

# The Arc of Somerset County Hires new associate executive director



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The Arc of Somerset County, located in Manville, announced the hiring of a new Associate Executive Director Michelle McMahon effective Sept. 28.

McMahon has over 20 years experience working with individuals with intellectual/ developmental disabilities as well as with those who experience mental health and psychiatric conditions.

Most recently, she has worked as the Director of Programs at Hudson Milestones and as The Directors of Quality and Supports Services at Community options. She is well versed in the operations of DDD, DCF, Early Intervention, Pre-school, Day Care, Mental Health and other relevant service systems.

In addition, she sits on the NJ Foundation for the Blind Board of Directors and is a member of their Strategic Planning Committee.

She earned her Bachelor's degree from Montclair State University and The University of Birmingham, England, and earned her Master's Degree in Psychology from Montclair State University.

Executive Director for The Arc of Somerset County, Lauren Panarella states, "Michelle brings with her a wealth of knowledge and experience regarding individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities. She will be a great asset to The Arc of Somerset County and the families we serve as we move into the future."

McMahon will have direct oversight and responsibility for all of The Arc of Somerset County's service programs including: The Jerry Davis Center for Children and Families, PACT (Parents and Children together), Camp Jotoni, Residential Services, Employment Services and Clinical Services.

She is passionate about the mission of The Arc of Somerset County, and hopes to enhance its efforts to provide quality services and advocacy for the individuals it serves.