

Our Mission

Exceptional Persons, Inc (EPI) makes a positive difference for people living with disabilities, enhances community child care and strengthens families.

Our Values

- *Stewardship*
Transparent and responsible use of our resources
- *Teamwork*
Working together to bring out the best in each other
- *Integrity*
Driven to do what's right
- *Quality*
Innovative services, extraordinary outcomes



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From the experience of learning necessary skills in a caring environment to the experience of volunteering in the community – life is in the experiences. We understand. Experience matters.

What We Offer

EPI's Adult Day Habilitation Program for adults with intellectual disabilities offers a relaxed homelike setting where people feel comfortable. Our adult day habilitation program is called CHOICE, which stands for Consumers Having Options in Community Enhancement. CHOICE was developed in 1995 and is a community-based center that gives individuals an opportunity to participate in a variety of leisure and community integration opportunities.

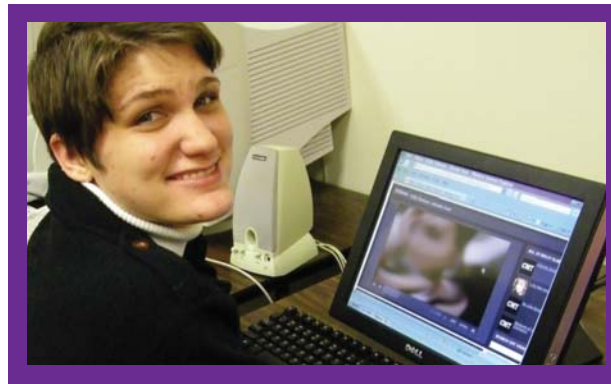
Many choosing to come to CHOICE have retired from their jobs or need an alternative to employment. Careful listening, discussions and observations are the strategies used to find out each individual's likes, dislikes, preferences, dreams and ambitions. Family members and professionals who know the individual participate in this process. The information gathered is used to create an individualized plan for service.

Individuals attending CHOICE choose from a variety of activities throughout the day and enjoy a well balanced, hot lunch provided in partnership through the Child and Adult Care Food Program.

Some choose to learn skills to become more independent in the community, while others may already have those skills. Crafts, woodworking, computer skills and preparing snacks are popular activities. Pet and music therapy opportunities are also favorites. Through the many activities planned, individuals at CHOICE find out more about their community and take advantage of the resources in the area.

Hours & Location

The CHOICE program is located at 3675 University Avenue in Waterloo at EPI's Deery Center location and is available Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.



Eligibility

To be eligible, applicants should be:

- At least 18 years of age
- A person with a mental or physical disability

Funding for Services

Funding for services may be paid for through several different avenues which may include, but are not limited to:

- Home County
- State
- Self-Pay

How to Apply

1. Fill out an application. Call to speak with EPI's Intake & Referral Specialist or go online for an application.
2. Return the application to the EPI office.
3. Once the application is reviewed, you and your team may be asked to come to the EPI office for an intake meeting.

The Specialist will provide information and referrals to other services as needed. EPI services may be requested through the Central Point of Coordination or Case Management Unit in your home community as well.

Tours are available upon request. Ask our Intake and Referral Specialist or a CHOICE staff person to make arrangements.

For more information, contact us at (319) 232-6671 or visit us online at www.episervice.org.