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Glossary of Common Disability-Related Terms and Abbreviations

ABA Applied Behavior Analysis

ADA Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

ADD Attention Deficit Disorder

ADHD Attention Deficit with Hyperactivity Disorder

ADL Activity of Daily Living

APD Auditory Processing Disorder

AS Asperger Syndrome
ASD Autism Spectrum Disorder
ASL American Sign Language

BCBA Board Certified Behavior Analyst

BD Behavior Disorder

CDD Childhood Disintegrative Disorder

CP Cerebral Palsy

DCFS Department of Children and Family Services

DD Developmental Disability

DHS Department of Human Services
DMH Department of Mental Health

DS Down Syndrome
DTT Discrete Trial Training

DX Diagnosis

ED Emotional Disorder
El Early Intervention

FAPE Free Appropriate Public Education IEP Individualized Education Plan

HI Hearing Impaired ID Intellectual Disability

IDEA Individual with Disabilities Education Act

ISP Individual Service Plan LD Learning Disability

LRE Least Restrictive Environment

MD Muscular Dystrophy MH Mental Health

MI Mental Illness
MS Multiple Sclerosis



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NLD Nonverbal Learning DisabilityOCD Obsessive Compulsive DisorderODD Oppositional Defiance Disorder

OT Occupational Therapy

PAS Pre-Admission and Screening
PDD Pervasive Developmental Disorder

PDD/NOS Pervasive Developmental Disorder/Not Otherwise Specified

PT Physical Therapy

PUNS Prioritization of Urgency of Need for Services

PWS Prader-Willi Syndrome

RTT Rett Syndrome
SI Sensory Integration
ST Speech Therapy
TBI Traumatic Brain Injury
TS Tourette Syndrome

TS Tourette Syndrome VI Visual Impairment