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# JUNE 3 - AUGUST 9

Camp is open to all people with or without disabilities up to age 20. Campers will spend 10 themed weeks with Hope's Community Engagement team out in the Anchorage Community exploring, learning, and trying new experiences!

Spots are limited, so apply today! Financial aid is available.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: 907-433-1700



# Community Engagement Program Standard Operating Procedure

# Provides Guidance Related To: Behavioral Expectations for Group Service Recipients

# Definition of Group Services:

The Alaska Division of Senior and Disabilities Services Group Day Habilitation regulations state that "The recipient's medical, social, educational, or other records support the recipient's need for, and capacity to engage in and benefit from, additional active teaching or training"

Group Day Habilitation is a service that is provided to more the one person at the same time. Staff can support two to five people while engaging them in active learning through group activities that allow for personal growth in designated individualized goal areas. Ideally, staff time is divided equally among the participants prompting and intervening when necessary to keep participants actively working on their goals.

# The Capacity to Engage and Benefit:

As stated in the State regulations, group participants need to have the "capacity to engage and benefit from" the service of Group Day Habilitation. The following skill sets have been identified as necessary for participants to benefit from services delivered in a group setting through the service of Group Day Habilitation.

- 1. They must be able to follow staff instructions **most** of the time.
- 2. Have a certain level of independence in **some** of the following areas: self-regulation, social skills, self-initiation, environmental awareness, personal safety,
- 3. Have the desire to be in a group setting
- 4. Have a basic ability to interact or manage peer interactions
- 5. They must be able to engage in minimal disruptive behaviors on a regular basis.
- 6. They must be able to be unsupervised for short periods of time i.e., going to the bathroom, eating lunch etc.
- 7. They should be able to participate in some of the following group dynamics: sharing, taking turns, being respectful of others, leaving materials where they belong, and listening

We know that not everyone will have all the basic skills above but having some of these will increase the success of group participation and learning.

If a participant lacks some of these skills area but still wants to participate in group activities, they can work on learning and practicing theses skills through Individual Day Habilitation. This service allows for someone to have a one-on-one staff available to give them the attention and support they need to be successful while participating in the group activities and learning the skills to be successful in a group setting.

# Group Day Habilitation vs Individual Day Habilitation:

How do you know which Day Habilitation service is right for you? Choosing and accessing these services is often discussed in planning meetings. Participants often move from one service to

the other depending on what is happening in their life. Here are some indicators that someone **may not ready** to be successfully supported by group staffing levels:

- 1. High frequency of disruptions to the group process
- 2. Monopolizes staff time
- 3. Disruptive behavior that interferes with the other group members experience
- 4. Refusal to participate in scheduled activities
- 5. Refusal to follow rules
- 6. Demonstration of behaviors that make it unsafe

If a participant is participating in group services and is having a difficult time, likely supports include:

- 1. Regular communication
- 2. Team meetings
- 3. Problem solving
- 4. Staff training
- 5. Behavioral assessments
- 6. Tracking and documentation
- 7. Requests for Behavioral Health Services

# Some circumstances/behaviors that cannot be safely staffed by group service staff are:

**Eloping:** staff in group services are assigned to multiple people making it extremely difficult to leave the service area to follow someone. This behavior typically results in a pause from services (length of pause varies for each individual and can be defined in their behavior plan). Repeated violations would result in a change of support service.

**Consistent non-compliance/refusal to participate:** when someone refuses to participate in group activities, staff problem solve ways to get them engaged. If this becomes an on-going pattern and is disruptive to the group process, group service staff will request a team meeting to assess the issue and find a more supportive path for the participant to participate. This may require a pause in services.

**Aggression:** If this behavior occurs towards anyone in the environment, it can precipitate police involvement and/or a pause in services (length of the pause varies for each individual and can be defined in their behavior plan). Repeated violations would result in a change of support service.

**Personal Hygiene:** staff in group services are assigned to multiple people and are unable to attend to one person out of the environment for long periods of time. If personal hygiene or toileting issues are time consuming and occur regularly, the group service staff will request a team meeting to assess the issue and find a more supportive path for the participant to participate. This may result in a pause in services.



# Community Engagement Summer Camp Registration Application

Please return completed application to Hope's Lesko Discovery Center: 650 W. International Airport Rd., Anchorage, AK 99518 discoverycenter@hopealaska.org | (907) 433-1700

# **Camper Information**

First Name	Last	Name		Age	Gender
Mailing Address			City	State	Zip Code
Primary Language	Accommod	ations or support s	ervices required dur	ing their time at Sumr	ner Camp (if applicable
Camper's Mobility	I				
Ambulatory	Walker	Wheelchair	Other:		
Camper's Level of Superv	ision Needed				
Minimal	Moderate	Extensive	1:1		

If the Camper requires any behavioral supports, please specify what the needs are.

What do you hope your Camper will gain from this experience through Hope's Community Engagement Summer Camp?

Which Summer Camp weeks would you like your Camper to attend? Select all that apply.

June 3 - June 7: Movin' and Groovin' June 10 - June 14: Wild on Wildlife June 17 - June 21: Splish Splash June 24 - June 28: Animals of Service July 1 - July 5 (closed July 4): Alaska History July 8 - July 12: Ceramics OR Dance July 15 - July 19: Ceramics OR Dance July 22 - July 26: Everything Flight July 29 - August 2: Olympics Week August 5 - August 9: Celebrate Individuality

### Legal Guardian Information

First Name	Last Name		Role/Relatio	Role/Relationship to Camper	
Mailing Address (if different than c	amper)	City	State	Zip Code	
Email Address		Phone Number	Preferred fo	rm of communication	
			Ema	il Phone	
Are you in need of financial aid for	the cost of Summer Camp	? Yes* N	)		

\*If yes, please complete the 'Hope Summer Camp Financial Aid Application' form and submit it to the Lesko Discovery Center along with this Registration Application form. To request the Financial Aid Application, call 907-433-1700.

### **Emergency Contact Information**

First Name	Last Name	Last Name		Role/Relationship to Camper	
Mailing Address		City	State	Zip Code	
Email Address		Phone Number	Second	ary Phone Number	

I acknowledge that the information provided on this Registration Form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I agree to notify Hope's Community Engagement Team promptly of any changes to the information provided.

Full Name

Signature

Date



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# **Financial Information**

Eligibility for financial aid is determined based on various factors, including household income, size, and extenuating circumstances. Please complete the following information to help us determine financial aid eligibility.

*Please describe any challenges, obstacles, or extenuating circumstances—whether temporary or permanent—that make financial assistance necessary at this time.* 

How did you hear about this financial aid opportunity?

Discovery Center Staff Member Hope's website Hope's social media I have received financial aid from Hope for Summer Camp in the past Other (please specify:) Hope's website Hope's website Hope's website Hope's social media

### Summer Camp Costs

The cost of Summer Camp is \$200 per week. Camp fees include activity costs, camp supplies, and community field trips. There are additional fees for the attendance of Ceramics Week and Dance Week.

Please check all Summer Camp weeks that the Camper is interested in attending.

Week / Theme	Dates	Weekly Cost
Week 1: Movin' and Groovin'	June 3 - June 7	\$200
Week 2: Wild on Wildlife	June 10 - June 14	\$200
Week 3: Splish Splash	June 17 - June 21	\$200
Week 4: Animals of Service	June 24 - June 28	\$200
Week 5: Alaska History	July 1 - July 5 (closed July 4)	\$200
Week 6: Ceramics OR Dance	July 8 - July 12	\$450 (Ceramics) OR \$250 (Dance)
Week 7: Ceramics OR Dance	July 15 - July 19	\$450 (Ceramics) OR \$250 (Dance)
Week 8: Everything Flight	July 22 - July 26	\$200
Week 9: Olympics Week	July 29 - August 2	\$200
Week 10: Celebrate Individuality	August 5 - August 9	\$200
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What is the total cost of attendance for the weeks you selected? How much can you contribute toward the total cost? How much total financial aid are you requesting?

I acknowledge that all financial aid applications for Hope's Community Engagement Summer Camp program will be reviewed by Hope's Executive Team. I understand that financial aid approval is not guaranteed and final decisions are at the discretion of Hope Community Resources, Inc.

Full Name

Signature

Date



# Community Engagement Summer Camp FAQS

# 1. Is the Summer Camp program inclusive for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD)?

• Yes, our Summer Camp program is fully inclusive and welcomes anyone interested in participating. We provide accommodations and support services to ensure all campers can participate fully.

# 2. What types of activities are included in the Summer Camp program?

 Our Summer Camp program offers a variety of engaging activities, including art, music, sports, wildlife exploration, cultural traditions, outdoor adventures, and more. There is also a week-long ceramics class and week-long dance class for those interested.

# 3. How long does the Summer Camp program run, and what are the hours?

• The Summer Camp program runs for 10 weeks from June 3 to August 9, Monday to Friday, from 10am until 4pm.

# 4. What is the cost of the Summer Camp program?

 The cost is \$100 per week for campers receiving Medicaid services with Hope and \$200 per week for those not receiving Medicaid services. Additional costs may apply for the weeks of ceramics and dance activities.

# 5. What financial aid opportunities are available for the Summer Camp program?

 We offer needs-based financial aid for families who demonstrate financial need. To apply for financial aid or a scholarship, please complete the designated application form and submit it to our Lesko Discovery Center at 650 W International Airport Rd, Anchorage, AK 99518 or email it to discoverycenter@hopealaska.org. Financial aid applications must be submitted by May 20 and will be reviewed by Hope's Executive Team.

# 6. Is transportation provided for campers attending the Summer Camp program?

 Hope's Community Engagement team handles all transportation to and from daily activities. Typically, parents or guardians are responsible for dropping off campers in the morning and picking them up in the afternoons. However, in certain situations, we may offer transportation to and from the camp. Any arrangements for such special transportation must be arranged and confirmed before the start of camp.