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## For people with intellectual and developmental disabilities

TO: News Editors

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RE: NYSARC Trust Services Guardianship Grant Awarded to The Arc of Chemung

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**Elmira, NY** – The Arc of Chemung announces that a grant, in the amount of \$13,500, was recently received from NYSARC Trust Services to support their Guardianship Program.

The Arc of Chemung's Guardianship Program administers guardianship services under the auspices of NYSARC, Inc. Corporate Guardianship Program. This is a program that is intended to provide guardianship supports to individuals in need of such supports but who have limited availability of family or other natural supports to fulfill this role. The Guardianship Program focuses on the best interests of individuals, while taking into consideration the personal wishes, preferences and beliefs that afford each individual the greatest amount of independence and participation in decisions affecting the person's life.

NYSARC Trust Services administers supplemental needs trusts that enable people with disabilities to remain in their home and community while retaining Medicaid services and other government benefits. Information is available on how NYSARC Trust Services may benefit you: our website www.nysarctrustservices.org, phone 1-518-439-8323, toll free phone 1-800-735-8924 or e-mail info@nysarctrustservices.org.

## **ABOUT THE ARC OF CHEMUNG**

Founded in 1953, The Arc of Chemung is a person-centered, not for profit organization committed to meeting the needs of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families in the Chemung County area. The agency provides quality supports and opportunities for individual growth for every person supported by means of education, increased community acceptance and participation.

The Arc of Chemung supports nearly 800 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families annually. Learn more at <a href="https://www.arcofchemung.org">www.arcofchemung.org</a>. The Arc of Chemung is a chapter of the state agency, NYSARC, Inc. and is nationally accredited by The Council on Quality and Leadership (CQL).

