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Building Communities that Work

Who We Are

Based in Traverse City, Disability Network Northern Michigan is the first stop for people with disabilities and their families. Disability Network serves seventeen northern lower Michigan counties as a community-based, non-profit organization run for and by persons with disabilities.

What We Do

Community Resources provides information assistance, independent living plan support, goal setting and connects people with opportunities and resources. We can help coordinate the many different supports people need to live as independently as possible.

Community Transition Services provides assistance to individuals, regardless of their disability and age, who are living in nursing homes receiving Medicaid, and want to transition into their own home or to a community residence. Our Transition Navigators will assist with setting up the appropriate accommodations to ensure safety and independence.

Options Counseling is a free service which helps you and your family explore Long-Term Support Service options while considering your medical needs, personal values, personal budget and housing needs. We can assist with creating a care plan and connect you to service providers that will allow you to reside safely in your independent living situation.

Disability Network's **Access for Everyone** philosophy is driven to help pursue a truly accessible community to ensure everyone has the ability to actively work, play and live in our community. We believe that building more inclusive communities not only benefits individuals with disabilities, but the entire community.

Advocacy | Disability Network provides both individual and systems advocacy for disability rights issues. We provide compliance recommendations to public and private entities in regards to the Americans with Disabilities Act. We are an active partner in many statewide coalitions working to improve the policies and legislation that affect the lives of people with disabilities.

How We Are Different

As a Center for Independent Living, Disability Network has a longstanding value of upholding and working towards justice for all people. Our vision is that persons with disabilities will realize their full potential in a community that supports self-determination and equity for all. No other agency in our area provides the same range of services that we provide.

Let's Connect

Disability Network supports a community of people with disabilities and their families. We have the tools to support you during this challenging time. Please visit disabilitynetwork.org for up-to-date COVID-19 information and our weekly virtual online events.