



**Achieve with us!**

## **The Arc of New Jersey**

The Arc of New Jersey is the largest nonprofit advocacy organization **for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families** in New Jersey. The Arc of New Jersey is committed to enhancing the quality of life for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families, through advocacy, empowerment, education and prevention.

### **The state office of The Arc of New Jersey is responsible for general statewide activities including:**

- public policy analysis and advocacy
- email listserv
- social media
- public relations
- community outreach
- information, education and referral
- communications and publications

### **The Arc of New Jersey runs several programs:**

- **Project HIRE**, an award-winning supported employment and transition program;
- **Planning For Adult Life**, assists young adults 14-21 and their families plan for life after school;
- **NJ Self-Advocacy Project**, assists individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in becoming involved in self-advocacy as a means of supporting positive change on both a personal and legislative level;
- **Mainstreaming Medical Care**, helping families navigate the healthcare system, while training health care professionals about the health needs of people with developmental disabilities;
- **Criminal Justice Advocacy Program**, helping the courts and corrections systems work more effectively with people with developmental disabilities;
- **The Family Institute**, dedicated to providing timely information, advocacy, support and training to family members that have a loved one with an intellectual and developmental disability;
- **Camp Jaycee**, provides a unique overnight summer camp experience for children and adults with developmental disabilities.

### **The 20 local county chapters of The Arc of New Jersey provide a wide variety of direct services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families including:**

- early intervention for infants and toddlers
- day care services
- after school programs
- group homes and other community based residential programs
- day programs including supported and competitive employment
- recreation programs
- summer camps
- prevention programs
- transportation
- family support services
- counseling and medical care services
- crisis respite
- and much more