GUARDIANSHIP SERVICES



The Arc
Monroe
New York

Quick Facts:

- Two types of guardianship:
  - Primary – for those who need assistance right now.
  - Standby – for those who need a successor in the future.
- Guardianship services are individualized to a person's whole life-care to assure that wishes, preferences, and needs are supported.
- Guardianship services are administered by Guardianship Coordinators who work with dedicated committee volunteers.

At 18, New York State residents are considered legally competent to manage their affairs. However, some people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) may not be able to do so. Some families are able to provide this support themselves, but have to complete time-consuming and confusing legal documentation to do so. In addition, aging guardians find needs more difficult to meet.

The Arc of Monroe can provide assistance with referring to legal service professionals, offer full-care support, or be on standby for those that may need additional help down the road.

The Arc's Guardian Coordinators and volunteer committee members become a part of a person's life, listening to their needs, being a trusted friend, and supporting them with important decisions in the areas of medical care, legal matters and general life decisions.

Guardianship at The Arc is a division of The Arc New York Guardianship Program, which was established in 1970 and currently serves more than 1,000 people across the state.

For more information on guardianship services, call (585) 271-0660, Ext. 1400 or 1401



