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West Virginia's Children's Services "Alphabet Soup" Acronym Index & Glossary

ABS	Adaptive Behavior Scale
ABI	Acquired Brain Injury
ACT	American College Testing OR Assertive Community Treatment
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
ADD	Attention Deficit Disorder
ADHD	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
Adjudication	<i>To go before a judge</i>
AEL	Appalachian Educational Laboratory
AHS	Automated Health Systems. <i>Company administering West Virginia's Medicaid managed care programs.</i>
AP	Advanced Placement
APA	American Psychological Association OR American Psychiatric Association
APS	APS Healthcare, Inc. <i>National company serving as West Virginia's Administrative Services Organization</i>
ASO	Administrative Services Organization
AT	Assistive Technology
BCF	Bureau for Children and Families
BD	Behavioral Disorders
BHHF	Bureau for Behavioral Health & Health Facilities
BIP	Behavior Intervention Plan
BMS	Bureau for Medical Services – <i>the state Medicaid agency</i>
BOE	Board of Education
BPD	Borderline Personality Disorder
BPH	Bureau for Public Health
BS/CE	Basic Skills Computer Education
CANS	Child & Adolescent Needs & Strengths Assessment
CAPS	Comprehensive Assessment and Planning System
CASA	Court Appointed Special Advocate
CBHC	Comprehensive Behavioral Health Center, traditionally known as Community Mental Health Centers. <i>There are 13 CBHC's each serving specific catchment areas in the state</i>
CBS	Community Based Services
CBT	Community Based Teams OR Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
CC	Clinical Coordinator
CD	Conduct Disorder
CED	Center for Excellence in Disabilities at West Virginia University
CFSR	Child and Family Service Review

CHADD	Children & Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder
Chafee	The John Chafee Foster Care Independence Program, <i>created under P.L. 106-169 is a federally funded program administered as a collaborative between the Center for Excellence in Disabilities at West Virginia University, and the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources.</i>
CHEN	Comprehensive Health Education Network
CHIP	Children's Health Insurance Program
CM	Case Manager
CMHC	Community Mental Health Center, <i>now referred to in WV as Comprehensive Behavioral Health Centers</i>
CPS	Child Protective Services
CRU	Crisis Response Unit
CSHCN	Children with Special Health Care Needs (WV Maternal/Child Health)
CSM	Community Services Manager. <i>Community Services Managers are responsible for child welfare services in one or more counties.</i>
CWC	Child Welfare Consultant. <i>Each of the four Department of Health & Human Service Regions has two Child Welfare Consultants</i>
DADA	Division on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (BHFF)
DCAS	Division of Children and Adult Services (BCF)
DCMH	Division of Children's Mental Health (BHFF)
DD	Developmentally Disabled/ Developmental Disabilities
Delinquency Proceeding	<i>Court action to officially declare someone a juvenile delinquent. A "delinquent" is defined as under the age of majority who has been convicted in juvenile court of something that would be classified as a crime in adult court</i>
DHHR	Department of Health and Human Resources
DJS	Division of Juvenile Services
DOE	Department of Education
DRS	Division of Rehabilitation Services
DSM-IV	Diagnostic & Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition. <i>Reference book published by American Psychiatric Association to understand and diagnose mental health problems</i>
EC	Eligibility Committee
ED	Emotional Disturbance
EPSDT	Early & Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment
ERIC	Educational Resources Information Center
ESEA	Elementary and Secondary Education Act
FACTS	<i>Family and Children Tracking System for the state's families and children receiving Child Protective Services and Youth Services</i>
FAST	Family Advocacy, Support & Training Program (through Legal Aid of WV)
FBA	Functional Behavioral Assessment
FQHC	Federally Qualified Health Center
FQHC-LA	Federally Qualified Health Center - Look-Alike

HMO	Health Maintenance Organization
HRDF	Human Resource Development Foundation. <i>HRDF, one of the largest non-profit organizations in WV, provides advocacy, empowerment and administration of employment, occupational skill training, educational programs and housing for elderly, financially disadvantaged and disabled individuals.</i>
HUD	Housing and Urban Development
ICC	Intensive Care Coordinator
ICF	Intermediate Care Facility
ICPC	Interstate Compact Placement Contract
IDEA, IDEIA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act
IEP	Individualized Education Program
IGOs	Instructional Goals and Objectives
IL	Independent Living
ISP	Individual Service Plan
ISS	In-School Suspension
I & R	Information and Referral
JP, JPO	Juvenile Probation, Juvenile Probation Officer
LAWV	Legal Aid of West Virginia
LD	Learning Disability
LEA	Local Educational Agency
LOC	Level of Care
LPC	Licensed Professional Counselor
LRE	Least Restrictive Environment
LSIC	Local School Improvement Council
LST	Life Skills Training
LSW	Licensed Social Worker
MDT	Multidisciplinary Treatment Team - <i>the team established pursuant to 49-5D-3 of the Code of MDT remains involved in a case until permanency is achieved</i>
MDET	Multidisciplinary Evaluation Team
Medley	<i>1981 Class Action Suite Medley v. Ginsberg resulted in statewide program of community based services for persons with developmental disabilities to move from state facilities to community settings.</i>
MH	Mental Health
MR/DD	Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities
MSPCAN	Mountain State Parent Child & Adolescent Network
MSW	Master of Social Work degree
NAMI	National Alliance on Mental Illness
OBHS	Office of Behavioral Health Services
OCD	Obsessive Compulsive Disorder
ODD	Oppositional Defiant Disorder

OIEP	Office of Institutional Education Programs
OMCFH	Office of Maternal, Child and Family Health
OSE	Office of Special Education
OSEP	Office of Special Education Programs (US Dept. of Ed.)
OT	Occupational Therapy
PBS	Positive Behavior Support
PCP	Primary Care Provider/Physician
PDD	Pervasive Development Disorder
PERC	Parent-Educator Resource Center
PL	Parent Liaison
PLEP	Present Level of Educational Performance
PRTF	Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility
PT	Physical Therapy
PTSD	Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
PTA	Parent Teacher Association
PTO	Parent Teacher Organization
PWN	Prior Written Notice
RAD	Reactive Attachment Disorder
RCF	Residential Care Facility
RD	Regional Director. <i>There are four regional directors within WV Department of Health & Human Resources</i>
RESA	Regional Education Service Agency. <i>Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs) were established by the West Virginia Board of Education under WV Code 18-2-26 in 1972.</i>
RHC	Rural Health Clinic
SA	Substance Abuse
SAMHSA	Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (federal)
SACWIS	Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System
SAT	Scholastic Aptitude Test OR Student Assistance Team
SBAT	School Based Assistance Team
SBHC	School Based-Health Center
SED	Serious Emotional Disturbance - <i>refers to child's or adolescent's mental health diagnosis that severely disrupts daily life at home, at school or in the community</i>
SFCP	Specialized Family Care Program – <i>a statewide placement and family support system to serve needs of children and adults with developmental disabilities</i>
Social Necessity Services	<i>Services necessary to improve relationships and social functioning</i>
SPF-SIG	Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grants
SS	Social Services
SSA	Social Security Administration
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
SW	Social Worker

TANF	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
TBI	Traumatic Brain Injury
TCM	Targeted Case Management
Title XIX (Title 19)	Title XIX Home & Community-Based MR/DD Waiver Program administered through WV Department of Health & Human Resources, (Refers to Title XIX of the Social Security Act – Grants to States for Medical Assistance Programs)
TL	Transitional Living
WVA	West Virginia Advocates
WV READS	West Virginia Reading Excellence Accelerates Deserving Students
WVBOE	West Virginia Board of Education
WVCA	West Virginia Counseling Association
WVCPSS	West Virginia Child Protective Services System
WVCPTS	West Virginia Commission for Professional Teaching Standards
WVDE	West Virginia Department of Education
WVEA	West Virginia Education Association
WVEDUCATION	WV Education Development Utilizing a Collaborative Approach Through an Instructional Online Network
WVEIS	West Virginia Education Information System
WVMI	West Virginia Medical Institute
WVPRC	West Virginia Prevention Resource Center
WVPTI	West Virginia Parent Training & Information
WVRA	West Virginia Reading Association
WVSBA	West Virginia School Boards Association
WVSCA	Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia
WVSOC	West Virginia System of Care <i>(est. 2006 by Legislative Commission)</i>
WVSPA	West Virginia School Psychologists Association
WVUCED	Center for Excellence in Disabilities at West Virginia University
YS	Youth Services – works with children who have juvenile delinquency issues or status offense

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