### Contact Info

For more information about Agency with Choice, Email: AWCinfo@ucpcentralpa.org

Centre, Clinton, Columbia, Lycoming, Montour, Northumberland, Snyder, or Union County, contact AWC Manager at 888-663-3304

Cumberland, Dauphin, Lancaster, Lebanon, or Perry County, contact AWC Manager at 717-737-3477

### TO MAKE A REFERRAL: www.ucpcentralpa.org/AWCreferrals

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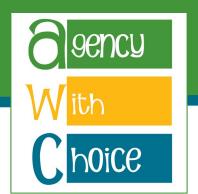
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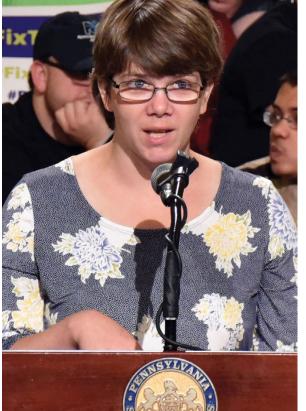




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The best thing about having UCP as my Agency with Choice provider is that I have learned to become my own advocate.



When we love without limits, we empower others to live without them.

I am responsible for my life and free to make my own choices about what's best for me.

- Amber Logan, **UCP** Agency with Choice participant









# **Self-directed** supports

At UCP Central PA,(UCP), self-determination is a goal we strive to achieve in all aspects of the supports we provide. This includes control over the supports that individuals and their family members choose to receive.

The Agency with Choice model empowers you to oversee **your** supports **your** way in partnership with UCP. This model allows you to recruit your own employees who, in turn, become employees of UCP.



At the heart of UCP's Agency with Choice is a simple concept: IT'S YOUR CHOICE...

- who you hire (including family members)
- what hourly rate you pay (within ODP guidelines)
- what schedule best meets your needs



### Are the following important to you?

- Living an Everyday Life, the way you want to live it
- Having the right to choose, direct, and control the supports you receive, including making your own schedule
- Deciding who you want to hire to provide those supports

## Supports offered:

- In home and community support
- Companion
- Respite
- Supported employment
- Homemaker
- Chore
- Supports broker

The support we provide is a labor of love that takes patience, persistence, and perseverance... on the part of both indvidual and staff.

My son Derick works as a Support Service Professional with UCP's Agency with Choice. In that role, he helps his sister Alana deal with her anxieties.



One way Derick has helped Alana is by taking her to the movies to practice social interactions... walk through crowds... and pick a seat in the movie theater.

All these steps sound super easy, but they were huge hurdles for Alana. Then one day Derick returned from the movies to share this pleasant surprise: 'Alana verbalized a request for Root Beer herself for the very first time.'

~ Deana Ruhl, mother of Derick and Alana