

Join the Emerge Family...

Entrusting an Individual to Emerge

The first step in securing admission to Emerge is to contact Verna Urso at 443-288-8250, or at vurso@emergeinc.org

Emerge Inc., incorporated in 1976 as a nonprofit agency supporting a national movement for reducing the number of people with disabilities confined to institutions, offers care for individuals with developmental, physical and mental health disabilities. We refer to individuals in our community as "customers" to stress that their needs and preferences come first in our care-giving program.

DDA Case Managers, or even concerned family members, interested in learning more about us or starting the process of admission should contact Verna Urso (vurso@emergeinc.org). When admission to Emerge is the goal, she will guide the process, collecting all documentation and coordinating a review of the potential customer's case by a panel of senior Emerge clinical and administrative management. This committee reviews the customer's potential needs, and makes a determination based on whether Emerge can provide the personnel, care resources and space necessary to meet the individual's needs fully.

Emerge has never rejected an individual because he or she is too difficult to manage. For this reason, Emerge is often viewed as the care-giving resource of final resort by case managers, parents, the clinical community and Maryland DDA authorities.

An Emerge customer starts life at Emerge by identifying his or her own service needs and preferences, selecting detailed support, training, and other care provisions.

In parallel, our Emerge team completes a comprehensive evaluation for each individual, and develops a custom plan defining the supervision, training, social/leisure opportunities, and therapies likely to serve the individual best on his or her path to an increasingly fulfilling life. The plan is reviewed at yearly intervals, and often more frequently.

It should not be surprising that this environment of trust and mutual respect often inspires customers to form lasting bonds of friendship with their peers, with staff and with members of other customers' immediate families..



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