



press release

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: April 21, 2016
Contact: Kelley Currier
708.222.5143
kcurrier@seguin.org

UCP SEGUIN STAFF RECOGNIZED BY THE ARC OF ILLINOIS

Devon Bernard receives Case Manager of the Year Award

(Lisle, IL) UCP Seguin employee Devon Bernard has been honored as Case Manager of the Year by The Arc of Illinois. This prestigious award was bestowed on her for “outstanding and dedicated service . . . for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities” at The Arc’s Annual Convention in Lisle.

“Devon is extremely knowledgeable about the individuals on her caseload and she advocates strongly for their needs,” wrote her supervisor Maggie Hicks in her nomination. “Devon represents the mission of The Arc of Illinois in its fullest capacity – committing herself to empowering persons with disabilities to achieve full participation in community life through informed choices.”

Devon has demonstrated this same compassion and dedication over her dozen-plus years as a valued staff member for UCP Seguin. In 2012, she was recognized with UCP Seguin’s Shooting Star Award for going above and beyond to support people with disabilities.

As UCP Seguin President and CEO John Voit states, “Devon has shown a unique ability to bring together many parties – individuals in her caseload, parents, direct support staff, professionals, advocates – to create and implement plans tailored to the wishes and needs of people with disabilities...and for this UCP Seguin cannot be more grateful.”

UCP Seguin of Greater Chicago is a proud member of The Arc of Illinois. An affiliate of The Arc of the United States, The Arc of Illinois is a powerful advocate for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. With multiple chapters throughout the state, for more than 60 years The Arc of Illinois has been on the front lines in making change happen for people with more than 100 different diagnoses including autism, Down syndrome, Fragile X syndrome, and various other intellectual and developmental disabilities.

UCP Seguin of Greater Chicago believes that all people, regardless of ability, deserve to achieve their potential, advance their independence and act as full members of the community. So we stop at nothing to provide life skills training, assistive technology, meaningful employment and a place to call home for people with disabilities, as well as specialized foster care for children.

Our goal: life without limits for people with disabilities.

#