



# Barber National Institute

*Making dreams come true.*

## **Mission:**

We “Make dreams come true.” We provide children and adults with developmental disabilities and their families the education, support and resources needed to be self reliant, independent and valued members of their community. In addition, we provide the professionals who serve them with world-class education and training.

## **Our Guiding Philosophy:**

All individuals are people of God, with feelings, emotions, needs and capabilities unique to these persons and their heritage. In a world where all persons differ, everyone should have the opportunity to develop to their fullest potential. We believe that all persons can learn, have the right to learn and must be provided with experience for growth and development: spiritually, morally, aesthetically, socially, physically and educationally. We further believe that learning is a continuous process from infancy through adulthood.

## **Services for Children & Adolescents:**

- Autism Case Management
- Autism Center of Excellence
- Autism Support Program
- Behavioral Health Rehabilitation Services (BHRS)
- Blended Case Management
- Bright Beginning Program (Early Intervention/Birth to Age Three)
- Elizabeth Lee Black School (Approved Private School)
- Happy Hearts Inclusive Preschool and Before & After School Care
- Mental Health Partial Hospitalization Program
- Pre-K Counts Preschool Program
- Specialized Early Intervention Preschool
- Specialized Family Based Mental Health Services
- Trauma and Grief Counseling

## **Services for Adults:**

- Adult Autism Connection
- Adult Literacy Program
- Adult Mental Health Partial Hospitalization
- Adult Training Facilities/Older Adult Services
- Barber Industries/Vocational Training
- Dual Diagnosis Services
- Intellectual Disability/Mental Health Diagnosis
- Lakeside Senior Center
- Life Sharing Through Family Living
- Residential Living
- Supported Employment
- Transitional Work Services

## Services for Children & Adults:

- Agency With Choice
- Clinical Services
- Family Support Services
- Home and Community Based Waiver Services

## Other Programs & Services

- Aktion Club—A social and community service group for adults with disabilities
- Aquatics and various wellness programs
- Autism Support Group for grandparents
- Beyond Camp Shamrock—A summer day camp designed for adults ages 21 to 26
- Camp Shamrock—A summer day camp for children ages 5 to 21 with developmental disabilities
- Club Erie—A community-based service designed to help adults with disabilities develop skills and form friendships
- Down Syndrome Support Group
- Expanding Social Opportunities (ESO) Dances—for young adults with and without disabilities
- “Kids on the Block” Disability Awareness Program
- Life Coaching for Adults with Autism
- “Ready, Set, Ride!” Learn-To-Bike Program in Erie and Warren
- SibSessions—Support for children, ages 5-16, with a sibling with developmental disabilities
- Telephone Support Program
- “Time for Me” Recreational Program for children ages 4-10 with developmental disabilities
- Wellness Programs (i.e. fitness, nutrition, aquatics, etc.)

### BNI Fast Facts (2012)

Number of children & adults served annually.....	4,200
Number of staff.....	2,200
Total number of group homes in Erie County.....	47
Total number of group homes in Pittsburgh, PA.....	6
Total number of group homes in Philadelphia, PA.....	25
Annual budget.....	\$69 million

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