2 Local Agencies to Support ASD

Do you Have a Young Person on the Autism Spectrum?

Here are TWO Great Agencies That Can Help!

Editor's Note: Both agencies provide services to children on the autism spectrum; however, there are differences in what is provided. Please make sure you are calling the right agency for your needs.

ARCH of Lehigh Valley

ARCH (Autism Resource Community Hub) of Lehigh Valley provides professional services such as diagnosis, evaluation, and BHRS (Behavioral Health Rehabilitation Services). They also offer family activities, family and caregiver support, outpatient therapy, a variety of specialized social skills groups and an extensive resource room. After school programs are offered for ages 6-21 and there is a summer therapeutic activities program (STAP). Beginning Oct. 30, 2015, ARCH will hold 6 monthly Sibshop sessions. This program is geared toward siblings ages 8-13 of children on the spectrum. The fee is \$100. A limited number of scholarships are available. For more info on Sibshops, please contact

Robin Urenko at 610-295-2110 or urenkor@elwyn.org. For general information on ARCH, please call 610-573-2500. ARCH of Lehigh Valley is located at 1347 Hausman Road in Allentown.

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The Arc of Lehigh and Northampton Counties

The Arc of Lehigh and Northampton Counties serves children and adults with a variety of intellectual disabilities and developmental delays. Free special education advocacy and use of the resource library are available. Education advocacy includes IEP assistance and attendance. This high-demand service is available for pre-school through age 21. A variety of family–focused, disability-related workshops are offered free of charge throughout the year. First-time callers for special education advocacy should call 610-849-8076, Ext. 21. An intake and release are required. The Arc is under contract with Lehigh & Northampton Counties to produce the newsletter you are reading. Arc staff can also work with those who are receiving funds through the Northampton County Division of Developmental Programs or Lehigh County's Office of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. For more information, please call 610-849-8076. The Arc is located at 2289 Avenue A in Bethlehem.

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