

## SELF DIRECTION (MA & RI)

The individual and family creates the service plan based on the vision and needs of the individual. They have the authority and responsibility over the budget and can decide who to hire and how the supports and services will be provided. The services are flexible and can be changed as the individual's needs evolve, enabling the individual to live more independently by taking control of their own care and support.

## AGENCY WITH CHOICE (MA)

The individual and or family designs customized supports based on a vision and need and directs their services in partnership with a qualified provider agency. The individual and or family selects their support staff and sets works hours and terms of employment. The agency provides human resource, payroll and administrative supports. The agency and individual or family share in training and evaluating employees.

## SHARED LIVING (MA & RI)

Programs for individuals who either live in the home of a designated care provider or live in their own homes with a designated care provider. Designated care providers are responsible for providing supervision and ongoing support in areas of daily living, maintaining optimal health care, creating and enhancing relationships with chosen family members and friends, and other areas of assistance specified in individuals' ISPs. Caregivers are paid a stipend and additional paid staff hours may be provided to augment the supports necessary to sustain an individual in the placement.

## PRESENTERS

**Crystal Cerullo**, The Paul V. Sherlock Center  
Individual & Family Support Specialist  
Parent of an individual with Down Syndrome

**John & Joanne Quinn**, The Autism Project  
Parents of an individual with Autism  
Self-Direction - Individuals Supports

**Michael Andrade**, The Arc of Bristol County  
Massachusetts & Rhode Island Living Options

**Sammi Robertson**, Bailey's Team for Autism  
Parent of an individual with Autism

**Keith Duclos**, Shared Living Consultant  
**Brad Herscot**, a Neurodivergent individual living with Keith for 30 years

## THE STORY OF BAILEY'S TEAM

In September of 2001, shortly after Bailey was diagnosed with autism, our family participated in the first *New England Walk for Autism*. We invited our family and friends to join us at this special event and because of the outpouring of love and support felt by our family on this bittersweet day, we were inspired to form **BAILEY'S TEAM**.

BAILEY'S TEAM was incorporated in 2008 and has gone on to raise over **\$1,500,000** in support of autism programming, awareness, education, and research.

## **OUR VISION**

Bailey's Team for Autism (Bailey's Team) is an essential funding source for New England medical, research and human service organizations that provide programming and services to individuals on the autism spectrum from early childhood to adulthood. Bailey's Team strives to make a positive impact on the lives of individuals with autism and their families through financial support of these organizations, as well as by offering education and community programming.

## **OUR MISSION**

Bailey's Team for Autism is committed to raising funds and awareness to support people living with autism spectrum disorders and their families with a focus on programming, education, and research.

## **OUR CORE VALUES**

Transparency \* Accountability \* Integrity \* Impact

Today BAILEY'S TEAM is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization allocating 90% of the dollars we raise directly to organizations that support individuals living with autism and their families.

For more information about Bailey's Team,  
please visit our website at:

[www.baileysteam.org](http://www.baileysteam.org)

## BAILEY'S TEAM EDUCATION SERIES

### 2025 REGISTRATION

**MAY 20, 2025**

NON-TRADITIONAL LIVING OPPORTUNITIES  
FOR ADULTS WITH AUTISM

**Please RSVP by May 10, 2025**

By emailing

**[sammirbertson@comcast.net](mailto:sammirbertson@comcast.net)** or  
filling out the form and mailing it to:

### BAILEY'S TEAM FOR AUTISM

164 Westside Avenue  
North Attleboro, MA 02760

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

(If applicable)

**THIS PROGRAM IS FREE TO ATTEND.**

**ALL CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE A  
CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE**

Please include the number of attendees.

How many will attend? \_\_\_\_\_

(Please include names below.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I cannot attend, but I have enclosed a  
donation to support Bailey's Team.  
(see address above)

## **AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS**

Autism can be a complex developmental disability that impacts a person's ability to experience the world around them. The Autistic Self-Advocacy Network, (ASAN) states that common characteristics include differences in thinking, social interaction, sensory processing, movement, communication, and daily living skills.

Autism affects individuals differently. Some are highly intelligent and live independently, while others require lifelong care and supervision.

Research has shown that people with autism work less, live less independently, have less social participation, and have more unmet healthcare needs than their typical peers or even peers with other disabilities.

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We invite you to join our team...

- Register ASAP to attend our **FREE** Education Series (*See registration form attached*).
- Attend any of our upcoming fundraising events.
- Sponsor an event with a cash or in-kind donation.
- Sign up to be on our mailing list to receive our biannual newsletter.
- Make a tax-deductible donation to:

### **BAILEY'S TEAM for AUTISM**

You can become a part of our team by visiting our website:

[www.baileysteam.org](http://www.baileysteam.org)

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Sammi Robertson at (508) 735-7505 or [sammirobertson@comcast.net](mailto:sammirobertson@comcast.net).

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*Meet the Robertson Family...*



Bailey  
(Age 25)



Doug  
(Bailey's Dad)



Bailey & Sammi  
(Bailey's mom)

Bailey's Team for Autism  
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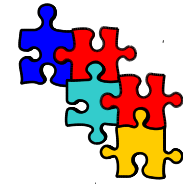


*At least 1 in 36 children will be diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder this year!*

## Please join us for our twelfth **EDUCATION SERIES**

Presented by

## **BAILEY'S TEAM for AUTISM**



**Tuesday, May 20, 2025**

## **NON-TRADITIONAL LIVING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADULTS WITH AUTISM**

*Conversations with experts and families having first-hand knowledge of non-traditional living options.*

### **DEAN COLLEGE**

Dr. Paula M. Rooney Student Center  
109 W. Central Street - Franklin, MA  
(Room: Guidrey Center)

*Light Refreshments will be served.*

Registration will begin at 6:30 pm  
Lecture will begin promptly at 7:00 pm

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