



Creating Enviable Lives for People with Developmental Disabilities.

# Information & Referral and Educational Advocacy Services

The mission of The Arc of Frederick County is to provide advocacy, access to resources, and assistance in increasing individual and family connections for people with developmental disabilities.

Following this mission, The Arc continues to respond to the needs of children with developmental disabilities, their families, and the Frederick community. Contributions from members, civic groups, grants and the United Way allow The Arc to offer additional needed supports to people in Frederick County.

Information and Referral and Educational Advocacy services are available to people with disabilities, their families, and community members.



Information and Referral Services could include:

- ⇒ Support navigating and applying to the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) and to the Autism Waiver Registry
- ⇒ Referrals to generic community resources, such as housing, financial, medical or mental health programs
- ⇒ Information about and referrals to community respite services
- ⇒ Information on community educational programs offered for individuals with disabilities
- ⇒ Information on Support Groups for parents and siblings
- ⇒ Information on Working Together, Frederick County Self Advocacy Group
- ⇒ Information on community recreational activities
- ⇒ Problem Solving

Educational Advocacy Services for children receiving special education services could include:

- ◇ Observations
- ◇ Problem Solving
- ◇ Support navigating Special Education Services
- ◇ IEP (Individual Education Plan) Advocacy
- ◇ Facilitating communication between parents, teachers and school administrators
- ◇ Community Presentations on IEP processes
- ◇ Collaborating with school personnel to develop programs and trainings for parents and staff

*For further information about these services or to speak to an Arc staff member, please call 301-663-0909*

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