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The Arc envisions a future in which individuals with disabilities are included as active members in their community, a future where quality services and supports respond to their needs and personal choices and a future enabling integration to its fullest extent.

"We all want the same thing; some of us just need **a little more support** to achieve it."

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"The Arc staff members are a huge part of my life because they help me with my continued independence. The Arc has impacted my life in many ways. It has recognized my leadership skills by having me present and teach others about advocacy; it offers friendship, caring, learning, and recognition. **My life would not be the same without The Arc.**"

-Rachel, Self-Advocate



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EQUITY  
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*A community where all individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities are embraced and respected.*





# COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING

## NITTANY EMPLOYMENT SERVICES (NES)

The Nittany Employment Service (NES) team is comprised of trained Employment Specialists and certified Discovery and Customized Employment Facilitators who assist those we serve in **seeking competitive integrated employment in inclusive settings!** NES has always utilized a **highly customized approach**. Our efforts on behalf of those we serve are predicated upon their stated **preferences** and their **particular strengths**.

### NES Services Include:

- Career Discovery
- Supported Employment Services
- Community Based Assessments
- Consultative Services

Referrals for services are accepted from the PA Office of Vocational Rehabilitation and Centre County Mental Health/Intellectual Disabilities/Early Intervention-Drug and Alcohol Program Office.

## HOME AND COMMUNITY SERVICES (HCS)

In-Home and Community Supports (HCS) meets an absolutely *critical need* for individuals and families in our community. Through the provision of this service individuals acquire, maintain, and/or improve upon **the skills necessary to live in the community, to live more independently, or to be more productive and participatory in community life**. HCS Supports include communication, health maintenance, money management, relationship development, meal preparation and more!

## COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION SUPPORTS (CPS)

Community Participation Supports (CPS) serves as an alternative day program providing a **100% community based programming option**. CPS focuses on community inclusion and interest exploration, while building on the potential for competitive integrated employment.



Services are not limited to those listed. Please contact info@taocc.org or 814-238-1444 to inquire about possible additional services.

# RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

Residential Services **provide twenty-four hour supports** in a licensed community home encompassing all aspect of daily life. Our Direct Support Professionals (DSP) and LPNs provide services in the areas of health maintenance, activities of daily living, behavioral support, socialization, community integration, financial management and recreation. Our community homes allow those supported to **reside in community/ inclusive settings with specialized (person-centered) programming designed to meet their unique needs**.



The Arc accepts referrals for these services from Centre County Mental Health/Intellectual Disabilities/Early Intervention-Drug and Alcohol Program Office.

# BEHAVIOR SUPPORT SERVICES (BSS)

Behavior Support Services offered by The Arc include ongoing assessment and development of **positive approaches** to address challenging behavior and **support the person to live and work in their community**. **Person-centered services** encompass the development and maintenance of a Behavior Support Plan and its restrictive components if applicable, monitoring of progress within the plan, as well as skill building and training for the person, their support team, and their family.

# MISSION

To embody and protect the human rights of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and practice person-centered planning which actively supports their full inclusion and participation in the community throughout their lifetimes.

# HISTORY

The Arc of Centre County PA, Inc. was founded as a grassroots organization in 1953 by a small group of parents determined to make a difference for individuals with I/DD.

As one of 700 state and local chapters, The Arc forms the largest civil rights organization in the United States devoted solely to the welfare of more than seven million people with I/DD and their families. The Arc works at the local, state and national levels to ensure the rights of people with I/DD are protected.