

DELRAN TOWNSHIP CHILD STUDY TEAM

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CHILD FIND

Dear Resident,

Do you know of a special needs child, age 3-21, residing in the township that may have physical, mental or emotional problems? Are you aware of a child below age three with significant similar and/or developmental difficulties (vision, hearing, motor coordination, behavioral problems)? If so, Delran's *Child Find* can help.

Project *Child Find*, required of all New Jersey public school districts, is a free public awareness and referral service to assist parents and professionals, through a community wide effort, to locate and assist any child between ages 3-21 in need of free appropriate public education and special education programs and services. We make an extra effort to identify children between ages 3-5 who may require programs for preschool disabilities and developmental delays. There is also outreach to identify and refer infants and toddlers through two years of age to free available early intervention programs and services. Sometimes parents do not seek help for a child because they do not know what services are available or that the child has a problem.

Screening, professional guidance and educational programming are available, if needed, free of charge through the district's public school program. (NOTE: If a child age 6 or above attends a nonpublic school, then the parent should contact the CST office of the district in which the nonpublic school is located). So if you know of a child who may have a problem, you can call the Delran Child Study Team Office at 856-461-6800 #1009 between 8:00AM and 4:00PM. All information is confidential. Often if we can find these children, we can help them. Thank you.

Sincerely

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