Since 1936, The Arc of Washington State has been informing and educating society about the enduring potential and inherent value of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The Arc is a leader in encouraging forward-thinking governmental policies that support community-based services and programs for people of all ages and their families.

As a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, The Arc of Washington State is composed of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, their families, professionals, and concerned community members.

The Arc’s mission is to advocate for the rights and full participation of all people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Along with our network of members and chapters, we support and empower individuals and families; connect and inform individuals and families; improve support and service systems; influence public policy; increase public awareness, and foster inclusive communities.

The Arc of Washington State advocates for innovative programs and services that promote independence and inclusion for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). The Arc provides supports and services to meet the needs of people with IDD and their families throughout their lifetimes.

The Arc's vision is for people with IDD to be valued members of their communities, with the opportunity to realize their full potential and a future that is secure.

The Arc is affiliated with The Arc of the United States and nine local chapters of The Arc throughout Washington State.

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