

Abilities of Northwest Jersey Inc. offers individualized employment and supported services to individuals with different abilities.



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## Abilities, Allies Inc. announce affiliation

We are excited to share that we have officially affiliated with Allies, Inc., effective July 1, 2017. Our agency is now part of a family of affiliates providing exemplary supports and services in both New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Collaboration is the future of human services, and this partnership will strengthen our mission, assist in the expansion of our services, and most importantly, enhance advocacy efforts for the individuals we serve.



Allies is located in Hamilton, NJ and provides housing, healthcare, educational, vocational training and recreational opportunities for individuals with disabilities statewide. Since 2012, Allies has been an affiliate of Woods, located in Langhorne, Pa. Woods has three other affiliate agencies located in NJ and PA, creating a network of potential resources for every agency and the individuals they serve.

Abilities will continue to operate as an independent 501c3 organization and our legal name will not change, however you will see "An Affiliate of Allies" on our marketing materials in the future. Our staff, programs, contracts and services remain unchanged.

Please be sure to contact us with any questions at (908) 689-1118 or [info@abilities](mailto:info@abilities).

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## EVENTS & UPDATES

## BBQ Bash & Quoit Tournament

Join us for a delicious BBQ dinner and enjoy the 'Tyrants of Twang,' The Brian Dean Moore Band at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 19 at the Lopatcong Pool Pavilion, 9 Wildew Ave., Phillipsburg.

The End Of Summer BBQ Bash will also feature a quoit tournament. Tickets for \$40 and are inclusive of chicken, ribs, hamburgers, hot dogs, sides and salads, beer, wine, soda and water. Everyone will receive an event T-shirt! Click on the [link for more information](#).



## Community Support

New technology allows us to offer new therapies in our programs and with the support of foundations and community partners including Investors Bank, Abilities was able to purchase sensory room accessories, including this egg-shaped chair with surround sound. The George Ohi Trust Foundation's funding allowed us to purchase Smart Board technology for our Hackettstown program.

We recently learned we received funding from Bristol Myers Squibb for our new Health & Wellness program. More details coming soon.

All the wonderful news of our community partners may be found by clicking [here](#).



## A Success!

The weather was nearly perfect, the playing field full and the winning team was no stranger to Abili-Tee's Invitational Golf Outing at Panther Valley Golf & Country Club. The event raised more than \$26,000 for the sensory room expansion at the Hackettstown Center, and the build out of the new PossAbilities Thrift Boutique, Phillipsburg. Pictured is our Premiere Sponsor's team including Steve Gurba, Bulova Technologies. Shooting a 56 was the winning team of Dave Huizenga, Pete Oliveri, Bill Henderson and Doug Stauffer.

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## New Services

Assessing skills, needs, interests and strengths in the community is a new service Abilities will be providing to individuals referred by the N.J. Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services.

Community-Based Work Evaluations (CBWE) is an assessment used to determine the levels of supports needed for community integrated employment. Congratulations team Abilities for being approved to provide these services!

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## Who do you know?

Do you have a relative, friend or neighbor that works in manufacturing or owns a business that may benefit from Abilities **packaging and fulfillment services**. We would love a name or possibly a contact number for developing our business services.

If you know someone who knows someone that would benefit from packaging, assembly, shrink wrapping or a mailing service, let us know....we would love to tell them about how Abilities can save business time and money.

For more information call 689-1118 or email [info@abilitiesnw.com](mailto:info@abilitiesnw.com). Visit our website at [www.abilitiesnw.com](http://www.abilitiesnw.com) for more information.

## Become A Volunteer

Your time, expertise and talents would greatly enrich our committees, events and programs. Abilities often seeks individuals, businesses or organizations who are available to donate their time and talent as volunteers.

We have a variety of opportunities from one-time projects to on-going commitments and we couldn't do it without you. If you are interested in volunteering, email [info@abilitiesnw.com](mailto:info@abilitiesnw.com).



## We're hiring!

Are you looking to join an AMAZING TEAM of professionals who are passionate about making a difference in the lives of people with different abilities? Let Let friends and family know we are hiring.  
#BeALifeChanger  
[www.abilitiesnw.com/employment.php](http://www.abilitiesnw.com/employment.php).



We're are constantly looking for new ways to keep you updated and informed of our fundraising events, opportunities and issues we believe are important to you,our families,

friends and supporters. We hope you find our newsletter helpful. Suggestions? We'd love to hear from you. Feel free to email us at: [info@abilitiesnw.com](mailto:info@abilitiesnw.com)

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