Lamoille County Mental Health Services

Our Mission is to provide person-centered disability, aging, and mental health services which promotes self-directed, productive lives within the community.

The types of services vary depending on individual needs. The people served by Developmental Services (DS) must have a developmental disability as defined by the Developmental Disabilities Act of 1996. In this law, “developmental disability” means mental retardation, autism, or pervasive developmental disorder that starts before the age of 18 and results in severe defects in adaptive behavior.

In addition to having a disability, individuals must demonstrate a significant need for the services that are available.

Lamoille County Mental Health Services Developmental Services offers a range of services to individuals with developmental disabilities and their families and or guardians.

These Services include:

- Intake
- Assessment
- Referral Services

Programs include:

- Service Coordination
- Home Supports
- Community Supports
- Supported Employment
- Respite Care
- Clinical Supports
- Crisis supports
- College Steps
- Bridge Program
- Flexible Family Funding
- Personal Care Assessments
- Targeted Case Management
- Transportation

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Think College/College Steps

Launched in the fall of 2011, the two-year, Think College (TC)/College Steps program at Johnson State College provides 18- to 26 year old students with intellectual disabilities an opportunity to earn a Certificate of Higher Education from JSC.

The first year of the program focuses on academics as well as social, vocational and independent-living skills.

The second year continues the focus on coursework and independent living skills and adds an internship tied to vocational goals.

All TC/CS students have peer mentors who are available to connect students with various supports when on campus.

Mentors also work with students in the classroom on an as needed basis.

Self Advocacy

Green Mountain Self-Advocates is a statewide self-advocacy organization.

Our local self advocacy group is called GATSA (Getting Acquainted Through Self Advocacy).

GATSA meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 1:00 P.M.

We help self-advocates to speak up for themselves for what they believe in.

We are building a movement for self advocacy through public education, peer mentoring and support, advocacy and direct action.

We offer disability awareness workshops for students, government workers and the public in general.

Self and Family Management

Self and family-management is an option that offers more choice and decision making capability in how your services are delivered by choosing who you hire to meet your support needs.

With guidance and support, Vermonters can direct their services they receive by hiring and supervising their employees, managing their budget, and by developing their own plan for services based on their support needs.

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through our
Self Advocacy Program

“Family means no one gets left behind or forgotten” – David Ogden Stiers