## BARRIERS TO CREATING I/DD HOUSING TECHNICAL WORKSHOP



Overwhelming concern has driven parents to create housing for their adult kids with I/DD. We face four basic problems: (1) lack of appropriate housing options, (2) regs that stifle innovation and drive up costs, (3) slow and inconsistent answers, and (4) invisibility—there's no coordinated outcry to solve this for the IDD folks.

This workshop is intended to raise awareness about both our need for housing and the barriers for successful projects. It will also elicit some solutions, for which we need leadership advice and action. We seek clarity, streamlining, and help getting to "yes" answers instead of 'no' answers.

JUNE 21ST, 2024 9AM-12PM

Coffee & Snacks provided Virtual via Zoom or Alliance Headquarters in Morrisville



**Open to Statewide Participation** 

Register Today



Sponsored by Alliance Health and its seven local Consumer and Family Advocacy Committees (CFACs). For more information, contact the event administrator: Carol Conway <u>carol.ann.conway@gmail.com</u>

## I/DD HOUSING PROFILES

Midtown Housing Coalition: This will have 20 to 24 Tiny Homes on 2 lots. One lot was purchased from a church and a second leased from the same church. Significant fundraising needed just to start. Must hire a developer who has LIHTC or NCHFA funding at a 10% fee.

HOPE NC: Working to create inclusive housing communities where people with I/DD and older adults can live on their own or with a roommate in an intergenerational, inter-ability community. The concept includes a Community Facilitator to assist with supportive resources and the social engagement of all residents to create a sense of belonging.

Peacehaven Farm: Multiple units on a large acreage in a rural area, available for folks with the Innovations Waiver. The mission focuses on social engagement and employment by leveraging the working farm and on-site related businesses.

My Forever Home: This will have 10 houses on 10 adjacent lots in a new neighborhood being built in Johnston County which will have 650 homes. We are aiming to secure an 11th house as a hub for eating together and supervision and oversight as needed as we develop "a community within a community."

G House: It has transformed a single-family home into a community of choice, with plans for more as permitted. Each unit houses 3 IDD residents, 2 caregivers, and an ADU for a small family or couple. Managed by an agency ensuring excellent wages, and rents in line with Section 8 vouchers (now called Home Choice Vouchers). The model will explore various ownership models.

Indie Tree: This will be a safe, affordable, and sustainable 55-unit apartment building. It will provide 3 meals a day, with an option to grab food anytime. It will be a cross between a college campus and assisted living.

L'Arche NC: Its housing fosters inclusive, community-centered living for individuals with I/DD. Through sharing life in homes of 4-6 people, residents live alongside assistants and volunteers. L'Arche promotes a supportive environment that values each person and fosters relationships within a family-like setting.

The Quad: A cluster of dorm-like units built like a college quad for young adults with mostly mild I/DD. The idea is to enable the continuation of friendships developed in high school. The mission emphasizes independence and ability to do what they want in the community.