

Organization: The Arc of Indiana Position: Director of Public Policy

Reports To: Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Location: Indianapolis, Indiana

## **OUR MISSION**

The Arc of Indiana is committed to all people with intellectual and developmental disabilities realizing their goals of living, learning, working and fully participating in the community.

# **ABOUT THE ARC OF INDIANA**

The Arc of Indiana was established in 1956 by parents of children with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) who joined together to build a better and more accepting world for their children.

With over 30,000 individual members and 44 local chapters, The Arc of Indiana is the largest state chapter of The Arc of the United States. Nationwide, we have over 140,000 members in nearly 600 chapters. The Arc of the United States is the largest national community-based organization serving and advocating for and with people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

#### The Arc is on the front lines to:

- Empower people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to be the driver of their own lives and to be independent to the greatest extent possible.
- Empower families with information and resources to assist them in their journey of raising a child with a disability to lead a full and meaningful life.
- Prevent disabilities through education about the dangers of drugs and alcohol while pregnant and advocating for all women to have quality prenatal care.
- Develop, influence and inspire positive change in public policy and public attitudes.
- > Serve as a spokesperson and advocate for the issues important to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and families.

### THE OPPORTUNITY

The Arc of Indiana is seeking a strong, visionary Director of Public Policy to join us in our mission and continue our long history of building strong relationships with policy makers at the local, state and federal level. We are proud of the reputation we have built at the Indiana Statehouse and seek an effective professional with proven experience in cultivating relationships and managing the legislative process to continue our legacy.

As our registered lobbyist, our Director of Public Policy will be engaged in all efforts to improve public policy around the many issues impacting the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

It is important that our chapter network engages with elected officials from their area and lawmakers not only understand our issues but see us as a trusted resource for constituent issues. Our Director of Public Policy will be instrumental in facilitating relationships throughout the state of Indiana.

## **CANDIDATE PROFILE**

The Arc of Indiana is seeking a proven professional with legislative experience to lead our policy efforts. The selected candidate will need to possess strong written and verbal communications skills, demonstrate professional maturity, and advance a strong strategy to create and implement sound public policy.

Personal qualifications include the interest and ability to build a strong network of support with lawmakers at the state and federal level as well as their staff and the executive branch of government. We are seeking a creative, intuitive thinker with high emotional intelligence and a strong moral compass.

The ideal candidate will understand the legislative process, understand the importance of relationships and have the ability to read, interpret and draft legislation.

A bachelor's degree is required.

The Arc of Indiana offers a competitive salary based on level of experience; medical, dental and vision insurance; 401-K; and paid parking at our downtown office.

A complete job description is available <u>here.</u>

To apply please submit a resume and a letter of introduction to Kim Dodson at kdodson@arcind.org.

For more information about The Arc of Indiana, please visit our website at arcind.org.