

From the Superintendent



Kyle Lewis

As I'm certain most of you are aware, the decision has been made to relocate our business operations into Wilmington. This was not a decision that was taken lightly by our seven board members. This was a decision that was weighed for nearly a year, with much analysis and consideration. Ultimately, it was decided that it is in the best long-term interest of the agency to settle into a more manageable property. We will be centrally located in the county seat of Wilmington all under one roof, improving accessibility and creating many efficiencies. We will be housed at 180 E. Sugartree Street with a move date scheduled for August 1st.

As our business operations have evolved, so has our use of the Nike Center. We no longer require 7 buildings on over 16 acres. Our transition began 25 years ago when board members at that time made the progressive decision to ensure students are educated in their home school districts. Then a decade ago, state and federal mandates instituted changes to governance of day programs. As a result, we no longer operate a day program, but rather provide oversight and funding for such programs, as we do with residential services.

The Nike Center has served its purpose well. It has been our home since 1972. We honor the role it has played in our history while at the same time we look forward to a bright future in our new home.

We are excited to begin a re-branding process. Step one will be new email addresses which will be implemented sometime in May. My new email address will be klewis@clintond.org, which will be the same format for all staff.

I am fully aware that this is a huge change for all. It is vital as we move forward that we honor the past and embrace the future. As always, we will be here at your Board of Developmental Disabilities as needs arise. Regardless of location, that will never change.



Honoring Our Past



Embracing Our Future

Technology to Try

Sometimes, a device is all that stands in the way of an individual with a disability achieving independence or pursuing their passion. When that device is not available in the marketplace, that's when volunteers at May We Help step in.

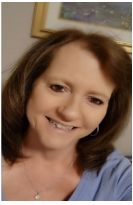
<https://maywehelp.org/>

Learn more about Technology First, upcoming Technology Trainings, and Assistive Technology Resources:

<https://padlet.com/CCBDD/technologyfirst>



Provider Spotlight



CCBDD would like to recognize Diana Warner for her dedication as an Independent Provider. Diana works with individuals in both Clinton County and Warren County. She cares a lot for the individuals she works with and they love her.

The SSA's report she has been a pleasure to work with. She responds quickly to texts and phone calls and is very accommodating when scheduling times to review outcomes and services. Diana has great insight into her individuals strengths and needs. She provides valuable input when developing and revising ISP's.

Diana is also helping with healthier lifestyle changes! One SSA shared, "With Diana's assistance, she has helped an individual lose a significant amount of weight, allowing his diabetes medication to be reduced. She has achieved outcomes to make healthy meals and to build relationships."

Thank you, Diana, for your dedication and support!!

Special Olympics



Our Clinton County Special Olympics Track & Field Event is scheduled for June 8th at Wilmington High School Alumni Field. The whole community is invited and encouraged to attend! The event starts at 5:00pm. If you are interested in participating or volunteering for this event please fill out one of the links below:

Athlete: <https://form.jotform.com/CCBDD/track>

Volunteer: <https://form.jotform.com/CCBDD/volunteer>

Questions? Contact Latasha Ruddle at lruddle@clintondd.org

Early Intervention Family Questionnaire



All families who were served by Early Intervention on March 1 will receive a questionnaire mailed to them directly from the Department of Children and Youth in late April or early May. If you receive the questionnaire, please complete it and return promptly. Your responses help make our services better!

Job & Community Resource Fair

This upcoming fair will be open to the general public in Clinton County and the surrounding region to explore local job opportunities, as well as available community resources and volunteer opportunities from area non-profits and service providers. We hope to see you there!

**JOB & COMMUNITY
RESOURCE FAIR** EMPLOY
EMPOWER.
ENGAGE.
MAY 8th | 4PM - 7PM
EXPO BUILDING, COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Agency Survey



Please take a moment to complete our survey. We are interested in knowing your thoughts about current services and future opportunities. Scan the QR code or click [here](#) to complete the survey.

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