proAbility is the dba in Rhode Island for The Arc of Bristol County. The Arc has over 50 years of experience in meeting the unique needs of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

Named for its focus on Ability, the team at proAbility continually challenge themselves to meet the needs of children, families and adults through a wide array of services. Unlike other organizations that provide similar services, proAbility does not try to fit the individual to the service, but designs the service around the individual. We take great pride in working directly with individuals, families, funders and the community to provide creative supports even if it requires us to redesign our service deliver model. In each program, we will assist in the evaluation of current skill levels, goals and areas of need to design a program that works for YOU.

proAbility provides an array of services throughout the State of Rhode Island for adults and children with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

We are here to help you

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Achieve with us.
Our Mission:
To foster community partnerships, promote individual advocacy and create a pathway for growth and innovation by offering exceptional support and services to people with all abilities through the attraction, development and retention of superior talent who passionately demonstrate best practices.

Shared Living Arrangements
Offers individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities the opportunity to live in a family environment. These arrangements are established as a result of a highly individualized process in which the individual and the hosting person or family are determined to share similar life interests and personalities that support a safe, caring, and comfortable home environment.

Day and Employment Services
proAbility’s Day Services programming allows adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities to participate in a wide array of educational and vocational opportunities designed to meet their needs and interests.

proAbility is a certified State of Rhode Island Office of Rehabilitation Services Vendor. Certification enables our team to provide a menu of supports to individuals interested in vocational skill building, assessment, and job training as well as securing and maintaining paid employment.

Adult Services
Individualized Day and Employment, Residential, Family Supports, and Shared Living Arrangements offer a variety of life enrichment, educational and community-involvement opportunities.

Residential and Family Supports
proAbility has designed a range of programs to help support individuals who are living in a private home with their family, or who have chosen to live independently in the community. Services include both 24 hour and non 24 hour assistance. Our dedicated team of direct support professionals guide skill development in areas that can include medical, personal care, money management, nutrition and meal preparation, socialization, and community based services.

Children’s Services
Home Based Therapeutic Services (HBTS) and Personal Assistance and Support Services (PASS)
proAbility’s Home Based Therapeutic Services and Personal Assistance and Support Services provides intensive home and community services to children with special health care needs from birth to age 21. HBTS and PASS services are delivered under the supervision of a State Licensed Clinician and are provided in the child’s home and in the community to enhance the independence of the child and the entire family. proAbility offers these services throughout the State of Rhode Island to Medicaid eligible children with special health care needs.