

WELCOME

We have been delighted by the reaction to our new look: a fresh logo and redesigned Website. Of course we're happy to have a lovely new look, but it's the content of which we are most proud. There is so much information on the site that few visitors realize what's there for them to access. So, as we roll out our e-newsletter we want to highlight some of the things you can find.

About Us -

Where we highlight our mission, tell you who is on our leadership team, list service locations and provide answers to your FAQ.

Service/Programs- Information on all of our service lines including: Behavioral Health; Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities; Service Coordination; and Residential Programming.

Careers- Looking for a job in the healthcare field? Here you will find a list of the job opportunities at Chartiers Center along with an on-line application.

Support Our Mission - Go to this page to read about volunteers, learn how to apply for an internship, and find out how you can donate to Chartiers Center.

Community resources -We work with amazing community partners and include this page for our consumers who are looking for available resources.

Contact Us- Are you looking for services or know someone who is? Are you signed up to receive more information from Chartiers? Here's the place.

We invite you to browse our website and learn more about our mission to provide compassionate support to those in need.



THIS MONTH WE HIGHLIGHT:

MARCH: Intellectual Disability Awareness Month

Facts about Intellectual Disability

1. "Intellectual disability" (previously known as mental retardation) means that an

- individual mentally develops at a below-average rate and can have learning difficulties and trouble socially adjusting.
2. This type of disability (which differs from person to person) can be caused by any condition which impairs development of the brain before or during birth or in early childhood. More than 250 causes of intellectual disability have been discovered.
 3. In the US, roughly 4.6 million people are identified as having an intellectual disability.

If your child, or young adult, has an IQ of 70 call the IDD intake line at (412) 253-1250. They will collect demographic information (only takes a few minutes) and will need a report, from the school or an evaluator, to support the IQ score. Once registered, they will explain what services are available and help you pick a provider to be your supports coordinator.

CHARTIERS' IDD SERVICES

Chartiers operates programs for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). Within each program, individualized plans are designed to meet the needs and interests of the individual as they work to attain their greatest level of independence. The programs include:

- **Adult Training Facility Program** support individuals with intellectual, developmental, behavioral and physical challenges.
- **Family Living/Lifesharing** allows IDD individuals to live in a home with a caring family, who provide needed supports for them to live within the community.
- **Community Activities** promotes peer and community interaction through socialization and participation in on-site and community activities.

The programs focus on the abilities of the group while supporting the integration of health and wellness.

For more information on any of Chartiers' services, or questions on how to access services, call Chartiers Center (412) 221-3302 or visit the website at www.chartierscenter.org

Look for us at State Representative's Dan Miller's 2nd Annual Children & Youth Disability and Mental Health Summit on Wednesday, March 11 at Beth El Congregation, 1900 Cochran Road, Pittsburgh PA 15220. Resource Expo runs from 11AM to 4PM.

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Give us a call today!