Resources:

**Accord Alliance** A group dedicated to DSD/intersex, with a goal to promote a comprehensive and integrated approach to care that enhances the health and well-being of affected people and families. They foster collaboration, education and advocacy.

InterACT former **Advocates for Informed Choice, (AIC)** AIC develops and uses legal strategies to protect the civil rights of children born with intersex conditions or DSD. AIC can answer parents’ questions about their children’s health care and privacy rights, school accommodation, athletics questions, and other legal issues. In addition, they can help parents advocate effectively in the doctor’s office by providing the right information and questions to ask.

**AIS Support Group (UK)** The AISSG-USA (now called AIS-DSD Support Group) was founded in 1995. However, considerable pioneering work in creating a network of support was done by a group of dedicated women in the United Kingdom. Their web site remains the largest repository of information on Androgen Insensitivity.

AXYS association for x and y chromosome variations [http://www.genetic.org/](http://www.genetic.org/)
AXYS’s mission is to help individuals with one or more extra X and/or Y chromosomes and their families lead fuller and more productive lives

**Beautiful You MRKH Foundation** Beautiful You MRKH Foundation promotes self-esteem, and empowers girls and women with MRKH to embrace their beauty, just as they are.

**Bodies Like Ours** Bodies Like Ours seeks to end the shame and secrecy that surrounds people born intersexed and/or with atypical genitals through community and peer support.

**DSD Families** The DSD Families website has a section for teens and young adults. It includes personal stories and practical advice and some website links that may be found useful. They invite youth to submit their own content and make suggestions on what kinds of things you would find helpful. Check out their site or email them for more information at dsdfamilies.org.

**DSD Guidelines** Accord Alliance has published two documents to support care of people and families with DSD: “Clinical Guidelines for the Management of Disorders of Sex Development in Childhood” for medical practitioners and “Handbook for Parents” for parents/families. These documents are available online here in PDF form free-of-charge or in print form on a donation basis from Accord Alliance’s website.

**Genetic Alliance** Genetic Alliance uses the expertise of the genetics community to provide advocacy to groups, schools, and businesses that collaborate to improve human health for individuals and families living with genetic conditions.

**Hypospadias & Epispadias Association, (HEA)** HEA was founded for the education and support of people born with hypospadias or epispadias, their families, and loved ones.
**Interface Project** Interface project’s mission is to gather and share stories of people living with intersex traits, or differences of sex development, and to spread the message “No Body Is Shameful.”™

**Intersex Society of North America, (ISNA)** ISNA (1993-2007) was an organization devoted to systemic change to end shame, secrecy, and unwanted genital surgeries for people born with an anatomy that someone decided is not standard for male or female. The web site remains as a useful reference.

**National Organization for Rare Disorders, (NORD)** NORD’s mission is to help people with rare “orphan” diseases and assist the organizations that serve them. NORD is committed to the identification, treatment, and cure of rare disorders through programs of education, advocacy, research and service.