### **Social Group Resources**

#### **Ely Center**

400 Hunnewell St., Suite 4 Needham Heights, MA elycenter.com

Offers individual and group social communication therapy and social activities in 8-12 week cycles. Staff members include speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, social workers, and psychologists. Utilizes Michelle Garcia Winner's Social Thinking® curriculum.

## Academy of Physical and Social Development

425 Rear Watertown Street Newton, MA 02458 617-964-2200

www.academynewton.com

Offers group social skills therapy for students ages 5-16 in 10 week cycles. Staff members include social workers, special educators, counselors, and psychologists.

## **ADVANCES Learning Center**

51 Water St., Suite 200 Watertown, MA (617) 923-7575

www.advancesonline.com

Offers social skills groups for students ages 3-17 in 8 or 16 week cycles. Staff members are BCBAs or BCaBAs. This center utilizes Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA).

## **Confidence Connection**

140 Gould Street, Needham, MA 02494 781-433-9890

www.confidenceconnection.org

Offers social skills groups in 14 week cycles. Staff members are BCBAs, BCaBAs, and speechlanguage pathologists. This center utilizes Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA).

## Social Thinking® Boston

142 North Road, Suite SS Sudbury, MA 01776 978-610-6603 socialthinkingboston.com Offers individual and group sessions utilizing Michelle Garcia Winner's Social Thinking® curriculum.

### **Architects for Learning**

160 Gould Street Suite 203 Needham Heights, MA 02494 781-235-8412

www.architectsforlearning.com
Offers "academic clubs" to develop academic,
social skill, and organizational skills. Staff
members are speech-language pathologists, special
educators, occupational therapists, psychologists,
and literacy specialists.

## Peer Projects-Therapy from the Heart

100 Cummings Center, Suite 343-G Beverly, MA 01915 978.712.0003

www.peerprojectstherapyfromtheheart.com
Offers social skills group therapy for children 3
years of age and older. Staff members are speechlanguage pathologists, special educators, and ABA
practitioners. This center utilizes Relationship
Development Intervention (RDI), ABA, and
Michelle Garcia Winner's Social Thinking®
curriculum.

#### The Spotlight Program

6 Southside Road, Danvers, MA 01923 (978) 624-2335 spotlightprogram.com

Offers drama-based therapeutic services for youth ages 6-22 identified as having Asperger's Syndrome, PDD-NOS, High Functioning Autism, ADD/ADHD, Anxiety, Mood Disorders and other related diagnoses.

#### MGH Aspire

- -15 Green St., Charlestown, MA
- -1 Maguire Rd., Lexington, MA
- -545 Grove St., Newton, MA
- -80 Carby Street, Westwood, MA 02090 781-860-1900

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## http://www.massgeneral.org/children/aspire/overview.aspx

Offers social skills groups for students ages 5-18 and a separate adolescent/young adult "Transitions" program for individuals ages 12-22.

## **Triumph Center**

36 Woburn Street Reading, MA 01867 781-942-9277

#### www.triumphcenter.net

Serves ages 4-15, focusing on social problem solving, friendship building, cooperative play, and appropriate behavior. Staff members are mental health counselors.

#### Peter Pan Center

629 Massachusetts Ave., Suite 201 Boxborough, MA 01719 (978) 263-4947

## www.peterpancenter.com

Offers programming focused on dynamic, naturalistic, social teaching and practice using a variety of social cognition teaching programs.

#### **Social Adventures**

7 Cranberry Lane Needham, MA 02492 617-921-0568

#### www.all4mychild.com

Serves ages 2-11, focused on teaching specific skills through play-based activities followed by immediate practice in natural active play. Groups are co-led by SLP and OT.

## **Academy MetroWest**

218 Speen Street Natick, MA 01769 508-655-9200

academymetrowest.com

Serves ages 6-15, targeting self-acceptance and social interaction skills through cooperative, non-competitive physical activity. Staff members are mental health professionals.

#### The Bridge Center

470 Pine Street Bridgewater, MA 02324 508-697-7557

www.thebridgectr.org

Offers therapeutic recreation and equine-assisted therapy programs for individuals with a variety of

disabilities. Social skills groups are offered for ages 6-18 with social/pragmatic challenges, and are also targeted within other recreation activities (music therapy, equine-assisted therapy, outdoor exploration, etc.). Staff members are educators, therapeutic recreation specialists, and PTs/OTs.

#### **Child Therapy Boston**

-400 Hunnewell St., Suite 6R Needham, MA 02494 -4 Bellows Rd., Suite C Westborough, MA 01581 http://childtherapyinboston.com/

Offers group and individual therapy services for children and teens (ages 3-22) with and without social cognition challenges. Staff members include mental health clinicians, music therapists, and art therapists.

## Spaulding Outpatient Center for Children-Lexington

One Maguire Road Lexington, MA 02421 781-860-1742

http://spauldingrehab.org/conditions-and-treatments/pediatric-speech-social-skills

Serves ages 3-18 in small groups targeting social interaction, play, perspective taking, and self-regulation skills. Staff members are speechlanguage pathologists and occupational therapists.

### **Simply Social Kids**

One Industrial Way, Unit 4 Tyngsboro, MA 01879 978-764-2758

www.simplysocialkids.com

Serves ages 5-17, focused on teaching specific skills through play-based activities.. Groups led by educators/mental health professionals.

# For additional social thinking/pragmatic language groups go to:

http://www.aane.org/

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