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**Introduction:** PHI, then Gazette International Networking Institute, published its first *Post-Polio Directory* in 1985 to assist survivors of polio who were experiencing the late effects of polio to find health professionals. At the 1983 Conference, the organization was charged with encouraging the formation of local support groups and the current *Post-Polio Directory* includes those groups, too.

**How it is organized: There are three sections.**

- 1) **International Health Professionals and Support Organizations**, which are organized alphabetically by country with health professionals listed first in alphabetical order by city, followed by support groups listed by alphabetical order by city.
- 2) **United States Health Professionals and Support Organizations**, which are organized alphabetically by state with health professionals listed first in alphabetical order by city, followed by support groups listed in alphabetical order by city.
- 3) **International and US Other Useful Contacts** listed by topical areas.

**How to use it:** Post-Polio Health International's comprehensive websites ([www.post-polio.org](http://www.post-polio.org), [www.polioplace.org](http://www.polioplace.org), [www.ventusers.org](http://www.ventusers.org)) contain years of information about the late effects of polio and are continually updated. The *Post-Polio Directory* is a good place to start to find local resources. Support groups also may be able to suggest names of local health professionals.

Another option is to contact a [physiatrist](#) – physician specializing in physical medicine and rehabilitation, or a rehabilitation center. A few rehabilitation centers stated that while they don't have a post-polio clinic, they are confident that their staff of rehabilitation professionals has sufficient knowledge and experience with treating neuromuscular diseases (or disabling neuromusculoskeletal conditions) to be able to successfully treat polio survivors.

Articles of interest:

- [Polio Doctors, Post-Polio Clinics](#),
- [Options When a Post-Polio Clinic is not an Option](#) (pages 36-39)
- [Support Groups](#) , [Post-Polio Support Group Resources](#)

**How to join PHI:** Post-Polio Health International is a Membership organization. To support its activities, join PHI at <http://shop.post-polio.org> or by printing out a [Membership form](#). *Post-Polio Directory* is free with Contributor and Sustainer Memberships.

# International Health Professionals and Support Organizations

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### Online discussion groups:

This site ([www.skally.net/ppsc/ppsc-l.htm](http://www.skally.net/ppsc/ppsc-l.htm)) links to many discussion groups. It also includes a description of and caveats about the groups.

Post-Polio Health International does not monitor any online post-polio discussion groups, but, it does have a Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/home.php](http://www.facebook.com/home.php).

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#### American Physical Therapy Association (APTA)

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#### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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#### National Institutes of Health (NIH)

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Office of Public Inquiries  
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#### American Chronic Pain Association (ACPA)

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[www.theacpa.org](http://www.theacpa.org)

#### Chronic Pain Association of Canada (CPAC)

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#### Easter Seals

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#### March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation (National Office)

914-997-4488  
[www.marchofdimes.com](http://www.marchofdimes.com)

#### Restless Legs Syndrome (RLS) Foundation

507-287-6465  
[www.rls.org](http://www.rls.org)

#### Rotary International

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#### World Health Organization (WHO)

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[www.aapd.com](http://www.aapd.com)

**Independent Living Research Utilization (ILRU)**  
713-520-0232 (voice/ TTY)  
[www.ilru.org](http://www.ilru.org)

**Mobility International USA**  
541-343-1284 (voice/TTY)  
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**National Council of Independent Living (NCIL)**  
877-525-3400, 202-207-0334, 202-207-0340 (TTY)  
[www.ncil.org](http://www.ncil.org)

**National Council on Disability (NCD)**  
202-272-2004, 202-272-2074 (TTY)  
[www.ncd.gov](http://www.ncd.gov)

**National Organization on Disability (NOD)**  
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**Rehabilitation International**  
212-420-1500  
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**AbleData**  
800-227-0216, 301-608-8998, 301-608-8912 TTY  
[www.abledata.com](http://www.abledata.com)

**Pass It On Center – National AT Reuse Center**  
800-497-8665  
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**RESNA Society**  
703-524-6686  
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**SCOLIOSIS**  
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**National Scoliosis Foundation**  
800-NSF-MYBACK, 800-673-6922  
[www.scoliosis.org](http://www.scoliosis.org)

**Scoliosis Research Society**  
414-289-9107  
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**National Odd Shoe Exchange**  
480-892-3484  
[www.oddshoe.org](http://www.oddshoe.org)

**The One Shoe Crew**  
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