AAA – Area Agency on Aging
AAC – Augmentative Alternative Communication
AAE – Adaptive & Assistive Equipment
AAI – Acuity Assessment Instrument
AAIDD – American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
AAPD – American Association of People with Disabilities
AARP – American Association for Retired Persons
ABA – Applied Behavior Analysis
ABD – Aged, Blind and Disabled
ABLE Act – Achieving a Better Life Experience
ACA – Affordable Care Act
ACB – American Council of the Blind
ACBO – American Council of the Blind of Ohio
ACIL – Access Center for Independent Living
ACT – The Ability Center of Greater Toledo
ADA – Americans with Disabilities Act or American Diabetes Association
ADAAG – Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines
ADAPT – Americans Disabled for Attendant Programs Today
ADC – Aid to Dependent Children
ADD – Attention Deficit Disorder (sometimes called ADHD)
ADHD – Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (sometimes called ADD)
ADL – Activities of Daily Living
AFB – American Foundation for the Blind
AFDC – Aid to Families with Dependent Children
AFP – Alliance for Full Participation
AG – Attorney General
AHEAD – Association on Higher Education and Disability
AIDD – Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
AIDS – Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
ALS – Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (Lou Gehrig’s Disease)
AMA – American Medical Association
AMI – Alliance for the Mentally Ill (national)
AMIOHIO – Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Ohio
ANI – Autism Network International
APE – Adaptive Physical Education
APHA – American Public Health Association
APS – Adult Protective Services
APSE – Association for Persons in Supported Employment (national)
APSI – Advocacy and Protective Services Inc.
ASA – Autism Society of America
ASD – Autism Spectrum Disorder
ASL – American Sign Language
ASLHA – American Speech–Language Hearing Association
AT – Assistive Technology
AU – Advocacy United
AUCD – Association of University Centers on Disabilities
BCII – Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation.

BCMH – Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps (at ODH)

BDD – Bureau of Disability Determination (at OOD)

BH – Behavioral Health

BI – Brain Injury

BIAO – Brain Injury Association of Ohio

BLN – Business Leadership Network

BLTCSS – Ohio Medicaid Bureau of Long Term Care Services and Supports.

BSVI – Bureau of Services for the Visually Impaired (at OOD)

BSW – Bachelor of Social Work

BVR – Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation (at OOD)

BWC – Bureau of Workers Compensation (state)

CAP – Client Assistance Program

CARF – Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities

CBDD – County Board of Developmental Disabilities

CCD – Consortium on Citizens with Disabilities

CCOE – Coordinating Center of Excellence

CDC – Centers for Disease Control or Childhood Development Center

CDE – Center for Disability Empowerment

CDF – Children’s Defense Fund

CDJFS – County Department of Job and Family Services

CEC – Council for Exceptional Children
CEU – Continuing Education Unit
CFR – Code of Federal Regulations
CHADD – Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
CHAS – Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy for Ohio
CHIP/SCHIP – Children’s Health Insurance Program/State Children’s Health Insurance Program (also known as Healthy Start)
CILO – Center for independent Living Options
CMHC – Community Mental Health Center
CMHS – Center for Mental Health Services
CMI – Chronically Mentally Ill
CMS – Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
CMT – Community Management Team
COEDI – Children’s Ohio Eligibility Determination Instrument
COFEAT – Central Ohio Families for Early Autism Treatment
COG – Council of Governments
COHHIO – Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio
COLA – Cost of Living Adjustment
COOL – Council of Ohio Leaders (part of OSDA, oversees Project STIR)
CP – Cerebral Palsy
CPR – Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
CPT – Cost projection tool
CSAT – Center for Substance Abuse Treatment
DAS – Department of Administrative Services (Ohio)
DAV – Disabled American Veterans
DC – Developmental Center
DD – Developmental Disabilities
DDC – Developmental Disabilities Council
DDP – Developmental Disabilities Profile
DME – Durable Medical Equipment
DNR – Do Not Resuscitate
DODD – Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities
DOE – Department of Education
DOJ – Department of Justice
DOL – Department of Labor
DOS – Date of Service
DPOA – Durable Power of Attorney
DREDF – Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund
DRO – Disability Rights Ohio (formerly OLRS)
Ds – Down syndrome
DSC – Deaf Services Center
Dx – Diagnosis
DYS – Department of Youth Services
EBPs – Evidence-Based Practices
EC – Early Childhood
EC-CAS – Early Childhood Comprehensive Assessment System
ECE – Early Childhood Education
ECMH – Early Childhood Mental Health
EDGAR – Education Department General Administrative Regulations (national)
EEOC – Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
EI – Early Intervention
ENT – Ear, Nose and Throat
EOB – Explanation of Benefits
EPSDT – Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment Program
ESC – Education Service Center
ESL – English as a Second Language
ESY – Extended School Year
EVV – Electronic Visit Verification
FAPE – Free Appropriate Public Education
FAS – Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
FC – Facilitated Communication
FCFC – Family & Children First Council
FCSS – Family Centered Services and Supports
FERPA – Family Educational Rights to Privacy Act
FIN – Family Information Network (Ohio)
FFP – Federal Financial Participation.
FFS – Fee for Services
FFY – Federal Fiscal Year
FHA – Fair Housing Act
FMLA – Family Medical Leave Act
FPL – Federal Poverty Level
FPS – Family Planning Services
FRS – Family Resource Services
FSS – Family Support Services
FTA – Federal Transit Authority
FY – Fiscal Year
GAL – Guardian Ad Litem
GCPD – Governor’s Council on People with Disabilities
GLARRC – Great Lakes Area Regional Resource Center for Deafblind Education
IEE – Individualized Education Evaluation
IEP – Individualized Education Plan
IFA – Individualized Functional Assessment
IFSP – Individualized Family Service Plan
IHO – Impartial Hearing Officer
IHP – Individualized Habilitation Plan
IID – Individuals with Intellectual disabilities
IL – Independent Living
ILC – Independent Living Center
ILCNO – Independent Living Center of North Central Ohio
ILOC – Intermediate Level of Care
IO – Individual Options Waiver
IPE – Individualized Plan for Employment
IPP – Individualized Program Plan
IQ – Intelligence Quotient
I&R – Information and Referral
IRWE – Impairment Related Work Expense
ISP – Individualized Service Plan
ITP – Individualized Transition Plan
IWRP – Individualized Written Rehabilitation Plan
JAN – Job Accommodation Network
JCARR – Joint Committee on Administrative Rule Review
JTPA – Job Training Partnership Act
LD – Learning Disability (sometimes called SLD)
LDA – Learning Disabilities Association (national)
LEA – Local Education Agency
LEAP – Linking Employment Abilities and Potential
LEND – Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and other Disabilities
LISW – Licensed Independent Social Worker
LOC – Level of Care
LPA – Little People of America
LRE – Least Restrictive Environment
LSC – Legislative Services Commission
LTC – Long-Term Care
LTCF – Long-Term Care Facility
LTCOP – Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program
LV1 – Level One Waiver
MBI – Medicaid Buy-In
MBIWD – Medicaid Buy-in for Workers with Disabilities
MCHB – Maternal and Child Health Bureau
MCP – Managed Care Plan
MCS – Multiple Chemical Sensitivity
MD – Muscular Dystrophy
MDA – Muscular Dystrophy Association
MFE – Multi-Factored Evaluation
MH – Mental Health or Multiply Handicapped
MI – Mentally Ill
MIDD – Co-occurring mental illness and developmental disabilities
MOBILE – Mid-Ohio Board for an Independent Living Environment
MRI – Magnetic Resonance Imaging
MS – Multiple Sclerosis
MSA – Medical Savings Account
MUI – Major Unusual Incident
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O4A – Ohio Association of Area Agencies on Aging
OAAS – Ohio Association of Adult Services
OAC – Ohio Administrative Code
OACB – Ohio Association of County Boards Serving People with Developmental Disabilities
OBIA – Ohio Brain Injury Association
OBM – Office of Budget and Management
OBLN – Ohio Business Leadership Network
OBRA – Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act
OCALI – Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence
OCCECD – Ohio Coalition for Education of Children with Disabilities
OCR – Office of Civil Rights
OCRC – Ohio Civil Rights Commission
ODA – Ohio Department of Aging
ODDC – Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council
ODDP – Ohio Developmental Disabilities Profile
ODE – Ohio Department of Education
ODEA – Ohio Disability Employment Alliance
ODEP – Office of Disability Employment Policy
ODH – Ohio Department of Health
ODJFS – Ohio Department of Job and Family Services
ODM – Ohio Department of Medicaid
ODMHAS – Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
ODOT – Ohio Department of Transportation
ODYS – Ohio Department of Youth Services
OEC – Office of Exceptional Children
OEDI – Ohio Eligibility Determination Instrument
OIF – Osteogenesis Imperfecta Foundation
OHFA – Ohio Housing Finance Agency
Ohio F2F – Ohio Family to Family Health Information Center
ONET – Ohio Network for Education Transformation
OOD – Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (formerly Rehabilitation Services Commission)
OOTF – Ohio Olmstead Task Force
OPI – Ohio Public Images, Inc.
OPRA – Ohio Provider Resource Association
ORC – Ohio Revised Code
OSCBDD – Ohio Superintendents of County Boards of Developmental Disabilities
OSDA – Ohio Self Determination Association
OSEP – Office of Special Education Programs
OSERS – Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services
OSIB – Ohio Special Initiatives by Brothers & Sisters
OSILC – Ohio Statewide Independent Living Council
OSLA – Ohio Supported Living Association
OT – Occupational Therapy
OWF – Ohio Works First
PA – Prior Authorization
P&A – Protection and Advocacy
PABSS – Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security
PADD – Protection and Advocacy for Developmental Disabilities
PAIMI – Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness
PAIR – Protection and Advocacy for Individual Rights
PAR – Professional Advocates Resources
PAS – Personal Assistant Services
PASARR – Pre-Admission Screen/Annual Resident Review
PASS – Plan for Achieving Self-Support
PASSPORT – Pre-Admission Screening System Providing Options & Resources Today
PBIS – Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports
PCA – Personal Care Attendant
PCI – Positive Culture Initiative
PCN – Primary Care Nurse
PCP – Person Centered Plan
PCP – Primary Care Provider
PCT – Person Centered Thinking
PD – Program Director
PDD – Pervasive Developmental Disorder
PDN – Private Duty Nursing
PIE – Preschool and Infant Evaluation Program
PKU – Phenylketonuria
PL – Public Law
PLAN – Planned Lifetime Assistance Network
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SDE – Self-Directed Employment
SE – Special Education
SEA – State Education Agency
SEA – Society for Equal Access
Section 504 – Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
SED – Seriously Emotionally Disturbed
SELF – Self Empowered Life Funding Waiver
SELN – State Employment Leadership Network
SFL – Substantial Functional Limitation
SFY – State Fiscal Year
SGA – Substantial Gainful Activity
SIL – Services for Independent Living
SHRM – Society for Human Resource Management
SIB – Self-Injurious Behavior
SIB – Sibling
SIL – Services for Independent Living
SILC – Statewide Independent Living Council
SILP – Semi-Independent Living Program
SIS Project – Supports Intensity Scale Project
SL – Supported Living
SLD – Specific Learning Disability (sometimes called LD)
SMART Grant – Strategic Messaging and Advocacy Resource Training Grant
SNF – Skilled Nursing Facility
SOCIL – Southeastern Ohio Center for Independent Living
SOS – Secretary of State
SPA – State Plan Amendment
SSA – Service and Support Administration
SSA – Social Security Administration
SSD – Social Security Disability
SSDI – Social Security Disability Insurance
SSI – Supplemental Security Income
SST – State Support Team
ST – Speech Therapy
STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering
STIR – Steps Toward Independence and Responsibility
TA – Technical Assistance
TANF – Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
TASH – Formerly, The Association for the Severely Handicapped
TBI – Traumatic Brain Injury
TCM – Targeted Case Management
TCILC – Tri-County Independent Living Center, Inc.
TDD – Telecommunication Devise for the Deaf or Transitions Developmental Disabilities (Waiver)
TESOL – Teachers of English for Speakers of Other Languages
TIC – Trauma Informed Care
TPP – Transition Planning Process
TPW – Therapeutic Program Worker
TS – Tourette’s Syndrome
TTY – Teletypewriter for the Deaf
TWWIIA – Ticket to Work & Work Incentives Improvement Act (federal)
Tx – Treatment
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