



2019 State. Convention

Dreaming, Believing and Achieving Together!

Wilsonville, OR
May 3-4, 2019

Welcome from The Arc Oregon Staff! We are thrilled to have you here and hope you have an amazing experience. Let us know if there is anything you need, we would love to help!



Staff



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Welcome!

To The Arc Oregon's 2019 State Convention



We are so excited to have you joining us to help us celebrate our 65th Anniversary!

Last year, our immediate past president, Jan Schroth, asked you to “pardon our dust” as we were in the midst of a remodel of our office space. As the dust settled, one of the things that rose to the top was the return of The Arc convention. After a 10 year suspension, we are thrilled to be having this often requested event back as part of our traditions.

There is much to do this weekend with many choices for fun, food, and information. We hope you take advantage of the opportunities throughout the next few days to connect with The Arc family and with those who support and collaborate with us. I would like to thank our sponsors, without whom we would not have been able to make this Convention take place. Be sure to check out the keynote and breakout sessions - there is something for everyone!

It is an honor for us to have Peter Berns, Executive Director of The Arc US, here with us along with Nicole Jorwic, The Arc US Director, Rights Policy. Please introduce yourself and get acquainted with these folks who lead us at the national level. On a more local level, we welcome Lilia Teninty, ODDS Director, as our Friday luncheon keynote speaker. I, for one, look forward to hearing what is happening in our state.

I mentioned fun earlier. We are delighted to welcome some local talent to perform for us. Aspen Meadow Band, which includes our own Special Needs Trust program manger Cici Gaynor, has generously donated their time and talents for your enjoyment. We will also be showing some of the amazing short films featuring the work of people with I/DD.

Nothing happens without the efforts of the wonderful staff at The Arc Oregon office, and the State Convention is no exception. Many thanks to each of them for their hard work and dedication to the mission of The Arc.

We hope you enjoy your time at this Convention and are rejuvenated and energized to join us in dreaming, believing and achieving together!

Patie Taylor
Patie Taylor
President

Event Information



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SEEDS OF CHANGE GRAPHIC WALL

Share your hopes and dreams and help us create a visual representation of our community’s collective vision for the future. Visit the display and add your voice and creativity. **#SeedsOfChange**

Sponsor Exhibits | *Upper Terrace*

Local Chapter Exhibits | *Lower Terrace*

Friday, May 3 | 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

Saturday, May 4 | 8:00 am – 2:30 pm



**Enjoy live music &
dancing courtesy of the
Aspen Meadow Band**

**Friday @ 5:00 pm
Hors d'oeuvres & Beverages too!**

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Film Festival

Friday @ 7:00 pm

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by or featuring people who
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If there is no chapter in your area and you are interested in starting a chapter visit TheArcOregon.org to download our brochure and learn more about how to get started, or contact us for more information.

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Friday May 3 | 9:30 - 10:30 am

Convention Kick-Off & Keynote Speaker

Nicole Jorwic

Director, Rights Policy - The Arc US



Nicole is committed to working toward systems change that will create equal access, improved supports, and full lives for all individuals with disabilities. Nicole has served in various roles, including her appointment as a Senior Policy Advisor and Manager of the Employment First Initiative in Illinois, where she collaborated to draft a statewide strategic plan to make Employment First the reality in Illinois. Prior to that, Nicole served as the CEO/President of the Institute on Public Policy for People with Disabilities.

Nicole is an accomplished special education attorney and an advocate for students with disabilities,. She has written several articles and developed trainings, and has served as a public policy consultant with Autism Speaks.

Nicole’s brother, Christopher, experiences autism and has always motivated Nicole in her work. Nicole discovered her passion for influencing public policy by working with legislators in Springfield, IL to educate them on issues that impact the lives of individuals with disabilities and encourage them to support permanent solutions. Nicole has been trained in the field working with people with I/DD; she trained in the law, focusing her studies on education and disability related issues; and, trained on advocacy issues that affect the I/DD community.

Nicole received her JD and Child and Family Law Certificate, from Loyola University Chicago. She received her in Recreation, Sport and Tourism with Honors from the University of Illinois.

Friday May 3 | 10:45 am - 12:15 pm

The Arc Oregon Café Conversations

Dreaming, Believing and Achieving Together!

Your voice matters! The Arc Oregon has a long history of listening and responding to the needs of our community.

Join us in conversations about how we, as a community, will move forward in our advocacy efforts to improve the lives of Oregonians who experience disability. Help us delve in to better understand the hopes, dreams and priorities of our community.

#SeedsOfChange

Morning Events

Friday May 3 | 12:30 - 1:15 pm

Opening Remarks - Champion Sponsor



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Luncheon Keynote Speaker

Lilia Teninty

Director, Oregon Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS)

In her role as the Director of the Office of Developmental Disability Services (ODDS) in DHS, Lilia is responsible for the development, oversight and delivery of intellectual and developmental disability services across Oregon.

Lilia brings with her over 13 years of experience, 11 of those working specifically with Intellectual/ Developmental Disability (I/DD) programs. She has worked in several states, in a variety of roles. She began her career in the field of I/DD working for a small non-profit that provided assistive technology to people with disabilities. In 2003 she began working for the State of Indiana, where she supervised the Medicaid waiver unit and moved on to become the Chief of Staff for the Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services (2006-2007). Lilia later accepted the position of Director of the Division of Developmental Disabilities for the State of Illinois (2007-2011). In 2011 she moved to Oregon to work for the Human Services Research Institute (HSRI). As a Senior Policy Specialist at HSRI, she provided consultation on Medicaid policies and funding mechanisms for people with I/DD to several states.

Prior to starting her career, Lilia earned her Bachelor of Arts in International Relations from Mills College and her Masters of Public Affairs from Indiana University. Lilia has a passion for public service and has dedicated most of her career to serving those with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Friday

Friday May 3 | 1:30 - 2:45 pm

Group Creativity and Planning: Charting the LifeCourse

Are you stuck in a planning rut? If so, join us to get ideas on how to get creative with teams, big or small! In this session, we will explore using the LifeCourse framework to facilitate group thinking and planning, for creative problem solving and outcomes development that help get the person closer to the life they value. We will also share an introduction to the LifeCourse Framework concepts and discuss how they fit into the pig picture: embedding person centered values into all of our efforts helping people and families have the lives they find meaningful, in short and long terms.

Presenter: [Aniko Adany](#) | Location: [Dogwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Leadership, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

Proactive Social-Sexual Supports

It's important to understand how to balance safety with empowerment and teach someone how to make decisions when addressing healthy sexual development. In this training you will learn practical skills for dealing with the sexuality of the individuals you support – from children to adults; and you will build a foundation of proactive, preventative strategies.

Presenter: [Shanya Luther](#) | Location: [Cottonwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Professionals*

Oregon ABLE Savings Plan & Oregon Special Needs Trust: Opportunities for your financial future

Discover how an ABLE Savings Plan can help empower you as an individual and help you prepare for your future. Understand how these tax-advantage savings accounts allow you to save money without jeopardizing your SSI, Medicaid and other benefits. Gain the tools and resources that will help you manage your finances in these special plans.

Learn about the differences between an Oregon Special Needs Trust account and an ABLE account. Understand how to decide which one is right for you and how the two can work together to cover all your needs while protecting your means-tested benefits.

Presenters: [David Bell & Cici Gaynor](#) | Location: [Redwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Leadership, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

Federal Legislative Policy Update

Come hear about what's happening in the federal government that may affect supports and services for Oregonians and others around the country.

Presenter: [Nicole Jorwic](#) | Location: [Candlewood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Leadership, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

Social Media & Marketing for Local Chapters

Let's work together to create a cohesive message throughout the state! What tools, channels, and messages do you currently use and what is your vision for raising awareness about The Arc in Oregon? During this collaborative session we will brainstorm ideas and start creating a plan for the future.

Presenters: [The Arc Oregon Outreach Committee](#) | Location: [Board Room](#)

Target Audience: *Local Chapter Leadership*

Afternoon Breakout Sessions

Friday May 3 | 3:00 - 4:15 pm

Advocacy Across Systems

Key information from several advocacy trainings has been compiled in one Advocacy Across Systems presentation. This training will provide essential information for those interested in learning how service systems such as special education (IFSP, 504 & IEP), DD Services (ISP & K Plan) and Legislative Advocacy works and how to be an effective advocate across these systems..

Presenter: [Cheryl Cisneros](#) | Location: [Dogwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Professionals, Leadership*

Taking Charge of My Healthcare Toolkit

For and by People with I/DD: a free on-line toolkit designed to provide health and health care advocacy education and resources for people with I/DD and those who support them. The toolkit consist of 9 modules that cover a variety of health and health care topics and can be used for individual or group learning. Attendees will be provided a workbook that they can take with them, and with their new familiarity with the toolkit, be able to work through the modules on their own or with support.

Presenters: [Gabrielle Guedon](#) & [Erin Taylor](#) | Location: [Cottonwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Professionals, Self-Advocates*

Introduction to Trauma Informed Care

Trauma informed care is a strengths based framework, grounded in an understanding of and responsiveness to the impact of trauma. It provides a structure designed to increase engagement in services and strengthen workforce wellness by helping providers, organizations, and systems do their work in a different way. This workshop will serve as a jumping off point to get curious about what it means to be trauma informed and understand how your current policies, procedures, and practices attend to the needs of your team, and the people you serve. The trauma informed framework can be used by everyone including but not limited to leadership, administrators, direct support workers, human resource teams, and behavior professionals. So whatever your role is, please feel welcome to join as you are a valuable contributor to creating a trauma informed culture!

Presenter: [Kelli Downey](#) | Location: [Redwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Leadership, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

Providing Nutrition Education in the I/DD Community

An overview of the nutrition and cooking NEED: Nutrition Education and Equity for individuals experiencing Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, a curriculum developed by The Arc of Multnomah-Clackamas. Learn about teaching strategies, lesson plans, and increasing confidence and independence developing nutrition goals and preparing meals and increasing positive health outcomes.

Presenter: [Kate Paul](#) | Location: [Candlewood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Leadership, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

Friday May 3 | 4:30 - 5:00 pm

Reception & Wrap-up on the Terrace

Friday

Convention Schedule

At a Glance

Friday May 3, 2019

8:30 am – 5:00 pm

Registration & Information Desk Open

8:30 am – 9:30 am

Continental Breakfast

8:30 am – 5:00 pm

Exhibitor Areas Open

9:30 am Convention Kick-off

Keynote Speaker: **Nicole Jorwic**

10:30 am Break | Visit Exhibitors

10:45 am Café Conversations

Dreaming, Believing & Achieving Together!

12:15 pm Lunch | Visit Exhibitors

12:30 pm Lunch Event

Opening Remarks: **Tobias Read**

Keynote Speaker: **Lilia Teninty**

1:30 pm Breakout SESSION 1

2:45 pm Break | Visit Exhibitors

3:00 pm Breakout SESSION 2

4:15 pm Break | Visit Exhibitors

4:30 pm Gathering & Prizes on the Terrace

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Food, Drinks & Fun with
Live Music by Aspen Meadow Band

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm Film Festival

Saturday May 4, 2019

8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Registration & Information Desk Open

8:00 am – 9:00 am

Networking Breakfast

8:00 am – 2:30 pm

Exhibitor Areas Open

9:00 am Keynote Speaker: **Dennis Debbaudt**

10:00 am Break | Visit Exhibitors

10:15 am Breakout SESSION 3

11:30 am 65th Anniversary **Awards** Luncheon

Keynote Speaker: **Peter Berns**

12:45 pm Break | Visit Exhibitors

1:00 pm Breakout SESSION 4

2:15 pm Break | Visit Exhibitors

2:30 pm Breakout SESSION 5

The Arc Oregon Annual Business Meeting

3:45 pm Break | Transition to Closing

4:00 pm Wrap-up, Prizes & Good-byes

4:30 pm End of Convention

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<https://guidebook.com/g/thearcoregon2019>
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Breakout Sessions

ROOM	SESSION 1 Friday 1:30-2:45 pm	SESSION 2 Friday 3:00-4:15 pm	SESSION 3 Saturday 10:15-11:30 am	SESSION 4 Saturday 1:00-2:15 pm	SESSION 5 Saturday 2:30-3:45 pm
Dogwood	Group Creativity and Planning: Charting the LifeCourse	Advocacy Across Systems	Using Communication Cards with First Responders and Others	Creating a Personal Safety Plan for Any Age	Disability & Criminal Justice: A Community Conversation
Cottonwood	Proactive Social-Sexual Supports	Taking Charge of My Healthcare Toolkit	Working in a Diverse World: Providing Culturally Responsive Support	One Page Profiles for the Medical Setting	Planning for a Healthy Transition: Moving from pediatric care to adult-focused care
Redwood	Oregon ABLE Savings Plan & OSNT: Opportunities for your financial future	Introduction to Trauma Informed Care	Managing Your Finances	Introduction to People Planning Together: It's Your Life – Take Charge!	Alternatives to Guardianship
Candlewood	Federal Legislative Policy Update	Providing Nutrition Education in the IDD Community	The Importance of Building Social and Leisure Skills	Lane v. Brown Employment Settlement Update	The Arc Oregon Annual Business Meeting
Board Room	Social Media & Marketing for Local Chapters		Chapter Leadership Round Table: Membership	Board Member Round Table: Self -Assessment	Employment Focus Group for Families & Self Advocates

Save the Date!

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Saturday May 4 | 9:00 - 10:00 am



Keynote Speaker

Dennis Debbaudt

Managing Partner, Autism Risk Management

Dennis Debbaudt is the proud father of Brad, a young man who has autism. In the 1980s, he wrote for the Detroit News and worked with network television current affairs programs in the United States, Canada, and United Kingdom. A professional investigator and journalist since 1977, Dennis turned his attention to autism spectrum conditions in 1987 after his son was diagnosed with autism. His first report, *Avoiding Unfortunate Situations*, was published in 1994. He's since authored more than 30 articles, books, and chapters including *Autism, Advocates and Law Enforcement Professionals*.

As managing partner of Debbaudt Legacy Productions, LLC, Dennis produced and wrote the scripts for the training videos *Autism & Law Enforcement Roll Call Briefing* (2004), *Autism, Fire-Rescue and Emergency Medical Services Video* (2009), and *Autism in the Criminal Justice System* (2009).

Over the past 19 years, Debbaudt has provided training and developed training materials for law enforcement, first response, and criminal justice professionals throughout the United States, Canada, Australia, Iceland, New Zealand, and United Kingdom.

Saturday May 4 | 10:15 - 11:30 am

Using Communication Cards with First Responders and Others

The Program Development Committee of The Arc of Benton County, under the guidance of Executive Director Diane Scottaline, has been working with the Corvallis Police Department, Corvallis EMS services, Oregon State Department of Training and Standards on communication and accommodation cards to assist persons with IDD communicate in a first respondent and other situations. Learn more about this program and how community partnerships are being leveraged to educate law enforcement officers and agencies about how to interact with people who experience I/DD.

Presenters: [John Gotchall](#), [Cody Gotchall](#), [Diane Scottaline](#), [Lt. Kevin Rau](#) | Location: [Dogwood Room](#)
Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Leadership, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

Working in a Diverse World: Providing Culturally Responsive Support

Each of us have multiple identities which shape who we are and influence the ways in which we see the world. It is important to everyone to have meaningful connections to the communities with which we identify. This training will help providers recognize and support others in their cultural identities. The training will also introduce concepts such as identity, culture, and bias. Attendees will leave with a number of resources to further expand their knowledge and gain skills to support others in a culturally responsive way.

Presenter: [Jennifer Roy](#) | Location: [Cottonwood Room](#)
Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Leadership, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

Morning Events & Sessions

Managing Your Finances

Learn the basics of managing your own money. We will cover how to create a budget, how to protect yourself from identity theft and what options are available for you to save money. Leave this session with practical steps to gaining control over your money.

Presenters: [Emily Braman](#) | Location: [Redwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Self-Advocates*

The Importance of Building Social and Leisure Skills for Family, Work and Community Inclusion

Appropriate for all ages and all disabilities. Learning to Participate in leisure activities is often considered less important when considering where to focus your energy in preparing your child/adult for a future life of independent work and self care. Once you stop and think about the number of steps and complex skills required to participate in an independent leisure activity you may want to reconsider your approach and where to focus your energy. Come learn how 'fun' can be an answer and why play is considered "the child's work" . You can play now, as you are!

Presenter: [Kathy Schnebly](#) | Location: [Candlewood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Leadership, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

Chapter Leadership Round Table: Membership

Does your chapter offer membership? How is it structured? What are the benefits/rewards? How do you recruit members? Do you wonder about what other chapters are doing? If these questions sound familiar then this round table discussion is for you. Let's get together and talk about what membership in an Oregon chapter of The Arc looks like and how we can mobilize members to amplify our collective presence across the state.

Presenters: [Paula Boga](#) | Location: [Board Room](#)

Target Audience: *Local Chapter Leadership*

Saturday May 4 | 11:30 am - 12:45 pm

The Arc Oregon 65th Anniversary Celebration & Awards Luncheon

Celebrate 65 years of advocacy and support for all Oregonians with I/DD and their families! See page 20 for the luncheon agenda, award winners, and Keynote Speaker profile.

Keynote Speaker: [Peter Berns - CEO, The Arc US](#)

Saturday

Saturday May 4 | 1:00 pm - 2:15 pm

Creating a Personal Safety Plan for Any Age

Does everyone need a plan to manage personal safety? Individuals with I/DD and their supporters should create a personal safety plan that meets unique needs and comes in handy when interacting with police or other first responders. Disclosure of important information can quickly lower the temperature of the contact for all involved. Discussing what, when, how and who to disclose to, and practicing your safety and disclosure plan with people you trust, can help prepare you for the unexpected. Come to this session with your concerns and ideas! Leave with a plan!

Presenter: [Dennis Debbaudt](#) | Location: [Dogwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

One Page Profiles for the Medical Setting

This workshop will demonstrate how to adapt a One Page Profile to be used in the medical setting. Review the value of One Page Profiles, learn the benefits of adapting information in a One Page Profile for the medical setting, and understand how transition in the health care setting impacts families and youth.

Presenter: [Tamara Bakewell](#) | Location: [Cottonwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Self-Advocates*

Introduction to People Planning Together: It's Your Life – Take Charge!

People Planning Together is a workshop for people experiencing disabilities who are interested in taking a leadership role in planning a life they desire. The person does this together with a person who knows him/her and can provide support. The workshop is facilitated by trainers who experience disabilities and are credentialed by The Learning Community for Person Centered Practices. This session will offer an overview of the full People Planning Together workshop and engage participants in a discussion about how this workshop can be effectively delivered throughout Oregon.

Presenters: [Jen DiBello](#) & [Eddie Plourde](#) | Location: [Redwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Self-Advocates*

Lane v. Brown Employment Settlement Update

An update on the status of the Department of Justice Settlement Agreement in Oregon. This settlement agreement is about the use of Medicaid waiver funds for competitive integrated employment for adults and transitioning youth in Oregon.

Get answers to these questions: 1. What is the status of moving toward competitive integrated employment in Oregon? 2. What have the survey of adults and transitioning youth with IDD told us about their perspective? 3. What is the status of the settlement agreement after 3 years?

Presenter: [Cathy Terrill](#) | Location: [Candlewood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Leadership, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

Board Member Round Table: Self-Assessment

Does your Board conduct regular self-assessments? Whether the answer is yes or no, join us to share your chapter's experiences in this area. We will offer some helpful tools for conducting an effective self-assessment, and discuss pro-active approaches to following up on the results.

Presenters: [Paula Boga](#) | Location: [Board Room](#) | Target Audience: *Local Chapter Leadership*

Afternoon Breakout Sessions

Saturday May 4 | 2:30 - 3:45 pm

Disability & Criminal Justice: A Community Conversation

We all may come into contact with the criminal justice system in our lives: as victims, witnesses, or suspects. Is this system able to respond to and accommodate people with intellectual and developmental disabilities? Come and share your experiences, concerns, and questions about interacting with the criminal justice system. Topics include initial police contact, forensic interviewing, experiences in the court system, and more. We want to hear from you!

Presenters: [Dennis Debbaudt](#) & [Jennifer Roy](#) | Location: [Dogwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

Planning for a Healthy Transition: Moving from pediatric care to adult-focused care

This workshop will cover tips and techniques for managing the complex move at age 18 in the health care setting. We'll talk about the move from pediatric to adult health care, rights and responsibilities of parents, youth, and providers, how to find appropriate adult-focused care, insurance considerations, and more.

Presenter: [Tamara Bakewell](#) | Location: [Cottonwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Self-Advocates*

Alternatives to Guardianship

There are many ways to support an adult with I/DD direct their life while having access to the supports they may need. We will provide an overview of the alternatives that are available and in what situations they are appropriate. In addition, we will cover what guardianship is and is not so you have a clear understanding of the impact of guardianship as well as the role of a guardian. Join us for a time of exploring the possibilities.

Presenter: [Emily Braman](#) | Location: [Redwood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Family Members & Friends, Professionals, Self-Advocates, Community Members*

The Arc Oregon Annual Business Meeting

The annual meeting of our state chapter is open to anyone. Appointed delegates will vote on proposed bylaw changes and new board members. The 2019-20 Board of Directors will be installed.

Presenter: [Patie Taylor](#) | Location: [Candlewood Room](#)

Target Audience: *Leadership, Members of The Arc*

Employment Focus Group for Families & Self Advocates

This will be a focus group for self-advocates and families to receive your input on employment and people with IDD in Oregon. A facilitator will ask you for your opinion on how things are progressing specific to empowering transitioning youth and adults to find full time or part time employment with supports.

Presenter: [Cathy Terrill](#) | Location: [Candlewood Room](#)

Target Audience:

*Family Members & Friends,
Self-Advocates*

4:00 - 4:30 pm

Convention Wrap-up

Saturday

Awards

Agenda	11:30 am	Lunch served on the Upper Terrace
	11:45 am	Welcome & Introductions <i>Patie Taylor, President, The Arc Oregon</i>
	11:50 am	Keynote <i>Peter Berns, CEO, The Arc US</i>
	12:15 pm	Presentation of Awards
	12:40 pm	Closing Remarks <i>Paula Boga, Executive Director, The Arc Oregon</i>

65th
ANNIVERSARY

Celebration!

Luncheon

Saturday 11:30 am

Keynote



Peter Berns

Peter V. Berns is a nationally recognized nonprofit sector leader and public interest lawyer. He has been the Chief Executive Officer of The Arc, the world's largest community-based organization of and for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, since July 2008. Under his leadership, the organization has charted an ambitious course of progress, innovation and change with the development of a Strategic Framework for the Future of The Arc.

Before joining The Arc, Peter worked for 16 years as the Executive Director of the Maryland Association of Nonprofit Organizations. In that capacity, he built the Association from a start-up to a position of prominence in the nonprofit community, with nearly 2,000 members of all sizes, all sectors and from all regions of the state. In addition, he served as Chief Executive Officer of the Standards for Excellence Institute since its inception in 2004.

Peter came to The Arc with a track record of success in the areas of nonprofit management, governmental relations and advocacy. As a public policy advocate, he was critical to reforming state and federal Medicaid regulations improving life for persons with disabilities and their families. He was named to the Nonprofit Times Power and Influence Top 50 list in 2000, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2015.

In May 2011, President Barack Obama appointed Peter to the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities, which provided advice and assistance to President Obama and the Secretary of Health and Human Services on a broad range of topics that impact people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

Peter received his JD, cum laude, from Harvard Law School and he has an LLM in advocacy from Georgetown University Law Center. He received his BA in psychology, magna cum laude, from the University of Pennsylvania. He and his wife, Melissa Zieve, reside in Baltimore, MD with their four children.

Awards

Educator of the Year: *April Horner*

Presented by Emily Braman

Awarded to an **educator** using unique and innovative teaching practices that benefit people with I/DD.

Employer of the Year: *Sunridge Middle School*

Presented by Jan Schroth and Eric Virgil

Awarded to an **individual or business that has employed people with I/DD** for a minimum of one year, and has promoted the independence, integration, and/or community participation of the employee(s).

Youth of the Year Award: *Mak Beatty*

Presented by Steph Wilson

Awarded to a **school-aged individual or group** that has made a special contribution to the quality of life of a person or people with I/DD.

Volunteer of the Year: *Summer VanArsdall*

Presented by Eastside Explorers

Awarded to an **individual volunteer** who has made an outstanding contribution to the quality of life for people with I/DD, or as a volunteer for The Arc at the state or local level.

Sarolta Nagy Memorial Award: *Samuel Robinson*

Presented by Seth Johnson

Awarded to **an individual with I/DD** who has made a special contribution to the quality of life for people with I/DD in the community or statewide.

Al Soenneker Memorial Award: *Susan Haines*

Presented by NW Community Alliance

Awarded to a **professional or provider** for making a significant contribution to the lives of people with I/DD through innovative practices in service, program development, or research, and must actively promote the independence and inclusion of people with I/DD.

Sylvia Mann Capper Memorial Award: *Tom Giles*

Presented by Toni Larson

Awarded to a parent, volunteer or professional who has made an outstanding contribution in the field of I/DD which has had a **significant statewide impact** on the lives of people with I/DD.

Lifetime Achievement Award

Presented by Patie Taylor

Awarded to an individual to recognize their outstanding and sustained contributions to the lives of people with I/DD throughout their professional or personal lifetime.

Past Presidents *of The Arc Oregon*

1954-55	Lawrence C. Merriam	1984-86	Stan Burton
1955-57	Dr. George Capper	1986-88	Larry Liming
1957-59	Clifford Comisky	1988-90	Karen Staley
1959-60	Ralph Bright	1990-92	Tom Clark
1960-62	Joseph W. Gregg	1992-94	Bill Lynch
1962-63	Jean Schreiber	1994-96	Jan Schroth (Virgil)
1963-65	Leonard C. Pugh	1996-98	A. Joy Brown
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1969-71	Barbara Sackett	2002-03	Marcie Ingledue
1971-73	Thomas O. Higley	2003-06	Roger Hennagin
1973-74	Elton G. Brutscher	2006-08	Karen Staley
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1975-76	Dr. William J. Caughlan	2010-12	Vicki Smead
1976-78	Eleanor R. Johnson	2012-14	Janna Starr
1978-80	Dr. Nonda Stone	2014-16	Sheri Sanow
1980-82	Frank Proux	2016-18	Jan Schroth
1982-84	Donald L. Lamb	2018-20	Patie Taylor

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The Guardianship, Advocacy and Planning Services (GAPS) program of The Arc Oregon was established in 1978 in response to parents' concerns about who might support their child with an intellectual/developmental disability (I/DD) when they were no longer able. We currently **support adults with I/DD throughout Oregon** as legal guardian, health care representative, and/or advocate.

Utilizing guardianship as a last resort, we strive to **ensure a good life** for people we support through team collaboration, **person-centered planning** and **supported decision-making**.



The Oregon Special Needs Trust (OSNT) offers a safe and secure way for people with disabilities to **save money** and for families to **plan for the future** without jeopardizing important public benefits such as Medicaid and Social Security Income.

Since being established in 1999, the OSNT has grown to over 700 accounts and more than \$21 million in assets.

Whether you are a person who experiences a disability or the family member of a person with a disability, we can help you evaluate all available options and choose the right path to **enhance quality of life** while **safeguarding eligibility** for essential benefits.

The OSNT is open to any Oregonian with a disability as an effective way to establish and maintain **financial security**.





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There is strength in numbers

Your membership makes The Arc's powerful voice even stronger as we address issues that are critical to the I/DD community in Oregon and across the country. The more members we have, the louder our voice is in advocacy efforts, and the stronger we are in our ability to make good things happen!

Visit our website at **TheArcOregon.org** to find your local chapter. No chapter in your area? No problem! You can join The Arc Oregon online or at the information table, or find out more about starting a chapter in your community.

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The Residential Facilities Ombudsman Program (RFOP) assists more than 8,000 Oregonians living in homes and facilities licensed or certified for Mental health conditions or Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities to resolve quality of life and rights issues.

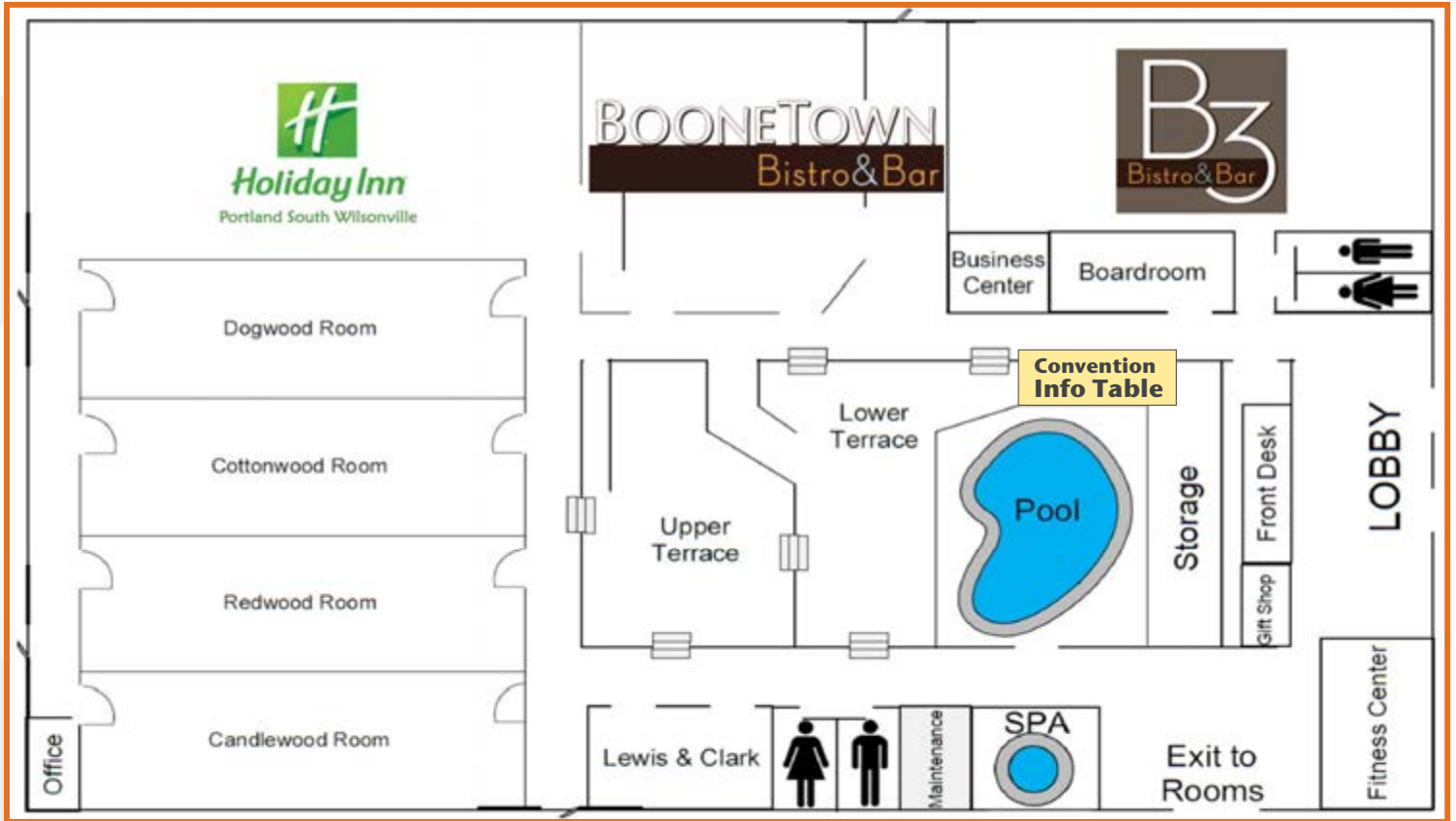
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