

Pat Jones - Chief Operating Officer



Pat Jones is originally from Pitman, New Jersey. She received her Bachelor of Science in Individual and Family Studies in 1979 from Pennsylvania State University. Right out of college, Pat worked as a Teacher's Aide in Pedrickstown before coming to The Arc of Atlantic County. She now works as the Chief Operating Officer, but has an impressive history here.

Pat started as an Aide at our very first group home. After about two years in that position, she moved up to group home Assistant Manager, group home Manager, and later Program Director. During her time as Program Director, Pat took part in the opening of three group homes and one adult training center- all in one year! Four years later, Pat became Associate Executive Director, which is very similar to her position now as Chief Operating Officer.

Now, as Chief Operating Officer, Pat oversees all program areas, supervises operations directors, and works in development of new programs.

Pat has always done a great deal of volunteering with The Arc and with the Special Olympics. She also serves on several Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD)/other service provider joint committees including the licensing committee and DDD's Human Rights Committee. Outside of her community involvement, Pat loves spending time with her teenage son, and enjoys outdoors activities including skiing, swimming, camping, and canoeing.

"Individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities want the same things in their lives as everyone else. They are more like us than most people realize."