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Direct Support Professional Photo Contest

This summer, Direct Support Professionals employed by The Arc organizations in Maryland and individuals with IDD supported by DSPs are invited to join in on The Arc Maryland's photo contest and the opportunity to win cash prizes for themselves and their chapter of The Arc! The overall theme for the contest is *It's Where You Belong*.

One photo will be selected as the overall, grand prize winner and will receive \$500 to split evenly between the Direct Support Professional and the individual with IDD that they support.

Additionally, their chapter of The Arc will receive \$500 towards a celebration during Direct Support Professional Recognition Week from September 12th to 18th!

At least four honorees will be selected as winners - one in each of these four categories: *Live, Learn, Work, and Play*. These individual category award-winning photo submissions will receive \$250, evenly split between the DSP and individual with IDD that they support.

The overall winner and winner of each category will also get the opportunity to participate in a professional photo shoot in late August/early September (TBA), where they will also receive their prizes!

Each winner will receive a framed portrait of their professionally taken picture and each chapter will receive electronic copies of the professionally taken photos.

Please submit this completed form, along the signed photo and use form and photo attachments to Luc Chausse, Director of Communications and Engagement, via email at LChausse@TheArcMD.org by **August 19th**. If you do not receive email confirmation that your submission has been received within three days, please call 410-571-9320.

Rules

- Each photo submission should include a DSP and the person with IDD that they support.
- The DSP must be employed by a chapter of The Arc in Maryland.
- The Individual with IDD must be supported by a chapter of The Arc in Maryland.
- Honorees in each winning category will be invited to attend a professional photo shoot in late August or early September in Columbia, Maryland.
- The submission must be submitted by August 19th and include completed consent forms (on following pages) for all those included in the image(s).
- Limit of one submission per category per group (up to 4 total photos may be submitted with the same individuals).
- Photo submissions should be a high-resolution photo in either a .png or .jpg format.

Judging Criteria

- Selections will be made based on embodiment of the theme *It's Where You Belong* and the chosen category (Live, Learn, Work, Play).
- Creativity of the photo submission(s).
- One submission will be selected from each category as a winner.

- The overall winner will be selected from across all categories.

Winning submissions will be selected by The Arc Maryland Board of Directors, consisting of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, family members, and other community leaders from across Maryland.

Direct Support Professional Information

Name of DSP Featured: _____

I am employed by a chapter of The Arc in Maryland Yes No

What is the name of The Arc chapter in which you work? _____

Your Best Phone Contact: _____ Your Email: _____

If you are selected as winners, will you attend a professional photo shoot in Columbia, Maryland?
 Yes No

Person with IDD Information

Name of Person Featured: _____

I am supported by a chapter of The Arc in Maryland Yes No

What is the name of The Arc chapter that supports you? _____

Your Phone: _____ Your Email: _____

If we are selected as winners, will you attend a professional photo shoot in Columbia, Maryland?
 Yes No

Submission One

Submission Category (Please mark): Live Learn Work Play

Title of Entry (If applicable): _____

Submission Two (If applicable)

Submission Category (Please mark): Live Learn Work Play

Title of Entry (If applicable): _____

Submission Three (If applicable)

Submission Category (Please mark): Live Learn Work Play

Title of Entry (If applicable): _____

Submission Four (If applicable)

Submission Category (Please mark): Live Learn Work Play

Title of Entry (If applicable): _____

The Arc Maryland Photo Release and Use Form

By signing below, I hereby give my consent for the use of my name, likeness, story, image, and photographs (Shared Materials) to The Arc Maryland and other affiliated chapters of The Arc in Maryland. I do understand that my Shared Materials may be used publicly in promotional and advocacy materials, including but not limited to local, state, and national publications, websites, and the news media.

I hereby waive any and all claims that I might otherwise have for HIPAA/privacy as well as any and all claims for payments or royalties in connection with the usage of Shared Materials, and I agree that my consent excludes me of any ownership whatsoever of Shared Materials. I also give my consent to use Shared Materials in any video and photography footage, including but not limited to advertisement, documentary footage, commercials), as well as in future exhibition functions, and for the release of Shared Materials.

I hereby hold harmless The Arc Maryland and other affiliated chapters of The Arc in Maryland, their employees, and any agents from any and all claims, liabilities, suits, costs, charges, expenses, and/or damages and fees arising from the aforementioned consent.

Consent involves the act of the will, based upon legal rights of the consenter, which requires the individual to be 18 years of age or older. If photography footage is of persons under the age of 18 years old, or the individual has an adult guardian, a parent and/or guardian must agree with the above statement and sign below.

By signing below, I consent to the use of Shared Materials as described in this document.

Direct Support Professional

Signature: _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

Individual with IDD featured in photograph(s)

Signature: _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

Legal Guardian (IF APPLICABLE)

Signature: _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

Please print out these pages once you have completed the forms so you can sign the release, then scan and return it via email to Luc Chausse at LChausse@TheArcMD.org as an attachment along with the photos you wish to submit.