

Common Acronyms and Abbreviations

Below is a guide that lists acronyms and abbreviations that are used throughout Voices' factsheets.

AA Afterschool Alliance

AAP American Academy of Pediatrics

ABA Applied Behavior Analysis
ABD Aged, Blind, and Disabled
ACE Adverse Childhood Experience

ACF Administration for Children and Families

ACLU American Civil Liberties Union ACO Accountable Care Organization ADA Americans with Disabilities Act

ADHD Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
AHYD Adolescent Health and Youth Development

ASD Autism Spectrum Disorder

ASYD Afterschool and Youth Development Quality Standards

ATAC Afterschool Technical Assistance Collaborative

AYP Adequate Yearly Progress

BCaBA Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst

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BCLPC Barton Child Law and Policy Center

BCW Babies Can't Wait

BHCC Behavioral Health Coordinating Council

BHPMS Behavioral Health Performance Measurement System

BMI Body mass index

BOOST Building Out-of-School Time Grants Program

BSFT Brief Strategic Family Therapy

C & A Child and Adolescent

CACFP Child and Adult Care Food Program
CAPC Child Abuse Protocol Committee
CAPS Childcare and Parent Services

CAPTA Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act

CASA Court Appointed Special Advocate

CBAY Community-based Alternatives for Youth

CCDF Child Care and Development Fund

CCLS 21st Century Community Learning Centers

CCS Child Care Services Division

CCSP Community Care Services Program
CDBG Community Development Block Grant
CDC Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

CEA Correctional Education Association

CFR Child Fatality Review

CHINS Children in Need of Services

CJCC Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

CME Care Management Entity

CMO Care Management Organization
CMS Children's Medical Services



CMS Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

COMP Comprehensive Supports Waiver

CON Certificate of Need
CPS Certified Peer Specialists
CPS Child Protective Services

CRIPA Civil Rights of Institutionalized Persons Act

CSB Community Service Boards
CSG Community Service Grants
CST Community Support Team
CSU Crisis Stabilization Unit

CTFC Children's Trust Fund Commission

CYCC Children and Youth Coordinating Council
CYF Office of Children, Young Adults, and Families
CYSCHN Children and Youth with Special Healthcare Needs

DAS Division of Administrative Services

DBHDD Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities

DCH Department of Community Health
DCS Department of Community Supervision
DCSS Department of Child Support Services (DHS)

DD Developmental Disability

DECAL Department of Early Care and Learning
DFCS Division of Family and Children Services

DHS Department of Human Services

DJJ Department of Justice
DLL Dual Language Learner
DOE Department of Education
DOJ Department of Justice
DOL Department of Labor

DPH Department of Public Health
DSS Division of Support Services
DYS Division of Youth Services
EBHV Evidence-based Home Visiting
ECE Early Childcare and Education

EECP Early Education Community Partnerships

EHR Electronic Health Record

EHS Early Head Start

EIC Early Intervention Coordinators

ELE Express Lane Eligibility

EMSC Emergency Medical Services for Children

EPAC Educational Programming, Assessment, and Consultation EPSDT Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment

FAY Full Academic Year

FFPSA Family First Prevention Services Act

FFS Fee for Service

FFT Functional Family Therapy FNS Food and Nutrition Services

FPL Federal Poverty Level

FQHC Federally Qualified Health Center



FTECE Farm to Early Care and Education

FTS Farm to School FY Fiscal year

GA-CAN Georgia Children's Advocacy Network

GAPP Georgia Pediatric Program

GaPSC Georgia Professional Standards Commission

GBI Georgia Bureau of Investigation
GCAL Georgia Crisis and Access Line
GDA Department of Agriculture

GELDS Georgia Early Learning and Development Standards

GNETS Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Supports

GOCF Governor's Office of Children and Families
GOSA Governor's Office of Student Achievement

GPSN Georgia Parent Support Network

GSAN Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network (a division of Voices for Georgia's Children)

GSE Georgia Standards of Excellence
GSFC Georgia Student Finance Commission

HFR Health Facilities Regulation

HHS U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
HIPAA Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act

HIT Health Information Technology
HMO Health Maintenance Organization

HOPE Healthy Outcomes of Positive Experiences

ICF-MR Intermediate Care Facilities for Mental Retardation

ICWP Independent Care Waiver Program

IDEA Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

IEP Individualized Education Plan
IFI Individualized Family Intervention
IFSP Individualized Family Service Plan

ISP Individualized Service Plan

JDAI Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative

JJIG Juvenile Justice Incentive Grants

LEA Local Education Agency

LGBTQ+ Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Queer/Questioning, and more

LIHEAP Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

MATCH Multi-Agency Treatment for Children

MCO Managed Care Organization

MHAT Mental Health Awareness Trainings

MHPA Mental Health Parity Act

MIECHV Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting

Milestones Georgia Milestones MOE Maintenance of Effort MST Multisystemic Therapy

NAS Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome

NOW New Options Waiver

NSLP National School Lunch Program
OCA Office of the Child Advocate

OCI Office of Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner



OCR Office for Civil Rights in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

OFI Office of Family Independence
OIG Office of Inspector General

OPB Governor's Office of Planning and Budget
PBIS Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports

PCA Prevent Child Abuse Georgia
PCE Positive Childhood Experiences

PPACA Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act
PRTF Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility
PSSF Promoting Safe and Stable Families

QCC Quality Care for Children

QRTP Qualified Residential Treatment Programs

RBT Registered Behavior Technician
RESA Regional Education Service Agency
RSM Right from the Start Medicaid

RTA Raising the Age (of Juvenile Court Jurisdiction)

RYDC Regional Youth Detention Centers

SACS Southern Association of Colleges and Schools

SAMHSA Substance Abuse and Mentalh Health Services Administration

SBBH School-based behavioral health
SBHC School-based health center
SBMH School-based mental health
SBP School Breakfast Program
SBTH School-based telehealth
SC Service Coordinator

SCHIP State Children's Health Insurance Program

SED Serious Emotional Disease
SFSP Summer Food Service Program

SHARE School-Age Help and Relief Effort Grants Program

SHBP State Health Benefit Plan SLD Specific Learning Disability

SNAP Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

SOC System of Care

SOURCE Service Options Using Resources in Community Environments

SSA Social Security Administration

SSAS Single Statewide Accountability System

SSBG Social Services Block Grant
SSI Social Security Income
SSO Seamless Summer Option

TANF Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
TCSG Technical College System of Georgia
USDA United States Department of Agriculture

USG University System of Georgia

VFC Vaccines for Children

WIC Women, Infant, Children Nutrition Program

YDC Youth Development Center YMHFA Youth Mental Health First Aid

