

Join the Emerge Family...

Ensuring a Seamless Transition for a Young Adult



When a young person with a developmental, physical or mental health disability approaches the age when he or she must transition from a Maryland state-supported program for youths with disabilities into an accredited program for adults, it's often a time of some anxiety for parents and family members.

For nearly four decades, Emerge has sustained a therapeutic environment—with both residential and day programs—where individuals can move forward into responsible adulthood as part of our family of staff, other customers and supporters in the community at large.

We refer to individuals in our community as “customers” to underscore that their needs and preferences come first in our program. Our team focuses on listening to the customer and responding to his or her expressed aspirations. We are both supportive and persistent in adjusting an individualized program until we get it right. Parents are welcome to visit our facilities.

Emerge has never rejected an individual because he or she is too difficult to manage. We always assume that an individual admitted to Emerge will be a member of our family for life.

We offer a full range of programs individualized for each Emerge customer— from day support to fully supervised residential care in Emerge-administered homes and apartments. We offer paid employment in the community for many customers and, alternatively, activity-rich day programs focused on helping our customers achieve rich, full lives.



The first step in securing admission to Emerge is to contact Mike Gahagan at 443.288.8251, or at mgahagan@emergeinc.org



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