

Hello to all who are part of the Self-Direction world!

As some of you might have heard, we are merging with The Arc of Steuben on 1/1/2021. Our new agency name will be The Arc Allegany-Steuben. This will not affect services at all. In fact, this merger, will enhance them.

I'd like to introduce you to the Self-Direction team:

Judy Peck - Director of Innovative Services. I will still oversee Self-Direction, Family Support Services, Individual Support Services, Housing Navigation, Guardianship. And hopefully discover new opportunities along the way.

Jonathan Stromsness - Associate Director of Self-Directed Services. Jonathan will be the coordinator for all referrals/intakes. He will also carry an FI caseload and oversee the Broker Supervisors, Independent Brokers, and future FI Coordinators.

Angie Dieter - Innovative Services Program Coordinator. Angie will carry a small FI caseload, assist with program operations of Innovative Services, and continue to be Mains'l Administrator.

Kim Clark and Darla Naples - Broker Supervisors. They will oversee agency and outside agency brokers. Kim oversees ISS (housing program), and Darla oversees the Guardianship Committee.

Adam DeFabrizio - Support Broker. Adam will assist with developing and monitoring self-directed budgets.

Ted Seeley - Intake/Outreach Coordinator. Ted handles all eligibility for service referrals. He also oversees Office Mental Health case management service. He is your go-to person if you are looking for resources.

Megan Button - Megan will oversee Family Reimbursement and Respite. These services are moving under Community Services and will not be under Innovative Services.

Please let us know if you need anything. Let us know if you ever have any questions. We are so glad to have you be a part of our program and are fortunate to be working with you all.

Wishing all of you a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!
Your Self-Directed Team