Alliances

There are many groups with data, information, opinions, products, etc. regarding care for those with disabilities. The following are major groups along with their contact information.

Academy of Dentistry for Persons with Disabilities (ADPD)

This group has very similar goals & objectives to those of SAID.

ADPD Special Care Dentistry 401 North Michigan Ave Suite 2200 Chicago, IL 60611 (312) 527-6464 (312) 673-6663 scda@scdaonline.org www.scdonline.org

American Association on Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD) (formerly AAMR) AIDD promotes progressive policies, sound research, effective practices and universal human rights for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

AAID 444 North Capitol Street, NW Suite 846 Washington, D.C. 20001-1512 Telephone: (202) 387-1968 or (800) 424-3688 Fax: (202) 387-2193 www.aaidd.org

The ARC

The ARC is devoted to promoting and improving supports and services for all people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. While not a friend to institutions, they are a strong voice advocating for patients with mental challenges and they understand the necessity of good oral care, and the difficulty obtaining such care.

The ARC of the United States 1010 Wayne Avenue, Suite 650 Silver Spring, MD 20910 Phone: (301) 565-3842 / (800) 433-5255 Fax: (301) 565-3843 / (301) 565-5342 www.thearc.org

National Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI)

This organization is dedicated to the eradication of mental illness and to the improvement of the quality of life for persons of all ages who are affected by mental illness. NAMI understands institutional care.

NAMI Colonial Place Three 2107 Wilson Blvd., Suite 300 Arlington, VA 22201-3042 www.nami.org

National Down Syndrome Society (NDSS)

NDSS is committed to being the national leader in enhancing the quality of life, and realizing the potential of all people with Down syndrome. This organization values alliances with other groups who provide support to patients with Down Syndrome.

NDSS 666 Broadway 8th floor New York, New York 10012. www.ndss.org

VOR

VOR is very much in sync with the views of SAID, and they have been a strong ally in our endeavors.

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