# **Conway Human Development Center Description of Services and Programs**

#### INTRODUCTION

The Conway Human Development Center (CHDC) is a state funded residential care facility operated under the authority of the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services and the Arkansas Department of Human Services. The Center Campus is located on a 409 acre tract of land in the heart of Conway in Faulkner County. The Center's main entrance is located at 150 Siebenmorgen Road just down the road from Hendrix College's athletic complex. A large portion of CHDC is visible from Interstate 40.

CHDC is licensed by the Office of Long Term Care as an Intermediate Care Facility for the Intellectually Disabled, accredited by the Commission on Accreditation on Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) for 16 years and currently holds a three year accreditation, maintains full compliance with the Department of Education with reference to our Special Education Programs; maintains a 10 bed infirmary licensed by the Department of Health, maintains a professionally staffed laboratory certified by the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendment (CLIA). CHDC collaborates with the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences; through this agreement UAMS supplies Physicians and other Licensed Practitioner to CHDC medical staff.

Construction of the Arkansas Children's Colony (now CHDC), began in 1958 and admitted its first residents in October of 1959. In 1981 new legislation changed the name to Conway Human Development Center.

## **COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES**

CHDC offers specialized comprehensive services for individuals residing at our facility based on individual needs as determined by one of five Interdisciplinary Teams. Those services include, but not limited to:

Special Education

Physician Services (six primary care Physicians)

Nursing Services
Physical Therapy
Occupational Therapy

Audiology Dental Laboratory Infirmary

Alzheimer's Support Group

Specialty Clinics (Bone Density, Cardiology, Diabetes, Dysphasia, Endocrinology, Gynecology, Neurology, Orthopedics, Podiatry, Psychiatry, Specialized Seating)

Infection Control Habilitation Training

Recreation

Community Integration Psychological/Psychiatry

Pharmacy

### CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION

Admission to CHDC begins with a request submitted to the Arkansas Department of Human Services Division of Developmental Disabilities Services. Current admission criteria:

- 1) Must be eligible for developmental disabilities services and able to benefit from active treatment
- 2) Unable to access appropriate and adequate developmental disabilities services in a less restrictive alternative
- 3) Individuals less than eighteen years of age may be determined appropriate if they have existing maladaptive behaviors preventing them from successfully residing in a less restrictive setting without endangering the health and safety of themselves or others/HDC's treatment and therapies are medically necessary

CHDC also provides short-term respite services. Admission requirements are the same as for regular admissions, with special consideration for emergency needs.

#### CONDITION OF FACILITY

CHDC is presently 55 years old but in very good condition. We continue to be very active with a preventative maintenance program by replacing aging sidewalks, roofs, and updating paint, floors, and bathrooms, and presently converting some four bedroom areas into private or semi-private rooms.

#### MISSION

The mission of the Conway Human Development Center is to provide services and supports for people with Intellectual Disabilities by assisting them to maximize their capabilities and achieve the best quality of life possible. Our Center is and has been since the day it opened its doors an integral part, and very well accepted as part, of the Conway Community. We have a very strong Volunteer Council that has raised over a million dollars in the past twenty years for projects including an indoor pool, parent visitation center and many sidewalk awnings just to name a few. CHDC is also supported and has been for many years, by a very strong, high energy parent organization that represents the Center's goals and beliefs both in Arkansas and at a National level.

# **CHDC STATISTICAL INFORMATION**

Conway Human Development Center	
Description	Distribution
Current Population	484
Age Range	8 years-76 years
Average Age	44.27 years
Individuals in Special Education Classes	36
Adaptive Level	Number of individual (percentage)
Profound	360 (74.4%)
Severe	81 (16.7%)
Moderate	32 (6.6%)
Mild	11 (2.3%)
Autism	71
Aggressive/Destructive/SIB	176
Dual Diagnosis	316
Health Fragile	308
Seizure Disorder	289
Require Devices to Maintain Body Alignment	259
Cerebral Palsy	217
Hearing Impaired	54
Vision Impaired	165
Individuals' Diets (98% are on Special Diets)	
Regular	13
Physician Ordered (nutritional)	193
Physician Ordered (mechanical)	314
Tube fed	108
Total Budget FY	\$63,690,174
Salary Budget	\$34,316,289
Total Acres	409.25
Positions Cap	1149