

Since 1967 the Clinton County Board of Developmental Disabilities (Nike Center) has been providing needed services to our county's citizens and their families. During these years the array of services and supports for people with disabilities has grown.

Currently the Nike Center touches the lives of approximately 400 people with disabilities in our county. A lifetime of services are offered, from the time an infant is diagnosed with a developmental disability, or at any age prior to twenty-two. The voters of Clinton County remain generous in their support of our programs and services.

As we look to the future, the one thing that will remain the same is that the Nike Center will continue to provide those we serve with opportunities to self-advocate, choose services that meet their needs, and to integrate within their community.

The Nike Center is a sixteen acre campus. Our campus was once the control area for Nike Ajax and Nike Hercules missiles, and served as the Cincinnati/Dayton Area Defense Command Headquarters from 1959 through 1971, for the Army Air Defense Command. The federal government made the property available to Clinton County in 1972, specifically for use by the Board of DD. Following renovations, Board programs were moved to the Nike Center in 1974.

OUR MISSION

"To inspire people of all abilities to embrace the pursuit of self-advocacy, choice, and integration."

GENERAL INFORMATION

Address: 4425 State Route 730
Wilmington, Ohio 45177

The Agency's Strategic Plan is available on site at the Nike Center and on our website.

Contact the Nike Center at (937) 382-7519
or you may access our website
at: www.co.clinton.oh.us/boardofdd



Putting People First In Clinton County

SELF ADVOCACY

CHOICE

INTEGRATION

Service and Support Administration

The Division was developed in response to legislation under H.B. 94 for the Ohio Department of DD, with services provided in accordance with rules adopted under section 5126.08 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Services provided by the Service & Support Division include the following:

- Establish eligibility for county board of DD services
- Assess needs and provide follow-through on service coordination, referral and linkage
- Coordinate all desired services, as the single point of coordination for the individual
- Develop service plans using a person centered approach
- Establish budgets and services based on assessed needs
- Assist in the selection of providers for services delivery
- Ensure services are effectively being delivered through ongoing monitoring
- Incorporate results of Quality Assurance reviews, Provider Compliance Reviews, and Trends and Patterns into the service plan for improving quality of life.
- Provide individuals with the opportunity to choose an advocate or representative to assist them.

Residential Supports help meet the specific needs of individuals to live in and integrate into their community. Supports range from stop-by services to around the clock assistance.

Community Supported Employment provides people with disabilities the opportunity to work in an integrated, competitive employment position while providing valuable human resources to employers.

Early Intervention Services are available to infants & children, birth to three years of age, who meet the eligibility requirements. The program provides services in the child's natural environment from a Primary Service Provider (Developmental Specialist, Physical Therapist, Occupational Therapist or Speech Pathologist) depending upon the needs of the child and family. At any time during the services the PSP may receive support from another team member to address the overall needs of the family. Other services and resources available are nursing and behavior specialist resources, P.L.A.Y. (Play and Language for Autistic Youngsters) project, and Parent/Child Play Group.

Early Intervention Service Coordinators guide families through the eligibility determination process, facilitate the development of and monitor the delivery of early intervention services detailed in the family's plan. Service coordinators also provide families with support and referrals to other resources and coordinate transition activities as the child approaches age three.

Preschool services are available to support the transition from Early Intervention to Preschool services. In addition, support to school staff and families during the preschool years is also provided in an effort to ensure quality preschool services are being provided for youngsters.

School Age services are designed to support the local school districts and families with transition, questions regarding services, curriculum, and assistance in team meetings. When requested, a CCBDD staff member may attend Individualized Education Program meetings to support collaboration with families and school districts.

Employment First Services focus on supporting youth beginning at age 14 in the four local school districts. Services include: coordinating opportunities to explore careers, linkage to services with local providers and agencies such as BSVI/OOD, collaborate work experiences while in school and linkage to programs available during the summer months. These services are organized with school teams and the Employment First Coordinator through the student's transition plan-Individualized Education Program.

Family Support Services is a program that provides services, and assistance to eligible families for the purpose of:

- Enabling a family to care for their family member with developmental disabilities at home by assisting with specific expenses
- Enhancing the quality of life for the individual and the family

Community Integration provides opportunities for interaction and inclusion in a variety of community settings. Our groups involved in our community include, but are not limited to, Advocates In Motion (AIM), Aktion Club, and Go Baby Go.

Special Olympics allows youth and adult athletes with developmental disabilities to compete and excel in sports such as track and field, bowling, basketball and cheerleading.

For additional information regarding Community Integration or Special Olympics, contact Latasha Ruddle at lruddle@nikecenter.org.

Social Events are held in the community and at the Nike Center throughout the year including activity days, dances, parties, and a picnic.