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# Seneca Nation Disability Services

**Tina Kettle, Independent Living Specialist, from OAHIIO will be at the Cattaraugus Supportive Services Building on January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm. If you are interested in any of the services below, please call Seneca Nation Disability Services to schedule an appointment. 716)532-1028, extension 5151.**



OAHIIO  
"The Good Path"



## OAHIIO Mission

The OAHIIO Advisory Council, staff, and volunteers are comprised of Native Americans, the majority of which are individuals with disabilities. We operate a *consumer focused, person centered, culturally based organization, creating opportunities for choice, independence and community participation by advocating for the elimination of physical, cultural and attitudinal barriers that restrict individual access to entitlements and support services.*

## OAHIIO Services

### Independent Living Specialist

The Native American Independent Living Specialist provides assistance and instruction to Native Americans wishing to learn or relearn daily living skills. These could consist of matters such as managing family activities, household chores, work tasks and education assignments through the use of tools, techniques and assistive technology for greater independence.

### Benefits Advisement

A program designed to assist people in obtaining/maintaining government benefits in order to manage their disability. Benefits advisement provides information & referral, advocacy, and peer counseling in obtaining SSI, SSDI, Social Services (Health Insurance, Food Stamps, Cash Assistance) benefits and maintaining them.

### Native American Student Educational Supports Specialist

Native American Student Educational Rights Advocate provides consultation and advocacy services to Native American Indian students with disabilities, and their families, throughout WNY. This program was created to assist the Native Indian student in ensuring their rights while navigating the educational system.

### Family Reimbursement Program

The New York State Office of People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), offers families of developmentally disabled consumers to utilize services through the OAHIIO Family Reimbursement Program. This program, upon approval, allows goods and/or services, not funded through other sources, to be purchased by the family, provision of a receipt is needed for reimbursements. Preference is given to Native American Indians during the first half of the calendar year.

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