

1. Where did you work before joining The Arc of New Jersey and what attracted you to the role of Director of Children's Advocacy?

Before joining The Arc of New Jersey, I had the privilege of serving as a Visitation Specialist at a non-profit organization, where my focus was on reuniting biological families. Additionally, my work experience spans over a decade across various industries including healthcare, business, and hospitality which helps me bring a unique perspective to my work.

I was particularly drawn to the role of Director of Children's Advocacy due to my educational background in Child Advocacy and Policy. This role presents a perfect avenue for me to leverage my passion for ensuring children receive the care and education they deserve.

2. As the new Director, what are your goals for the program?

As the new Director, my primary goal is to continue to foster a program that not only fulfills the needs of our community but exceeds expectations. I am dedicated to promoting a culture of support and inclusivity where every individual feels empowered and valued. Additionally, I am committed to advocating for policy changes at the state level to ensure systemic improvements that benefit the IDD community as a whole.

3. What do you want community provider agencies to know about you and your program?

I want community provider agencies to know that I am here to offer unwavering support and foster collaborative relationships with children, families, and providers throughout the state. Transparency is at the heart of my approach, and I am dedicated to working to ensure that student's educational needs are not only addressed but met with care and attention. Together, we can make a significant difference in the lives of those we serve, and I am looking forward to working with you!