Autism Services

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ASA was established in 1963 by a group of concerned parents and community leaders to serve the needs of persons with disabilities in Central and Eastern Massachusetts.

*Autism is…..*

A disability affecting communication and behavior

Lifelong and affects the whole family

Rapidly being understood through research

*Persons with autism CAN…*

Benefit from specialized education and rehabilitation

Live and work in the community

Hold competitive employment jobs.

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**ADMISSION CRITERIA**

Age 16 or over

Males or females

A diagnosis of autism and/or developmental disability

In need of vocational services which offer intermediate to intensive supervision

Communication, social, vocational, or medical condition which allows for participation in the program.

Individual programming, flexibility, family involvement, and individual participation is encouraged.

We hope this brochure familiarizes you with the community employment program at Autism Services Association.

As a private non profit agency, we must rely on your contributions and referrals to support our programs and services. We encourage everyone from the community to visit our programs.

Certified by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Nationally accredited by CARF, The Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission

Autism Services Association is a private non profit human service agency which provides vocational, social, and community skills training for persons with autism and other challenging developmental disabilities.

The agency also serves as an information, education, and advocacy resource to families and residences, day programs, and schools, to support those persons in need of service.

Asa is certified by the Massachusetts Department of Developmental Services and is nationally accredited in Community Employment and Community Integration through CARF, the Rehabilitation Accreditation Commission.

Typical education and rehabilitation problems addressed through the agency’s programs include the following:

**What activities or vocational experiences can the Individual participate in to enhance vocational development and placement?**

**What Work skills and supports are needed to foster increased productivity and placement in supported or competitive employment?**

**What learning styles and behavioral techniques are most beneficial for the individual’s development?**

**Which jobsites and placements most match the individual’s needs and potential.**

Individuals are referred to the program by various state agencies, schools, local agencies, and families.

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