

# AUTISM SERVICES, INC.



## Media Release

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### **Autism Services, Inc. Announces Appointments and Promotions** *Local Agency Enhances its Human Resources Department*

**Williamsville, New York – (January 20, 2016)** – Autism Services, Inc. (ASI), the only agency in Western New York solely focused on supporting children and adults with autism and their families, recently announced appointments and promotions in its Human Resources Department.

Trisha (Duke) Aures was named Senior Director of Human Resources. In this role, Ms. Aures oversees ASI's Human Resources and Administrative Office Departments. She is responsible for ensuring agency compliance related to employment labor laws and regulations. As part of senior management, Ms. Aures is involved in the strategic planning process, developing initiatives that contribute to the continued growth and success of the agency, and ensures that goals and objectives of the operational plan further advance its mission. Prior to joining ASI, Ms. Aures was an employee of People, Inc.

Abigail Brackett was also newly appointed to the agency's Human Resources Department. As the HR/Employment Relations Specialist, Ms. Brackett provides administrative support and is responsible for human resources-related processing. Additionally, she promotes positive employee relations and assists with problem-solving. Ms. Brackett has worked at ASI for seven and one-half years and formerly served as a Positive Support Professional (PSP).

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An employee of Autism Services for 15 years, Sheryl Pine has been promoted to Recruitment Coordinator. As such, Ms. Pine is responsible for the oversight of the hiring process, as well as the development and implementation of recruitment strategies to ensure the agency's staffing levels are being met. She also coordinates all hiring advertisements.

Promoted to the position of Benefits and Safety Coordinator, Charmaine Gray administers employee benefits, disability and workers' compensation claims, Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA), safety and wellness initiatives. Ms. Gray has worked in the Human Resources Department at ASI for nine years.

Bethany Prentiss was promoted to Recruitment/HRIS Specialist. In this role, Ms. Prentiss is responsible for providing support in the area of recruitment, maintains the agency's Human Resource Information System (HRIS) and generates various reports. An ASI employee for two years, Ms. Prentiss utilizes technology to create efficiencies and streamline human resources processes.

With locations throughout the region, the Autism Services, Inc. offers a variety of individualized educational and quality of life programs and services. The agency's administrative offices are located in Williamsville, New York. For more information, please visit [www.autism-services-inc.org](http://www.autism-services-inc.org) or call 716.631.5777.

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