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Autism for Lifelong Learning (ALL)

is designed to provide supported employment, competitive employment and community participation support services to adults with autism. As a part of Misericordia University's Autism Center, ALL's primary goal is to enable the adults involved in the program to ultimately obtain employment to the fullest extent of their respective abilities. In addition to being prepared to secure employment, the adults will also be exposed to various non-profit groups and interact with the broader Wyoming Valley community.



The Autism Center

OUR MISSION

The mission of Autism for Lifelong Learning (ALL) is to educate and train adults with autism to integrate and function independently in and with the community, by acquiring life and employment skills leading to supported or competitive employment in order to live their full potential as individuals with dignity and fulfillment.

STATEMENT OF NEED

The creation of the program is the result of the unavailability of services specifically designed to meet the needs of adults who fall within the Autism Spectrum of Disorders. Indeed, until the ALL Program was established there have been no comparable services available to adults with autism in our region.

WHO ARE WE

ALL is part of Misericordia University's Autism Center. ALL is designed to provide supported employment, competitive employment and community participation support services to adults with autism. ALL is a provider for the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR), the Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) and the Bureau of Autism Services (BAS). In addition to master's degree trained personnel, the Autism Center includes an Advisory Board comprised of a cross section of people with expertise in autism, parents of individuals with autism and members from colleges and universities involved in special needs.

ALL'S PROGRAM GOALS

- To integrate the adults that participate in the ALL program into competitive employment in a field that matches their interests
- To develop skills that enable program participants to engage in meaningful community-based volunteer activities and supportive/competitive employment with the support of a job coach

THE AUTISM CENTER

The Autism Center at Misericordia University acts as a resource for clinicians, practitioners and caregivers. The Center and its website, **www.misericordia.edu/autism**, provide a guide to clinical services at Misericordia University, camps, community resources, current best practices and helpful information.

LOCATION

MU ALL PROGRAM College of Health Sciences 50 Lake Street, Dallas PA 18612

For information regarding the ALL Program or to provide financial support, please call Joan Roth Kleinman (570) 674-8200.



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