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Resume of Charles Arndt

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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Public Policy Analysis, Research, Design, and Implementation through Effective and Efficient Reforms for Vulnerable Populations, Ticket to Work and Maximizing Employment Opportunities for People with Disabilities, Universal Design and Community Integration and Inclusion, Health Care, Medicaid, Home and Community-Based Services Waivers including Best and Promising Practices, Supported Living and Housing Development for Veterans who are homeless and have disabilities.

COMPUTER PROFICIENCIES

Regularly use Microsoft Word and Excel, have database management and Statistical Analysis System (SAS) program design coursework at the graduate level. Have designed data management and financial projection systems.

EDUCATION

The Ohio State University, **M.A. Degree in Public Administration, Business and Health Care Administration Thirty Hours each discipline 1981**

The George Washington University, **Graduate Coursework in Health Care Administration 1975-77**

Bowling Green State University, **M.A. in Special Education Administration 1974**

Toledo University, **B.S. in Psychology 1969**

EMPLOYMENT AND INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR HISTORY

Public Policy Impacts of Washington, D.C. and New York, LLC
Founded June 2006 to present
Major Consulting Company, President.

Community Resource Alliance, 736 Crabthicket, St. Louis Missouri
Collegial Independent Contractor Relationship, 2005 to 2009
Derrick Dufresne and Michael Mayer Senior partners 314-821-3316

Georgetown, Midwest, and Pacific Consulting, L.L.C., 3 North High Street, New Albany, Ohio
Collegial Independent Contractor Relationship, November 2004 to present
Stephen G. Pleasnick, President 614-939-9807 or 614-805-5998

Ohio Association of County Boards of MR/DD, Chief Executive Officer-OACBMRDD 1984-2004

Primary Supervisors:

Hal Maxfield, President, Immediate Past President 419-524-0010
Jerome C. Manuel, Former Board member 740-360-4145
Terrence Ryan, Ph.D. Superintendent, Cuyahoga Co. Bd. of DD 216-736-2612

BUSINESS PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Hal Maxfield, Former President. 13 years
Ohio Association of County Boards of MR/DD
380 North Main Street, Suite 130, Mansfield, OH 44902
419-524-0010 businesses

Robin Cooper, Director of Technical Assistance, National Association State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services, Alexandria, Virginia
Home 2222 Hollister, Madison, Wisconsin
608-231-2121 businesses

Jed Morison, Member, Ohio Association of County Boards of MR/DD and Superintendent, Franklin County Board of MR/DD
2879 Johnstown Rd., Columbus, OH, 43219
614-475-6440-ext.217 business

Professor Edward Smith, Director of American Studies and Special Assistant to the Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, American University
4400 Massachusetts Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20016
202-885-1192 business

**MAJOR POLICY, MEDICAID, SUPPORTED LIVING
AND FUNDING PROJECTS
1989-Present**

2000-2004 Created **“A Medicaid Plan of Action For Ohio’s MR/DD System: A Radical Shift in How We do Business Financially Rewarding to Counties in their Capability to Expand Services, Programs and Supports to Under served Individuals with MR/DD”**; Plan was developed with significant input and guidance from Robin Cooper of the National Association of State Directors for Developmental Disabilities Services of Alexandria, Virginia; Plan was accepted by elected and appointed officials; wrote two one hundred page amendments to state budgets; Implemented between 2001-2004 resulting in an increase of 12,000 individuals on Medicaid waivers and an increase in federal funding of more than \$500 million.

1984-2004 Wrote **over twenty policy initiatives in the State of Ohio, which were enacted into law**, dealing with educational funding, levy law including replacement levies of limited and continuing levies, personnel and management reforms, tax equity funding for counties who are property tax poor, services and support administration provisions, criminal background checks, personnel certification, Medicaid reforms, laws on abuse, neglect and exploitation of adults with disabilities, along with budgetary changes resulting in improvements to programs and funding allowing over 70,000 people with developmental disabilities to receive community services and supports and an increase of assistance by \$750 million annually..

1989 Wrote and gained the enactment of **supported living law** in Ohio under H.B. 257 with Sponsorship of Senator Grace Drake; First codified supported living law in the U.S.; 17,000 adults with disabilities now are included in the community in traditional homes, apartments and condominiums of their choosing with federal, state, and local support approximating \$700 million.

1991-2004 Sponsored major development initiative with Robert Laux for county boards of MR/DD to **create housing corporations** for the development of traditional housing to be coupled with the implementation of the supported living law.

2006 **Conducted an assessment** for the Illinois Institute on Public Policy for People with Disabilities and the Illinois Division of Developmental Disabilities, Springfield, Illinois of the **Illinois Medicaid Home and Community Based Services waiver for adults and children with developmental disabilities in accordance with a national study and best practices in other key states across the nation**; Created detailed recommendations on ways to leverage additional funding and ways to effectively write waivers service descriptions to promote self-determination.

2004 **Conducted an investigation** on behalf of Director Kenneth Ritchey of the Ohio Department of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities into state rules for Medicaid rates for habilitative services and demonstrated that the rates were highly excessive and could lead to significant overpayment of providers and personnel bankrupting the system; Recommendations were accepted by Director Ritchey and modifications to the rates that were finally approved by the Ohio legislature.

2007-2009 Researched and Developed the Missouri Home of Your Own Housing Resource web site for the Missouri Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities, Jefferson City, Missouri to

provide a **state of the art web site to assist people with disabilities to find accessible and affordable residential properties** and the supports necessary to successfully live in communities of their choosing.

2009- Formed the District of Columbia Accessible Housing Corporation, a non-profit dedicated to assisting individuals with disabilities including veterans in acquiring homes of their own choosing for rent or for purchase.

2009-Assisted the Westchester ARC, Hawthorne, New York to develop a non-profit housing corporation for future development and assisting four families to locate residential property for their four sons in Westchester County, New York.

Other Major Employment Projects

2011-2012 Developed a project called ASCEND: Assisting and Strengthening Corporations to Employ and eNable People with Disabilities to assist 100 individuals with most significant disabilities to acquire significant and gainful employment within twenty corporations. The project is a VRP3 initiative of the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission and includes corporate development, candidate screening and job matching with Benefit planning and asset development. A major component is working with six hospitals to create paid trial work and create career employment opportunities.

2008-2009 Assisted the Individual Advocacy Group of Romeoville, Illinois to become a Medicaid waiver provider within the District of Columbia for individuals who are developmentally disabled with severe mental illness and related complicated conditions.

2009-Worked with over twenty-five agencies in Illinois, New York, Ohio and Washington on promotion of Ticket to Work for individuals who have disabilities and want to have enhanced lives through work; Also worked on projects related to customized employment and ways to assist individuals with complex needs to gain significant supported employment with real incomes with real jobs.

2007-2008 Conducted a national study for the Illinois Council on Developmental Disabilities, Springfield, Illinois of best and promising practices for employment of people with developmental disabilities that led to on-site visits to key states and agencies related to their policies and practices and resulted in the document "Retooling Employment: A Systems Analysis Including Promising Practices for Advancing Supported Employment for Citizens of Illinois with Developmental Disabilities.

2006-2009 Worked on behalf of the Georgetown, Midwest and Pacific Consulting, Inc., New Albany, Ohio to divert youth with developmental disabilities out of incarceration in juvenile justice facilities to alternative, beneficial supports.

2006 Wrote foundation grant proposals related to Project SEARCH of Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center for three organizations in Ohio and Illinois related to creating opportunities for adults with developmental disabilities to become economically self-sufficient;

2006 Conducted research on supervisory skills for workers in residential settings and established pre and post testing assessments for approximately three hundred employees within residential settings in North Carolina and Tennessee in liaison with Derrick Dufresne of Community Resource Alliance, St. Louis, Missouri.

2006 Conducted research and wrote a white paper on behalf of Robert Juliano, a Washington, D.C. lobbyist, on ways to protect workers pensions under defined benefit plans;

2005 Conducted research on behalf of the North Carolina Hospital Association on Mental Health Transformation nationally and within North Carolina; recommendations related to over utilization of emergency departments and in-patient care.