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## Autism and Asperger syndrome resources in Ireland

Information for people from adolescence to adulthood who are living with autism and Asperger syndrome in Ireland



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## ORGANISATIONS AND SUPPORT RESOURCES

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# Organisations and support resources

## Autism and Asperger syndrome organisations and services in Ireland

A list of useful addresses of organisations and individuals providing services for people with autism and Asperger syndrome, with a focus towards adolescence and adulthood.

### 1. Local and national services

**Aspect**, AS Adult Support Service. A Cork Association for Autism Service  
73 Penrose Wharf, Penrose Quay, Cork  
(021) 2393678 — [info@caaspect.ie](mailto:info@caaspect.ie)  
[corkautism.ie/aspect/](http://corkautism.ie/aspect/)

**aspire**, the Asperger Syndrome Association of Ireland Limited  
Coleraine House, Carmichael Centre, Coleraine Street, Dublin 7  
(01) 8780027 — [development@aspireireland.ie](mailto:development@aspireireland.ie)  
[www.aspireireland.ie/](http://www.aspireireland.ie/)

**Brothers of Charity** National Office  
Kilcornan House, Clarinbridge, Co. Galway  
(091) 796623 — [winifredohanrahan@galway.brothersofcharity.ie](mailto:winifredohanrahan@galway.brothersofcharity.ie)  
[www.brothersofcharity.ie/](http://www.brothersofcharity.ie/)

**COPE Foundation**  
Bonnington, Montenotte, Cork  
(021) 4643100 — [headoffice@cope-foundation.ie](mailto:headoffice@cope-foundation.ie)  
[www.cope-foundation.ie/](http://www.cope-foundation.ie/)

**Cork Association for Autism** (*see also Aspect*)  
18 Cook Street, Cork  
(021) 4271808 — [caa@indigo.ie](mailto:caa@indigo.ie)  
[corkautism.ie/](http://corkautism.ie/)

**Irish Autism Action**  
41 Newlands, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath  
(044) 9330709 — [info@autismireland.ie](mailto:info@autismireland.ie)  
[www.autismireland.ie/](http://www.autismireland.ie/) — [www.irishautismaction.blogspot.ie/](http://www.irishautismaction.blogspot.ie/) —  
[www.facebook.com/Irishautism](https://www.facebook.com/Irishautism)

**National Autistic Society (UK)**  
393 City Road, London, EC1V 1NG, United Kingdom (Administrative Office)  
+44 (0)20 7833 2299 — [nas@nas.org.uk](mailto:nas@nas.org.uk)  
[www.autism.org.uk/](http://www.autism.org.uk/)



### **National Learning Network**

Cootehill Road, Cavan Town, Co. Cavan  
(049) 4331544 or (01) 2057313 — [info@nlh.ie](mailto:info@nlh.ie)  
[www.nln.ie/](http://www.nln.ie/)

### **Shine**

The Shine Centre, 7 Weston View Ballinrea Road, Carrigaline, Co. Cork  
(021) 4377052 — [info@shineireland.com](mailto:info@shineireland.com)  
[www.shineireland.com/](http://www.shineireland.com/) and [www.facebook.com/shine.ireland](https://www.facebook.com/shine.ireland)

### **Tuiscint Centre**

Mount Pleasant Business Park, Mount Pleasant Avenue Upper, Ranelagh, Dublin 6  
(01) 4911473 — [tuiscent@eircom.net](mailto:tuiscent@eircom.net)

## **2. Diagnosis**

### **Joanne Douglas**

Consultant Psychologist, The Spectrum Centre, 14 Northland Row, Dungannon, Co. Tyrone, BT71 6AP  
+44 (0)28 8772 9810 — [www.thespectrumcentre.com/](http://www.thespectrumcentre.com/)

### **Seamus Feehan**

Regional ASD Team, Marian House, Leghanamore Togher, Cork  
(021) 4347087

### **Professor Michael Fitzgerald**

Unit 3, Medical Centre, Main Street, Blanchardstown, Dublin 15  
(01) 8211796 — [fitzi@iol.ie](mailto:fitzi@iol.ie) — [www.professormichaelfitzgerald.eu/](http://www.professormichaelfitzgerald.eu/)

### **Dr Eimear Philbin-Bowman**

Dublin Well Woman Centre, 25 Capel Street, Dublin or 67 Pembroke Road, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4  
(01) 6681108 — [info@wellwomancentre.ie](mailto:info@wellwomancentre.ie)

## **3. Third level student support services**

### **3.1 Institutes of Technology**

**Athlone Institute of Technology:** Disability Support Service (090) 646 8142 — [blangtry@ait.ie](mailto:blangtry@ait.ie)  
[www.ait.ie/disability/](http://www.ait.ie/disability/)

**Cork Institute of Technology:** Access Service (021) 433 5107 (direct) or (021) 433 5138 (Access Service) — [disability@cit.ie](mailto:disability@cit.ie)  
[www.cit.ie/studentlife/access\\_disability/disabilities/](http://www.cit.ie/studentlife/access_disability/disabilities/)

**Dublin Institute of Technology:** Disability Support Service (01) 402 7681 — [disability@dit.ie](mailto:disability@dit.ie)



[www.dit.ie/campuslife/disability/](http://www.dit.ie/campuslife/disability/)

**Dundalk Institute of Technology:** Disability and Student Quality Office (042) 9370237 —  
Ciara.OShea@dkit.ie  
[www.dkit.ie/student-quality](http://www.dkit.ie/student-quality)

**Dun Laoghaire Institute of Art Design and Technology:** Access Office  
[www.iadt.ie/en/ProspectiveStudents/HowtoApply/AccessOffice/](http://www.iadt.ie/en/ProspectiveStudents/HowtoApply/AccessOffice/)

**Galway-Mayo Institute of Technology:** Access and Disability Office (091) 742129 or (091)  
742182 — [accessoffice@gmit.ie](mailto:accessoffice@gmit.ie)  
[www.gmit.ie/access-office/access-and-disability-office](http://www.gmit.ie/access-office/access-and-disability-office)

**Institute of Technology Blanchardstown:** Student Services Office (01) 8851592 —  
[sid@itb.ie](mailto:sid@itb.ie)  
[www.itb.ie/CampusStudentLife/studentservices.html](http://www.itb.ie/CampusStudentLife/studentservices.html)

**Institute of Technology Carlow:** Access Office (059) 9175603 — [aisling.mchugh](mailto:aisling.mchugh) or (059)  
9175616 — [angela.costelloe](mailto:angela.costelloe)  
[www.itcarlow.ie/study-at-itc/access-office.htm](http://www.itcarlow.ie/study-at-itc/access-office.htm)

**Institute of Technology Sligo:** Access Office — (071) 9305381 — [access@itsligo.ie](mailto:access@itsligo.ie)  
[itsligo.ie/student-hub/student-help/student-support-services/access-office/](http://itsligo.ie/student-hub/student-help/student-support-services/access-office/)

**Institute of Technology Tallaght:** Disability Office — (01) 4042606 —  
[garry.toner@ittdublin.ie](mailto:garry.toner@ittdublin.ie)  
[www.it-tallaght.ie/index.cfm/page/disabilityoffice](http://www.it-tallaght.ie/index.cfm/page/disabilityoffice)

**Institute of Technology Tralee:** Access Office — (066) 7191682 —  
[valerie.moore@staff.ittralee.ie](mailto:valerie.moore@staff.ittralee.ie)  
[www.ittralee.ie/InformationFor/CurrentStudents/StudentLife/StudentServices/AccessandDisability/](http://www.ittralee.ie/InformationFor/CurrentStudents/StudentLife/StudentServices/AccessandDisability/)

**Letterkenny Institute of Technology:** Access Office — (074) 9186170 —  
[brian.mcgonagle@lyit.ie](mailto:brian.mcgonagle@lyit.ie)  
[www.lyit.ie/studentlife/studentservices/accessoffice/](http://www.lyit.ie/studentlife/studentservices/accessoffice/)

**Limerick Institute of Technology:** Disability Support @ LIT — (061) 293112 —  
[broze.odonovan@lit.ie](mailto:broze.odonovan@lit.ie)  
[www.lit.ie/Disability/default.aspx](http://www.lit.ie/Disability/default.aspx)

**Waterford Institute of Technology:** Disability Service — (051) 302871 —  
[disabilityoffice@wit.ie](mailto:disabilityoffice@wit.ie)  
[www.wit.ie/current\\_students/student\\_life\\_and\\_learning/disability\\_service](http://www.wit.ie/current_students/student_life_and_learning/disability_service)

## 3.2 Universities

**Dublin City University:** Disability & Learning Support Service — (01) 700 5927 —  
[disability.service@dcu.ie](mailto:disability.service@dcu.ie)



[www.dcu.ie/students/disability/index.shtml](http://www.dcu.ie/students/disability/index.shtml)

**National College of Art & Design:** Disability Service — (01) 636 4314 —  
assistivetechology@staff.ncad.ie  
[www.ncad.ie/students/support-services/disability-service/](http://www.ncad.ie/students/support-services/disability-service/)

**National College of Ireland:** Disability Support Services — 1850 221 721  
[www.ncirl.ie/Campus/StudentServices/DisabilitySupport.aspx](http://www.ncirl.ie/Campus/StudentServices/DisabilitySupport.aspx)

**University College Cork:** Disability Support Service — (021) 4902985 — dssinfo@ucc.ie  
[www.ucc.ie/en/dss/](http://www.ucc.ie/en/dss/)

**University College Dublin:** UCD Access Centre — (01) 716 7565 — disability@ucd.ie  
[www.ucd.ie/disability](http://www.ucd.ie/disability)

**NUI Galway:** Disability Support Service — (091) 492813 — disability.service@nuigalway.ie  
[www.nuigalway.ie/student\\_life/student\\_services/disability\\_office/](http://www.nuigalway.ie/student_life/student_services/disability_office/)

**NUI Maynooth:** Disability Office — (01) 7086025 — access.office@nuim.ie  
[access.nuim.ie/disability](http://access.nuim.ie/disability)

**Trinity College Dublin:** Disability Service — (01) 8963111 — disab@tcd.ie  
[www.tcd.ie/disability](http://www.tcd.ie/disability)

**University of Limerick:** Disability Support Services — (061) 202700  
[www2.ul.ie/web/WWW/Services/Student\\_Affairs/Student\\_Specialised\\_Supports/Disability\\_Support\\_Services](http://www2.ul.ie/web/WWW/Services/Student_Affairs/Student_Specialised_Supports/Disability_Support_Services)

### **3.3 General student support websites**

**Quest for Learning** is a European Union project to promote understanding of Open and Distance Learning (ODL) and Information and Communication Technology (ICT) for education, with information about study skills and planning.  
[www.questforlearning.org/](http://www.questforlearning.org/)

**Student Finance Information** provides information about financial support for further and higher education in Ireland, including the Student Grant, free fees, the Fund for Students with Disabilities, the Back to Education Allowance and the Student Assistance Fund.  
[www.studentfinance.ie/](http://www.studentfinance.ie/)

**Higher Education Authority** provides information about policy, funding and statistics on higher education in Ireland.  
[www.hea.ie/en/students](http://www.hea.ie/en/students)

