ARTHUR C. GOLD, M.S.

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Over 35 years of personal and professional experience in the arena of developmental disabilities. Successful and recognized advocate for change in education, transition, and employment systems for those with developmental disabilities. Hands-on activist in support of individuals exploring self-determination. Parent of a young adult with developmental disability.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Developmental Disabilities: Advocacy, Education

- Conducted research and data analysis for advocacy and education of issues related to developmental disabilities
- Created briefing sheets and related advocacy materials related to developmental disabilities for state legislative sessions
- Developed and presented public testimony on county and state issues related to developmental disabilities
- Provided education on a wide range of public policy and other issues related to developmental disabilities
- Developed effective professional relationships with local and state legislators and state boards to successfully promote systems to support individuals with developmental disabilities
- Acted as volunteer facilitator for Howard County self-advocacy group (People Power)
- Provided Disability Awareness Trainings to more than 1900 participants
- · Created a successful business for our adult child with developmental disabilities

Professional Outreach

- Invited speaker at national, state, and local conferences and community associations (The Arc
 of the United States; The Arc of Maryland; Maryland Association of Community Services; Howard
 County Chamber of Commerce; Howard County Community College; Leadership, Howard
 County)
- Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) Surveyor

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director, Quality Assurance Director, Community Relations Center for Social Change

Elkridge, Maryland

Director, Member Services

Maryland Association of Community Services for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (MACS)

Columbia, Maryland

Executive Administrator

Best Practice

Bethesda, Maryland

Project Coordinator

Families Involved Together, Inc.

Baltimore, Maryland

Developer-Owner

Dictation Services, Inc. Baltimore, Maryland

Chief of Audiology

Union Memorial Hospital Baltimore, Maryland

EDUCATION

Master of Science, Audiology, Gallaudet College Bachelor of Arts, Speech and Hearing/ English, University of Maryland

LEADERSHIP AND OUTREACH

Howard County Commission on Disabilities

1998, Advocate of the Year Award

State of Maryland, DDA

Self-Determination Project Steering Committee Howard County Self-Determination Task Force

Arc, Howard County

Past President, Board of Directors

Past Chair, Governmental Affairs Committee

Strategic Planning Committee State Convention Delegate

DreamBuilders (an interfaith group of volunteers building, and rehabilitating, houses in Maryland and New Mexico)

Leadership team and participant

Har Sinai Congregation

Second Vice President, Board of Directors

Har Sinai Brotherhood

Past President