

## Independent Facilitator Biography Form

1. **Name:** Carolyn Gammicchia

2. **Phone Number(s)**

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4. **Organizational Membership or Affiliations:**

The Arc, The Arc of Macomb, TASH, National Center on Criminal Justice-Disability Advisory Panel Member

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INDEPENDENT  
FACILITATOR

5. **Specific areas of expertise:**

Transition Planning, Community Living, Self-Determination, Person Center Planning, Career Development Facilitation, Self-Advocacy, Inclusive Education services and supports, Navigating Community Mental Health services and supports

6. **What unique attributes do you bring to your role as an independent facilitator?**

Solutions orientated, Family member experience (both child/adult), Navigating services (medical, educational, community mental health, Social Security)

7. **Why do you want to serve as an Independent Facilitator?**

As a sibling and a parent of individuals with disabilities, I have loved learning how to support them within their self-advocacy. I also am a solutions orientated person who feels it is very imperative that everyone has access to living the life of their choice.

8. **Accommodations**

a. Are you fluent in languages other than English?  YES  NO

b. Please identify other available accommodations.

c. Do you need any accommodations to facilitate your role as a Facilitator?  
 YES  NO

9. **Times of day and geographic locations for which you are available to facilitate:**

I would prefer to support individuals in Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne Counties or within an hour drive of Macomb County. I am available Monday-Friday from 10:00 am-4:00pm and can accommodate additional times, if possible.

**Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute, Wayne State University**

**Independent Facilitator Level of Competency: I (Trained)**

Level 1: Independent Facilitator has completed the Independent Facilitator training provided by the Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute, Wayne State University.