

## Guardianship for persons with developmental disabilities

The Arc of New Mexico provides guardianship services to persons with developmental disabilities who live in New Mexico and may not have family or friends to provide support. Guardians at The Arc are full-time paid professionals who work with approximately 25 individuals each. Their duties include regular visits and monitoring of each individual's home and other environments; advocacy for each individual and assurance that programs and services are in each person's best interest; and assistance for each individual with decision-making at the level that each person requires.

Guardians are always appointed by the state District Court in the county in which the individual under guardianship resides. Names of attorneys who can assist with the appointment of a guardian are available from the New Mexico Developmental Disabilities Planning Council. These attorneys are available in your local area to assist with the petitioning and appointment process at very low cost to persons who are resource-eligible.

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## **Services**

Protective Services Disabilities and Health Concerns

#### **Locations**

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# **Parent Organization**

### **Arc of New Mexico**

The Arc of New Mexico promotes and protects the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and actively supports their full inclusion and participation in the community throughout their lifetimes.

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