOR'S OFFICE

Location: Ladera Center 2nd Floor, San Jose Beach Road Isa Drive

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Email: [saipanmayorsoffice@gmail.com](mailto:saipanmayorsoffice@gmail.com)

Telephone: ..... 234-6208/234-5997

Fax: ..... 234-1190

**NORTHERN ISLANDS MAYOR’S OFFICE**

Location: Building #1345, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 10007, Capitol Hill Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 664-6466

Fax: ..... 664-6467

**ROTA MAYOR’S OFFICE**

Location: Antonio C. Atalig Memorial Library, Tatacthog Village, Rota

Address: P.O. Box 537 Rota, MP 96951

Email: mayorefrainatalig@gmail.com

Telephone: ..... 532-9451/2

Fax: ..... 532-9454

**TINIAN MAYOR’S OFFICE**

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Fax: ..... 433-1819





# THE LAWS

# H.O.M.E. Visiting Program

(Healthy Outcomes for  
Maternal and Early Childhood)

## What is H.O.M.E. Visiting Program?

The H.O.M.E. Visiting Program is a free voluntary, in-home service that can support you through the joy and challenges of pregnancy and parenting. The H.O.M.E. Visiting Program supports moms, dads, care-givers, and their families through a range of weekly to quarterly home visits with an assigned Family Partner Advocate (FPA).



## What services are provided?

Family Partner Advocates will support and assist you with the following:

- PRENATAL CARE PLANNING & EDUCATION
- WHAT TO EXPECT AS YOUR CHILD IS GROWING
- CARING FOR YOU AND YOUR BABY'S NEEDS
- HOME SAFETY MEASURES
- INFANT MASSAGE
- DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING & ACTIVITIES
- JOB SEARCH
- CONTINUING YOUR EDUCATION
- COMMUNITY RESOURCES YOUR FAMILY MAY BENEFIT FROM

## How can I qualify?

- A resident of Kagman, Koblerville, San Antonio, Dandan, Garapan, Tinian and/or Rota
- Enroll prenatally or
- With a child no older than 3 months of age
- A standardized screening tool will be used to identify families who are eligible to enroll and benefit from the program.

For more information, please call:

Tel.: (670) 236-8711

Email: [hvpcnmi@gmail.com](mailto:hvpcnmi@gmail.com)



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## THE LAWS

This section of the Resource Directory provides a listing of national and local laws designed to offer assistance, benefits and protection to individuals with disabilities.

### FEDERAL LAWS:

#### **ACHIEVING A BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE (ABLE) ACT**

Amends Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Service Code of 1986 to create tax-free savings accounts for individuals with disabilities. The bill aims to ease financial strains faced by individuals with disabilities by making tax-free savings accounts available to cover qualified expenses such as education, housing and transportation.

#### **AIR CARRIER ACCESS ACT**

Prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in air travel and requires domestic and foreign air carriers to accommodate the needs of passengers with disabilities.

#### **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT**

Prohibits discrimination and ensures equal opportunity for persons with disabilities in employment, State and local government services, public accommodations, commercial facilities, and transportation.

#### **ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS ACT**

Requires that access to facilities designed, built, altered, or leased with Federal funds meet the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS).

#### **CIVIL RIGHTS OF INSTITUTIONALIZED PERSONS ACT**

Protects the civil rights of people confined in state or locally operated institutions, such as jails and prisons, juvenile correctional facilities, state or

locally-run mental health facilities; state or locally-run developmental disabilities facilities, and state or locally-run nursing homes. Authorizes the Department of Justice to investigate reports of civil rights abuses within a publicly run institutions and take action to correct civil rights violations.

### **COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT**

Encourages depository institutions to help meet the credit needs of the communities in which they operate, including low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, consistent with safe and sound operations.

### **FAIR HOUSING ACT**

Prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of dwellings, and in other housing-related transactions, based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, and disability.

### **FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT**

Provides an entitlement of up to 12 weeks of job-protected, unpaid during any 12-month period to eligible, covered employees for the following reasons: (1) birth and care of eligible employee's son or daughter; (2) placement of a son or daughter with the employee for adoption or foster care; (3) care of an immediate family member (spouse, son, daughter, or parent) who has a serious health condition; (4) care of the employee's own serious health condition; and (5) because of any qualifying exigency arising out of fact that the spouse, child, or parent of the employee is on covered active duty (or has been notified of an impending call or order to covered active duty) in the Armed Forces. It also requires that employee's group health benefits be maintained during the leave.

### **HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT**

Allows persons to qualify immediately for comparable health insurance coverage when they change their employment or relationships.

## **INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT (IDEA)**

Requires public schools to make available to all eligible children with disabilities a free appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment and to develop appropriate Individuals Education Programs (IEPs) for each child. The specific special education and related services outlined in each IEP reflect the individual needs of each student.

## **OLDER AMERICANS ACT**

Provides critical services – such as home-delivered and congregate meals, family caregiver support, in-home assistance, preventative health services, transportation, job training, protection from abuse, and other supportive services – that help older adults stay as independent as possible.

## **REHABILITATION ACT SECTION 504**

Makes it illegal for federal agencies, or programs or activities that received federal financial assistance or are conducted by a federal agency, to discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities. Also requires reasonable accommodations for employees with disabilities; program accessibility; effective communication with people who have hearing or vision disabilities; and accessible new construction and alterations.

## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT**

Section 255 and Section 251(a) of the Telecommunications Act require telecommunications equipment manufacturers and service providers to make their products and services accessible to people with disabilities, if such access is readily achievable. Where access is not readily achievable, manufacturers and service providers must make their devices and services compatible with peripheral devices and specialized customer premises equipment that are commonly used by people with disabilities, if such compatibility is readily achievable.

### **TITLE V OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT**

Establishes the Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant Program which provides a foundation for ensuring the health of mothers, women, children, and youth, including children and youth with special health care needs, and their families, and seeks to assure access to quality care, especially for those with low-income or limited availability of care.

### **TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT**

Establishes regulations for the Medicaid program, which provides for medical and health-related services for persons with limited income.

### **VOTING ACCESSIBILITY FOR THE ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED ACT**

Requires polling places to be physically accessible to people with disabilities for federal elections. Also requires states to make available registration and voting aids for disabled and elderly voters, including information by telecommunications devices for the deaf (TDDs) which are also known as teletypewriters (TTYs).

### **WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA)**

Designed to help job seekers with and without disabilities access employment, education, training and support services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy. WIOA represents new opportunities for support for job seekers with disabilities that increases responsibility of Workforce Investment Boards and American Job Centers to be fully accessible and offer necessary accommodations to provide job seekers with disabilities effective and meaningful participation in the use of skills training and career pathways. The WIOA supersedes the WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT OF 1998 and in general will take effect on July 1, 2015.

## **WORK INCENTIVE IMPROVEMENT ACT**

Directed establishment of a Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency program which would provide SSDI and SSI disability beneficiaries with a ticket they may use to obtain vocational rehabilitation services, employment services, and other support services from an employment network of their choice. Increased beneficiary choice in obtaining rehabilitation and vocational services; removes barriers that require people with disabilities to choose between health care coverage and work; and assures that more Americans with disabilities have the opportunity to participate in the workforce and lessen their dependence on public benefits.

### **LOCAL LAWS:**

## **PL 11-101 ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY WARRANTY ACT**

### **(4 C.M.C. § 5161 et seq.)**

Requires manufacturer of assistive technology devices to provide an express warranty of the assistive devices and protects consumers who purchase or rent an assistive device.

## **PL 11-38 FAIR HOUSING ACT OF 1998**

### **(2 C.M.C. §40101 et seq.)**

Prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of dwellings, and in other housing -related transactions, based on race, color, religion, sex, familial status, marital status, disability, or national origin and is comparable to the Federal Fair Housing Act.

## **PL 8-36 INVOLUNTARY CIVIL COMMITMENT ACT**

### **(3 C.M.C. § 2501 et seq.)**

Establishes procedures for 72 hour emergency detention and evaluation of a person with mental illness without court hearing when person poses a danger to self or others and for emergency and non emergency involuntary

civil commitment after a court hearing for specified periods of time.

### **PL 8-38 PATIENT'S RIGHTS ACT**

#### **(3 C.M.C. § 2551)**

Sets forth the rights to be afforded to every person receiving assessment, evaluation, care or treatment in an evaluation or treatment facility, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, inpatient or outpatient.

### **PL 8-35 PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PARKING ACCESS ACT**

#### **(9 C.M.C. §5651 et seq.)**

Requires public and private entities to provide parking spaces for use by motor vehicles used to transport persons with disabilities in all open off-street parking areas.





# HEALTH AND MEDICAL



HEALTH AND MEDICAL

This Health & Medical section provides a list of private and public medical clinics, pharmacies, dental, and laboratory, as well as public programs.

BRABU PHARMACY

Location: 101 Akari Building, Middle Road, Garapan, Saipan  
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 10003 PMB 761, Saipan, MP 96950  
Email: [brabumeds@gmail.com](mailto:brabumeds@gmail.com)  
Telephone: ..... 233-2668

CHILDREN’S DEVELOPMENTAL ASSISTANCE CENTER (CDAC)

Location: Garapan Across Saipan Ocean View Hotel and Bank of Guam  
Address: P.O. Box 500409 Saipan, MP 96950  
Business Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  
Monday – Friday except Holidays  
Telephone: ..... 664-4830  
For appointments, call: ..... 664-831/36

**Type of Service or Program:** Developmental screening, team assessment transportation, individualized Family Services Plan (IFSP), care coordination, assistive technology, toy loan, equipment loan, library, speech & language therapy, medical services (for diagnostic purposes), referral (to our agencies), social work services, transition, etc.

**Purpose of the Program:** An “eligibility” program: To identify children from birth to age two who are developmentally delayed or at-risk for developmentally delayed or at-risk for developmental delays and to provide intervention services to these children and their families.

## **CNMI EARLY HEARING DETECTION & INTERVENTION PROGRAM (AUDIOLOGY)**

Commonwealth Health Center

Location: CHCC Lower Navy Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500409, CK, Saipan, MP 96950

Website: [www.infanthearing.org](http://www.infanthearing.org)

Email: [angie.mister@gmail.com](mailto:angie.mister@gmail.com)

Telephone: ..... 236-8709/14

Fax: ..... 236-8700

Newborn hearing screening is a standard of care - all babies born in the CNMI receive a screening before hospital discharge. Diagnostic testing is completed within 3 months of age. All infants identified with hearing loss are eligible for early intervention services and can receive amplification at no cost to the family.

## **CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS PROGRAM**

Location: CDAC Building, Garapan, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500409 Saipan, MP 96950

Business Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.

Open during lunch hours

Email: [amsaturnmch@gmail.com](mailto:amsaturnmch@gmail.com)

Telephone: ..... 664-4841

Fax: ..... 664-4846

## **COMMONWEALTH HEALTHCARE CORPORATION (CHCC)**

Location: Lower Navy Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500409 Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 234-8950

Fax: ..... 236-8756

## **COMMONWEALTH HEALTHCARE CORPORATION (DENTAL CLINIC)**

### **Department of Public Health**

Location: CHCC Lower Navy Hill

Address: P.O. Box 500409 Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 236-8369

Fax: ..... 236-8700

## **DENTAL CARE**

Location: Ground Floor, D'Torres Bldg., Middle Road, Garapan, Saipan

Address: PMB 807 P.O. Box 10001 Saipan, MP 96950

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Email: dentalcare@pticom.com

Telephone: ..... 233-1100

Fax: ..... 233-2233

## **FHP HEALTH CARE SAIPAN**

Location: 2nd Floor TSL Plaza, Beach Road, Garapan, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500118 Saipan, MP 96950

Hours/days of Operation: Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Website: [www.takecareasia.com](http://www.takecareasia.com)

Telephone: ..... 235-0994/6/7/8/0

Fax: ..... 234-3742

## **HEALTHCARE SPECIALTIES**

Location: Kim's Bldg Ste 1 Gualo Rai, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 504816, Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 322-2783

Fax: ..... 323-8741

**Vision:** Your ONE-STOP SHOP for all your medical equipment, supplies and services.

**Mission:** To maintain a reputation for providing the responsiveness, expertise, highest quality, and most reliable durable medical equipment support to handle any equipment needs, at competitive rates.

## HOME VISITING PROGRAM

### Department of Public Health

Location: Suite 102, Kim's Building, Chalan Kanoa, Sao[am

Telephone: ..... 664-8700/3

## KAGMAN COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER (KCHC)

Location: Lemmai Way, Kagman II Homestead, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500409 Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 256-5242/3/7/8/0

Fax: ..... 256-5244 / 256-5249

The mission of the Kagman Community Health Center is to provide the residents of District 10 and surrounding villages comprehensive health services, including medical, mental, dental, and home health care without discrimination, and to respect and honor the dignity and rights of each patient, regardless of the patient's ability to pay.

The KCHC serves as a health home where members of the community can come in to receive a variety of services such as primary care services (geriatric, adult, and adolescent), women's health care services, immunizations, health education, eye exams, Medicaid eligibility and enrollment, as well as transportation services from the patient's to KCHC.

KCHC accepts Medicaid and Medicaid, AETNA, NetCare, StayWell, and Calvo's Select Care insurance.

# MARIANAS HEALTH SERVICES

Location: Ghiyeghi Street, San Jose, Saipan

Address: PMB 1341 P.O. Box 10003 Saipan MP 96950

Email: [george\\_c@marianashealth.com](mailto:george_c@marianashealth.com)

Telephone: ..... 233-4646/47

Fax: ..... 233-4648

**Type of Service or Program:** The services offered for Medicare & Private Insurance Recipients: (1) Skilled Nursing (Registered Nurse, LPN), (2) Physical Therapy, and (3) Home Health Aide, Medical Social Worker, Respiratory Therapist, Out-Patient Physical Therapy also medicine certified. Exercise classes offered for individual recovering from strokes up to those doing Pilates.

# MARIANAS MEDICAL CENTER

Location: JKR Building, Garapan Beach Road, Saipan MP 96950

Address: P.O. Box 5006 CHRB Saipan, MP 96950

**Business Hours: Mondays-Fridays: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Telephone: ..... 234-3925/6/7

Fax: ..... 234-3950

**MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH BUREAU**

## Department of Public Health of Family Health Services

**Location:** Suite 102, Kim's Building, Chalan Kanoa, Saipan

Address: P. O. Box 500409 Saipan, MP 96950

Email: [mtaldan@gmail.com](mailto:mtaldan@gmail.com)

**Business Hours: Monday to Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. except Holidays**

Telephone: ..... 664-8701

Fax: ..... 236-8703

**Type of Service:** Preventive and primary care, immunization, prenatal care, well child care, reproductive health, specialty clinics, early intervention



services, children with special health care needs, and oral health.

**Purpose of Program:** To ensure provision of preventive health care service and to enhance collaboration in the area of health promotion and awareness to mothers, infants, children, including children with special health care needs.

**General Information:** The Maternal and Child Health Program provides preventive and primary care services that includes immunization, prenatal and postpartum care, well child care, reproductive health specialty clinics, early intervention services, newborn hearing screening, etc. The program works with other programs within the Department of Public Health and other agencies to ensure that comprehensive health care is provided to all mothers, infants, and children including children with special health care needs.

## MEDICAL ASSOCIATES OF THE PACIFIC, LLC

Location: MH-II Building, Suite 100 Marina Heights Business Park, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500938 Saipan, MP 96950

Business Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Telephone: ..... 323-9000

Fax: ..... 323-9010

## MEDICAL REFERRAL SERVICES

Location: CHCC Lower Navy Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 5149 CHRB, Saipan, MP 96950

Email: mro.spn@gmail.com

Telephone: ..... 236-8294-98

Fax: ..... 236-8604

**Type of Service or Program:** Assisting and making all arrangements for

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medical referral patients, scheduling doctor appointments, arranging for air and ground transportation, hotel accommodation and any necessary support while the patient is being treated.

**Purpose of Program:** Medical Referral Services are designed to provide residents of the CNMI with a means of receiving medical care and treatment, which is not available within the Commonwealth. To establish, facilitate and regulate approved medical referrals of CNMI patients to a recognized referral health care facilities outside the CNMI for their extended medical care.

**PACIFIC MEDICAL CENTER**

Location: Middle Road, Gualo Rai, Saipan  
Address: P.O. Box 501908 Saipan, MP 96950  
Business Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday 8:00 a.m - 1:00 p.m.  
Telephone: ..... 233-1613/8100/1  
Fax: ..... 233-8102

**PARADISE DENTAL CENTER**

**For general dentistry work**  
Location: Middle Road, Gualo Rai, Saipan  
Address: PMB 213 P.O. Box 10001 Saipan, MP 96950  
Email: [paradisedentalsaipan@gmail.com](mailto:paradisedentalsaipan@gmail.com)  
Telephone: ..... 234-4040  
Fax: ..... 234-4045

**PRECISION MEDICAL IMAGING**

Location: Middle Road, Gualo Rai, Saipan  
Address: PMB 476 P.O. Box 10003 Saipan, MP 96950  
Email: [inquiry@pmicnmi.com](mailto:inquiry@pmicnmi.com)  
Telephone: ..... 233-6000/1/5  
Fax: ..... 233-6004

**PHI PHARMACY I**

Location: CHCC Lower Navy Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 505089 Saipan MP 96950

Email: phi@phiparmacy.com

Business Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. thru 6:00 p.m.

Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays – 8:00 a.m. thru 4:00 p.m.

Telephone: ..... 323-5000/1/2/3

Fax: ..... 323-5011

**PHI PHARMACY II**

Location: Joeten Dandan Bldg., Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 505089 Saipan MP 96950

Email: phi@phiparmacy.com

Business Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. thru 6:00 p.m.

Saturdays, and Holidays – 8:00 a.m. thru 4:00 p.m.

Telephone: ..... 235-7170/1/2/3/4/5

Fax: ..... 235-6180

**SAIPAN HEALTH CLINIC**

Location: Kolot Dela Rosa St., Chalan Kiya, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 502878 Saipan, MP 96950

Business Hours: Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Telephone: ..... 234-2901/2/3/5/10

Fax: ..... 234-2906/5058

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CLINIC**

Location: Quarter Master Road, Chalan Laulau, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500169 Saipan, MP 96950

Business Hours: Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Email: sdaclinic@pticom.com

Telephone: ..... 234-6323

Fax: ..... 234-0521

## SMILE MARIANAS

Location: CDA Building, Second Floor, Beach Road, San Jose, Saipan

Address: PMB 121 P. O. Box 10001 Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 235-3720/2378/322-6466

Fax: ..... 235-3722

## TOOTH WORKS

Location: Beach Road, Garapan, Saipan

Business Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m – 3:00 p.m.; Sunday - Monday Closed

Email: [inc.toothworks@gmail.com](mailto:inc.toothworks@gmail.com)

Telephone: ..... 234-3810/11/16

Fax: ..... 234-3820

## WOMEN INFANT CHILDREN (WIC)

Location: Puesta Loop, Upper Navy Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500409 CK, Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 664-4082/3/4

Fax: ..... 664-4075


**Type of Services or Program:** Provide supplemental nutritious food and education for children age birth to 5 years old, and pregnant women.

**Purpose of Program:** Short term intervention program for a lifetime of nutrition and breastfeeding health benefit. The Program strives to improve the health status and well-being of women, infants and children of the Northern Mariana Islands during the crucial time of development.

# HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION







The only disability  
in life is a  
bad attitude.

*Scott Hamilton*

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### KARIDAT SOCIAL SERVICES

Location: Sablan Plaza, First Floor, San Antonio, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 501457, Saipan, MP 96950-1457

Business Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. except Holidays

LUNCH closed

Email: karidat@pticom.com

Telephone: ..... 234-6981/5248

Fax: ..... 234-9192

Service refers to assisting people of all economic levels, in the community to address problems arising from personal or family problems, external circumstances, or intrapersonal conflicts.

Advocacy, individually or with others, refers to speaking out on behalf of clients and other in community who are being treated unjustly or not accorded their full rights. This can take the form of advocating for individuals, as well as advocating for just social policy in the community. Convening refers to helping people in the community organize to effectively address their own needs as a community. Karidat Social Services strategically established the following program/services in order to accomplish its mission:

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|--|----------------|
| • Emergency Food and Shelter (EFS)                   | Call: 234-5248 |
| • Alcohol Information Class (AIC)                    | Call: 234-5248 |
| • Victims of Crime Advocacy (VOCA)                   | Call: 234-5248 |
| • Victim Hotline                                     | Call: 234-5248 |
| • Guma Esperansa (GE House of Hope)                  | Call: 234-5248 |
| • Transitional Housing Assistance Project (Get Hope) | Call: 323-5064 |
| • House of Manhoben (HOM)                            | Call: 234-9026 |

Consumers must be assessed to be homeless persons with disabilities. They are charged 30% of their adjusted gross monthly income for rent. A social worker oversees the program and provides outreach, case management, and other support services which enable the consumers to be more self-reliant and participating members of the community.

**NORTHERN MARIANAS HOUSING CORPORATION (NMHC)**

Location: Micro Beach Road, Garapan, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500514 Saipan, MP 96950

Business Hours: Monday – Friday except Holidays 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Email: nmhc@nmhc.gov.mp

Website: <http://www.nmhc.gov.mp>

Telephone: ..... 234-6866/9021/9447/7670

Fax: ..... 234-9021

Location: Rota

Email: rop@nmhc.gov.mp

Telephone: ..... 532-9410/9441

Location: Tinian

Email: tiq@nmhc.gov.mp

Telephone: ..... 433-9213/3690

**NMHC Services:** Providing efficient and responsive delivery of housing, mortgage and community development programs to the people of the Commonwealth; Affording fair and equal opportunity to housing programs and services for all, with special emphasis to very-low, low and moderate income individuals, elderly and persons with disabilities; Increasing and implementing home ownership programs with houses that are safe, decent, sanitary and affordable; encouraging and promoting economic independence, self-sufficiency and upward mobility for families; and, implementing programs to address the growing and future needs and cost-effective viability of the communities to the Commonwealth.

- **Mortgage Credit Division:** administers several programs for single-family residential housing or rehabilitation loans for grants. Loans are extended to borrowers at a fixed interest rate for terms between fifteen (15) to thirty-three (33) years, depending on income category and repayment ability. Properties must have clear title and loans are secured with a first mortgage in most cases. Grants are occasionally made to eligible applicants who are in dire need of assistance, but lack the repayment ability.

- **The Program & Housing Division:** administers the Section 8 Housing Assistance Program. It is a Federal Program that provides temporary housing assistance to very low and low income families through a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. This program assists families in paying the Fair Market Rent 30% of their adjusted income or 10% of their gross income, whichever is greater. Low income families will be required to pay a Minimum rent of \$25.00 per month unless the family requests and qualifies for a waiver Exemption for the minimum rent requirement. A family must meet the Income Limit Schedule depending on the family size, not to exceed the Low Income Schedule; Must be a U.S. Citizen or eligible citizen; Must be 18 years of age or above.

- **Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS):** Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) is a mandatory program for the voucher tenants. It is designed to assist families in achieving economic independence and self-sufficiency through education and job training.

- **Who can participate?** Section 8 or Public Housing Resident Family; 18 years of age or older; motivated to change their current life circumstances; interested in obtaining more education and job training determined to free oneself from having to depend on public assistance. The Commonwealth has been a CDBG recipient since 1975. This funding assistance through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development was made possible through Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.



## ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION

### BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES (BMV)

Location: Across DPS Main Offices in Susupe, Saipan

Address: Caller Box 10007 Saipan, MP 96950

Business Hours: Monday-Friday except Holidays 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Telephone: ..... 664-9066/70

Fax: ..... 664-9067

**Purpose of Program:** To issue or revoke special identification placards.

**Type of Service:** Placard & Identification card for qualified persons with disabilities; issues temporary special identification placard.

### COMMONWEALTH OFFICE OF TRANSIT AUTHORITY (COTA)

Location: 2nd Floor Marianas Business Plaza Suite 216 Susupe

Saipan, MP 96950

Address: Caller Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950

Website: [www.COTA.gov.mp](http://www.COTA.gov.mp)

Telephone: ..... 664-2682

Reservation: ..... 664-2690

Fax: ..... 664-2692

**Vision:** Transportation is always the link, and never the barrier to accessing training, employment, childcare and related destinations

**Mission:** To provide reliable, safe, comfortable public transportation services, which is cost effective, reduces energy consumption and contributes to the cultural and economic betterment of the residents of the CNMI.

### CALL-A-RIDE SAIPAN (CARS)

Location: 2nd Floor, Nauru Bldg., Susupe, Saipan

Email: [CNMICallARide@gmail.com](mailto:CNMICallARide@gmail.com)

Telephone: ..... 664-2690  
*Call to request information about the program and fees or to schedule a ride with CARS.*  
 Call-a-Ride Saipan paratransit provides a shared, accessible transportation services to the public, including visitors to the CNMI. Special rates are provided individuals with disabilities (as defined by the ADA) and older adults (ages 55 years and above). Riders must call in advance to arrange transport (at least the working day prior). CARS provides curb-to-curb service and its vehicles are ADA compliant.

## PRIORITY CARE

Location: Beach Road, Susupe, Saipan  
 Address: P. O. Box 500170 Saipan, MP 96950  
 Telephone: ..... 234-2273  
 Fax: ..... 234-6477

## PUPIL TRANSPORTATION (PSS BUS DEPARTMENT)

Location: Lower Base, Saipan  
 Address: PO Box 501370, Saipan MP 96950  
 Telephone: ..... 322-9457  
 Fax: ..... 322-6408

**Type of Service:** Provide reliable transpiration service for our students.

## SAINT MICHAEL'S MEDICAL RESPONSE

Telephone: ..... 233-4585/2  
 Program Manager: ..... 989-7433

**Type of Service or Program:** Transportation Services for People with Disabilities & Man' Amkos (elderly).

**Purpose of Program:** To provide a demand-response type of transportation service for people with disabilities and the Man' Amkos (elderly)



**TASI TOURS AND TRANSPORTATION, INC.**

Location: Beach Road, South Garapan, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 501023 Saipan, MP 96950

Website: [tasi-tours.com](http://tasi-tours.com)

Business Hours: Monday Thru Sundays & Holidays – 24 Hours Service

Local Bus Service Request: 24 hours in advance

Telephone: ..... 235-9371/3

Fax: ..... 234-5510



## EDUCATION

### ADULT BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM (ABE)

#### Northern Marianas College

Location: As Terlaje Hill, Northern Marianas College

Address: P. O. Box 501370 Saipan, MP 96950

Website: [www.marianas.edu](http://www.marianas.edu)

Telephone: ..... 234-3690

Fax: ..... 235-4940

### AMERICORPS PROGRAM (PUBLIC SCHOOL SCHOOL)

Location: Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P. O. Box 501370 Saipan, 501370

Website: [www.cnmipss.org](http://www.cnmipss.org)

Telephone: ..... 237-3010

Americorps is a civil society program supported by the U.S. Federal government, foundations, corporations, and other donors engaging adults in involved community service work with a goal of “helping others and meeting critical needs in the community”.

#### Ameri-corps Goals

- Getting Things Done. Ameri-corps members help communities solve problems in the areas of education, public safety, the environment, and other human needs (like health and housing) by serving directly and by getting other people to serve as volunteers.
- Strengthening Communities. Ameri-corps members help unite individuals from all different backgrounds and organizations of all kinds in a common effort to improve communities.
- Encouraging Responsibility. Ameri-corps members explore and exercise their responsibilities, their families, and themselves during their service experience and throughout their lives.

- Expanding Opportunity. Ameri-corps helps those who help America. Ameri-corps members receive awards to further their education or to pay student loans. They also gain valuable job experience, specialized training, and other skills.

### Ameri-corps Services

Members will be responsible for assisting in enrichment activities and academic assistance. Some of those service activities may include: basic tutoring, homework assistance, and mentoring (peer counseling). Members will assist with basic computer skills, arts & crafts, performing arts, media and radio production; and sports and recreation. Members will uphold Ameri-corps ethics and values and instill those ethics on all youth they are committed to serving. Members will play an important role in helping promote the well being of the youth in safe, drug free havens.

### CNMI PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM (PSS)

Location: Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P. O. Box 501370 Saipan, MP 96950

Website: [www.cnmipss.org](http://www.cnmipss.org)

Telephone: ..... 237-3001

Fax: ..... 664-3798

### CNMI PSS ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

#### Garapan Elementary School

Telephone: ..... 664-3951/2/5

Fax: ..... 664-3954

#### Gregorio T. Camacho (GTC) Elementary School

Telephone: ..... 664-3400/1/2

Fax: ..... 664-3410

#### Kagman Elementary School

Telephone: ..... 664-3911/2/3/4

Fax: ..... 664-3920

**Koblerville Elementary School**

Telephone: ..... 664-3961/2/3/5

Fax: ..... 664-3964

**Oleai Elementary School**

Telephone: ..... 664-3942/3/4/5

Fax: ..... 664-3941

**San Vicente Elementary School**

Telephone: ..... 664-3981/2/3/4

Fax: ..... 664-3985

**Sinapalo Elementary School**

Telephone: ..... 532-9521/2

Fax: ..... 532-9523

**Tinian Elementary School**

Telephone: ..... 433-9250/1

Fax: ..... 433-0455

**William S. Reyes (WSR) Elementary School**

Telephone: ..... 664-3971/2/4/5

Fax: ..... 664-3973

**CNMI PSS MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

**Chacha Oceanview Middle School**

Telephone: ..... 664-4100/2/3

Fax: ..... 664-4104

**Dandan Middle School**

Telephone: ..... 664-5025/6/7

Fax: ..... 664-5035

**Hopwood Junior High School**

Telephone: ..... 664-5075/6/8

Fax: ..... 664-5080

**Rota Jr. High School**

Telephone: ..... 532-9502/7

Fax: ..... 532-9501

**San Antonio Middle School**

Telephone: ..... 664-3930/1/2

Fax: ..... 664-3934

**Tanapag Middle School**

Telephone: ..... 664-3425/6/7

Fax: ..... 664-3430

**Tinian Jr. High School**

Telephone: ..... 433-9270/1

Fax: ..... 433-9275

**CNMI PSS HIGH SCHOOLS****Kagman High School**

Telephone: ..... 664-3780/1/2/3/4/5

Fax: ..... 664-3788

**Marianas High School**

Telephone: ..... 664-3800/1/2/3/4/6

Fax: ..... 664-3805

**Rota High School**

Telephone: ..... 532-9400/2

Fax: ..... 532-4020

**Saipan Southern High School**

Telephone: ..... 664-4000/1/2/3/4

Fax: ..... 664-4015



**Tinian Senior High School**

Telephone: ..... 433-9270/1  
Fax: ..... 433-9275

**CNMI INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL**  
**Early Childhood Program, Public School System**

Location: Capitol Hill, Saipan  
Address: P. O. Box 501370 Saipan, MP 96950  
Business Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday – Fridays except Holidays  
Telephone: ..... 237-3918/2029  
Fax: ..... 664-3774/3796

**Type of Service:** Does not provide direct service but acts as an Advisory Board to lead agency as well as provide assistance.

**Purpose:** To advice and assist the lead agency (PSS) in the performance of the responsibilities of the sources of fiscal and other support services for early intervention programs, assignment of financial responsibility to the appropriate agency, and the promotion of interagency agreements.

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (CDI)**

Location: Northern Marianas College As Terlaje Campus  
Address: P. O. Box 501370 Saipan, MP 96950  
Telephone: ..... 234-5498 Ext. 6802/6808/6809/6764/6810

- 1. The Community Development Institute (CDI) offers a range of traditional academic and non-traditional certificated and short-term personal, career, and professional related programs.
- 2. CDI has designed their courses to meet individual, public and private sector training and education needs.
- 3. CDI is a unique department that offers the community accessible and affordable opportunities to take classes at Northern Marianas College (NMC) without having to be formally admitted or to seek an academic degree.

- 4. CDI is the venue for specialized academic courses, non-traditional courses, customized training, outreach and extended program services, personal enrichment, and community-based learning.
- 5. CDI can offer specialized trainings and courses that can be customized and developed outside of the published schedules to meet the diverse needs of our clients.
- 6. CDI offers on-site instructions to hotels, places of employment, community centers, and other educationally conducive environments. Classes are arranged and offered on Saipan, Tinian, and Rota.

**EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES FOR INFANTS AND TODDLERS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS OR DISABILITIES**

Location: Garapan, across Saipan Ocean View Hotel and Bank of Guam, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 501370, Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 664-4841/2/3/4/5

Fax: ..... 664-4846

**Department:** Public School System

**Type of Service or Program:** Early identification, service coordination, speech therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, special instruction, vision, hearing, assistive technology, transportation and social work.

**Purpose of Program:** Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) provides funding for states to develop, implement, and maintain a system of early intervention services for eligible infants and toddlers and their families. The Early Intervention Service System is designed to provide family centered, comprehensive supports and services necessary for families to enhance the development of their child. The services are provided according to family concerns, priorities and resources and are delivered in the natural environment of the child as determined by the family. Services include transition planning with the family to address the child’s need for

support and services at age three. It is essential to understand that due to the rapid developmental changes of infants and toddlers, a sense of urgency is implied throughout the implementation aspects of Part C. The Public School System is the lead agency responsible for the implementation of Early Intervention Services.

## HEAD START POLICY COUNCIL

Location: Pohnpei Way, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 501370 CK, Saipan, MP 96950-1370

Telephone: ..... 664-3751

Fax: ..... 664-3760

**Department:** Public School System

**Division:** CNMI Head Start Program

**Type of Service or Program:** Serve as an advisory council for grantee as well as the Program Director on policies, rules and regulations regarding services provided to income eligible families.

**Purpose of Program:** To advise on Head Start Program policies.

## HEAD START PROGRAM

Location: Pohnpei Way, Capitol Hill, Saipan

P.O. Box 501370 CK, Saipan, MP 96950

**Saipan** Telephone: ..... 664-3751/3768/3769

Fax: ..... 664-3760

**Tinian** Telephone: ..... 433-9253

**Rota** Telephone: Songsong ..... 532-9451

Sinapalo ..... 532-0484

**Department:** Public School System (Curriculum & Instruction)

**Type of Service:** There are five (5) major areas in the Head Start Program:

- 1 - Family and Community Partnerships
- 2 - Education (Early Childhood Development)
- 3 - Health and Nutrition
- 4 - Mental Health and Disabilities Services
- 5 - Program Design and Management

**Purpose:** To enroll three to five years old children from income eligible (federal guidelines) families and provide comprehensive child development services. It is the lead preschool component of the Early Childhood Education Program within the CNMI Public School System.

The program refers children and/or parents to appropriate agencies for services. The following is a list of some providers for the program: Food Stamps, Medicaid, Housing (MIHA), ABE, Advance Development Institute, Public Health, WIA and etc. The program established partnership and collaboration with the service providers and other private businesses that support the children and their families.

## **NORTHERN MARIANAS COLLEGE (NMC)**

Location: As Terlaje Hill, Northern Marianas College

Address: P. O. Box 501250 Saipan, MP 96950

Website: [www.marianas.edu](http://www.marianas.edu)

Telephone: ..... 234-5498

## **NORTHERN MARIANAS TRADES INSTITUTE (NMTI)**

Location: Manglen Way, Lower Base, Saipan

Address: P. O. Box 504880 Saipan, MP 96950

Email: [nmti@pticom.com](mailto:nmti@pticom.com)

Telephone: ..... 235-6684

**Mission Statement:** Northern Marianas Trades Institute will provide quality technical, trades, and other related occupational programs designed

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to produce educated and skilled workers, and thereby address the labor and economic development needs of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

### Type of Programs:

- |    |   |  |
|----|---|--|
| 1  | - | Carpentry Fundamentals                     |
| 2  | - | Carpentry Framing & Finishing              |
| 3  | - | Core Curriculum: Introductory Craft Skills |
| 4  | - | Construction Craft Laborer                 |
| 5  | - | Electrical                                 |
| 6  | - | Heating, Ventilating, & Air Conditioning   |
| 7  | - | Maintenance Specialist                     |
| 8  | - | Masonry                                    |
| 9  | - | Plumbing                                   |
| 10 | - | Power Generation Maintenance – Electrician |
| 11 | - | Power Generation Maintenance – Mechanic    |
| 12 | - | Welding                                    |
| 13 | - | Automotive                                 |
| 14 | - | Culinary Arts                              |
| 15 | - | Hotel & Restaurant                         |

### PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA)

Location: 2nd Floor, CNMI Public School System, Susupe, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 501370, Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 237-3026/3032

Fax: ..... 664-3798

**Department:** Public School System (PSS)

**Types of Service or Program:** Advocacy group for children and family.

### SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Location: Building #1224, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 501370, Saipan, MP 96950

E-mail: [suzanne.lizama@cnmipss.org](mailto:suzanne.lizama@cnmipss.org)



**Saipan** Telephone: ..... 237-3012/15/19/22  
 Fax: ..... 664-3774  
**Tinian Elementary** Telephone: ..... 237-4128  
 Fax: ..... 433-0455  
**Tinian High School** Telephone: ..... 237-4187  
 Fax: ..... 433-9275  
**Rota Elementary** Telephone: ..... 237-4082  
 Fax: ..... 532-9523  
**Rota High School** Telephone: ..... 237-4031  
 Fax: ..... 532-9501

**Department:** Public School System

**Purpose of Program:** To provide free and appropriate public education for children ages 3 to 22 identified as eligible to receive such services bases on federal status and regulations.

## UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE IN DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (UCEDD)

### Northern Marianas College

Location: As Terlaje Hill, Northern Marianas College

Address: P.O. Box 501250 CK, Saipan MP 96950-1250

Website: <http://www.marianas.edu>

Telephone: ..... 234-5498

Fax: ..... 234-1270

**Type of Service or Program:** To provide training, technical assistance, and information-sharing with the focus on building the capacity of the CNMI to fully include persons with developmental disabilities.

## CHILD CARE

**CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT FUND PROGRAM**

Location: Bldg. No. 1347 Ascension Court, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: Caller Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 664-2575/2576/2589/2590

Fax: ..... 664 2547

**Department:** Department of Community & Cultural Affairs (DCCA)

The Child Care Development Fund Program assists low income families in accessing quality child care for children while parents work or participate in education or job training.

The program's mission is to enhance the quality, affordability, and supply of child care available for all families.

**Parent's Eligibility**

- Working at least 30 hours a week or is scheduled to start to work in 2 weeks.
- In job training at least 20 hours a week.
- Attending education on a full time basis.
- Has a monthly gross income that does not exceed Federal Poverty Income Guideline for a family of a same size.
- The family must be living in the CNMI.

**Child's Eligibility**

- Resides with the parent who is in an approved activity (working, in job training or attending school)
- Be under the age of 13
- Must be a US citizen or qualified alien as defined in the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA).

## CHILD CARE LICENSING PROGRAM

Location: Bldg. #1347, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: Caller Box 10007 Saipan, MP 96950

Business Hours: Monday-Friday except Holidays 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Telephone: ..... 664-2576

Fax: ..... 664-2570

**Department:** Department of Community & Cultural Affairs

**Type of Service or Program:** Licensing of group and family child care providers.

**Purpose of Programs:** The Child Care Licensing Program is responsible for licensing and inspecting all child care services in the CNMI, including day care centers, group care homes, and family child care homes and before and after school programs.

The Child Care Licensing Program ensures child care facilities follow regulations on administration requirements, program requirements, staffing requirements, health standards for children, health standards for staff, environmental health standards, physical facilities standards, and program modifications.

## GOLDEN HARVEST DAY CARE/GOLDEN HARVEST INT'L

Location: Apengagh St., San Jose/Ghiyeghi St., San Jose, Saipan

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 505704 Saipan, MP 96950

Hours of Operation: 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Email: goldenharvest09@gmail.com/susan.deblois @gmail.com

Telephone / Fax: ..... 235-4655

## GOSPEL LIGHT DAY CARE

Location: Kagman 3 across the Kagman Community Center, Saipan

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 505223, Saipan, MP 96950

Hours of Operation: 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Email: Jobel328@pticom.com

**LOVING HANDS DAYCARE**

Location: San Antonio Village, Saipan

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 505378, Saipan MP 96950

Hours of Operation: 7:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Flexible)

Email: dhezjavier@yahoo.com

Telephone: ..... 235-0611

Fax: ..... 235-0611

**SISTER REMEDIOS EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

Location: Chalan Kanoa District 2, Saipan

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 500642, Saipan MP 96950

Hours of Operation: 11:30am – 4:30pm

Email: srrecdc@yahoo.com

Telephone: ..... 234-6247

Fax: ..... 235-1411

**SMART START NURTURING CENTER**

Location: Garapan, Saipan

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 504090, Saipan MP 96950

Hours of Operation: 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Email: linasaipan@aol.com

Telephone: ..... 233-1800

**SUNRISE DAY CARE CENTER**

Location: Finasisu, Saipan

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 505546 CK, Saipan, MP 96950


Hours of Operation: 7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Email: sdcsaipan@yahoo.com



# EMPLOYMENT AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY



A tropical beach scene at sunset. Two palm trees are in the foreground, their fronds silhouetted against a bright orange and yellow sky. The ocean is visible in the background, with gentle waves. The overall mood is peaceful and inspirational.

**Focus not on  
differences of people  
with disabilities  
but the talent of  
the individual.**

*Neil Milliken*

## EMPLOYMENT

**CNMI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR (DOL)**

Location: Bldg. # 1334, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 10007, Saipan MP 96950

Business Hours:

Email: [rtarope@cnmi-gov.net](mailto:rtarope@cnmi-gov.net)

Website: [www.marianaslabor.net](http://www.marianaslabor.net)

Telephone: ..... 664-3190

**Type of Service or Program:** Referral and job placement services to available and qualified U.S. citizens and permanent resident workers in accordance to the preference requirement of employment in the Commonwealth.

**Program Goal:** To establish a system of placement services, our goal is to reduce the reliance on foreign workers in the labor market and place qualified and available U.S. citizens and permanent resident workers on the job by establishing a system of job placement services.

**LATTE TRAINING SOLUTIONS/ LATTE TRAINING ACADEMY**

PO Box 504490 Saipan, MP 96950

Email: [lattetrainingacademy@outlook.com](mailto:lattetrainingacademy@outlook.com)

Telephone: ..... 1-855-544-8500

**OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (OVR)**

Buildings N-2 & N-4, Navy Hill, Saipan

P.O. Box 501521, Saipan, MP 96950-1521

E-mail: [nmidir@ovrgov.net](mailto:nmidir@ovrgov.net)

Website: [www.ovrgov.net](http://www.ovrgov.net)

Telephone: ..... 322-6537/8

Fax: ..... 322-6536 or 322-6548

TDD: ..... 322-6449

**Overview:** The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR) is primarily concerned with the vocational rehabilitation needs of individuals with disabilities. OVR is an agency created under a federal/state partnership to

provide and facilitate direct services to people with disabilities in order to promote skill development/acquisition resulting in competitive and integrated employment thereby enhancing one's independence. OVR is located within the Office of the Governor.

**Type of Service or Program:** Assessment to determine eligibility or vocational rehabilitation needs \* Vocational rehabilitation counseling and guidance \* Information and referral \* Job search, placement assistance, and job retention services \* Supported employment services (e.g., job coach and personal assistance while consumer is on-the job) \* Rehabilitation technology \* School-to-work transition services (e.g., pre-employment transition services) \* Work experience training \* On-the-job training \* And other goods and services determined necessary for the consumer to achieve an employment outcome.

**OVR Mission:** To increase employment and promote independence among eligible individuals with disabilities throughout the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

**Purpose of Program:** To extend rehabilitation services to eligible consumers with disabilities to prepare for, secure, retain, or regain employment consistent with one's unique strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, capabilities, interests, and informed choice.

## PINNACLE STAFFING

Location: 2nd Floor, Kevin's Dept. Store, Chalan Kanoa, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 503128 Saipan, MP 96950

Email: [contactus@pinnaclestaffing.com](mailto:contactus@pinnaclestaffing.com)

Telephone: ..... 287-3773

Fax: ..... 235-3722

## SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER (SBDC)

Location: Pohnpei Way, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: Caller Box 10007 CK Saipan, MP 96950

Email: [perry@pacificsbdc.com](mailto:perry@pacificsbdc.com)

Website: [www.wia.gov.mp](http://www.wia.gov.mp)

Telephone: ..... 664-3018

Fax: ..... 664-3067

**Purpose of Program:** To support the growth and economic development of the U.S. affiliated Pacific Islands in the Western Pacific region by providing high quality one-on-one confidential counseling and training to existing and prospective small businesses.

## **WORKFORCE INVESTMENT AGENCY (WIA) DIVISION**

Address: P.O. Box 10007, Saipan MP 96950

Email: gov.wia@pticom.com

Website: www.wia.gov.mp

**Saipan** Telephone: ..... 664-1704/1705/1708/1757

Fax: ..... 664-1710

**Rota** Telephone: ..... 532-1701/1710

**Tinian** Telephone: ..... 433-1700/1702

**Type of Service or Program:** Job training service; On-The-Training Program, Work Experience Program, Summer Youth Employment Training Program, job search/placement, career exploration program for special and vocational education students, upgrading/retaining for layoff employees.

**Purpose of Program:** To help the CNMI in establishing to prepare youth and unskilled adults for entry into the labor force; to provide financial assistance for job training to economically-disadvantage people, and others face serious barriers to employment, to include persons with disabilities in special need of such training to obtain productive employment.

**Mission:** To promote and establish programs by partnering with other service providers that will successfully prepare youth and adults with employment barriers through education and subsidized employment trainings that leads to increased and sustainable employment, earnings, strong occupational skills, reduced welfare dependency and ultimately improving and enhancing the productivity, competitiveness, and quality of the local workforce benefitting economic development.

**WIA's Seven Guiding Principles:** (1) Streamlining of Services (2) Empowering Individuals (3) Universal Access (4) Increased Accountability (5) Strong Role for Local Workforce Investment Boards and Private Sector (6) State and Local Flexibility and (7) Improved Youth Programs.

## ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

### ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

Location: Bldg #1310, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 502565 CK, Saipan MP 96950

Business Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Telephone: ..... 664-7000/1/3

Fax: ..... 664-7030

**Type of Service or Program:** AT Act of 1998, advocacy, AT assessment, AT training, AT demonstration, information, resource and referral systems, technical assistance, AT Center, and public awareness.

**Purpose of Program:** To enhance the quality of life and opportunities for individuals with disabilities in the Commonwealth to become more independent, productive, integrated and fully included in the community through systems change activities.

### TRANKILU ALTERNATIVE FINANCING PROGRAM (TAFP)

Location: Bldg. # 1310, CNMI Assistive Technology Center, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 502565 Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 664-7003

**Type of Service:** Client assistance to help individuals with disabilities in the CNMI to obtain low interest loans for assistive technology.

**Purpose of Program:** The Trankilu Alternative Financing Program (TAFP) is a Federal Grant Program created by the Assistive Technology Act of 1998 under the alternative financing mechanism. The purpose of the program is to provide low interest loans to CNMI residents with disabilities to obtain assistive technology.





# INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY SUPPORTS





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### AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

Address: 479 West O'Brien Drive, Suite 102 Hagåtña, GU 96932

Business Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m .

Email: elena.taimanglo@cancer.org

Website: www.cancer.org

Telephone: ..... (671) 477-9451/2

Fax: ..... (671) 477-9450

### AUTISM SOCIETY OF THE CNMI (ASCNMI)

The ASCNMI is a non-profit parent support group which works to bring awareness about Autism to the CNMI. The ASCNMI can be contacted via NMPASI at the following:

Telephone: ..... 235-7273/4

TTY: ..... 235-7278

Fax: ..... 235-7275

www.nmpasi.org/ascnmi

### AYUDA NETWORK, INC.

#### COMMONWEALTH RESPITE SERVICE PROGRAM

Location: Anatahan Dr., Bldg. 1367, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Mailing Address: P. O. Box 503019, Saipan, MP 96950

Email Address: crsp.ayudanet@gmail.com/crsp.ayudanet1@gmail.com

Telephone: ..... 322-7469

Fax: ..... 322-7468

**CRSP PURPOSE:** The purpose of CRSP is to provide short term, temporary relief to family member and/or primary caregiver caring for an individual with developmental disabilities.

**VISION:** Driven by community strengths, needs, and resources, we hope to

increase the quality of care for individuals with developmental disabilities and reduce the risk of abuse of these individuals.

## CENTER FOR LIVING INDEPENDENTLY IN THE CNMI (CLIC)

Location: Anatahan Drive Building # 1366 Capitol Hill Saipan MP 96950

Address: PMB 914, P.O. Box 10001 Saipan, MP 96950

Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Email: clicnmi2005@yahoo.com

Telephone: ..... 322-4303

Fax: ..... 322-2077

**Type of Service or Program:** Information and referrals, independent Living Skills Program, Peer Counseling and Advocacy.

**Purpose of Program:** To ensure that people with disabilities of all types are able to live independently. Their mission is to ensure the rights of people with disabilities to live independently and fully integrated in the community, outside of an institutional care setting.

## CHAMORRO CAROLINIAN LANGUAGE COMMISSION

Telephone: ..... 664-5326

## CNMI COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (CDD)

Location: Anatahan Dr. Bldg. #1310, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 502565 C.K. Saipan, MP 96950

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Email: [www.info@cnmicdd.org](http://www.info@cnmicdd.org)

Telephone: ..... 664-7000/1/3

Fax: ..... 664-7030

**Types of Service or Program:** Systems change (public policy), consumer empowerment, leveraging resources, community inclusion, systems advocacy, ADA technical assistance, information & referral, Straid.

## CNMI MENTAL HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL

Address: P.O. Box 500409 CK Saipan, MP 96950-0409

Email: [cgc4@dphcgc.com](mailto:cgc4@dphcgc.com)

Telephone: ..... 323-6560/1

Fax: ..... 323-6580

**Department:** Public Health Services

**Type of Service or Program:** Advisory body

**Purpose:** To review state plans relating to mental health; to serve as an advocate for those with mental illness; to review the adequacy of mental health services.

## CNMI STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL (SILC)

**c/o Office of Vocational Rehabilitation**

P.O. Box 501521, Saipan, MP 96950

E-Mail: [nmidir@ovrgov.net](mailto:nmidir@ovrgov.net)

Telephone: ..... 322-6537

Fax: ..... 322-6536

**Mission:** To serve individuals with significant disabilities in the CNMI and, to promote independence, productivity, integration and inclusion of such individuals into society. The Council supports the independent living philosophy of consumer control, peer support, self-help, self-determination, equal access, and advocacy.

**Vision:** Inclusive, accessible communities that value differences.

**Duties of the SILC:** (1) Jointly develop and sign the State Plan for Independent Living with the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation or Designated State Entity; (2) Monitor, review, revise, and evaluate the implementation of the State Plan for Independent Living; (3) Coordinate activities with the State Rehabilitation Council and other State councils that address the needs of specific disability populations and issues; (4) Ensure that all regular and special meetings of the Council are held in accessible facilities,

open to the public, and that sufficient notice is provided; and (5) Hold necessary public hearings and forums to carry out the duties of the Council.

## **CNMI STATE REHABILITATION COUNCIL (SRC)**

### **c/o Office of Vocational Rehabilitation**

Email: [nmidir@ovrgov.net](mailto:nmidir@ovrgov.net)

Website: [www.ovrgov.net](http://www.ovrgov.net)

Telephone: ..... 322-6537

Fax: ..... 322-6536

**Mission:** The State Rehabilitation Council embraces the mission of the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation to increase employment and promote independence among eligible individuals with disabilities throughout the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

**Purposes:** (1) Review, analyze and advise the Governor and the OVR regarding its performance relating to eligibility as well as extent, scope, and effectiveness of services provided, (2) Develop, agree to, and review State Plan goals and priorities, (3) Evaluate the effectiveness of the vocational rehabilitation program, (4) Conduct consumer satisfaction survey, (5) Prepare annual report to the Governor and the Commissioner of the Rehabilitation Services Administration, and make report available to the public, and (6) perform other functions consistent with the Rehabilitation Act.

## **COALITION FOR ANTI-STIGMA OF MENTAL ILLNESS IN THE CNMI (CAMI-CNMI)**

Location: Anatahan Dr. Bldg. # 1310, Capitol Hill, CNMI Assistive Technology Center

Address: P.O. Box 5593 CHRB Saipan MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 664-7005 / 287-7013

**Type of Service:** Client assistance for the Trankilu Alternative Financing Program to help individuals with disabilities in the CNMI to obtain low interest loans for assistive technology.

**Purpose of Program:** The Coalition for Anti-Stigma of Mental Illness in the

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CNMI (CAMI-CNMI) is a nonprofit, 501 c3, community based organization dedicated to improving the lives of individuals diagnosed with behavior health disorders and all other disabilities. CAMI-CNMI supports and advocates furthering the cause of “Transforming Mental Health in America” from a “medical model” to a “recovery model” system of care.

### COMMONWEALTH CANCER ASSOCIATION INC. (CCA)

Location: Chalan Pale Arnold Rd., Gualo Rai, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 5665 CHRB, Saipan, MP 96950

Email: [cca@ccamarianas.org](mailto:cca@ccamarianas.org)

[ccamarianas@gmail.com](mailto:ccamarianas@gmail.com)

Website: [www.ccamarianas.org](http://www.ccamarianas.org)

Telefax: ..... 682-0050

**Type of Service or Program:** Financial assistance and equipment loans for people with support group of cancer survivors and caregivers; outreach to promote health aware cancer risk reduction, screening, and early detection.

**Purpose of Program:** Reduce the burden of cancer in the CNMI, provide support to people with cancer and their families, and work toward a vision of cancer-free community.

### COMMONWEALTH COUNCIL FOR ARTS & CULTURE

#### Department of Community & Cultural Affairs

Location: Asuncion Dr., Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P. O. Box 5553 CHRB Saipan, MP 96950

Email: [galaidi@gtepacific.net](mailto:galaidi@gtepacific.net)

Business Hours: Monday thru Friday except Holidays 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Saipan** Telephone: ..... 322-9982/3

**Tinian** Telephone/Fax: ..... 433-0372

**Rota** Telephone: ..... 532-9350

Fax: ..... 322-9028

**Type of Service or Program:** To provide arts and culture through provision of a wide array of programming.

### COMMONWEALTH DIABETES COALITION

Address: P.O. Box 503019 Saipan MP 96950

Email: [ayudanet1@ayuda-cnmi.org](mailto:ayudanet1@ayuda-cnmi.org)

Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. except Holidays

Telephone: ..... 234-7469

Fax: ..... 234-7468

**Mission:** To act as an advocate for public education and outreach into the CNMI community at all aspects and on many levels.

**Primary Role:** To increase our community awareness of the serious impact of diabetes on our families; our social structure; our economy; and our people. It will increase awareness through public outreach and education programs in neighborhoods, and schools.

### COMMONWEALTH ELECTION COMMISSION

Address: P.O. Box 500470, Saipan, MP 96950

Website: [votecnmi.gov.mp](http://votecnmi.gov.mp)

Telephone: ..... 235-8683 (VOTE) / 235-8680

Fax: ..... 664-8689

**Type of Service or Program:** Regulatory and administrative

**Purpose of Program:** Administration of elections and regulation of eligible electors in the Northern Mariana Islands.

### COMMUNITY GUIDANCE CENTER (CGC)

Location: Gloria Dr., Navy Hill, Saipan

Address: P. O. Box 500409 Saipan, MP 96950-0409

Telephone: ..... 323-6560/61

Fax: ..... 323-6580



**Department:** Public Health

**Type of Service or Program:** Transitional Living Center(Day Program; Functional, Coping, Leisure, Social and Cognitive Skills Training; Residential Program; Case Management; Psychiatric Outpatient Services – Evaluation, Medication Management/Refill and Consultation; Illness Management Training; Transportation; Outreach and Respite Services; Family Support; Education Services; Coordination of Other Service), Behavioral Health Services(Individual, Group, & Family Counseling; Psychiatric Services; Crisis Counseling, including Walk-In Interventions & Community Response –Typhoon, Suicide, and other crisis-; Psychological Consultation with Adult and Juvenile Courts, PSS, and DYS; Weekly Life Skills and Stress Management Classes; Guest Speakers in Community and/or Educational Forums; Outreach Services to Rota and Tinian), Substance Abuse Treatment Services(Individual/Group Counseling for Substance Abuse and Gambling Addiction; DUI, Relapse Prevention, and Anger Management Classes; Family Education and Counseling regarding Substance Abuse and co-occurring Disorders; Drug-Free Workplace Program Supervisory Training and Employee Education), Tobacco Prevention and Control Program(Community Programs; Chronic Disease Programs; School-Based and Other Youth Programs; Enforcement; Statewide Programs; Media and Counter Marketing; Cessation and Quit Line Programs; and Surveillance and Evaluation)

**Purpose of Program:** To provide access to mental/behavioral health and substance abuse service thus improving the physical, social, emotional, and psychological well-being of the people of the CNMI.

## **COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CONTROL PROGRAM (CNMICCC)**

Location: Commonwealth Health Care Corporation, Navy Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500409 Saipan, MP 96950

Business Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday except Holidays

Telephone: ..... 236-8728

Fax: ..... 236-8700

**Mission:** Provide CNMI residents with education regarding cancer prevention, screening programs, early diagnosis and treatment, longitudinal patient care in a comprehensive and integrated program.

**Vision:** A cancer free CNMI. The CNMI Cancer Control Coalition (CNMICCC) is a diverse group of individuals and organizations working together to reduce cancer incidence, morbidity or mortality for all people living in the Northern Mariana Islands through a coordinated, integrated approach to controlling cancer and ensuring quality of life and survivorship.

## CRIME STOPPERS

### (A Program of the Department of Public Safety)

Location: Tekken St., Susupe, Saipan

Address: P. O. Box 503783 Saipan, MP 96950

Hours of Operation: 24 hours / 7 days a week

Telephone: ..... 234-7272 (PARA)

Cell: ..... 287-7037

Contact: Jason Tarkong

**How Does It Work?** Anyone with knowledge of a crime can call the Crime Stoppers TIPS HOTLINE at 234-7272, \*11 on any PTI phone or use our secure website. Calls are routed to our Crime Stoppers call center in Ontario, Canada where a professional call taker takes the information on the crime. (Even if provided by the caller, no personal or identifying information about the caller's identity is taken). The caller is given a CODE (name or number). This allows the caller to call back to see if an arrest has been made and if an award will be given to the caller. The crime information is then sent via encrypted email to a special computer program where it is downloaded. The Crime Stoppers coordinator then prints a copy and provides it to the proper law enforcement agency. Tips that lead to an arrest are paid a cash award based on the severity of the crime. Awards are paid in a way where Crime Stoppers and the tipster NEVER meet.

**Why do we need Crime Stoppers in the NMI? Have you ever been a**

**victim of a crime? How about someone you know?** Crime of any kind hurts hard working, innocent people every day. If you were a victim of a crime and someone had information on who did it, you would want that person to call the police. . . Right? However, many people “do not want to get involved” or they are afraid someone will find out and come after them or they just don’t care! Crime Stoppers exists to combat just those concerns.

Crime Stoppers is an independent, non-profit, citizens-run organization that is committed to reduce crime in its community. It is a partnership between the COMMUNITY it serves, the MEDIA and LAW ENFORCEMENT whose mandate is to “work together to solve crime”.

### **Crime Stoppers resolves these problems by:**

Offering ANONYMITY to people who call in OR send tips via our web site  
Paying REWARDS when that information leads to an arrest.

**How can you help?** Many people feel catching criminals is the POLICE Departments job, but police need information and “leads” to catch criminals. The public has such information. If you want to maximize the effectiveness of our law enforcement men and women, call Crime Stoppers and give them the help they need to put criminals behind bars.

## **DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES (DYS)**

Location: Across CNMI Legislature Bldg., Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 501000, Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 664-2550/1, 664-2592

Fax: ..... 664-2566

**Department:** Department of Community & Cultural Affairs

**Type of Service or Program:** Child protection services, parent education classes, volunteer services, and foster care services.

**Purpose of Program:** 24-hour crisis intervention all year round; protective custody, emergency shelter, foster care; professional counseling by a certified therapist; referrals to appropriate agencies; parent education classes; public

education, prevention and awareness on child welfare, youth and family issues; juvenile16 probation; control of juvenile offenders; home visitation/monitoring; home study reports for adoption & placement matters.

## EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM (c/o Karidat)

Address: P.O. Box 501457, Saipan, MP 96950-1457

**Type of Service or Program:** To help families with their utility one month in emergency cases by providing one-month supplemental assistance, once a year.

## IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM

### (A program of the Department of Public Health)

Location: CHCC, Lower Navy Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500409 Saipan, MP 96950

Hours of Operation: 7:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. / 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Telephone: ..... 236-8708

Appointments: ..... 236-8745

Fax: ..... 236-8700

**Description:** The Immunization Program provides childhood immunizations for vaccine-preventable diseases for all children birth to 18 years old.

## IT&E'S LIFELINE AND LINK-UP PROGRAMS

Location: Fafa PI, Middle Road, Chalan Laulau, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500306 Saipan, MP 96950

Hours of Operation:

Telephone: ..... 234-7143

The Link-Up program gives qualified low-income islanders an automatic \$30 discount off the cost of installing telephone service at their homes. The

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program allows the participants to pay the balance of the installation fee over a twelve-month period with no interest charges. The Lifeline portion of the program takes over by reducing the local service charge with unlimited number of local calls by \$13.50 every month. The program also gives participants monthly toll-blocking service and 3 other custom-calling features at no charge. The standard \$50 deposit is waived if the customer agrees to block long-distance.

**Limitations:** If a participant wishes to have long-distance, then the \$50 deposit charge is applicable and due upon sign-up. A new application is required at the end of the twelve-month period in order to continue Lifeline / Link-Up services.

Number of People in the Household	Household Income
1	\$15,755
2	\$21,236
3	\$26,717
4	\$32,198
5	\$37,679
6	\$43,160
7	\$48,641
8	\$54,122

For each additional person, add \$5,481.

Consumers qualifying for Lifeline under an income-based criterion must certify the number of individuals in their households. Income means all income actually received by all members of the household. This includes salary before deductions for taxes, public assistance benefits, social security payments, pensions, unemployment compensation benefits, veteran's gifts, inheritances, lottery winnings, and the like. The only exceptions are student financial aid, military housing and cost-of-living allowances, irregular

income from occasional small jobs such as baby-sitting or lawn mowing.

**Note:** If the document of income does not cover a full year, such as current pay stubs, the consumer must present three consecutive months of the same type of document within that calendar year as proof of income. For only \$12.00 per month, you can get the home phone your family needs. Call 234-7143 for more details or drop by IT&E's Customer Service Center on Middle Road during regular business hours.

## LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP)

Address: Caller Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950

**Saipan Telephone:** ..... 664-2568/9

**Fax:** ..... 664-2590

**Tinian Telephone:** ..... 433-9330

**Rota Telephone:** ..... 532-5437

**Department:** Department of Community and Cultural Affairs

**Type of Service or Program:** Electrical payment assistance

**Purpose of Program:** To help low-income families to meet their utility costs.

## KARIDAT PROGRAMS

Location: Sablan Plaza, 1st Floor, San Antonio, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500745 Saipan, MP 96950-0745

Email: karidat@pticom.com

Telephone: ..... 234-6981/5248

Fax: ..... 234-9192

**Type of Service:** Victim hotline, Family services, victims of crime advocacy, counseling alcohol information class, youth development programs, and Battered Women Shelter.

**Purpose of Program:** To assist people of all economic levels in the



community to address problems arising from personal or family problems, external circumstances, or intrapersonal conflicts.

## MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND STAFF:

Name of Organization: Make-A-Wish Foundation of Guam

Tax ID Number: 98-0098218

Mailing Address: 590 South Marine Corps Drive

Contact Person: Victor P. Camacho, Executive Director

Office Staff: Kaleena Aguon, Wish Coordinator/Office Manager

Location: ITC Building, Suite 109 Tamuning, Guam 96931-3507

Email Addresses: [info@guam.wish.org](mailto:info@guam.wish.org)

Website Address: [www.guam.wish.org](http://www.guam.wish.org)

Telephone: ..... 671-649-9474

Fax: ..... 671-649-9030

Cell: ..... 671-727-2120

Cell: ..... 671-687-2452

**Mission Statement:** We grant the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy.

**The MAKE-A-WISH® Phenomenon:** The Make-A-Wish Foundation® is the world's largest wish-granting organization. Somewhere in the world, everyday, the Make-A-Wish Foundation grants a wish to a child with a life-threatening medical condition. The Make-A-Wish Foundation serves every local community in the United States and has chapters in the territories of Guam and Puerto Rico. The Guam Chapter services the islands of Guam, Rota, Tinian and Saipan.

**Program Services:** Wishes are categorized into 4 types: I Wish to Be...; I Wish to Go...; I Wish to Meet...; and I Wish to Have... Most Guam Wishes involve travel and consequently cost more than other Wishes from other

chapters. The Guam Chapter does not receive any government funds and operates solely on through private donations, fundraising events and corporate contributions.

## **THE WISH PROCESS**

Every wish is a unique and memorable experience for the wish child, the family, and for those who participate in the wish. Below is the process through which the Make-A-Wish Foundation is able to create moments of hope, strength, and joy for children with life-threatening medical conditions.

### **STEP ONE: The Wish Referral**

Out of respect for the privacy of the children and families the Make-A-Wish Foundation serves, a child can be referred for a wish by one of the following three sources.

- A medical professional treating the child (doctor, nurse, social worker, or child-life specialist)
- The child's parents or legal guardians
- The potential wish child

### **STEP TWO: Determining the Child's Eligibility**

Children over the age of 2½ and under the age of 18 at the time of referral, who have been determined by a physician to have a life-threatening medical condition, may be eligible for a wish. The child's physician makes the final determination of whether a child is medically eligible to receive a wish. Also, the child cannot have previously received a wish from another wish-granting organization.

### **STEP THREE: Choosing a Wish**

After the physician confirms that the child is medically eligible to receive a wish, the child's local Make-A-Wish chapter assigns a volunteer wish team to create a magical wish experience for the child. During the wish team's visit, they ask the child what his or her one favorite wish is.

**STEP FOUR: Making a Wish Come True**

After the child has determined his or her wish, the child's wish granters and local Make-A-Wish professionals work to create it. Every effort is made to involve each member of the child's immediate family in the wish experience. Quite often, the impact of a wish experience will touch the lives of dozens, sometimes hundreds, of people who help to fulfill a child's wish.

**MEDICAID AGENCY**

Location: Pohnpei Wy, Bldg. #1252, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500409 CK, Saipan MP 96950-0409

**Saipan** Telephone: ..... 664-4880/2/3/4

Fax: ..... 664-4885

**Rota** Telephone: ..... 532-9461

**Tinian** Telephone: ..... 433-9430

**Department:** Public Health Services

**Type of Service or Program:** Medical Assistance for the Needy (MAN) Program, basically, Medicaid pays for the following services: inpatient, outpatient, other lab & x-ray, physician, EPSDT for children under 18 home health care, etc. We also purchase wheelchairs, eyeglasses, hearing aids, oxygen and dentures. Attending physician should prescribe and justify if you need one of the above-mentioned. These are optional services. We can purchase these upon the availability of the funding. There is no enrollment fee, other than to provide birth certificate or baptismal certificate for supporting document. If you are a Medicare and a Medicaid recipient, we pay for your Medicare premium, deductible and co-insurance amounts under Medicare part A and part B. Eligibility determination must be made within 5 to 60 days from the filling date of the application. The eligibility worker generally can inform an applicant of his/her eligibility based on responses given during the interview with the applicant. Eligibility coverage will be for up to one year or six months depending on your eligibility coverage. The Medicaid card is only good within the government-operated

facility. The only private provider we are utilizing is the PHI Pharmacy. Marianas Eye Institute and Seventh Day Adventist Clinic are the only providers authorized since we do not have these services in a Government operated facility.

**Purpose of Program:** To provide medical assistance to all eligible individuals as specified in the Waiver Plan.

**MICRONESIAN LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION**

Location: Beach Road, Susupe

Address: P. O. Box 500826 CK, Saipan, MP 96950

Email: legalhelp@mlscnet.org

Telephone: ..... 234-6243

Fax: ..... 235-6101

**MOTHER-READ/FATHER-READ PROGRAM (MRFRP)**

Location: Joeten Kiyu Library, Susupe, Saipan

Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Course Classes Schedule: 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

(By schedule and arrangement)

Telephone: ..... 235-7319/23/7886

Fax: ..... 235-7550

**Services Provided:** Motherread, Inc. is a nationally acclaimed private, non-profit organization that combines the teaching of literacy skills with child development and family empowerment issues. Parents and children learn to use the power of language to discover more about themselves their families, and their communities.

Mother-read offers classes for both the adults and children. In the adult classes, participants learn to be story readers, writers, and tellers in a group structure that supports their own sense of worth and ability. These classes are appropriate for all adults, regardless of reading ability or prior educational

experience. By teaching the why of reading rather than just emphasizing the how, classes encourage parents to be reading role models for their children. For children, Story Exploring provides a structured environment for learning reading, critical-thinking, and problem solving skills. MRFRP partners and works with different CNMI government agencies. Supports, and participate in community functions, events, and literary initiatives in the CNMI.

**NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS**

Location: Chalan Tun Herman Pan, Lower Dandan, Saipan  
Address: P.O. Box 500814, Saipan MP 96950-0814  
Email: [arcnmi@pticom.com](mailto:arcnmi@pticom.com)  
Contact: John Hirsh, Executive Director  
Telephone: ..... 234-3459  
Fax: ..... 234-3457

**Type of Service or Program:** Disaster preparedness and relief, health and safety, aquatics and HIV prevention education, and services to the members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families.

**Purpose of Program:** To help people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies.

The American Red Cross (ARC) is a humanitarian organization, led by volunteers, that provides relief to victims of disasters and help people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies. It does this through services that are consistent with its Congressional Charter and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross Movement. ARC provides disaster services, health and safety services, and Armed Forces Emergency Services. It is not a government agency and thus depends on the generosity of the local community and business to provide its services.

Governed by volunteers and supported by community donations, the American Red Cross is a nationwide network of nearly 800 field units dedicated to saving lives and helping people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies. Led by 1 million volunteers and 36,000 employees, the Red Cross annually mobilizes relief to families affected by more than 70,000 disasters, trains almost 12 million people in lifesaving skills and keeps U.S. military families connected worldwide. The Red Cross is the largest supplier of blood and blood products to more than 3,000 hospitals across the nation and also assists victims of international disasters and conflicts at locations worldwide.

**NORTHERN MARIANAS PROTECTION & ADVOCACY SYSTEMS, INC. (NMPASI)**

Location: Chalan Pale Arnold Rd., Gualo Rai, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 503529, Saipan MP 96950-3529

Website: [www.nmpasi.org](http://www.nmpasi.org)

Telephone: ..... 235-7273-4

Fax: ..... 235-7275

TTY: ..... 235-7278

**Department:** Not-for-Profit Corporation with a (501) (3) (c) status

**Type of Service or Program:** Pursue legal, administrative and other appropriate remedies to protect and advocate for the rights of individuals with disabilities in the CNMI. NMPASI also provides training, public awareness, information and referral, and technical assistance services including American's with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG) reviews.

**Mission Statement:** To protect the human, civil, and legal rights of people with disabilities in the CNMI

**NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NAP)**



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Location: JTV Building, As Lito, Saipan  
Address: P.O. Box 501488, Saipan, MP 96950  
Email: dccanap@vzpacifica.net  
Telephone: ..... 664-2800-23/2819  
Distribution Information: ..... 664-2800  
Fax: ..... 664-2850

**Department:** Community & Cultural Affairs

**Type of Service or Program:** Nutrition Assistance Program

**Purpose of Program:** The program provides assistance for the economically and socially disadvantaged, or the low income and needy, families and individuals. There are requirements and certain criteria that determine household eligibility.

OFFICE OF AGING (MAN’ AMKO)

Address: P.O. Box 502178 CK, Saipan, MP 96950  
**Saipan** Telephone: ..... 233-1321  
Fax: ..... 233-1327  
**Tinian** Telephone: ..... 433-9220  
Fax: ..... 433-2029  
**Rota** Telephone: ..... 532-2656  
Fax: ..... 532-9475

**Types of Service and Program:** Social Services (i.e. transportation, homemaker services, information & referral)

**Requirements for Title III Program:**

- 1. Must be 60 years or older.
- 2. Must be frail and in the elderly population (does not necessary have to be sick).

Perspective clients for Title III Program to be interviewed either at the Center or at home by an Office of Aging Employee.

**Requirements for Title V Program (Senior Community Service**

**Employment Program)**

1. Must be 55 years and older
2. Must meet income eligibility
3. Must be able and fit

Title V applicants have to be interviewed at the Center by the Title V Coordinator.

**Purpose of Program:** To assure that our older population receive full access to the rights, benefits and social services in order to remain active and independent throughout their livelihood.

**RESIDENTIAL ENERGY ASSISTANCE CHALLENGE (REACH)**

Location: Bldg. No. 1339 Ascension Court, Capitol Hill, Saipan

Address: Caller Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950

Telephone: ..... 664-2568/9

Fax: ..... 664-2571

**Department:** Department of Community & Cultural Affairs (DCCA)

**Types of Service or Program:** Energy conservation assistance to LIHEAP clients.

**Purpose of Program:** The purpose of REACH is to help low-income families meet their utility cost. This is done by providing affordable energy efficient products through the provision of rebates to LIHEAP households that invest in energy efficient refrigerators and A/C units, the arrangement of in-store demonstrations and sales of energy efficient products targeting low-income families, and the organization of an Energy Conservation Fair coinciding with vendor sales. The scope of the project also meets the need for clients to comprehend family budget matters through combined village workshops dealing with family budgeting and home energy conservation. The need for public education on energy conservation is met through the appointment of student “Energy Ambassadors” as an effective outreach tool to teach their peers and the community on energy conservation; the use of energy

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conservation mascot “Officer Ophing Powers” for media and public appearances; and an Energy Conservation Day Camp held during summer.

### SALVATION ARMY

Location: South of Gualo Rai intersection corner Chalan Monsignor Guerrero Road, Middle Road

Email: gaprens@yahoo.com

Phone: ..... 483-0885

#### Salvation Army Food Kitchen Hours:

Wednesday to Saturday: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Sunday: 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

### SPEECH-TO-SPEECH (STS) SERVICE

Location: IT&E, Chalan Laulau, Saipan

Business Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday except Holidays

Telephone: ..... 7-1-1

**Type of Service:** In the U.S., STS is a service that is provided through each state’s Relay Service. Only seven states and one territory (CNMI) offer this service. The CNMI launched its STS Service in July 2001, through Hawaii’s STS system. The STS Call is set up in three-way call environment. The three parties involved in the call are:

1. Person who makes the call
2. Person who receives the call
3. The Communication Assistant (CA).

The CA is specially trained to understand a wide range of speech patterns. The CA facilitates the call between the caller and the called party by listening to the words spoken by the person with a speech disability, and then repeating what was said word for word. All three parties are able to hear one another during and STS call.

**Purpose of Program:** To enable people with a speech disability to make a

telephone call.

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICE (TRS)

Location: IT&E, Chalan Laulau, Saipan

Business Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday – Friday except Holidays

Telephone: ..... Dial 7-1-1 Hearing Individuals

Dial: ..... 5-1-1 ITE Customer Service

TTY Number: ..... 235-9015

**Type of Service:** 24 hours, 7 days a week telecommunications relay service for persons with speech or hearing impairments. Confidentiality is guaranteed and all conversations are relayed entirely with the length and numbers of calls being unlimited, and free of charge. In addition, text and email messages are available through cell phone usage. Earphones are also available for clearer sound and hands free convenience (earphones, cell phones, and activation come with fee).

## US SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Location: Mariana Heights Business Park, MH II Bldg., Suite 201,  
Puerto Rico, Saipan

Address: P.O. Box 500489 Saipan, MP 96950

Webpage: [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov)

Email: [mp.fo.ssa@ssa.gov](mailto:mp.fo.ssa@ssa.gov)

Telephone: ..... 234-6203

Fax: ..... 234-3022

TTY: ..... 1-800-325-0778

General information: ..... 1-800-772-1213

**Types of Services:** Social Security Income (SSI) managed by Social Security is a federally-funded public assistance program. The SSI program makes payments to people who have low income, limited resources, aged 65 or older, or blind and/or have a disability. To get SSI, you must live in the U.S. or

the Northern Mariana Islands and be a U.S. citizen or national.

Social Security reaches almost every family, and at some point will touch the lives of nearly all Americans. Social Security is a contributory federal social insurance program which works like this: when you work, you pay taxes into Social Security. Your taxes are being used right now to pay people who are now getting Retirement, Disability and Survivor benefits. Any unused money goes in to the Social Security trust fund, not a personal account with your name in it. As you work and pay taxes, you earn Social Security “credits”. Most people need 40 credits (10 years of work) to qualify for benefits. Younger people need fewer credits to be eligible for survivor’s benefits when the worker dies. Social Security was never meant to be the only source of income for people when they retire. Social Security replaces about 40 percent of an average wages earner’s income after retiring.

**Medicare:** A federal health insurance program that provides hospital and medical coverage managed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. It is our country’s basic health insurance program for people aged 65 or older, who are entitled to Social Security Disability benefits for 24 consecutive months, or individuals who suffer from chronic renal disease. In 2006, prescription drug coverage was added to Medicare.

**Purpose of Programs:** To replace/provide income to a wage earner at the time that he or she retires or becomes disabled or to the family when a wage earner dies. To provide health insurance coverage to a beneficiary who is 65 years old or older, or disabled beneficiary after 24 consecutive months of entitlement.

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### The CNMI’s Grassroots Self-Advocacy Groups

**VOICES of the CNMI, Saipan-Tinian-Rota Chapters' Mission:**

1. To unite people with disabilities to advocate for their human and civil rights as residents and citizens of the CNMI;
2. To empower independent groups of people with disabilities throughout the CNMI to work together for justice by helping each other fight discrimination;
3. To ensure that people with disabilities are treated as equals to people without disabilities;
4. To cultivate attitudes, behaviors, skills and knowledge to become self-advocates;
5. To empower individuals with disabilities to advocate for themselves by supporting each other and helping each other gain confidence to speak out for what they believe in;
6. To empower individuals with disabilities to make decisions and choices that affect their lives so they can be more independent;
7. To educate communities and improve public perceptions of people with disabilities;
8. To ensure people with disabilities are given the same choices, rights, responsibilities and chances to speak up to empower themselves as people without disabilities;
9. To provide people with disabilities a safe, supportive environment with a variety of opportunities to be involved, responsible, and economically productive citizens;
10. To provide members of this corporation with mentoring, peer networking and educational opportunities; to aid, support and assist other persons or organizations by raising funds and identifying fund sources and resources for gifts, grants, contributions, provided that such activity is consistent with the purposes stated in these articles.







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**Coalition for Anti-Stigma  
of Mental Illnesses in the CNMI (CAMI)  
Trankilu Alternative Financing Program (TAFP)**

Capitol Hill, Building 1310

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**Contact Person: Ellenna Sutton  
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Email: eas8065@yahoo.com**

