

## **Guidelines for Using Respite Hours for Camps & Therapeutic Programs**

- Enrollment in Respite Coordination does not guarantee enrollment in any summer camp or therapeutic program. All organizations reserve the right to determine any person's program participation. To ensure your child or young adult has a successful experience, you must speak to the organization prior to registration. The Primary Caregiver is responsible for registration for all camps and therapeutic programs.
- Respite Coordination is not an entitlement program or a financial assistance program. Respite hours must be used to subsidize payment.
- The respite rate of pay for all camps and therapeutic programs cannot exceed more than \$33.00 per hour. Any monies owed to you will be the responsibility of the family.
- Respite hours are limited to 10 hours per day for all camps and therapeutic programs, including overnight camps. Camps and therapeutic programs will not be paid by The Arc Montgomery County for more than 10 hours per day.
- Respite hours cannot be used for any transportation services to and from camps and therapeutic programs.
- Camps and therapeutic programs must be part of the respite consortium and may not be outside of the MD/DC/VA area.
- Respite hours and other funding sources cannot be used for the same camp or program. This includes LISS funding, DDA funding, My Turn or other funding sources.
- Adults receiving employment or day services through a Medicaid Waiver cannot use respite hours for weekday or overnight camps.
- Payments are made directly to the vendor not to families.

